

National Storytelling Week

Last week marked National Storytelling Week. Students at De Salis delved into a mini workshop, focusing on storytelling and the construction of narratives. They were challenged to write a 50-word story featured around the dystopian genre. Stories were placed around the College for others to read, and join in with the activities from this year's National Storytelling Week!



Random Acts of Kindness Day

Too often we underestimate the power of a smile and a kind word which have the potential to turn a life around. Thursday 17th February will be celebrated as Random Acts of Kindness Day. It is a day to encourage acts of kindness and to make it a part of our everyday lives as there is no limit on the amount of goodness we can put into the world.

Care Day

Care Day is the world's largest celebration of the rights, successes and achievements of children and young people with care experience. It will take place this year on Friday 18th February and will be observed under the theme 'It takes a village to raise a child'. It is celebrated in the hope of creating a world where children and young people who have overcome adversities are proud of themselves, their achievements and look forward to a future of opportunity, equality and equity.

Free Self-Defence Class


Love Uxbridge/Uxbridge BID (Business Improvement District) funded police officer PC Rice has joined forces with Simply Gym to offer local men and women, aged 16 and above, a free self-defence class designed to raise general awareness surrounding personal safety and protection. All classes will be held at Simply Gym in Uxbridge, and will be run by the manager who is trained in self-defence, control and restraint. Local police officers will be in attendance after the session to provide crime prevention advice and support. The classes will run on Friday 18th and Saturday 26th February from 10:30am to 12:00pm and attendees are required to book their place in advance by calling 01895 236518, or emailing the team at richard.ross@simplygym.net.

Launch of New Website

As you may know, we have launched a new website to improve accessibility to our content with education-specific functionality. The website features a consistent and intuitive design to make navigation simple. Some key features include: **Responsive Design** to ensure desktop/mobile compatibility, making it easy to use on all browsers and portable devices, **User Friendly Buttons** to enable you to navigate the site seamlessly, **Red Banners** to alert you to crucial information which require urgent attention, **Powerful Communication Software** to improve communication, and much more. Please visit (<https://www.desalisstudiocollege.co.uk>) for full access to our new website.

Year 8 Options Day Evening

The Rosedale Hewens Academy Trust is excited to announce its Year 8 Options Evening, held to support students in choosing their Key Stage 4 options. The event will take place on Tuesday 22nd February at 5:30pm and there will be a dedicated Year 8 Options page on the Hewens and Rosedale College websites following the event. De Salis Studio College looks forward to welcoming all students to showcase its amazing facilities, unique way of learning and continued commitment in creating a learning environment where every student can make good progress and achieve their full potential.

	Week Commencing: <i>Monday 14th February</i>	
SPECIAL MENU		
MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Goujons with Potato Wedges, Beans and Vegetables	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Goujons with Potato Wedges, Beans and Vegetables	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Cheese and Onion Quiche with Potato Wedges, Beans and Vegetables	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
TUESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Macaroni Cheese and Vegetables	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 2	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Sausages with Sliced Potatoes and Beans	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Pork Sausages with Sliced Potatoes and Beans	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Sausages with Sliced Potatoes and Beans	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers with Oven Cooked Chips and Beans	
Meal Choice 2	Quorn Nuggets with Oven Cooked Chips and Beans	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
<i>The daily dessert choices will be as follows: Fresh Fruit, Yagurt, Jelly or Ice Cream pots</i>		

Apprenticeship Opportunities


There are several opportunities that are now available to our students in terms of apprenticeships. Please visit (<https://www.desalisstudiocollege.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=173&type=pdf>) to read a letter from Alex Burghart, Minister for Skills, for more information.

New Facebook Account

We have now set up a new Facebook account where we will be posting important updates, academic achievements and notable events for all to view. Please follow **The Rosedale Hewens Academy Trust** via (<https://www.facebook.com/T.R.H.AcademyTrust>) to stay connected, gain new insights and to avoid missing out on any exciting content posted in the upcoming weeks. Please remember to like and share the posts! Thank you for your continued support.

Coronavirus Testing

Please be reminded, it is still the responsibility of the students to perform the coronavirus Lateral Flow Tests twice weekly using the self-test kits distributed in college. After receiving your result, please register this via the government website as well as through the College using this link: (<https://trhat.co.uk/covidtestresults-ds/>).



February 2022

FEBRUARY		
Tuesday 15th	4:00 to 5:00pm	After College Clubs
Thursday 17th		Random Acts of Kindness Day
Friday 18th		Care Day
Tuesday 22nd	5:30pm	Year 8 Options Evening