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YEAR 11 TASTE OF SIXTH FORM


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Friday 27th October 2023

Dear Parents and Students,

Good afternoon.

Well, half term has arrived and no doubt our pupils are looking forward to a well-deserved break. Our Year 7 pupils have settled well into life at Rainhill High and our Year 11 pupils have completed their first set of LP exams, in what has been a busy half term.

After the half term break, we are looking forward to our Year 11 pupils having a Taste of Sixth Form as they prepare for their post-16 choices and welcome students and parents to our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 16th November.

In addition, our Year 13 students complete their first set of LP exams as they return on Monday 6th November 2023. We wish them the best of luck as they prepare.

I hope you all have a restful break and we look forward to you returning refreshed on Monday 6th November, which will be a Week A.

Have a lovely half term.

Mrs Thorogood, Headteacher.



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	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
06/11/23					Mark Remembrance Day (11 th Nov) Year 11 Taste of Sixth Form



NEWS THIS WEEK

YEAR 11 TASTE OF SIXTH FORM

Dear Year 11 pupil,

I am writing to inform you of the arrangements for the **Taste of Sixth Form Day** which is taking place on **Friday 10th November 2023**.

This taster day in Year 11 is where you can experience what Sixth Form lessons will be like. I would encourage you to try a range of subjects. This will build upon your experience in Year 10 where you studied sixth form subjects but had a 'bite-size' session. For some pupils, you will have the opportunity of visiting local college providers to consider their apprenticeship provision.

For those on site, you will have the full use of the facilities at lunch and break time.

You will be given access to your choices via your Year 11 Teams group on **Monday 16th October 2023** to make your choices for subjects to attend that day. We will do our best to accommodate your choices but, in some instances, classes might end up full so we will operate a **first come first served basis** so you would be advised to complete as soon as possible. The deadline for submitting your choices is **Monday 23rd October 2023**.

Your itinerary on 10th November 2023:

TIME	TASTE OF SIXTH FORM DAY
8:55am	Registration Attend your normal Year 11 form room with your tutor
9:10am – 10:10am	First Taster Session
10:10am – 11:10am	Second Taster Session
11:10am – 11:25am	Break (you may not leave site but may use the Sixth Form Bistro)
11:25am – 12:25pm	Third Taster Session
12:25pm – 1:25pm	Fourth Taster Session
1:25pm – 1:55pm	Lunch
1:55pm – 2:55pm	Fifth Taster Session

Throughout the day you will be treated as a Sixth Former and you will be expected to behave responsibly, attending all of your sessions on time. If you are not engaging properly with the sessions, you have chosen you will work elsewhere for the rest of the day. We would expect you to dress as a Sixth Former so there is no need to wear your usual uniform and you must come equipped to learn with a bag, pens and paper.

All invited Year 11 pupils are expected to attend as it is a normal school day, taking full advantage of this provision to help you make informed choices regarding your progression after Year 11. All the staff look forward to teaching you on what we are sure will be an informative and productive day.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Cunningham, Director of RH6.



RAINHILL SIXTH OPEN EVENING

ELITE PERFORMERS

Seeking Elite Performers for our PE Elite Performer Wall

Are you an accomplished athlete, or do you know someone who is? We are on the lookout for exceptional talents to be recognized for our PE Elite Performer wall feature.

For our existing Elite Performers, we kindly request that parents confirm their ongoing participation at the required level. If we do not receive a response in a timely manner, we may assume they have shifted their focus away from competitive sports, and their profile may be temporarily removed.

Additionally, if there are any students who excel in their respective sports, particularly in Year 7, we encourage you to reach out to us on Synergy. Please provide details such as the sport, the club you are a part of, the competitions you are engaged in, and the level at which you compete (local, regional, county, national). Your achievements could earn you a spot in our Elite Performers' spotlight.

Mrs Morris, Teacher of PE.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Remembrance Day is the day traditionally put aside to remember all those who have given their lives in war. On this day, people across the world pause to reflect on the sacrifices made by our brave service men and women.

The date is significant as it was when the Armistice was signed to end the fighting in World War 1. After World War 1, it was decided that due to the length and destruction of the conflict, and the huge number of casualties, that every 11th November would be remembered to reflect on the sacrifices the soldiers made. Initially it was known as Armistice Day, but after World War 2, it was renamed as Remembrance Day. As history has progressed and other conflicts have occurred, it has become a day to remember lost ones from all wars across the world.

To show our respect, we will be marking Remembrance Day with a 2-minute silence at 11am on Friday 10th November to remember those who have served and continue to serve in the armed forces. We will also be taking a couple of students to lay a wreath at the cenotaph in Rainhill Village. If any student is a member of the armed services cadets (or equivalent), they are welcome to wear their cadet uniform on Friday 10th November. Pupils are encouraged to wear poppies as a sign of remembrance.

