



MIDHURST MATTERS

Date	Year Group	Events/Details
Monday 29 April	9 11	UL Science test in class GCSE Oral Exams (all day)
Tuesday 30 April	10	Drama exam
Wednesday 1 May	12	Senior Mountbatten Athletics Futures Evening 6pm
Thursday 2 May	10	Drama Exam
Friday 3 May		

Austen	Kipling	Tennyson	Woolf
109,991 (7,223)	125,090 (8,007)	124,362 (8,035)	104,649 (6,899)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The exams for Years 11 and 13 start in the next few weeks. I would like to wish all the students the very best of luck in their exams. I teach Year 11 and my class have their speaking exams on Monday – the teachers also get very nervous for their students (me included) as we want them all to do as well as possible. Best of luck to all!

I would like to say a huge well done to our Year 11 students for coming in on the INSET day last week. They worked really hard on the day and were rewarded with free lunch! The Year 11 hoodies were given to students this week – it is lovely to see them wearing them, as part of their uniform, around the school. Students can wear them until the end of next week – after then they will be in exams and they must be in proper uniform for this.

Our Community Day is this Saturday from 10am - 2pm. I hope as many of you as possible are able to drop in and look around the various stalls and activities that we have on offer.

Best wishes.

Stuart Edwards
Principal

EXAM SEASON

Supporting Pupils With Exam Pressure

It is a stressful time of year for pupils, and some may need extra support to get through these challenging exam weeks. We have included some articles below that we hope will help you support students.

[Coping with exam pressure - a guide for students - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk)

[Information for 11-18 year olds – Exam stress - Mind](#)

[Academic and exam stress : Mentally Healthy Schools](#)

ASSESSMENTS COMING UP!

Week beginning : 29 April 2024.

Assessments are coming up for the following year groups.

- Year 10 : United Learning assessments begin next week for English (6 May 2024 onwards).
 - o English Literature 7 May morning.
 - o English Language 8 May afternoon.
- Year 9 : United Learning assessments begin this week for Science (29 April 2024 onwards).

	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3
9X	Monday 29 April	Tuesday 30 April	Wednesday 1 May
9Y	Tuesday 30 April	Wednesday 1 May	Thursday 2 May

Year 10 English teachers and Year 9 Science teachers have shared details of forthcoming assessments with your child, including the length of assessment, type of questions, topics that will be in the assessment and some revision activities that will be useful to help your child prepare. This has been available on Arbor since before Easter; should you have questions concerning that information, please contact your child's class teacher directly.

Additional information and revision guidance can be found on the college website (<https://www.mrc-academy.org/curriculum/revision-resources>) at any time; this page provides useful ideas and strategies to support independent and effective revision by any child at any time.

Please support your child in preparing well for these assessments with effective revision, adequate rest the night before and a good breakfast to fuel them for the day. It is also very helpful to ensure students have appropriate equipment – pens, pencils, highlighters as a minimum. We are also mindful that these assessments can create a degree of stress and anxiety – please do contact your Head of Year for support and advice should this be the case.

STUDENT RECEPTION

Call For Preloved School Uniform

As the end of the academic year approaches fast, a reminder that we gratefully receive any Year 11 uniform which still has some life in it. We are always happy to receive donations of uniform that students have outgrown from all Year groups to replenish our stocks.

Water Bottles

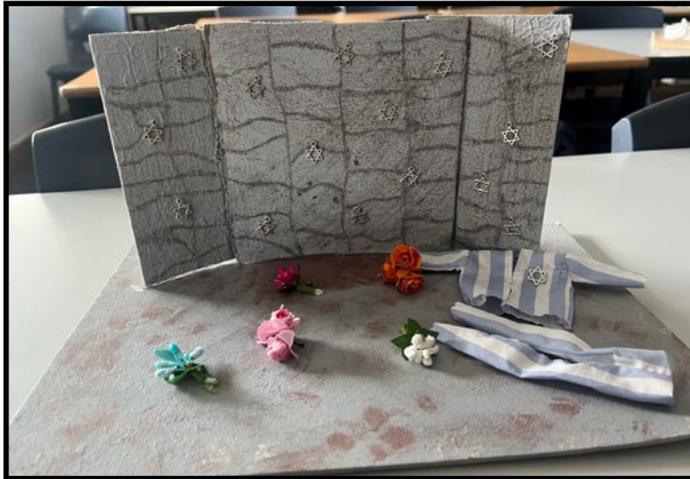
The Summer Term has arrived and with it comes the prospect of warmer weather. All students are expected to bring water bottles into school especially in the warmer months to stay hydrated.

