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REDHILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



World Book Day

We had a wonderful World Book Day this year, with staff dressing up as Tony Stark, Mr Jones from Animal Farm, Matilda, Lady Macbeth, Alice in Wonderland and more!

Students between Years 7 and 9 had themed English lessons where they designed book tokens for the national competition. First prize gets made into a real token for stores, and the school, teacher and pupil will win over £150 each in tokens. That's a lot of books!



Worcester Netball Match Trip

On the 7th March, Staff took over 60 pupils to watch the netball match between Severn Stars and Celtic Dragons.

The girls were a delight to bring and they had a lovely time. It was great hearing them discuss players' actions and the Umpire's decisions, they were really engaged with the technical side of the game as well as the overall atmosphere.

They shared cheesy nachos and popcorn at the venue and even took a photo with the Severn Stars mascot! Thank you to the PE team for organising and accompanying the trip.



Alumni Author Launches 'Hope' Creative Writing Competition

Alumni of the Stourbridge Girls' School (that existed here before Redhill) and established Author, Jan McCarthy, kindly launched a 500 word short story competition for the members of Creative Writing Club. The theme of the competition is 'hope'. The winner will receive a generous £50 book voucher from Jan. The entries are currently in the process of being read and a winner deliberated. We are very excited to see who has won, and the winning story will be published on our school media.



Science Trip to Symphony Hall

On the 22nd March, Year 10 travelled to Symphony Hall in Birmingham for the GCSE Science Live event. Five renowned scientists delivered short lectures on their specialised departments, including telescope development, IVF research and the possible concept of time travel.

Students also listened to advice on their Science examinations, such as how to respond to keywords in questions and how to avoid losing marks.

Some of the students enjoyed a Starbucks during the lunch break and the day was wholly positive and interesting. Thank you to the staff members who chaperoned the trip.



Redhill vs Windsor Netball Match Report

'It was great to get back on the court and play our first match in a while. As a new team it was a really great game to warm into our new positions and gel with one another. Windsor was a tough opposition, but we rose to the challenge. We can't wait for more matches!' - Molly, Y11

'Another incredible performance from both teams. Unfortunately we lost both game but such great progress was made by all players. We thoroughly enjoyed using our brand new netball posts!' -

Mrs Beeston



Kinver Trip

Year 7 had a lovely time at Kinver Scout Camp on 24th and 25th March. After some very energetic singing on the coach journey, they spent the day orienteering, abseiling, rock climbing, crate stacking, fire making and much more! The day was packed with activities and energy. It was great to see the students playing outside and challenging themselves to try new things. Lots of students were very brave and pushed their boundaries, we were very impressed!

Thank you to the team at the camp for providing the students with such a wonderful experience. Thank you to the staff who accompanied the students from school too! It was a fantastic two days.



Maths Challenge Certificates

On Monday 14th, students who took part in the 2022 Maths Challenge gathered in A8 to collect their certificates and treats from the Maths Department. Well done to those who won bronze, silver and gold certificates and best-in-year! You should all be very proud.



Ukraine Fundraising Day



Redhill school decided to hold a fundraiser for Ukraine on Thursday 17th. Thank you to those who brought in £2 for the yellow and blue themed mufti day. We also accepted products and food donations during the week to send to those in need of supplies. We were proud and overwhelmed by the amount and variety of donations.



UCB Chef Course Graduation

Congratulations to the Students who graduated their UCB course this month. At the graduation, the students made a delicious afternoon tea for their parents and guests, and received their course certificates. Mrs Condlyffe is over the moon with the process and how much the students have learned and enjoyed themselves.



'For the past few Saturday mornings, I have been attending the Young Chef's Academy. I have thoroughly enjoyed the experience, cooking various dishes including scones, stir fry and chicken curry from scratch where we had to mix our own curry paste. My favourite dish, though, has to be the sticky toffee pudding with homemade custard. It has felt great getting expert tuition in a professional kitchen with Chef's whites. The course has been a useful enrichment to my GCSE Food and Nutrition and I enjoyed the independence of travelling into the city with the other students. I would recommend this course to anyone with an interest in pursuing cooking as a career.'

- Elliot R

Eva Echo Visit



Thank you Eva and Pippa for coming to speak to the LGBTQ+ club on Trans Day of Visibility. She was very insightful and inspiring and it was nice seeing the students engage and ask questions. She spoke about being proud of who you are and standing up for your rightful place in society.



Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time Theatre Trip

On Thursday 31st March, Year 11 GCSE Drama students went to the Hippodrome to watch The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time. They were amazed by the use of LED set design and lighting, with Frantic Assembly inspired physical theatre and use of ensemble. It was an insightful view into the mind of a boy with Asperger's Syndrome and was interesting to see the world through his eyes and watch his social interactions. Thank you to the staff who accompanied the students and we hope the performance will be highly beneficial for Year 11's GCSE Drama examination.





Nature by Charley C, Year 7

At the bottom of my garden,
there's a badger and a bird,
who say that there's a party soon,
at least that's what I've heard.

There's a mini toadstool table,
where the bees sit and chat
there are insects, frogs and small white mice
and a beautiful ginger cat.

The flowers are so magical
and fireflies are bright in the night,
even in this world so dark
they manage to save the light.

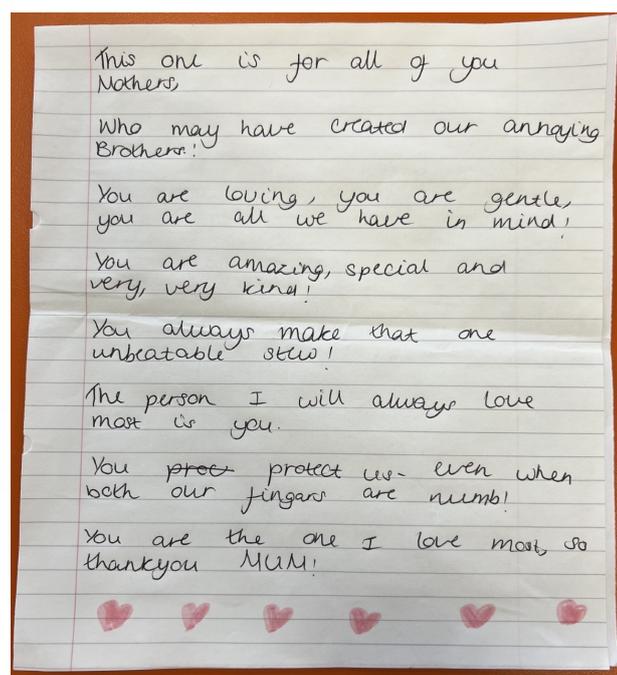
My garden is full of wonder,
it always amazes me,
and every single time I'm here
it's the place I want to be.



Launch of the Redhill Writes Blog

We are excited to say that our new blog has been launched on our website. The blog is an informal forum whereby Students, Staff, the Headteacher and Alumni give us updates on school goings-on and what they have achieved since leaving Redhill. Please **scan the QR code** on the footer of this page to access the blog, or visit our website. We are really looking forward to the progression of this blog!

Mother's Day Creative Writing Flower Baskets



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