Poppies are available to purchase from our Reception desk to support The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Any donation is appreciated. Thank you.



**ANTHONY
WALKER
FOUNDATION**

ANTHONY WALKER DAY

Rainhill's famous 'Anthony Walker Day' is coming up on **Wednesday 22nd November**. Students will hear from an amazing range of groups including LCR Pride, Anthony Walker Foundation, Daisy UK, MENCAP, Merseyside Jewish Council and Anti-Hate Merseyside throughout the day on the experiences of different communities in the UK and how students can play their role in stamping out hate. Students will be able to support the Anthony Walker Foundation by buying t-shirts and mugs throughout the week before and around school.

On Wednesday 22nd November the day will be topped off by '**Anthony Walker Evening**', from **6pm-7pm**. This will be an amazing performance of dance, drama, and the Rainhill band finishing with a keynote address from Dr Gee Walker MBE herself. Parents and students will be able to buy tickets for £2.00 (all proceeds go to the Anthony Walker Foundation) on Parent Pay, get them early before they all sell out.

More information regarding the Anthony Walker Foundation can be found [here](#).

Mr East, Head of PSHE & Citizenship



SPORTING NEWS THIS WEEK

Team placings from the Cross County race at Camphill last week are as follows:

- Y8/9 Boys 4th
- Senior Boys 2nd
- Y7 Girls 7th
- Y8/9 Girls 3rd
- Senior Girls 1st

Two more races to go but not until February and March.

Congratulations to the Year 9 netball team, winning all five of their festival games. Great start, keep it up.

Well done to the Y10 boys rugby team coming out 18-12 winners vs Hope. Great game played in great spirits. Tries scored by Jake Mullin and a hat trick from Joe Holmes see us take the win. Well played everyone.

Great opening rugby festival for our Y7 boys winning 4 of their 5 games at Cowley. Some really impressive defensive work shown and great attitude all round. We are really looking forward to the new season.

Congratulations to the Y7/8 girls rugby team at their first festival, winning two games out of five. Lots of areas to develop in training but a fantastic start.

Mr Rachi, Head of PE.

THE VOICES 2024 CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN IN CARE AND CARE LEAVERS

Are you care experienced and aged 4-25 years? Would you like to get creative, be heard and celebrate your voice and imagination?

Coram Voice are pleased to announce, that our Annual Creative Writing Competition opened on Thursday 19th October 2023.

The competition is for care experienced children and young people, and care leavers aged 4-25 years, to express creativity, celebrate imagination, be heard and tell their stories.

Entries can be anything from poetry, short stories, music, rap, spoken word and more, in line with this year's theme "what makes me different?"

The competition will be live until 17th December and the 24 shortlisted finalists will get invited to an awards ceremony in London, due to take place in February 2024.

[Click here](#) to find out more information or to enter.

Writing not your thing?

You can still take part... This year, we are also looking for artistic creations for the front cover of our "Voices 2024" official publication. You can enter, and the winner plus a guest will be invited to our awards ceremony and awarded a £50 voucher. Your piece will need to tie in with this year's theme "what makes me different"

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and speak to Miss Wordsworth.





Celebrating Half Term One

Educate Awards

RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL NOMINATED FOR
OUTSTANDING COMMITMENT
TO SPORT IN A SECONDARY
SCHOOL



We are thrilled to announce that our incredible PE department has been shortlisted for the prestigious Educate Award for Outstanding Commitment to Sport in a Secondary School.

Their dedication, hard work, and passion for promoting sports, healthy lifestyle and physical fitness for all our students is exceptional. This recognition is well-deserved, and we could not be prouder of their achievements.

Let us get behind our PE department and wish them the best of luck in the final round of the awards. Stay tuned for more updates on this exciting journey as the winner will be announced in November's Awards Ceremony at the awe-inspiring Liverpool Cathedral.



Achiever of the Month Nominations – Half Term One



Maths

Lucas Vine
Isaac Haney
Robbie Ablewhite
Shania Abasta
Maya Lovell
Gracie Ryan
Claudia Murphy
Charlotte Steen
Maisie-Jade Glynn
Joe Travis
Lucy Hill

English

Ryan Duncan
Flynn Shaw-Taylor
Darla McNally
Charlotte Parsons
Daniel Soji
Claudia Murphy
James Christian
Parvathy Menon
J Beak

Science

Tejaswi Ganjam
Rhys Hughes
Sam Kilshaw
Nico Clarke
Erin Pointon
Kamshi Siva
Ava Reynolds
Darcy Martindale
Thomas Lucas
Charlotte Steen

