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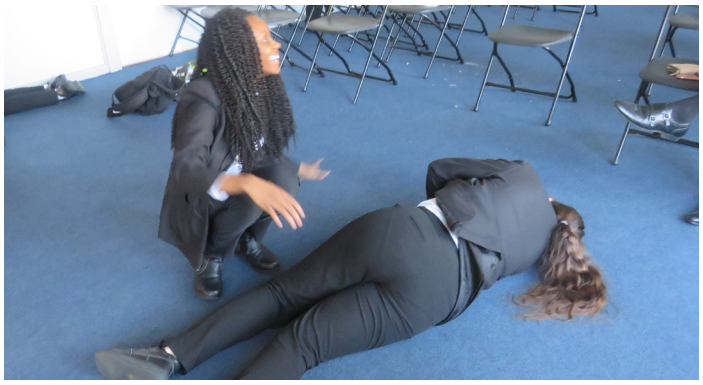
Invaluable Sessions for Year 11

The National Citizen Service (NCS) have been visiting Parkside every Thursday as part of a five week programme to deliver invaluable sessions to our Year 11 students through experiential learning. On Thursday 10th March, students engaged in a range of teambuilding activities, as well as some basic first aid. They were split into two groups, and each group was given activities that required both verbal and non-verbal communication, teamwork, perseverance and critical thinking.

Team A worked together, strategising to move beanbags around the room without touching them. Team B learnt basic first aid, putting each other in the recovery position, and used manikins to demonstrate what they would do in the event that someone had a cardiac arrest. They also learned how to administer medication using a trainer EpiPen to someone if they were having an anaphylactic shock.



The students worked diligently and sensibly and were mindful of how serious the situation can be if it were to happen in reality.

Upcoming Enrichment Week

Please be reminded that Monday 21st through to Friday 25th March is Enrichment Week. Students in Years 9, 10 and 11 will be invited to attend if they need to catch up on their coursework. Letters will be sent home to parents, guardians and carers, informing them of what the week will entail, from intervention classes to exciting activities to catch-up sessions. If you have any questions or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the College.

World Poetry Day – *Monday 21st March*

Monday 21st March will be observed as World Poetry Day; a day to celebrate the power of poetry and language, whilst recognising its great cultural contribution to society. Each year, we are encouraged to join together in order to allow our voices, words and stories to bridge gaps in our understanding through forms of cultural and linguistic expression.

Year 11 Prom – *Save The Date*

After two years of restrictions affecting the succession of our annual prom, The Rosedale Hewens Academy Trust is delighted to announce the resumption of our much-anticipated, well-deserved prom to mark the end of Key Stage 4 for our Year 11 cohort. Offering a red-carpet experience under this year's theme 'A Night on the Red Carpet' and a festivity that will commend our Year 11 stars of the night for their successes, the Year 11 Prom has been scheduled for Friday 15th July, ameliorated as a result of the previous unprecedented years whilst concluding the students' journey in Year 11. So, prepare to step out in your most glamorous gowns or elegant evening attire and walk gracefully upon the red carpet paving the way for our VIP (Very Important Person) guests as a grand entrance. You will entwine around the splendour of the evening and dance away the exuberance of the night, engendering memories that will live on forever.

Parents, guardians and carers are prompted to complete and return the reply slip accompanying the letter that was distributed with full details about the programme, no later than Monday 21st March to confirm your child's attendance. This can also be accessed via (https://www.parksidestudiocollege.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=136&type=pdf).The total cost for students to attend the Year 11 Prom is £35 per person. Tickets are now on sale and are available for purchase via your child's iPayimpact account. Please note, full payment must be received before Monday 25th April.

This is a great opportunity for our students to celebrate the culmination of their Year 11 experience.

Facebook – *Stay Connected*

Follow us on Facebook via (https://www.facebook.com/T.R.H.AcademyTrust) for the exciting content we post each week and gear up for many more memorable snapshots encapsulating the valuable opportunities offered, providing students with engaging, exhilarating and unimaginable experiences!