Water fountains are located in the lower main Hub and the PE Department for ice cold water refills.

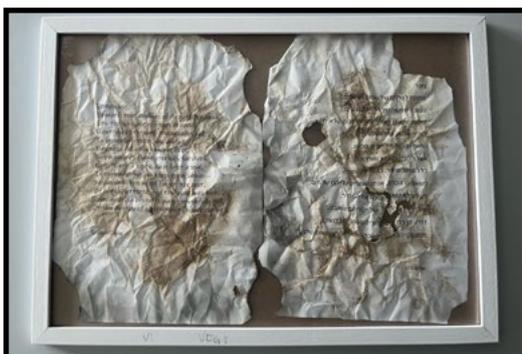
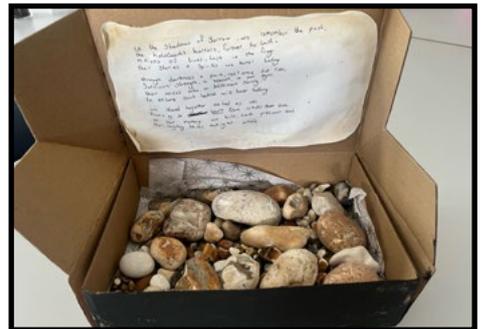


RELIGION & PHILOSOPHY

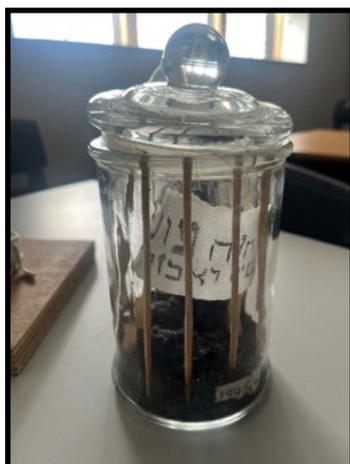
Year 9 students have been working on Holocaust memorials at the end of their study of the Holocaust. They were tasked with creating something that commemorated the lives of those lost, while being engaging and full of symbolism. After spending a lesson looking at memorials around the world, students



began to plan projects they could create at home over the Easter Holidays. These memorials had to be accompanied with a written explanation of the symbolism behind their creation, along with an explanation about why memorials of this nature are so important at ensuring we learn from this history.



Memorials ranged from small garden models, art installations, paintings, drawings, sculptures along with written tributes including poems and case studies on survivors. Students have tackled this subject with maturity and created impressive pieces of work which we are very proud of .



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ROTHER VALLEY YEAR 5 MUSICAL THEATRE

It Was The Greatest Show!

Forty wannabe West End stars from Year 5 came together at MRC for a 2-day spectacular Musical Theatre Workshop. The workshop was based on the musical drama film *The Greatest Showman* and was led by Miss Soby, Teacher of Performing Arts with her team of MRC students. The young stars explored the skills required for musical theatre, and worked towards a final theatrical performance for parents, which combined spoken dialogue, acting and dance around the songs *The Greatest Show* and *This Is Me*.