History

Archie Wagstaff
Annie-Thea Bolland
Charlie Haddock
Ruben Stone
Gabrielle Inwood
Bryn Bell
Daris Moothedan
Phoebe Beesley
Matilda Cooper
Thomas Lucas
Ethan Quigley

DT

Maya Lovell
Faith Sullivan
Isla Lawton
Douglas Quine
Chloe Guy
Lilly Holme

Geography

Michael Magee
Ryan Lee
Harry Clarkson
Lilly Holme
Thomas Lucas
Freya Hanssen
Emily Olberg
Leyla Edwards
Ava McCracken
Josh Gerrard
Charlotte Steen

Spanish

Ruben Stone
Phoebe Beesley
Mason McLoughlin
Emily Guy
Daniel Soji
Alfie Costello
Sam Jackson
Claudia Murphy
Jayden Davies
Filip Miska
Darla McNally

Music

Jackie Parle
Jonas Rynn
Nico Clarke
Moll Clarry
James Dayson
Nancy McKeown
Poppy Smith

Drama

Sophie Webb
Gracie Ryan
Freya Caldwell
Jessica Griffin
Filip Miska
Ruben Stone
Terrence Hu
Freya Preston
Katie Kelly
Anda-Lucia
Pantelimon
Megan Burgess

Computing

J Beak

PE

Jonas Rynn
Robyn Jackson
Emily Guy
Mason Williams
Phoebe Beesley
Charlotte Steen
Will Fairfield-Mills
Ruby A
Phoebe Parsley
Aidan Leary

Citizenship

Ethan Bowes
Peggie Chriscoli
Lydia Wyse
Sadie McPeake
Ameya Anish
Alexia Connolly-
Nicholson
Jamie Howl
Maxwell Harvey
Matilda Cooper
J Beak
Megan Burgess

RE

Findley Makin
Daniel Soji
Amelia Kenny
David Majekodunmi
Tom Wynne
Logan McLoughlin
Sam Lutas
Jessica Lewis
Robbie Sankey
Ruby A
Darla McNally

Art

Lucy Hadley
Sophie Webb
Ruben Stone
Nathaneal Akinwusi
Jessica Griffin
Erin Pointon
Millie Allcock
Chloe Guy
Anda-Lucia
Pantelimon
Ruby A
Callie Pickup



Maths

Alice Bonney
Darcy Stanway
Willow Deane
Yasmeen Ghazaly
Henry Norris
Erin Jackson
Adam Shaw
Alfie Swift
Amelia Grant
Imogen H

English

Sonny Hancock
Darcy Stanway
Summer Siadankay
Isabella Madigan
Lottie Woods
Sasha Moss
William Muldoon
Isla Brewster
Kara Flynn
Evan Plant

Science

Alice Ashton Del
Valle
Scarlett Warrilow
Daniel Jackson
Lily Picton
Dolly Inman
Hollie Ryder
Amelia Grant
Erin Jackson
Eve Jackson
Adam Jones

History

Alfie Lowry
Willow Deane
Jamie Hughes
Sophia Dougherty
Cole Dunbar
Harry Embleton
Henry Norris
Ella Byron
Erin Jackson
Alfie Harris
Joe Cavanagh

Geography

Diya Joby
Saphia Tinsley
Sawyer Ogilvie
Kathryn Irwin
Bobby Morley
Kiera Grady
Henry Norris
Alfie Croxton
Isla Brewster
Evie Thompson
Alfie Swift

Spanish

Chloe Tickle
Sebastian Bamber
Amy Chung
Blake McNally
Adam Banks
Saswin Srishankar
James Jones
Bella Jones
Shay Mills
Mason Sloane

Music

Anya Foulkes
Sascha Mercer
Tyler Suart
Amelia Grant
Joseph G
Evie Hughes
Hollie McCracken

Drama

Libbie Schofield
Erin Jackson
Jack Barrow
Darcy Stanway
Sophie McIntyre
Henry Norris
Oliver Rossetto

PE

Ethan Bass
Logan Hopper
Gracie Fryer
Libbie Schofield
Jake Wallace
Dylan Birchall
Jessica Rose
Eva Alderton
Thomas Bray
Adam Shaw
Erin Jackson

Citizenship

Daisy Downing
Willow Dean
Sascha Mercer
Summer Siadankay
Joshua Budd
Gracie Bailey
Frankie Allport
Joshua Wardale
Isla Brewster
Adam Shaw
Luis Byrne

RE

Finnlee Millar
Evie Byrne
Alfie Lowry
Ella Memete
Jamie Hosty
Jake Wallace
Dolly Inman
Poppy Hatton
Evan Walker-Farrell
Alfie Harrison
Joe Cavanagh

