

Dear Parents and Carers



Open Evening

Open Evening – Tuesday 30 September

The students and staff would like to invite you to come and look around The Ruth Gorse Academy. On **Tuesday 30 September** we are having an Open Evening from **6.00 – 8.30 pm**. You are very welcome to attend. The purpose of this evening is to showcase our school to prospective parents and students for the academic year September 2015.

EID celebrations. On Friday a group of students will lead a whole year assembly to celebrate the Muslim festival of EID. If celebrations are taking place over the EID weekend then students will be allowed to take Monday 6 October as their day of celebration. Please ensure parents / carers write a note on the absence page (pg. 30) in the planner if you are intending to take this day as religious observance.



PE Uniform:

We just wanted to reinforce appropriate and safe practice for PE. It is really important that PE uniform is of the same high standard as the standard uniform and that students are safe whilst exercising.

To remind you:



- Long hair needs to be tied back with hair band.
- Sports trainers must be worn. No pumps, high tops, street type trainers such as Converse/Vans as these do not provide the appropriate ankle/foot support.
- Football studded, bladed or moulded boots must be worn for all lessons on grass.
- Please label all kit with student name.



Ron Garan from NASA will be visiting us on Monday 13 October. Students from schools across the Trust have been invited to attend to hear Mr Garan talk about his experiences in space. Students will be allowed to take pictures and ask questions after the presentation.



We are now delighted to announce that Halal Food will be available in our Restaurant from Thursday 2 October. The Halal meat served is HFA approved and a copy of the certificate can be found on our website.

Attendance

So far the attendance of the cohort has been fantastic. We are aiming for a whole school attendance figure of **97%** or higher.

It is really important that students come to school every day as this makes sure they do not miss important information that would stop them progressing if they are absent.

I would like to remind you that the taking of holidays during term time is against the law and families will be fined.

Congratulations to **Auriga**, they have the highest attendance in the academy: **98.7%**

COMPETITION:

All students who achieve **98%** or better over the month of September will be entered into a prize draw to go on an Astronaut Leadership Experience with Astronaut Ron Garan in the **Lake District**, from **9th - 12th October** free of charge.



Our English Engage Evening will take place on **Tuesday 7 October** from **6.00 pm** onwards. Please return your reply slips if you are able to make it.

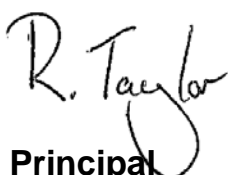
Stars of the WEEK
Polaris: Peter Hoban and Sidiqah Akhtar
Pegasus: Grace Lilly Horne-Sugden, Omar Jarju and Ben Daley
Orion: Shereen Abu Amra
Auriga: Leo Morton

Most Credits in Form:
Polaris: Faizal Ahmed
Pegasus: Wiktoria Dobrowska
Orion: Shereen Abu Amra
Auriga: Ria Desai

Excellent Behaviour: Tyrese Milner

We look forward to seeing you at various events over the course of the Autumn term. The first parents' consultation evening is on **Tuesday 14th October 5.00 – 7.30 pm**. If you have any questions, queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely


Principal