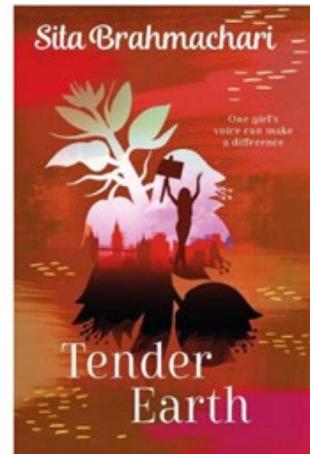
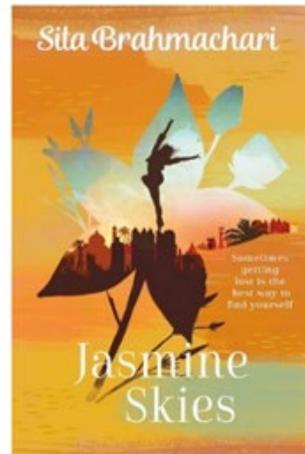
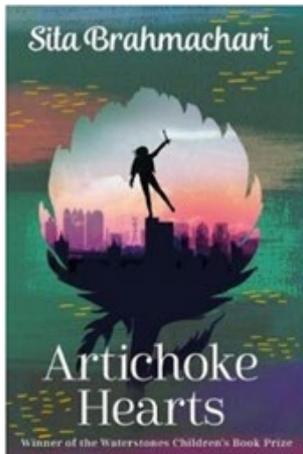
YEAR 12 FUTURE'S EVENING

We would like to invite you to our upcoming Future's Evening on Wednesday 1 May from 6pm – 7pm, where we will provide an overview of the most common options students take post MRC. The evening will be focused on University and the application process/myth busting as well as apprenticeships, including degree apprenticeships. We are approaching an important window in June where the vast majority of Universities have their Open Days, so it is a good chance for students and parents to receive general guidance about the University process and what to look out for on Open Days. Equally, from the apprenticeships point of view, the application process is similar to that of a job and is not centrally managed by the school as a result; advice will be available on this too, and the Sixth Form Team will be available to answer questions after the presentation.

AUTHOR OF THE MONTH - LRC

Sita's award-winning debut novel *Artichoke Hearts* was followed up by *Jasmine Skies* plus many more novels.

She has been the Writer-in-Residence at both the Booktrust and the Islington Centre for Refugees and Migrants, as well as being a Human Rights Ambassador for Amnesty International.



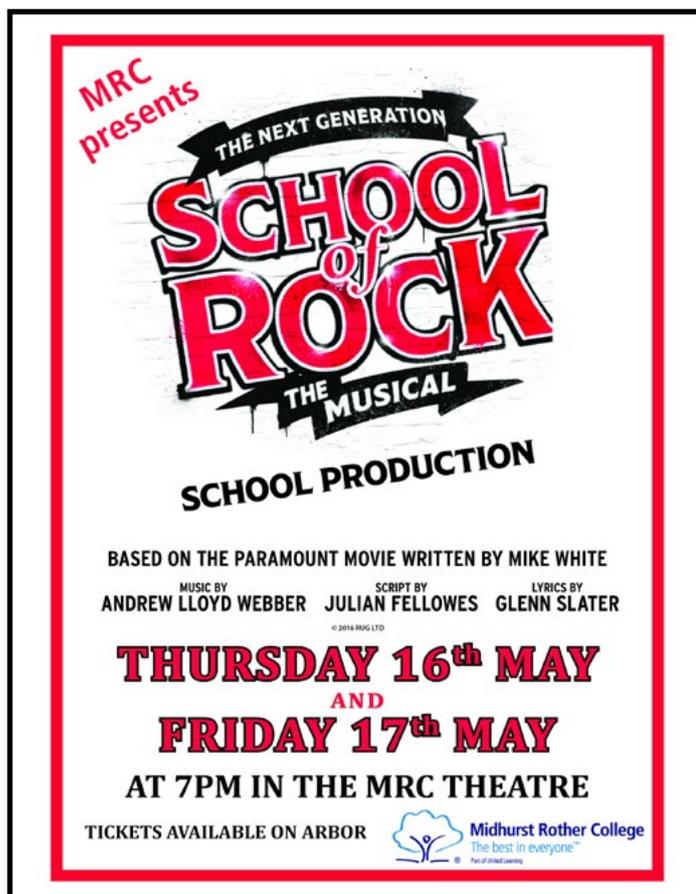
PERFORMING ARTS

MRC presents *School of Rock The Musical!*

On the 16 and 17 May, The Performing Arts team are very excited to invite you to come and rock out to our 2024 school production!