Art

Evan Plant
Amelia Gardner
Sascha Mercer
Oliver O'Callaghan
Robyn Payne
Gracie Bailey
Layla Kirwan
Faith Taylor
Jessica Williams
Jennifer Shrimpton
Joe Cavanagh

DT

Willow Deane
Libbie Schofield
Aaron Drinkhill
Ella Byron
Isla Brewster

French

Charlotte Chean
Michael Hoy
Anna Dolan
Hollie Ryder



Maths

Callum Grady
Charlotte Owens
Jack Shum
Ella Owens
Lily Almond
Benjamin Westhead
Lulu Grisdale
Lyra Turton
Lexi Lewis
Lucy Williams
Annie Murphy

English

Olivia Henry
Luke Seddon
Vinci Unwin
Lewis Cashman
Alex McGurty
Caleb Kelly
Lulu Grisdale
Lily Bowyer
Freya Mather
John Morris
Oliver Shaw-Massie

Science

Alexander Haury
Malwina Pojda
Daksh Sharma
Kit Williams
Ahmad Chirzad
Olivia Foster
Oliver Shaw-Massie
Finley Knowles
William Frost
Francesca Dawe

History

Fearne Kenrick
Ethan Wylie
Reece Kennedy
Layla-May Moran
Benjamin Westhead
Lucas Simpson
Oliver Shore
Jacob Lynch
Kai Williams
Eve Gannon
Daniel Smith

Geography

Rosie Reynolds
Sawyer Ogilvie
Andrea Jackson
Hope Earle
Bobby O'Donnell
Muhammad Alhajj
Thomas Wagstaff
Lulu Grisdale
Freya Kenyon
Kaydie-Leigh
Sephton
Archie Hicking
Sophie Parr

Spanish

Benjamin Westhead
Ellie Fryer
Jack Shum
Ava Lewis
Alfie Thomas
Lily Almond
Archie Hicking
Nithum
Dahanayaka
Jack Ahearne
Zak Ellis
Oliver Shaw-Massie

Music

Thomas Williams
Lucy Clemson
Olivia Foster
Eve Gannon
Eleanor Springall
Joseph Downie
K Dodd
Lulu Grisdale
Lyra Turton
Amelia Riley
Oliver Shaw-Massie

Drama

Jack Shum
Callum Grady
Sophie Parr
Nathaniel Davies
Lewis Worsley
Kai Williams
Alexander Simms
Jaeda Kelly
K Denniss
Spencer Moffatt

PE

Thomas Wagstaff
Oliver Howard
Layla-May Moran
Kit Williams
Archie Barks
Joseph Thompson
Lily Almond
Niamh Eccleston
Ellis Mason
Oliver Shaw-Massie
Olivia Foster

Citizenship

Tom Smith
Olivia Henry
Callum Grady
Amber Ureiro Tasker
Andrea Jackson
Nathaniel Davies
K Dodd
James-Paul Stott
Hope Earle
Beau Shaw-Massie
Oliver Shaw-Massie

RE

Maisie Ryan
Amelia Turner
Jaeda Kelly
Joe McCrea
Ethan Byrne
Neve McCulley
Lewis Cashman
Oliver Shaw-Massie
Pranav Joseph
Lyra Turton

Art

Andrea Jackson
Chloe Ryan
Naithan Varghese
Amelia Turner
Megha Anish
Oliver Howard
Poppy Bateman
Ahmad Chirzad
Connor Rilatt
Annie Murphy

DT

Lewis Cashman
Ella Owens
Lexi Evans
Gracie Richmond
Greene
Oliver Shaw-Massie



Year 10

Maths

Anna Biruka
Finley Hyland
Dominic Cunliffe
Sam Barnes
Scott Vernon
Finn Valentine
Harrison Cooper
Naomi Storey
Rhys Goulding
Alyssa Doyle
Nathan Lees

English

Leon Erlam
Finn Valentine
Aimee Cartwright
Ellie Peers
Daisy Beesley
Finley Hyland
Melissa McMahon
Maximus Scott
Julia Wieczorek
Joel Debrabander

Biology

Lily Peers
Samantha Icasiano
Molly Fitzpatrick
Albie Halliwell-Booth
Izzy Gater
Hannah Roberts
Lucas Henry
Nathan Lees
Dylan Le Marchand

Chemistry

Finley Hyland
Harry Cunningham
Zack Lyons
Mollie Burns
Nathan Lees

Physics

Jordan Wilkinson-Mekki
Alfie Woods
Julia Wieczorek
Alexander Donovan
Mollie Burns
Ellie Brooks
Nathan Lees
Niamh Crickson

