



Week Commencing 30th November 2015



Erasmus+

Ryburn Valley High School has hosted the first trans-national meeting for our Erasmus+ project "Empower Students with Entrepreneurial Skills." Seven teachers from Portugal, Finland, Italy and Romania spent two days with us during which they enjoyed a guided tour of the school led by Year 10 students and spent a lot of time planning project activities which lead up to the first student exchange visit to Portugal in January. A morning visit to Haworth gave our visitors a flavour of West Yorkshire before they returned to their schools.

Children in Need 2015



Thank you to all the students and staff who took part in, or helped out at the Children In Need ROAR event on the 13th November. The sponsor money is still coming in, but so far the total stands at £2483.62! This is the most we have ever raised for Children in Need!

Please can any outstanding sponsor money be taken to the Finance Office ASAP.

The students who took part in the event had a fantastic time, and the House Captains did an exceptional job in difficult conditions. We're sure the mud will come out eventually....

Follow the Yellow Brick Road!



Our school production for February 2016 is 'The Wizard of Oz'. Staff and students are working hard already both on rehearsals and organising the set and equipment needed to make this a fantastic production, but funds are limited. We'd like to ask parents and friends of RVHS to sponsor a 'brick' in our Yellow Brick Road. Donations can be as little as £5, and all funds raised will be spent on things like new radio microphones which will enable those audience members who are a little hard of hearing to enjoy the production fully. Please contact Karen Allen on the 01422 832070 if you would like to sponsor a brick.

Poppy Appeal 2015



Thanks to everyone who bought a poppy for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. This year we raised a respectable £185 through the sale of poppies and related articles. Thanks to the Ryburn Sixth students who went around classes during registration.

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday 2nd December, Ryburn Sixth Open Evening 7.00pm.

Thursday 3rd December, School Christmas Concert 7.00pm-9.00pm.

Monday 14th December, School Carol Service, St Peter's Church, Sowerby, 7.15pm.

Year Group News

Year 8

Christmas Stall at Year 8 Parents Evening

Mrs. Blay and the Vocational Skills Group will be holding a Christmas Stall at Year 8 Parents Evening on the 10th December, to raise money for the Community Garden. Items for sale will include hand-made Christmas cards and small gifts including Tea Light Holders and gift tags. Please support the students' efforts and our garden by purchasing a little Christmas gift at the event.

Year 9

There's an 'App' for that!

For 'Industry Day' our Year 9 students spent some time with Lloyds Banking Group Volunteers learning about Business through designing an 'App' for a mobile phone. Some fantastic ideas were put forward by the teams of students and during their fun activity they learned about Finance, Marketing, Team Work and Planning Strategies. The Lloyds Volunteers were very impressed with the calibre of the ideas and the student's behaviour, saying our school was the best one they have worked with on this project. Well done Year 9!

Year 11

Post 16 Options

Year 11 students are in the process of considering post 16 options in PSHCE lessons and are supported in this through individual interviews with Careers Advisers.

Topics in lessons will look at post 16 options, career action plans, the range of qualifications offered at different places, writing a curriculum vitae and interview skills. Useful websites to support this process include: Calderdale & Kirklees Careers Service Partnership : <http://ckcareersonline.org.uk/>

Ryburn Sixth Open Evening is on Wednesday 2nd December at 7.00pm, see advert attached below.

Ryburn Sixth

Progression Module Award Ceremony

Ryburn Sixth are proud to announce that 50 Year 13 students travelled to Leeds Beckett University to take part in the Progression Module Award Ceremony on Friday 6th November. The Progression Module is designed to help young people on their UCAS journey towards applying for University. All the students graduated from the Award, which is worth 30 UCAS points, and can make all the difference when students are applying for courses.

Ryburn Sixth Taste Tests For New Menu Possibilities

Theo's Street Food brought free samples of their menu to the new-look Ryburn Sixth Common Room on Tuesday 17th November. The Year 12 and 13 students had the opportunity to try out various wraps, sandwiches and tasty treats and give their feedback with a view to Theo's supplying our lunchtime menu. We are looking forward to hearing what our students had to say and hopefully a new look lunchtime menu inspired by the students' taste buds.

Drive For Life - Road Safety Awareness for 16-18 Year Olds

West Yorkshire Fire Service came to Ryburn Sixth to speak to the Year 12 students about the dangers to young people on our roads. The presentation included hard-hitting films about drug and drink driving, mobile phone use whilst driving and the consequences of your actions and poor judgement when you are behind the wheel, or even a passenger. As many of our Year 12 students are currently learning to drive, it's an important message that we want our young people to think about before they get into a car, especially over the Christmas period.

Extra Curricular Activity Calendar

Lunchtime

After School

MONDAY	Netball (10/11) – Sports hall Football (7) – Astro/Wembley Film Club (All) - Lecture Theatre Comic Book Club - S24	Netball (7) – Sports hall Senior Ryburn Dance Academy (invite only) - Theatre
TUESDAY	Basketball (7/8/9) - Sports hall Football (9) – Astro/Wembley Gaming/Minecraft (7/8) - 301 STEM club (All) – 118 Debating Society (All) – 108 Brass/Wind Group (Instrumentalists) Drama Distinction Club (All) – 210 Voice Academy (All) - 224 Maths Club (All) - Maths Computer Room Flight Simulator Club	Hockey (All) – Astro Turf Ryburn Recyclers (All) - 215 Junior Ryburn Dance Academy (invite only) - Theatre
WEDNESDAY	Astronomy (GCSE) – DV Lab Film Club (All) - Lecture Theatre	Gymnastics (All) – Gymnasium Football (11) - Wembley
THURSDAY	Football (8) – Astro/Wembley Rugby (7) – Rugby Pitch School Magazine (All) – 108 Disport (Invite only) – Sports hall Chess Club (7/8/9) – 220 Netball (8/9) – Sports hall Soul Band (invite only) - 224 Media Club (All) – M1 Maths Clubs (All) - Maths Commuter Club Flight simulator Club	Girls Football (All) – Astro Turf
FRIDAY	Art Club (7/8) – 211 Amnesty International Youth Group(All) - 202 Scrabble Club (All) – 109 Horrible Histories (7/8) – 207 Football (11) – Astro Turf Top Vox (Invite only) – 224 Dodge ball/Boccia (invite only) Dance 4 All - Theatre	

Ryburn Sixth Information Evening



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Wednesday 2nd December 2015
at 7.00pm

Guarantee your future with us!

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