Tickets can be purchased through Arbor > Quick Actions > School Shop, buy your tickets in advance to avoid disappointment!

Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm start, we can't wait to see you there!



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Community Day

Saturday 27 April 2024



Local Artists, Creators and Makers, Community Groups
Sports and Activities, Delicious nibbles to taste

Family Fun for Everyone

Childrens Rides and Face Painting
Meet the Minibeast

Great prizes

from Sky Park Farm and
Afterburn Gym

**FREE
ENTRY**

*small change for
some activities*

Fabulous
Food and Drink Trucks



**10am
to 2pm**

Come along • Bring your friends • Have some fun

For more information email: madeline.hathaway@mrc-academy.org
or contact the College Office on: **01730 812451**

Celebrating 40 years on Wednesday 1st May 2024

3pm – 6.30pm



**If you have been involved with the nursery in any
way you are invited to join us for tea and cake**

Bring along your nursery memories including photos, passports, teddies etc.

Whiphill Stables, Lamberts Lane, Midhurst, West Sussex, GU29 9EA

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MIDHURST MILERS

COCKING 10K TRAIL RACE

Sunday 5th May 2024

LOCAL RUNS

For all those budding runners out there, some local events happening over the next few weeks with medals for finishers!

Cocking 10k Trail Race

Please click here to sign up for [Cocking10k](#).

Northchapel 5k

Please click here to sign up for [Northchapel5k](#).

RATED ON
LET'S DO THIS!
★★★★★
4.9/5.0

Enter online at www.midhurstmilers.org

NORTHCHAPEL PTA PRESENTS

NORTHCHAPEL

5K



SATURDAY

18TH MAY 2024

START 11.00 AM

NORTHCHAPEL VILLAGE GREEN

PROUDLY SPONSORED BY SOUTH COAST SPORTS

FIND US ON FACEBOOK UNDER NORTHCHAPEL 5K FOR ENTRIES AND ALL DETAILS

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DIARY DATES – SPRING TERM

These dates are accurate at the time of publishing.

Date	Event
Monday 27 May 2024	Half Term (27-31 May)
Friday 19 July 2024	End of Summer Term

House Events Calendar 2023/24			
Month	Events & Faculty	Year Group	Head of House Link
April	Maths/University Challenge	All	RHN
April	Bake Off	All	CHS
May	Gym Challenge	Yr10/11	AHK
June	Art House Competition	TBC	JOT
July	Drama	Yr7	RHN
July	Music - Battle of Bands	Yr7	CHS
July	PE House Cricket	Yr7-8 Combined Yr9-19 Combined	AHK
July	PE - Sports Day	Yr7-10	All