Year 11

Maths

Oliver Darwin
Rachael Howarth
Stephy Sony
Michel Hachem
Sophie Murphy
William Irwin
Aimee Scott
Ella-May Brussels
Ethan Vine
Liam Lawlor

English

Charlotte Bracken
Emily Pickles
Hollie McDonald
Daniel Miller
Bea Maw
Amaar Nabi
Owen Henry
Ethan Bolger
Jamie McCall
Erin Nulty
Tobias Ncube

Biology

Isla Ebbrell
Liam Johnson
Charlie Bowles
Edward Schofield
Arsh Sharma
Aine Stevens
Tania Donovan
Charlotte Tickle-Dwyer

Chemistry

Isobel Ryan
Isabelle Nelson
Grace Penketh
Sophie Murphy
Erin Nulty
Brooklyn Jones

Physics

Thomas Evans
A Gerrard
Hannah Palas
Favour Omozokpia-
Ehiaguina
Isla Shaw-Massie
Oliver Unsworth
Alexander Donovan
Jacob Longworth
Lilley Southern
Mallak Donsol



Meet our Head Students

Leo, Alicia, Harry and Lilia are proud to be your Head Students. They lead the student body and are always available to listen to suggestions the students may have to improve the school for everyone. This week they have chaired the first session of our Rainhill Student Parliament and they also lead the prefect and events teams.

"We welcome suggestions from all students and we are looking forward to working with staff to ensure that student voice is at the heart of decision making at Rainhill High School" - Leo.



House Representatives

It has been a great start to the new academic year for the House system at Rainhill High School. The house system aims to promote participation in wider school life and celebrate the achievements of all students. Each student is part of one of Five Houses, whose names are all connected to the famous Rainhill Trials:

- Perseverance (Green House)- This House is named after the first steam locomotive that took part in the Rainhill Trials. The Head of House is Mr Sharman.
- Rocket (White House)- The Rocket was the most advanced steam engine of its day. It was built for the Rainhill Trials. The Head of House is Miss Burgess.
- Sans Pareil (Yellow House) was a steam locomotive built by Timothy Hackworth which took part in the 1829 Rainhill Trials. The Head of House is Mr Cowley.
- Stephenson (Purple House)- Named after Robert Stephenson, one of the most famous English civil engineers and locomotive designers of the nineteenth century. The Head of House for Stephenson is Mr McIver.
- Braithwaite (Orange House)- Named after John Braithwaite, who was co-creator of 'Novelty'- an early steam locomotive built to take part in the Rainhill Trials. The Head of House for Braithwaite is Miss Wignall.

During Half-Term 1, Heads of Houses have been a presence during Tutor Time, celebrating student achievement with postcards of praise being awarded to those students in each year group for the Highest Number of Attitude to Learning (ATL1) scores in their year group within their House. Our first faculty events took place with MFL hosting a European themed Bake-Off Sale for McMillan Cancer support and a European Landmark competition. In addition, we recruited a House Representative from each tutor group who will play an important role in the ongoing promotion and development of the House system, including at future events.

We look forward to the next half-term in which we will continue to celebrate achievement each week, as well as our Christmas Charity appeal events, more details of which will be shared with students soon.

Heads of House.



HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES

7C Ted Deary
7D Jack McDonald
8C Anna Dolan
8D Evie Hughes
9C Ava Lewis
9D Nathan Varghese
10C Julia Wieczorek
10D Ava Ellis
11C Oscar Kehoe
11D Charlotte Tickle-Dwyer

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES

7E Lucy Gibson
7F Dougie Quine
8E Frankie Allport
8F Joe Cavanagh
9E Miracle Omozokpia
9F Joe McCrea
10F Daniella Faafa
10G Jacob McArthur
11E Simona Beshiri
11F Grace Aubee
11K Joseph Wood

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES

7I Bao Chau Hoang Ha
7J Jessica Griffin
8I Jamie Hughes
8J Erin Jackson
9I Joe Phillips
9J Ethan Locker McGreavey
10H Jessica McDonald
10E Christopher Fenech
11G Phoebe Stanton
11H Caitlin Manning

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES

7A Ashton Gregory
7B Nico Clarke
7K Bobby Kiernan
8A Oliver Rossetto
8B Sascha Mercer
9A Leo Murphy
9B Ellis Duffy
9K Lilly Tyrer
10A Alexander Donovan
10B Louie Croft
11A Ava Neale
11B Isaac Richmond Greene

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES

7G Charlotte Patterson
7H Ruby A
8G Ava Moore
8H Darcey Stanway
9G Kai Williams
9H Charlotte Owens
10J Charlie Jones
10K Hannah Tasker
11I Phoebe Hancock
11J Edward Schofield



Sporting Highlights

Our Sporting Highlights for half term 1 are below – what a great start to the academic year for our PE department.



