Parent/Carer E-Bulletin

W/C Monday 2nd November 2026 to Friday 13th November 2026

Welcome Back

Welcome back, we hope everyone had an enjoyable half term break and are now refreshed and ready for the half term ahead. This half term is always a busy one with lots going on inside and outside of school in the run up to Christmas. As always, we ask for your support with regards to uniform, attendance and punctuality as outline below. Should you have any issues that you would like to address regarding these, please contact school and ask for your child's Head of Year in the first instance. Many thanks for your continued support.

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Advanced Notices

Year 11 Parents Evening – Thursday 26th November 2026

Staff Training Day, Friday 27th November 2026

A polite reminder that school will be closed to all students on Friday 27th November 2026, in order to facilitate staff training. School reopens for all students on Monday 30th November 2026.

Remembrance

As we remember those brave and courageous men and women who gave their lives in the line of service our country, across the school in assemblies and lessons, students will be given the opportunity to purchase poppies in school and a wreath will be laid at the Wrexham War Memorial to commemorate Remembrance Day…







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Year's 10 and 11 'Your Route to Success Calendars'

Year 10 – "Your Route to Success Starts Here" Calendar

Year 10 Students have been issued with this calendar to help them to complete all the deadlines that are required of them this year as they start their GCSE Journey. (All GCSE timetables at this stage are provisional and could be subject to change)

Year 11 – "Your Route to Success For Your Final GCSE's" Calendar

Year 11 Students have been issued with this calendar to help them complete all the deadlines that are required of them this year as they complete their GCSE Journey. (All GCSE timetables at this stage are provisional and could be subject to change. Some practical examinations still require a date from the exam board)

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Year 11 GCSE Examinations

Please see the attached timetable for Year 11 GCSE examinations that are taking place in November.

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Year 11 Exam Boosting Workshops

Please see the attached list of Exam boosting workshops that are available for your son/daughter this half term. The sessions will be updated as we progress through the academic year. All of the afterschool workshop sessions are available on MCAS for you to enrol your child up to. This will in turn populate the register and once marked you will be able to see they have attended.

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Coleg Cambria November Open Events for Year 11 Students

Coleg Cambria are running a series of open evenings for Year 11 students. Please select the link to see the different dates for each campus and to book your places at the events.

Please book your place on the open events using the link below:
https://www.cambria.ac.uk/campaigns/openevents/
Coleg Cambria also offer students the option to learn in Welsh, this can be discussed at the open events too.

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Careers Wales

Careers Wales advisers can help your child to plan their career, prepare to get a job, and find and apply for the right apprenticeships, courses and training. Visit their website for further information.
https://careerswales.gov.wales/

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NHS Online Cognitive Behavioural Therapy Service to Support Young Minds

Please find the attached posters with information for Parents and Students on where to go to access Cognitive Behavioural Therapy Support. https://nhswales.silvercloudhealth.com/signup/

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Extra-Curricular Clubs

Please see the attached list of Extra-Curricular Clubs available to your child. The afterschool clubs are now available on MCAS for you to enrol your child up to. This will in turn populate the register and once marked you will be able to see they have attended.

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Congratulations from The Pastoral Team

Message from Mr Wedley Head of Year 7

How incredibly proud we are of our Year 7 students and the way they have settled into life at Rhosnesni during our first half term together.

Starting a new school can be both exciting and challenging, but our Year 7 cohort has embraced the transition with confidence, resilience and enthusiasm. They have quickly adapted to new routines and have demonstrated a fantastic attitude towards their learning.

One of the most pleasing aspects of the year so far has been the exceptional number of positive behaviour points that students have accumulated. These points reflect the hard work, kindness, effort and positive conduct that we see every day across the year group. The total number earned is a testament to the high standards our students have set for themselves and the positive culture that is developing within Year 7.

Thank you to all parents and carers for your support in helping your children settle so successfully. Working together, we have ensured that Year 7 has had a fantastic start, and we look forward to celebrating many more successes throughout the year. Well done, Year 7. Keep up the excellent work!

Message from Mr Platt Head of Year 8

Well done to all Year 8 students who have made a fantastic start to the new school year. Year 8 have achieved 5125 positive praise points for the first half term with 99 students already achieving their bronze award for 25 positive praise points.

A special mention to those students who have also now received their silver award for 50 positive praise points which include: Adrian (8S1), Hayden(8S1), Dominik (8S1), Dylan (8S1), Morgan (8S1), Jessica (8S1), Emilia (8Y1), Mohamed (8R1), Evelyn (8Y1), Aurora (8R2), Taliayna (8S1), Rebeca (8S1), Charlie (8S1), Osian (8R2). Da iawn blwyddyn 8!

Message from Miss Flackett - Head of Year 9

Year 9 returned in September raring to go and have made a really positive start to the year. Our trips to Chirk Castle have been a brilliant highlight, alongside opportunities to meet visitors and explore future pathways through our career's sessions. 'Career of the Week' has also been a great addition to form time, sparking conversations and encouraging pupils to think about their ambitions. It has been lovely to see their enthusiasm, curiosity and willingness to get involved throughout this first half term!

Message from Mrs Anderton-Schofield- Head of Year 10

Year 10 have been a credit to the school during their Global Skills Challenge drop down days. They have shown great focus and perseverance throughout. We are sure they will keep the same determination through the next two years as they work through their GCSE examinations. Da iawn, blwyddyn 10!

