

# Parent/Carer E-Bulletin

# W/C Monday 8th April 2024

## Welcome Back

Welcome back after the Easter holiday. We hope you have had an enjoyable break and our students are ready to begin the exciting summer term ahead. This term promises to be very busy, but one in which we will continue to demonstrate our commitment to high standards of uniform and excellent attendance.

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

Students need to be on the school site by no later than 8.40am. Latecomers will be placed on detention and parents/carers will be informed as a matter of courtesy via a text message. If you have an attendance issue and need to contact the school, please use the following methods: **Email**:

If you have an attendance issue and need to contact the school, please use the following methods: **Email:** <u>Attendance@rhosnesni-high.wrexham.sch.uk</u> or telephone: 01978 340947.

## **Uniform Standards and Conformity**

Please can you ensure that your child is wearing the full, correct Rhosnesni uniform. Skinny trousers, knee high/over the knee socks and trainer style socks are **not permitted**. Skirts must **knee length**. Synthetic nails, gels and false lashes are **not appropriate** for school, and pose a health and safety risk. The following items are **not permitted**: facial piercings, necklaces, rings, bracelets or heavy makeup or nail varnish. Please click into the link below to access the Uniform and information guide for parents/carers. This leaflet provides detailed information about what we constitute to be appropriate

https://rhosnesni-high.wrexham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Uniform-Guide-and-Information-Guide-2022-2.pdf

## **School Ties**

Ties are available from the school office they are £3.75 and can be paid for through the Parent Pay app.

## Exams

There are several exams scheduled for this week: **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April** - Year 10 Chemistry Lesson AM - 1hr 45 mins 70 students. **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April** - Year 11 English Language AM - 1 side PM - 2 side 2 hours. **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April** - Year 10 Physics Lesson PM - 1hr 45 mins 70 students.

## NEA's

**Year 11 Art Practical** - all day on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April. **Year 11 Music Practical** - all day on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April. **Year 10 PE Morning** - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April.

## **Exams Boosting Sessions**

Please find attached the most updated list of revision sessions after school.

## **Advance Notice- Welsh Orals**

Year 10 and Year 11 will be involved with Welsh Second Language GCSE Oracy examinations on the following dates:

## Year 10

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

## Year 11

Monday 22 April Tuesday 23 April Wednesday 24 April

Students will be grouped and given a morning or afternoon slot on **one** of the 3 days. Groups will be staggered over the 3 days and will only be out of lessons on their designated morning or afternoon slot. The Welsh team are trying to ensure that college students will attend college as normal on either a Tuesday afternoon (Year 10) or a Wednesday afternoon (Year 11).

## Advance Notice: 'An Inspector Calls' Performance Year 11:

On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April there will be a performance of 'An Inspector Calls' for Year 11 students in the Hall. This has been arranged by the English team.

## Mobile Phones, Smart Watches, Headphones and Electronic Devices

In the interests of Safeguarding, please could we remind you of our school rules with regards to Mobile Phones, Smart Watches, Headphones and Electronic Devices as out lined in the policy below. In the event you need to make contact with your child/children during the school day please contact the main school office on 01978 340840.

If a student brings their phone into school, we insist that the device is switched off and concealed safely in their bag whilst in the school grounds and buildings. Headphones must not be worn or be visible on the school site. Under no circumstances may mobile phones be visible, used or accessed by smart watches at break or lunchtimes. If mobile phones/headphones are seen/heard in school, staff will confiscate them from students to be collected at the end of the school day. Students who persistently fail to comply with this rule will receive further sanctions.

Thank you for your support with this

Contact: Telephone: 01978 340840 Email: Mailbox@rhosnesni-high.wrexham.sch.uk

Diolch yn fawr, Team Rhosnesni.