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Sep 21 ...

Congratulations the Yr8 boys who start off their football season with a fantastic win in the National Cup. Well done to all involved.

[#rainhillfootball](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Sep 22 ...

What a way to end the week...

A huge Well done to the Y10 boys who beat St Hildas in the National Cup. In a topsy, turvy game, which ended 6-6 after extra time, the boys won 5-3 on penalties. A massive team effort from all the boys in horrendous conditions! [#rainhillfootball](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 3 ...

Congratulations to our Yr10

Boys rugby team who won all three of their pool matches in tonight's festival. Looking forward to a great season ahead. [#rainhillrugby](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 3 ...

Congratulations to the Y9/10 girls football team who progress through to the third round of the ESFA Cup with a 3-1 over Laurus School, Cheadle Hulme. Goals from Jarvis and Almond x2 sealed the 3-1 win

[#rainhillfootball](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 4 ...

A convincing win for the Y8 girls in the ESFA Cup today. Goals from Hunter x2, Li Rothwell x2 and Clitheroe see us into the next round. Another away day incoming!!! [#rainhillfootball](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 11 ...

Well done to the Y8 Netball team in the Liverpool League this evening. They won 2/3 games. Some lovely passages of play and a real team effort both in attack and defense. [#rainhillnetball](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 10

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Our Yr9 boys rugby team take to the field tonight in the St Helens festival. Hopefully they can build on last weeks competitive performance against a strong Cowley side. [#rainhillrugby](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 12

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Superb, resilient display by the Y11 boys football team. Liam Johnson x2 and Nathan Wilson with the goals in a 3-3 thriller. Sam Dickson with 3 penalty saves see us through in the National Cup. [#rainhillfootball](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 12

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Well done to the Y7 netball teams who experienced their first competitive matches in the St Helens festival with both teams recording two wins! [#rainhillnetball](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 19

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Just under 30 pupils represented us in the 2nd cross country race of the season. Congratulations to all those who took part at the very difficult Camp Hill. Special mention to Liam J who won the senior boys race. Team results at the halfway point coming soon. [#rainhillxcountry](#)



RAINHILL HIGH SCHOOL @rainhillhigh · Oct 24

...

Great opening rugby festival for our Y7 boys winning 4 of their 5 games at Cowley. Some really impressive defensive work shown and great attitude all round. We're really looking forward to the new season. [#rainhillrugby](#)



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REPORTING ABSENCES/LATE TO SCHOOL/FORTHCOMING

APPOINTMENTS/UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES VIA ABSENCE TAB ON SYNERGY

Synergy is the primary source of communication from school to all parents in relation to your child.

Synergy also enables daily attendance alerts to be sent to parents and allows you to:

- report your child's absence from school
- query if your child has an unexplained absence mark
- inform the school if your child is going to be late
- let us know of any forthcoming medical appointments for your child
- reply to the Attendance Team if you have received an attendance alert

Please use Synergy to report absences in the first instance. This can be actioned by accessing the contact school option from the home screen, followed by the absence option.

ENRICHMENT TIMETABLE

Please [click here](#) to see our Enrichment Timetable.

PE EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

WINTER EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE 2023/24		
15:10 -16:00	GIRLS	BOYS
MONDAY	MEETINGS	
TUESDAY	Football: All Years Trampolining: Y7- 3-3:30 Y8-11 – 3:30-4:00	Rugby: Y7 and Y8 Trampolining: Y7- 3-3:30 Y8-11 – 3:30-4:00
WEDNESDAY	Netball: Y7 and Y8 (Boys welcome)	Football: Y7 Rugby: Y9
THURSDAY	Netball: Y9 – Y11 (Boys welcome)	Football: Y8 and Y9 Basketball: All Years
FRIDAY	Girls Rugby: All Years Badminton and Table Tennis: All Years	

Please note, all clubs are subject to **fixture/facility clashes, appropriate and safe weather, and appropriate pupil participation.** We aim to give notice to pupils as early as possible when this is the case. Pupils, please speak to staff if you are unsure.