College Closure

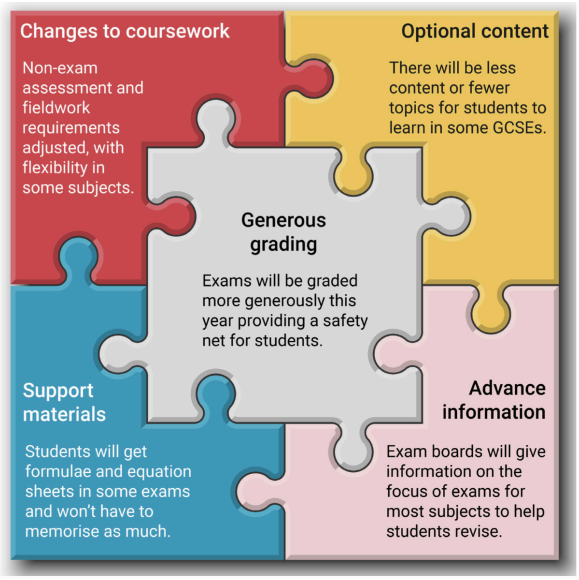
Please note that from Monday 28th March through to Friday 1st April the College will be closed for our half term holiday. College reopens at the normal time on Monday 4th April.

Public Examinations – *Summer 2022*

The summer examinations for GCSEs, AS and A Levels will resume this year for the first time since the coronavirus pandemic. Ofqual and the Department for Education (DfE) recognise the difficulties students may have faced during this time and have made necessary changes to this year's arrangements to support students.

Examination boards have published advance information for examinations in most subjects, giving an overview of the support being provided for each qualification for students taking their GCSEs, AS and A Levels this year. Please visit (https://www.gov.uk/guidance/subject-by-subject-support-for-gcse-as-and-a-level-students-in-2022) for further details.

We have updated our Public Examinations page with this information. Please visit (https://www.parksidestudiocollege.co.uk/curriculum/public-examinations) where you will also have access to a number of useful resources for students, parents, guardians and carers about revision tips, study skills and managing examination stress.



Additional help for students taking exams in summer 2022

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Water Bottles

Research has shown how being well hydrated can enhance a student's performance in the classroom and improve their general wellbeing. During periods of warm weather, it is particularly important to ensure that students stay well hydrated when taking part in physical activities in lessons such as Performing Arts and Physical Education as well as during break time activities. Whilst students have access to water during the day, we would advise that all students bring a bottle of water to college that can be refilled throughout the day.

Quote of the Week

'I think it is possible for ordinary people to choose to be extraordinary.'

Elon Musk

YEAR 11 PROM

The countdown begins... Only four months to go until the long-awaited Year 11 Prom! So, prepare for this 'rite of passage' by picking out your corsages or boutonnières to ensure a truly magical night to remember for years to come. This is an opportunity not to be missed so please confirm your attendance promptly to enjoy your last hurrah as a 'Key Stage' student.

For a video montage of our Year 11 Prom in 2019, please visit [https://youtu.be/Qz9TUWwzWXO].

College Drop off and Collection

Please can we remind parents, guardians and carers not to block the pavements outside or opposite the College as on occasions, our students and other pedestrians have had to walk on the road as a consequence, which is very dangerous. We appreciate that these are exceptional times in terms of managing access to the schools, however please can we request all parents, guardians and carers to be mindful of others when dropping and collecting children. Thank you.

Attendance

We would like to remind parents, guardians and carers that research shows there is a clear link between the attendance rate of students and their level of attainment. Please support your child to attend regularly by ensuring that any medical or other appointments are organised out of college hours. The expectation of the governing body is that all students will achieve a minimum annual attendance rate of 96%. The only circumstances in which absence from college will be authorised are when your child is too ill to attend or permission for leave of absence, due to exceptional circumstances, has been received from the Principal.

