



Parent/Carer E-Bulletin

W/C Monday 28th February 2022

Welcome Back

Once again, due to unforeseen circumstances, last half term was cut short abruptly due to Storm Eunice. As we enter the latter half of the Spring term, we are excited for our students to return to what promises to be a very busy time, including one of the highlights of the school calendar, Eisteddfod Ysgol Rhosnesni - Dydd Gwyl Dewi - Mawrth 1af 2022.

Assembly Topic

The theme for this week's assembly is "St David's Day"

Personal, Social and Education (PSE) Lessons

Year 7 - How making an irresponsible choice could affect a person's dreams and goals

Year 8 - Your goals – long term

Year 9 - Media manipulation and mental health

Year 10 - A Healthy Balance

Year 11 - Staying safe in sexual relationships

Attendance

At RHS we have an ambitious attendance target of 97% and we know that all parents/carers want their child to have the best opportunities in life. Regular attendance at school plays a key role in helping students to access opportunities and succeed both academically and socially. School provides students with the necessary skills so they can achieve in their exams and learn how to make and maintain healthy relationships. However, the more school students miss, the more difficult it is to catch up. Statistics show that **90% of persistent absentees (those with attendance below 85%) fail to achieve 5 or more good GCSE grades, or equivalent.** Therefore, excellent attendance is highly important to allow our students to achieve their full potential and can be a passport into higher education and better jobs.

Here are some tips for how you can support your child's attendance:

- Ensure the following items are organised the night before school: school bag, uniform, packed lunch, PE kit and stationary items
- Establish bedtime and waking routines
- Encourage your child to be a curious learner and take time to discuss what they have learned in school
- Support your child to complete homework and meet deadlines
- Contact the school if your child is worried or reluctant to attend
- Avoid booking medical and dental appointments during school time, whenever possible
- Don't book holidays during term time
- Discuss the importance of education in terms of future career opportunities and aspirations

Attendance Report

All parents/carers will receive an attendance report detailing their child's overall percentage attendance and the number of school days missed since the start of the academic year.

To report a LFT/ PCR result please use the following methods: **Email: Attendance@rhosnesni-high.wrexham.sch.uk or telephone: 01978 340947.** Evidence of all PCR/LFT test results must be reported/presented to the school.

Funding Support for School Uniforms and Sports Kit

The Welsh Government has extended funding for school uniform and sports kit. Learners currently eligible for free school meals can apply for the grant of £125 per learner, and £200 for those learners entering Year 7, recognising the increased costs associated with starting secondary school. Applications are open until 30 June. More information on how to apply and eligibility can be found [here](#).

Face Masks

We will expect Rhosnesni students to wear appropriate face masks when inside the building. With the notable exception of those children who are medically exempt, students who arrive without a face mask will be sent home after parents have been contacted. Thank you for your ongoing support in this matter.

Eating Disorder Awareness Week, 28th February – 6th March 2022

Eating Disorder Awareness Week is an international awareness event, fighting the myths and misunderstandings that surround anorexia, bulimia, binge eating disorder and EDNOS. Please click into the link to access further information. <https://www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk/>

Year 7 Virtual Parents' Evening - Year 7 Parents' Evening will be held virtually on Thursday 3rd March 2022 from 4.00pm to 7.00pm.

Wrexham Wellbeing Roadshow- Saturday 5th March 2022

Health and Wellbeing organisations will be available to provide information and support to students. See the flyer attached for further information.

S4 Choose your Future Event, Tuesday 8 March 2022, 10am-5pm

Join us online as we team up with up to 100 employers from across Wales to showcase careers and jobs from a variety of sectors.

If your child is in Year 10 or above, we would like you to join us for our virtual Choose Your Future 2022 event, where you will get the opportunity to chat to industry experts so you can become better informed to help your child make decisions about their future careers. Choose Your Future 2022 will bring you together with a variety of employers from across Wales where you will have the opportunity to visit virtual exhibitor stands and to chat to employers in real time.

Held on a dedicated digital platform, each stand will have information and links provided by the employer and will be staffed throughout the day to allow your child to ask any questions they may have. With the chance to meet around 100 exhibitors from priority sectors, including advanced materials and manufacturing, compound semi-conductors, construction, creative and digital technology, energy and the environment, finance, food, farming, land-based, health and social care, human foundational economy, public services and tourism and hospitality, it's the ideal opportunity for you to discuss and explore your child's future. Updated information and links to join the event will be available on the Careers Wales website.

Joining the event

Teachers, pupils and parents will need to register on the landing page beforehand or on the day to access the event. [Dewiswch Eich Dyfodol 2022 / Choose Your Future 2022 \(vfairs.com\)](https://vfairs.com)

The site can be accessed via a computer, laptop or mobile device.

For more information please email marketing@careerswales.gov.wales

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Diolch yn fawr,

Team Rhosnesni.