YEAR 13 LEARNING PROGRAMME - ASSESSMENT WEEK 1

	Monday 6th November	Tuesday 7th November	Wednesday 8th November	Thursday 9th November	Friday 10th November
Period 1	Box J – Paper 1 English Literature - 3 hours ICT – 2 hours 30 minutes Physics – 1 hour 30 minutes Sociology – 1 hour 30 minutes	Box L – Paper 1 Chemistry – 2 hour 30 minutes German – 1 hour 45 minutes Theatre Studies – 2 hours Biology – 2 hours	Box M – Paper 1 History – 2 hours 30 minutes Geography – 2 hours Computer Science – 1 hour 30 minutes	Box N - Paper 2 English Language – 2 hours 30 minutes Biology – 1 hour Maths – 1 hour Box J – Paper 2 English Literature – 2 hours 30 minutes ICT – 2 hours 30 minutes	Box M – Paper 2 History - 2 hours 30 minutes Computer Science – 1 hour 30 minutes Geography – 1 hour
Period 2	Exams continuing into Period 2	Exams continuing into Period 2	Exams continuing into Period 2	Exams continuing into Period 2	Exams continuing into Period 2
BREAK					
Period 3	Lessons as normal	Lessons as normal	Lessons as normal	Lessons as normal	Lessons as normal
LUNCH					
Period 4	Box K - Paper 1 Psychology – 2 hours Law - 1 hour 30 minutes	Box N – Paper 1 English Language – 2 hours 30 minutes Biology – 2 hours Maths – 2 hours Health & Social Care – 1 hour 30 minutes French – 1 hour 45 minutes	Box L – Paper 2 Chemistry – 2 hours 30 minutes German – 2 hours 15 minutes Biology - 1 hour	Box K – Paper 2 Psychology – 2 hours Law - 1 hour 30 minutes Box N - Paper 2 French – 2 hours 15 minutes Box J – Paper 2 Physics – 1 hour 30 minutes	Box N – Paper 3 Maths – 1 hour 15 minutes
Period 5	Exams continuing into Period 5	Exams continuing into Period 5	Exams continuing into Period 5	Exams continuing into Period 5	Exams continuing into Period 5

Students MUST report to the Arts Theatre (ATH) promptly at 8:50am and 12:50pm. Lessons run as normal which means pupil attendance is compulsory



ANNUAL FLU IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME 2023

Important Information from St Helens Immunisation Team - Annual Flu Vaccination

Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child's annual flu vaccination is now due.

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

The vaccination is free and is a quick and simple spray up the nose. Even if your child had it last year, it is recommended to have the flu vaccine again this year. The immunisation team will be coming into school to deliver on Tuesday, 5th December 2023.

Please visit the below link to access further information and complete your child's consent form even if you don't want them to receive their flu spray as this will avoid further communications from our service.

<https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/>

If you are unable to complete the online form, please contact our team who will be happy to help. If after completing your child's form you attend the GP and your child receives the flu nasal spray or wish to amend their form you must contact the immunisation team directly and not your child's school.

Yours faithfully,

St Helens School Immunisation Services
01744 415 645



LETTER FROM YPDAAT



25 October 2023

Young People's Drug & Alcohol Team
Lord Street Centre
Lord Street
St. Helens
Merseyside
WA10 2SP

Dear Parent/care|

Tel: 01744 675605
ypdaat@sthelens.gov.uk

There are growing concerns across St Helens about the increasing use of a drug called ketamine by young people (may also be called "ket", "k", "Kenny").

The reason why people are worried is because it is causing real serious harms to young people's physical and mental health. These harms can happen very quickly, over a matter of weeks in some instances and we are seeing young people attend local hospitals or their GP surgery with problems such as bladder and urinary problems, including inability to pass urine or having blood in their urine, stomach pains or unable to go to the toilet. It can be very addictive, even over a short period of time, and people who use ketamine can very quickly feel the need to start using more and more and their use can become out of control.

Ketamine powder may also be being used with other drugs or with alcohol. This could cause very serious effects and could even lead to a fatality.

Ketamine is known as a "disassociate anaesthetic" – it can reduce awareness and sensitivity to pain as well as inhibiting movement. It can produce the effects of being disorientated, cause hallucinations, feelings of euphoria, limbs can feel heavy and people may be unable to speak properly. In higher doses it can cause out of body experiences (known as a "k-hole"). The effects may be different for different people depending on how much they have taken and if they have used with other drugs or alcohol.

Because of its anaesthetic properties, people who use ketamine could often injure themselves without realising as their ability to feel pain is reduced.

Ketamine is usually sold as a white/beige powder that users will sniff. This can also cause damage to their nose and nasal passages, including nose bleeds, soft tissue damage, holes.



By law, ketamine is a class B drug. If someone is found by the police to be in possession of ketamine they could be fined or up to 5 years in prison. Dealing (selling/supplying, even to friends) a class B drug could result in a prison sentence of up to 14 years.

Criminal gangs will often groom and "recruit" young people to sell drugs for them, there are strong links to child exploitation, and we are worried that the children being exploited are selling drugs like ketamine to other young people.

For more information about drugs like ketamine you can find this on the "Talk to Frank" website: <https://www.talktofrank.com/>

If parents, carers or young people themselves are worried about how ketamine (or other drugs) may be affecting them seek medical advice as soon as possible.

