



Year 9 Introductory Evening September 2019

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Deputy Head (Teaching & Learning)

Key Changes

- Pastoral Structure
- iPads
- Google Classroom
- Management Information System (MIS) - iSams

Making the most of Year 9

- w/b Mon 18th Nov - in class tests
- Thurs 12th Dec - parents' evening
- Thurs 16th Jan - GCSE Options' Evening
- w/b Mon 16th Mar - in class tests
- w/b Mon 1st June - end of year exams

How to best support?

- Homework routine
- Suitable environment
- Correct equipment
- Quality checking
- Testing/Long-term support

Establishing Routines

- Agree a “homework slot” with your children - try to keep to this time every night so that clubs/practices do not affect it/no calls/texts time
- Encourage children to “offset” against a busy after school routine by working through some of lunch
- Longer pieces might need working on over a period of nights (essays, artwork, compositions, etc)
- Coincide homework time with charging devices in another room
- Manage younger siblings (chore time/quiet games)
- Celebrate success and praise value of homework
- Weekends - more flexible BUT routine still needed



Study & Homework Support

How to check if your child has done what they should?

- Check their work against the instructions on Google Classroom
- Test vocab, key facts etc.
- Ask them to teach you
- Ask them to summarise 5 key points
- Encourage them to reflect on previous tasks and marked work
- Encourage and support them in verbalising issues
- Set time limits
- Re-test at intervals

Mrs C Stacker
Head of Lower School

The Lower School Structure

Mrs Catherine Stacker
Head of Lower School (Yr 7-9)
Head of Year 9

Mr Ernest

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Mr Butcher

9R

Mr Kelly

9S

The role of the form tutor

- First point of call between school and home
- Regular opportunity to check in with the students and liaise with house parents
- Preparation for the school day
- Track progress
- Pastoral support
- Wellbeing program

What happens during Form Time?

MONDAY - Whole school assembly

TUESDAY - Year group notices and team building

WEDNESDAY - PSHE

THURSDAY - Registration

FRIDAY - Chapel

Expectations of the students

- Support the school
- Respect one another
- Take on leadership roles within the Lower School to support the younger students
- Work hard
- Take pride in appearance, achievements and efforts
- Enjoy the opportunities that Rossall offers

Expectations of the school

- Know your children
- Support your children
- Approachable
- Allow each child to reach their full potential, academically and holistically

**Miss E Hall
Head of Wellbeing**

Why is it important?

- *50 minutes dedicated time.*

A programme that seeks to develop: **resilience**, **mental agility** and **well-being**.

Personal, Social, Health and Economical education



Rossall School Wellbeing Program

<p>Year 9</p>	<p>Beginning of term admin.</p> <p>SMART goals-target setting.</p> <p>Diet (eating disorders) influence of media.</p> <p>Lifestyle balance and recognising poor mental health.</p> <p><i>(Peer pressure, assertiveness and risk).</i></p>	<p>Careers</p>	<p>Rights and responsibilities of being a British Citizen.</p> <p>Challenging prejudice and bullying.</p> <p>LGBT- tackling homophobia, transphobia and sexism.</p>	<p>Positive thinking and dealing with exam stress.</p> <p>Self esteem and managing stress.</p>	<p>Relationships and sex education including healthy relationships and consent.</p> <p>Contraception and managing peer pressure.</p> <p>The risk of sexting, sexual bullying, pornography and STI's.</p>	<p>Managing peer pressure in relation to illicit substances.</p> <p>Assessing the risks of drug and alcohol abuse and addiction.</p>
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Mr M Bradley
Director of Co-curricular and Outreach

Activities:

The purpose of the activity programme is to provide a stimulating, enriching and challenging addition to the academic life of the school.

Are activities important?

Activities:

They are split into 4 broad areas:

- 1. Activities**
- 2. Sport**
- 3. Music**
- 4. Drama**
- 5. CCF**

1. Activities

The list is not exhaustive, but it includes

Cookery
Warhammer Club
Debating Society
Model United nations

Chess
Micro-Finance Group
Environment Group
Knitting and Crochet

2. Sport

Squad/Team players are expected to attend the squad training for that sport.

Rugby

Hockey

Golf

Football

Swimming

Netball

These will run on Tuesday and Friday

3/4. Performing Arts

The programme has developed along with the opening of our new Performing Arts Centre, allowing range of opportunities across Performing Arts

**Drama Workshops
Technical Workshops
Scriptwriting**

**Chapel Choir
Jazz Band
Orchestra**

5. CCF

The CCF here at Rossall is the oldest cadet contingent in the country attached to the Duke of Lancaster's Regiment. CCF is compulsory for Year 9.

**Service
Skills
Teamwork**

**Independence
Resilience
Fun!**

**There are many opportunities to try something new;
to push yourself out of your comfort zone.**

**Talk to your teachers, get help signing up and then....
Just go for it!**

Mrs F Quartermain
Head of Learning Development