

A Specialist College in Performing Arts
March 2010

Dear Parent



Ratton School Presents:

The Opening Minds Band Project in the Gala Concert
Congress Theatre, Sunday 14th March, 7.30pm

As you know, your child has been learning a musical instrument as part of their opening minds lessons in school. This has been delivered by members of the East Sussex Music completely free of charge to you.

I am very pleased to inform you that all students involved in this band project have been invited to perform in the Gala Concert. This is an exciting opportunity for the students. They will be performing 2 pieces with help from staff and older students.

As part of the project and to make this performance as spectacular as possible, all students are expected to attend. Please tell your child not to worry if they are nervous or are not sure of the notes. We will be standing in rows, so if they are really nervous we can arrange for them to stand at the back so that any wrong notes won't be noticed. We will only be on stage for 5 minutes but it will be a fantastic experience for them! If your child has a prior engagement, which prevents them from attending, please write a short note to be handed to the music staff during their band project this Friday.

LUNCHTIME MEETING

All the opening minds band project students must attend a lunchtime meeting on Thursday 11th March in the drama studio when further important information will be given out.

REHEARSAL

All participating students are expected to attend a rehearsal at the Congress Theatre at 5.15 and must arrive with their instrument (if they take it home) by 4.45 to set up. Students should wear black trousers and a plain coloured shirt or T shirt. If this is a problem a white shirt may be worn. Please ensure that tops are appropriate for a formal concert. Please arrive at the theatre at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. The concert should be finished by 9.45.

Parents, relatives and friends are all invited to attend. Tickets are available on the door or in advance at the theatre box office.

Yours sincerely,

MISS N. SMITH
AHT / Curriculum Leader for Music

Please give this to your child so they can practise and memorise the notes. Thank you. Students. Don't forget correct hands and tonguing!



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HIPPO BLUES

D----- CD
D----- CD
D E F
D----- CD
E D F
D----- CD back to start

THE GUV’NOR

DDDD C D C----- D
DDDD C D C----- D
GGGG F G F----- G
DDDD C D C----- D
staff play one line solo
D D CD DDCD back to start

Ending staff play one line solo
D D CD DDCD

KEY FOR TROMBONES: C=1 D=6 E=4 F=3 G=1

Our ref: GED/CCL

8 March 2010

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of our revision programme for Mathematics, we feel your child would benefit from focussed homework from the Mymaths website. Our policy is to set a bank booster pack homework each Tuesday with a week to complete it.

Support is available via Mathswatch CD video clips with information on appropriate clips through the VLE, and with teacher input on a Tuesday after school in room 104.

It is envisaged that these sessions will run each week up to the point when Year 11 depart for study leave. I would like to thank you for your continued support in ensuring your son/daughter completes the work to the deadlines. You will be notified if any homework is not completed because if this is the case your child will remain after school on a Wednesday to complete it.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me, my email address is g.edwards@ratton.e-sussex.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely



MR G. EDWARDS
Mathematics Department

A Specialist College in Performing Arts

Our ref: IAn/AMu

March 2010



Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Subject Evening - Thursday 25 March 2010

We would like to invite you to attend your son/daughter's Year 8 Subject Evening. This is an opportunity to discuss his/her progress with individual subject teachers.

There will be an appointment system in operation during the evening from 4.15 pm - 7.15 pm. On page 14 of the Student Diary, there is an appointment form. Please indicate on this page the times that you would like to attend and the names of the teachers with whom you would like an appointment. It will then be the responsibility of your son/daughter to make the appointments on your behalf.

We hope you will be able to attend on this evening but if you are unable to do so, please write a note in the homework diary so that the tutor is aware. You may also wish to contact individual staff to make appointments at a more convenient time.

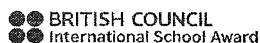
If you have any questions about this evening or any other issues please contact your son/daughter's tutor in the first instance.

We look forward to seeing you on 25 March.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'I. Anderson', written in a cursive style.

Mr. I. Anderson
Acting Senior Assistant Headteacher



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12th March 2010



Dear Parents

PARENT VOICE

As part of our ongoing commitment to involving parents more in the life of our school, we are writing to remind you that we will be holding our next Parent Voice meeting on Thursday 18th March from 7-8pm in the school hall.

Some people may have thought that the open time would be led by Mr Adams from Performing Arts; however, he is now unable to be with us in this evening. This will now be an open meeting led by Mrs Fitzpatrick, Acting Deputy Headteacher, who will be using the opportunity to share further information with you regarding curriculum development at Key Stage 3 at Ratton. If you have an issue of a specific nature, then this meeting is not an appropriate forum but, as always, we welcome direct contact.

If you are unable to attend the meeting but have an issue or suggestion you would like to be raised please feel free to use the attached reply slip. We shall be grateful if you will kindly phone to confirm your attendance on 01323 514314 to give us an indication of numbers attending.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Anne Wardle
Acting Headteacher

Mrs Joan Williams
Chair of Governors

PARENT VOICE MEETING
Thursday 18th March 2010

Child's name _____ Tutor Group _____

I will not be attending the meeting detailed above but would like the following issue/s raised -



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