Message from Mrs Drummond- Head of Year 11

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate your child for the commitment, resilience, and determination they have shown towards their GCSEs and controlled assessments in this particularly demanding first term. Throughout, they have worked consistently, and demonstrated a mature approach to meeting deadlines. Their effort and perseverance have been particularly pleasing to see, and they should be very proud of what they have achieved so far. We are grateful for the support you provide at home and wanted to recognise the hard work your child has put into their studies. Please join us in celebrating their excellent effort and commitment. The Year 11 Pastoral Team.

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Peer Mentors at RHS

Our Year 10 Peer Mentors recently completed their Peer Mentor training and are excited to begin working alongside the Year 11 Student Leadership Team to support our Year 7 students. Each Peer Mentor has been allocated to a Year 7 form group and will be visiting them on a weekly basis to provide guidance, encouragement and support as they continue to settle into secondary school.

In addition, the Peer Mentors have established and are actively promoting a Wellbeing and Homework Drop-in Club. This will take place every Tuesday lunchtime in S3, providing Year 7 students with a welcoming space to seek support with their wellbeing, organisation and homework.

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Rhosnesni Eco Committee Gets to Work!

Before half term, our newly formed Eco Committee met for its first meeting of the year. The previous committee, made up solely of Year 10 pupils, has now moved on to focus on their examinations, leaving some very big (and very green!) shoes to fill.

Our new committee consists of 24 enthusiastic pupils from Years 8, 9 and 10, and it is already clear that they are eager to make a positive difference to our school and the environment. The meeting was extremely productive, with pupils showing great enthusiasm and contributing a wide range of creative and practical ideas.

Over the past few years, Rhosnesni has successfully achieved both its Bronze and Silver Eco-Schools Awards. This year, our goal is to achieve the prestigious Eco-Schools Green Flag Award, an internationally recognised accreditation that celebrates excellence in environmental education and sustainable action.

During our meeting, pupils completed the Eco-Schools Environmental Review, which encourages schools to identify strengths and areas for improvement in their environmental practices. This thought-provoking activity helped pupils consider how we can further reduce our environmental impact and improve sustainability across the school.

Using the findings from the review, the committee began developing a new Eco Action Plan for the year ahead. Pupils engaged brilliantly throughout the session and generated a number of fantastic ideas that we hope to implement next term. These include launching a new Eco Code, creating an updated Eco Information Board, and running a series of environmental awareness campaigns across the school.

Each member of the committee has been presented with a Green Ambassador Badge and has already been supporting departments across the school through our weekly waste-paper recycling collections every Friday. It is safe to say that they have wasted no time getting started.

I am incredibly proud of the commitment and enthusiasm shown by our new Eco Committee and look forward to seeing their ideas come to life throughout the year.

Watch this space for further updates from the Rhosnesni Eco Committee!

Mr McArdle, Eco Task Force Lead

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Accessing and Leaving the School Site

As an additional safeguarding procedure, the Holt Road gate to our school field will only be open between 3:00pm and 3:10pm on school days. It will remain securely locked at all other times. All students must now arrive to school through the Borras Road gate between 8:20am & 8:40am each day. Arrangements for students with cycles, or those who arrive late, remain unaltered.

Parking Near the School Gates

We would like to thank those parents/carers who are extremely careful not to drop-off or collect their children near to the school gates. Sadly, however, some of our parents have been unco-operative and rude when politely asked to park more considerately. As we have always said, people who park directly opposite - or in close proximity to - our school entrances inadvertently endanger the lives of students as they attempt to cross or make their way home. Thank you.

School Times

Please ensure your child leaves for school in the morning early enough to be able to arrive on time to start the school day**. <u>All students are expected to be on the school site at 8.40am in readiness for Lesson 1 which begins at 8.45am.</u>**

Students who are repeatedly late to school will be issued with afterschool detentions, with the length of detention determined by the number of lates accrued. We will give students a minimum of 24 hours' notice for these detentions.

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Attendance Matters

At Rhosnesni High School we strive to achieve the highest standards of attendance, working in partnership with parents, carers, students and Educational Social Welfare Services. Attendance is monitored carefully throughout Years 7 to 11. Missing school can mean that your child is less likely to achieve good grades, which can have a negative impact on their future career.

We expect that all students will:

- **Attend school regularly and be punctual.**
- **Attend school appropriately prepared for the school day.**
- **Strive to achieve and exceed their attendance target (97%)**

Naturally, there are times when students cannot be in school due to illness and circumstances. We politely request you inform school each and every day of the period of absence. If your child does not arrive in school and we have not been informed of why this is the case, you will receive a text message asking you to reply to the school to explain the absence. Please can you ensure that you respond to this and contact Mrs K Roberts via phone on 01978 340947 or using the MCAS app, otherwise we will continue to have concerns about your child's whereabouts. **If we are unable to account for your child then this creates a serious Safeguarding issue.**

If you have concerns regarding this information, please contact Mrs K Roberts (Attendance Officer) on 01978 340947, or your child's Head of Year via email, pastoral@rhosnesni-high.wrexham.sch.uk

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Uniform Standards

Thank you for ensuring that your child has the correct Rhosnesni school uniform. A polite reminder that 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/2025/07/Uniform-Guide-and-Information-Guide-2025-V5-1.pdf

This can be read in conjunction with the school uniform policy which can be found on the following link https://rhosnesni-high.wrexham.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Uniform-and-Equipment-Policy-September-2025.pdf

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Contacting School

If you wish to contact the school please use the following methods:
Telephone: 01978 340840 **Email**: Mailbox@rhosnesni-high.wrexham.sch.uk
Pastoral pastoral@rhosnesni-high.wrexham.sch.uk

Please be aware that if you are requesting contact from a member of staff, they will endeavour to contact you at the earliest opportunity, however, please allow up to 48 hours (excluding weekends) for this contact.

Diolch yn fawr,
Team Rhosnesni.

