

# Sixth Form Newsletter

**Monday 14 October - Week 1**

## **Assemblies**

**Monday – Yr 12 & Yr13 Sports Hall**

**Wednesday – Yr13 Sports Hall**

**Friday - Yr12 Sports Hall**

Dear all,

Over the past year Rosebery has been putting together all the learner and teacher qualities that we think will help all our students achieve their best. You can imagine that the list could be endless, but the school has gone for: Inquisitive, determined, courageous, disciplined and reflective. Each of these five then has it's own list of activities and behaviours that demonstrate how you can improve this 'quality'.

In staff training Ms Allen pointed to 'Courageous' as the hinge quality on which all the others can balance. Over the term I've been reflecting on what that means for my classroom. How can I be courageous, and more importantly, can I offer the opportunity for my students to be, or learn to be, courageous?

Finally what does it look like to create a Sixth form that is courageous?

How can we help you to have courage, or develop your courageous behaviour?

So many questions... Courage is, perhaps, to do what is right despite all the fears that you reflect on. It is not to have no fear, but to overcome it. Courage does not have to be "BIG". You do not have to be one of the 300 facing the Persian horde! Courage can be; getting up some days, telling someone your fears, answering a question you think you might get incorrect, putting yourself forward when you reckon you can list many that are better, reflecting on why you were wrong, being a good friend when you don't feel like it, apologising, giving something new a try, encouraging someone else to have the courage to do the right thing.

You are ALL courageous. But to make the most of your time here, and to achieve the best you can, you also need to know, and acknowledge, that you have courage. You apply to be a prefect because you want to, but others will apply and so you may not get exactly what you want. That takes courage. You make a decision that you cannot be certain is right about university courses, and the university itself. Or you decide to follow the apprenticeship route even though you're not totally sure, and many of your friends are getting university offers. That is courageous. You get out of bed and come to school when you're sad, come to lessons that are hard, spend time working on a question that may not come up in the exam, stay behind after school to tutor a student, let a teacher know when a friend needs support, listen to a Year 8 read and help when they get it wrong, encourage your friends to do what is hard and right, not what is easy.

So the questions is really how do we help you to see the courage you have?

On Monday, in assembly, we should think about this more, depending on whether or not... I have the courage.

Mr Phillips



**Rosebery School Sixth Form**

## Notices from Miss Allison & Miss Hatfield



Check out [www.twitter.com/roseberysixth](http://www.twitter.com/roseberysixth) for updates and info

### Sixth Form Open Evening

Thank you in advance for those of you helping with open evening. Please note that a lot of you have signed up to be a subject helper; I hope this means you have spoken to the subject and arranged with the HOD that you are going to be there. If not, please make yourself available to be a tour guide.

Just a reminder:

Girls on Board – please be in the coffee bar at 5.45pm

Tour guides and refreshments – please be upstairs in the sixth form area by 5.45pm

### Safe Drive – 5 November

We need parental consent ASAP! The letter was sent out electronically to parents which included a link for the [online consent form](#). Without this consent you will not be able to take part in this visit and arrangements will be made for you to remain in school.

### PDE Topics

Your tutor or Head of Year will have made you aware of the topics being covered this year. If you feel that it is inappropriate for you to attend then please come up and chat to Miss Hatfield or Miss Allison about it in advance.

### Year 12 Peer Education Project

As outlined in assembly there is the exciting opportunity for you to take part in the Peer Education Project which will run over the next two years and involves teaching younger students about mental health. I have emailed a link to the application form which has additional information and a link to a video which gives more details about how the project works. To apply please fill in the google form which involves writing a couple of paragraphs to outline why you are interested and how you think you are suited to the role. I would highly recommend anyone who is thinking about a career in teaching, working with children, or an interest in Psychology to consider applying. The deadline for applications is Monday 14 October.

### PARS

Just to make you all aware that we are pushing for staff to use PARS to let us know both awesome and less awesome behaviours in the Sixth Form. This has been extremely heartening to see in both years the achievement points. Special mention to Year 12 who have ONLY received achievement points!! At the other end we will be designating Thursday after school to meet with your head of year or Mr Phillips where behaviour is slipping below our expectations. I think you call it a detention!! If we say you have to be there and you want to resolve any issues you need to be there. Missed detentions will mean that we involve home.

## **Year 12 Prefects**

Please see the email to Year 12 or use the following link <https://forms.gle/dyqoNp8mnApdgbJU7>

## **Dress Code**

A gentle reminder about appropriate dress. Whilst we retain some autumn warmth we want you to be comfortable but a reminder that “Legs, bums and tums” is a gym class not something we should ever need to have to talk about being able to see too much of. If you are not dressed appropriately for the work place you will be sent home to change.

## **Sixth Form Drop-in Sessions for Emotional/Wellbeing**

Sixth form now have a dedicated area for drop-in sessions. Mrs Anderson and Ms Wild will be available all day, between 9.00am and 3.00pm every Thursday in SO6.

## Higher Education & Careers

### Get into Medicine Events

These free seminars will focus on key components of the application process including:

- Application top tips from Admissions tutors
- How to tackle all three different styles of interview, namely MMIs, Traditional and Oxbridge

Students will also hear from a leading European Medical School, the University of Nicosia Medical School, who will provide a short talk outlining the unique opportunity they are offering students.

Due to popular demand, the series will consist of two evening dates in London, and two in Birmingham. The dates are as follows:

#### **London - hosted at The University of Westminster**

Monday 4 November

Tuesday 26 November

#### **Birmingham - hosted at the University of Birmingham**

Wednesday 27 November

Thursday 23 January

These events historically fill up very fast so for more information and to book your place please visit:

<https://www.themedicportal.com/event/free-seminars/>

### Surrey Police Careers Event

Officers and police staff representing a wide variety of professions in policing will be at the Dorking Halls on Tuesday, 22 October 2019 from 14:00 - 17:00 holding an informal careers event for anyone interested in joining the Force, or progressing their career path in policing roles (officers and staff). They currently have opportunities across the Force, and are looking for individuals who are searching for a challenging, varied, yet intensely rewarding career.

The event is free to attend but you do need to register prior to arriving so an estimation of capacity is considered. You can apply for your free event ticket by visiting <https://bit.ly/2oSDr6C>.

### National Schools Employability Challenge (NSEC)

NSEC is a fantastic opportunity for you to:

- improve your employability
- develop skills that will prepare you for the modern workplace
- and be invited to an exclusive Employability Skills event hosted by PwC

You complete Stage 1 and Stage 2 of NSEC independently online. Stage 3 will be a potential invitation to attend an exclusive employability skills event at PwC's offices - cost of travel will be covered! To find out more about NSEC and the different stages please visit <https://www.nsechallenge.co.uk/about/>

### Pilot Careers Live

Pilot Careers Live is Europe's largest independent aerospace career exhibition. This will be taking place on Friday 1 November and Saturday 2 November 2019 from 10.00am – 4.30pm at London Heathrow Sofitel T5.

For more information and to book your place please visit <https://www.pilotcareernews.com/live/>