Performing Arts Calendar of events - Spring and Summer 2024



Spring 2024			
Saturday 24 th February	CFMDS Festival	Musical Theatre Y13 duologue	St Josephs Chichester
Thursday 29 th February	Dance House 1	MRC Dance Teams Minibus	Worthing Theatre
Saturday 2 nd March	CFMDS Festival	Orchestra Jazz Band Flute ensemble	St Josephs School 9.45am Chichester
Saturday 9 th March	CFMDS Festival	MRC Singers Choir	St Josephs School Chichester
Wednesday 13 th March	YR 11 Component 2 exam	GCSE Drama YR11	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 20 th March	Spring Concert	Orchestra Choir Jazz Strings, flutes Drama/production groups Soloists (by invite) Bands	MRC Theatre
Friday 22 nd March	Rother Valley Arts Festival	MRC Dance Teams	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 27 th March	Courtney Pine at Ronnie Scotts	Y11 & 6 th form music	Ronnie Scotts London
Wednesday 27 th March	YR 11 Choreography Showcase	GCSE Dance Yr11	MRC Theatre
Summer 2024			
Wednesday 24 th April	Dance House 2	MRC Dance Teams	Worthing Theatre
Thursday 2 nd May	YR 10 Drama Performance	GCSE Drama YR10	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 15 th -Friday 17 th May	School of Rock!	School Production Cast Band/musicians	MRC Theatre
June TBC	Drama Day	BTEC Performing Arts	MRC Theatre
Wednesday 26 th June	Pre-tour Concert	Students that are coming to Belgium Orchestra Choir BTEC Performing Arts Jazz Band Drama (Invite only)	Amphitheatre
Tuesday 2 nd July	Drama and Music House Cup	YR 7	MRC Theatre Music P1-4 Drama 5-6
Friday 8 th - Tuesday 12 th July	Tour- Belgium	Orchestra Choir BTEC Performing Arts Jazz Band Drama (Invite only)	Belgium

VACANCIES AT MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE

Please click on the following link for the latest vacancies at MRC:

<https://www.mrc-academy.org/about-us/vacancies>

HELPFUL MRC WEBSITE LINKS

Arbor Information Guides: [Arbor Information Guides \(mrc-academy.org\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org/about-us/vacancies)

Arbor Link: [Midhurst Rother College \(arbor.sc\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org/about-us/vacancies)

College Calendar: <https://www.mrc-academy.org/information/calendar>

Homework: <https://www.mrc-academy.org/curriculum/homework>

Letters: <https://www.mrc-academy.org/communication/letters>

Educational Visits: [Midhurst Rother College > Communication > Letters \(mrc-academy.org\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org/communication/letters)

Staff Emails: <https://bit.ly/StaffEmailAddress>

Term Dates: [Midhurst Rother College > Information > College Term dates \(mrc-academy.org\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org/information/calendar)

School Cloud: <https://midhurst.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Sparx Maths: <https://www.sparxmaths.uk/student>

Sparx Reader: [Sparx Reader](https://www.sparxmaths.uk/student)

Lexia POWERUP Literacy - Login and Student Program: [Device Setup - PowerUp \(lexiapowerup.com\)](https://www.lexiapowerup.com)

Past editions of Midhurst Matters Newsletter [Midhurst Matters \(mrc-academy.org\)](https://www.mrc-academy.org)



The Midhurst Rother College Summer Internship Programme

Salary : £300 per week

Are you currently in your penultimate or final year of undergraduate study? Are you interested in a teaching career? Why not spend two weeks at Midhurst Rother College experiencing what it is like to inspire and change the lives of students.

We are an 11-18 rural Academy situated in the beautiful and historic town of Midhurst. Our vision for Midhurst Rother College was created by all staff and students in December 2016. As a community, we agreed that we would promote respect, achievement and happiness to underpin the culture of our College. Our drive is to provide an excellent standard of education for the whole community which supports and develops each and every individual to be the very best they can be.

The two weeks will be between **Monday 24 June – Friday 5 July**.

During your two week placement, you will;

- Experience different roles within a school and education.
- Have a designated mentor to help you and develop your understanding of the education setting.
- Experience the classroom setting, by observing teachers within different subject areas, as well as your own subject specialism. You may even get an opportunity to co-teach with your mentor!

We would love to hear from you, no matter what your degree. We can offer an internship in a number of subjects, and it may be that your degree would be suitable for teaching a subject you that may not have considered! Most importantly, you will have a genuine interest in a teaching career, but we will look for the following in applicants;

- On track to achieve at least a 2.2 in an Honours Degree.
- Personable, approachable and a good sense of humour.
- Kind, patient and able to work as a team.
- A willingness to learn.

We expect several applicants, so please apply early.

If you have any questions, please contact Jordan Roberts (Jordan.roberts@mrc-academy.org).

To apply, please complete the following form;

<https://forms.office.com/e/YF7dVlyAbx>

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