



July 2019



Class of 2019 School Prom

Post 16 annual prom was on the 5th July this year and it was a great success.

The Post 16 students voted for the theme and colour choices and they chose fun at the fair in red, white and blue.

All who attended looked absolutely lovely. Thanks to Lisa Capes who did hair up and to Stacey who painted nails of the girls who attended the girls looked very glamorous.

The boys in attendance were mostly in suits looking very sharply dressed. Everyone who attended had pulled out all the stops and made the evening wonderful for the leavers.

The students enjoyed hot dogs and chips thanks to Tina and Justine. There was a tin can alley game in the courtyard and music and dancing thanks to Dj Nic.

It was a great farewell and celebration of the achievement of our leavers.

Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate their time at Rachel Madocks School.



Department News

Discovery Department



Skylarks class have really enjoyed the Under the Sea topic this term. They especially enjoyed taking part in the multi-sensory drama game exploring lots of different textures, listening to different pieces of music and looking at different seaside resources.



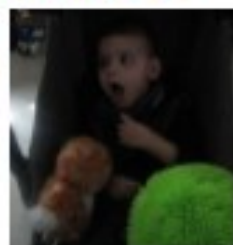
Penguins have enjoyed another busy term and have worked hard, had fun and shared some really special times. Some highlights have been discovering our shared love and enjoyment for dancing, water play in the sunshine and attending the Teddy Bears picnic. We have had a fantastic year in class - well done to all the Penguins for all their hard work and enthusiasm! You are all stars!



**Chestnut
Tree House**

{Children's
Hospice Care}

We raised £115.40 at our Teddy Bears Picnic Cake Sale for Chestnut Tree House. Thank you all for your kind donations.



Explorers Department

In explorers we have been working really hard and learning about lots of interesting things. In science we have been learning about plastic pollution and



the effects it is having on our seas and oceans. We have been looking at reduce, reuse, recycle as well as making eco bricks and jellyfish in a bottle out of recycled materials. In Topic we have been learning about Titanic, Roadrunners and Toucans



even did their assemblies on it! We tasted



food from the menus on the Titanic and experienced the activities on board. For writing we have been following the under the water theme with messages in a bottle to Captain Jack and we've been making lots of yummy sea biscuits in food tech. We have all had an awesome term!



Fairthorne Manor

This year 10 students and 6 staff went to Fairthorne Manor for 1 night and 2 days. We were extremely



lucky with the weather and had 2 sunny days. On our first day we all got very wet kayaking and then went on a relaxing speed boat ride



where each student had the chance to drive the boat. After this we had a chance to climb up high and come down fast on the zip wire. Everyone really enjoyed this thrilling

activity and even some of the staff had a go. After a lovely roast dinner we then had a camp fire in the woods, sang songs and had hot chocolate and toasted marshmallows. On Friday the students



were treated to a cooked breakfast and then we did bouncy pillow and an obstacle course. After a picnic lunch and a play in the park we made our way back to school.

Adventurers Department

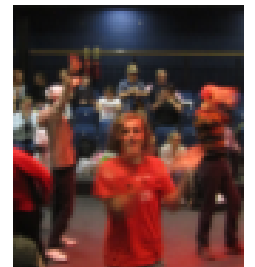
We are at the end of another amazing year! Where did that go?!

The kayakers had a great final fun session with Alan, Lucy and Toby independently enjoying time on the stand up paddle board. Nic, Mave, Billy, Lucy, and Alan enjoyed splashing the katakanu. A few of us returned back to school very wet that day after impromptu swimming in the lake!



The Post 16 groovers enjoyed a special nightclub event at Oceana Nightclub in Southampton. They 'prinked' and preened themselves before the event. Changed into funky disco clothes and danced the afternoon away with new friends from other Hampshire special schools.

Many of Post 16 also enjoyed the Hampshire Music Service annual Rock my World event. This was a great success, the students enjoyed dancing and singing with glo-sticks. They also had the chance to interact with the students from other Hampshire special schools.



The Bronze Duke of Edinburgh students all qualified in two sections of their award this year. These were 'Skill and Physical'. They completed 'Physical' with archery and 'Skill' with bird-watching at a variety of lakes, and coastal town visits. Well done also to Lucy Hopgood who now just needs her 'Residential' section to complete the Bronze award.

Our prom was a phenomenal success. Thanks to the hard work of the Post 16 team who put the theme together. All who attended had a great time. Hot dogs and chips and Niki's dancing was the favourite part of the party!



We have seven students leaving us this year for college placements in September. They all leave with a variety of qualifications including Edexcel entry level 1 to 3 in Maths, Edexcel entry level 1 in English, ASDAN Certificate in PSD, ASDAN Diploma in Personal Progress and most Asdan certificates from units of 'Towards Independence'.

Eleven of our Post 16 students enjoyed a week long residential at Calshot Activity Centre the week of 8-12 July. They had amazing weather and we have enjoyed climbing, shooting, ringos, snowboarding, cycling, sailing and a lot more fun as the week progressed

Thank you to all the parents who have supported our adventures this year and to the students for being amazing!

We are looking forward to meeting our new Post 16 cohort in our new double modular classroom: The Falconry in September.



Have a safe and fun Summer.



Niki, Wilson,
Headteacher

Message from the Headteacher

What a term this has been!

I cannot express my gratitude to staff, parents and carers enough for the welcoming introduction to life at Rachel Madocks.

A wonderful teddy bears picnic, primary disco and fishing have all been a part of that and we still have Sports Day and Theme Day to look forward to.

Fairthorne and Calshot were enjoyed by all and the many exhausted children (and staff) showed that the activities were enthusiastically undertaken.

The new Facebook page has been a massive positive addition, and in September we are still happy to support parents who require assistance with DLA, PIP and any other forms you have to fill in.

We will have many exciting new ventures in September including therapeutic sessions for parents and carers and wellbeing sessions as a starter for 2019-2020.

Wishing you all a sunny summer!

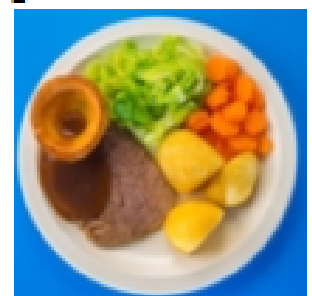


School Meal Price Increase.

The price of School meals is increasing by 10p from 1st September 2019.

The increase of is being introduced to meet the rising cost of providing school meals, we believe that this continues to represent good value for money for a two course freshly cooked school meals.

From 1st September a school meal will cost £2.40 per day, £12.00 per week.



Term Dates

HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAYS 2019 – 2020

Determined programme of school term and holiday dates for county and controlled schools for the academic year 2019/20

| SEPTEMBER 2019 | | | | | | OCTOBER 2019 | | | | | | NOVEMBER 2019 | | | | | | | |
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