E-Safety

The internet is an amazing resource, which enables students to connect, communicate and be creative in a number of different ways on a range of devices. However, students need constant advice and protection when it comes to managing their time online. They need strict guidance to positively and safely access information on the internet, communicate via social networks, use applications and play games. At college, students' online activity is monitored very closely and strict software security programmes are installed to prevent students accessing inappropriate content. We advise parents, guardians and carers to reinforce the important message of staying safe online when they are at home. Please ensure your children understand the rules you put in place to keep them safe. Talk to them on a regular basis about what they are looking at online and ensure that you install appropriate software to support and manage your child's safe use of the internet. Keep your child safe online!

Free School Meals (FSM) Entitlement

'Free School Meals' is a statutory means-tested benefit, which provides a child with meals at school or college for free. If you believe you may be entitled to this benefit for your child, please attend the College reception and request an application form. The member of staff on reception will be able to advise any parents, guardians or carers who are unfamiliar with the process for claiming 'Free School Meals'. Please note that parents, guardians and carers must reapply each year for this benefit.

Visitor Access

While the staff and Governing Body wish to facilitate access to the College for parents, guardians, carers and other visitors, they also have a duty of care and responsibility for the safety of students. Therefore, on arrival, all visitors are requested to enter the College via the main entrance only on and report to the reception. Visitors must not enter the campus via any other entrance. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Week Commencing: *Monday 21st March*

MENU 2

MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Lamb Patty with Mediterranean Vegetables, Pitta Bread and Yoghurt Dip	**Halal**
Meal Choice 2	Beef Meatball Pasta Bake	**Halal**
Meal Choice 3	Beef Meatball Pasta Bake	**Non Halal**
Meal Choice 4	Potato and Cheese Bake	**Vegetarian**
Meal Choice 5	Meatballs with Gluten free Pasta	**Gluten/Dairy Free**
Vegetables	Cauliflower and Broccoli Florets	
Dessert Choice	*Strawberry Mousse with Fresh Strawberries*	*Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts*
TUESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Breaded Chicken Fillet with Boiled New Potatoes	**Halal**
Meal Choice 2	Lamb Koftas with Rice and a Yogurt and Cucumber Dip	**Halal**
Meal Choice 3	Lamb Koftas with Rice and a Yogurt and Cucumber Dip	**Non Halal**
Meal Choice 4	Creamy Pasta Bake	**Vegetarian**
Meal Choice 5	Lamb Patty with Rice	**Gluten/Dairy Free**
Vegetables	Peas and White Cabbage	
Dessert Choice	*Chocolate Sponge*	*Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts*
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Beef Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce with Spaghetti	**Halal**
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Carbonara with Spaghetti	**Halal**
Meal Choice 3	Chicken Carbonara with Spaghetti	**Non Halal**
Meal Choice 4	Quorn Mince Balls in a Tomato Sauce with Spaghetti	**Vegetarian**
Meal Choice 5	Baked Jacket Potato with Salad and Beans	**Gluten/Dairy Free**
Vegetables	Sweetcorn and Green Beans	
Dessert Choice	*Fruit Tarts*	*Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts*
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Onion Gravy	**Halal**
Meal Choice 2	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Onion Gravy	**Non Halal**
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable Tart	**Vegetarian**
Meal Choice 4	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy	**Gluten/Dairy Free**
Vegetables	Roast Carrots and Green Cabbage	
Dessert Choice	*Vanilla Cheesecake*	*Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts*
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	
Meal Choice 2	Beef Casserole with Rice	**Halal**
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable and Cheese Pasta Bake	**Vegetarian**
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	**Gluten/Dairy Free**
Vegetables	Peas and Sweetcorn	
Dessert Choice	*Apple Pie*	*Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts*

Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day. Homemade Soup of the Day and Baked Jacket Potato with Filling, are available daily

March to April 2022

MARCH	
Monday 21st to Friday 25th	Enrichment Week
Monday 21st	World Poetry Day
Monday 28th March to Friday 1st April	College Closure
APRIL	
Monday 4th	Term Begins
Friday 15th	Good Friday
Monday 18th	Bank Holiday