Contact the Young People's Drug and Alcohol Team for advice and support for young people – ypdaat@sthelens.gov.uk -or call 01744 675605

Parents can come along to our face to face awareness session at Central Link Family Hub (Peter Street, St Helens, WA10 1HP (near ASDA) on Tuesday 31st October 2023 at 1:30PM- 2:30PM.

Or join us on Microsoft Teams – Thursday 2nd November 6-7pm – click the link to join - [Parents session on Teams](#)

Contact the team to book a place! – ypdaat@sthelens.gov.uk or call 01744 675605!

If you have concerns about adult drug users (aged 19 or over) please contact CGL - 01744 410752

Kind Regards

Helen Jones

Team Manager - YPDAAT



LETTER FROM MERSEYSIDE POLICE



Letter to parents and guardians from Merseyside Police re. Halloween and Bonfire Night

We are writing to all parents and guardians to ask for your help over the upcoming Halloween and Bonfire Night period.

We want everyone to have fun and we'll be working hard to keep you safe, but we need your help:

Know where your children are

- Encourage kids to go to local events that are being organised, or try a spooky film together
- If your children are going out (particularly on the 30th and 31st of October), make sure you know where they're going. If possible, drop them off and pick them up
- Don't let your children hang around the street
- If they're going somewhere local – walk there with them
- Have an agreed time when they need to be home
- Don't buy fireworks or eggs and flour for them, and don't let them take it out of the house

Know the risks

- Throwing things at cars, buses, shops and houses can hurt people – drivers might swerve if they get distracted and cause a crash, or someone might get hurt by broken glass (and scratched paintwork can be very expensive to fix)
- Getting into trouble with the police can lead to a criminal record, which means not being able to go on holiday to countries like the USA, and not being able to do certain jobs
- Messing around with fireworks is dangerous – some burn as hot as 1,200 degrees - hot enough to melt glass and cause serious or fatal injuries

Know the law

If a young person under the age of 16 commits any of the offences below, the parent/guardian will have to pay the fine.

- A person under the age of 16 can be arrested and fined if found with an unlit firework
- A person under the age of 16 can also be arrested and fined if they throw or light a firework or make a bonfire
- A person under the age of 16 can be arrested and fined for throwing things like eggs, flour, paint or other objects at people, vehicles or property

Thank you for your help and support. By working together, we can keep your children safe this Halloween and Bonfire Night.

Merseyside Police



SINGING LESSONS



**DO YOU KNOW WE
OFFER 1-1 SINGING
LESSONS?**

**Do you love to sing and
have a passion to
perform?**

**Then come and see Miss
Mawdsley in D block on
a Tuesday to find out
more information**

**LEARN CORRECT
VOCAL
TECHNIQUES,
SING YOUR
FAVOURITE SONGS
AND HAVE FUN!**

**WE WOULD LOVE TO
HEAR FROM YOU!**





HELP AND SUPPORT

CURRICULUM QUERIES

Heads of Department

English	Ms Dickman	Philosophy & Ethics	Mr Ernest
Mathematics	Mrs Hughes	Social Sciences	Mr Bunby
	Mr Rimmer	Computer Science	Miss Johnson
Science	Mr Flynn	Art Design Technology	Mr Bennett
Biology	Dr Gordon	Languages	Miss D'Anna
Chemistry	Miss Hesketh	Food Studies	Mrs Bolland
Physics	Mr Hurst	Performing Arts	Mrs McCann
History & Politics	Mr Fairclough	PE	Mr Rachi
Geography	Mrs Parkinson	Life Skills	Mr East
		(PSHE/Citizenship)	

PASTORAL QUERIES

Stage 1	Form Tutor	
Stage 2	Year Student Manager/Progress Coach	
Stage 3	Year Progress Leader/Director RH6	
Stage 4	Deputy Headteachers	Mrs Munro/Mrs Segal/Mr McKeegan
Stage 5	Headteacher	Mrs Thorogood

Pastoral Structure

Y7 Student Manager	Mr Heron	Y7 Progress Leader	Mr Shoebridge
Y8 Student Manager	Miss Hill	Y8 Progress Leader	Mr Webster
Y9 Student Manager	Mr Moran	Y9 Progress Leader	Mrs Haselden
Y10 Student Manager	Mrs Jackson	Y10 Progress Leader	Mr Giles
Y11 Student Manager	Miss Gordon	Y11 Progress Leader	Mr Barry
RH6 Progress Coaches	Mrs Duffy/Mrs Nugent	Director RH6	Mr Cunningham

Communications Policy

Please [click here](#) to view our new communications policy.