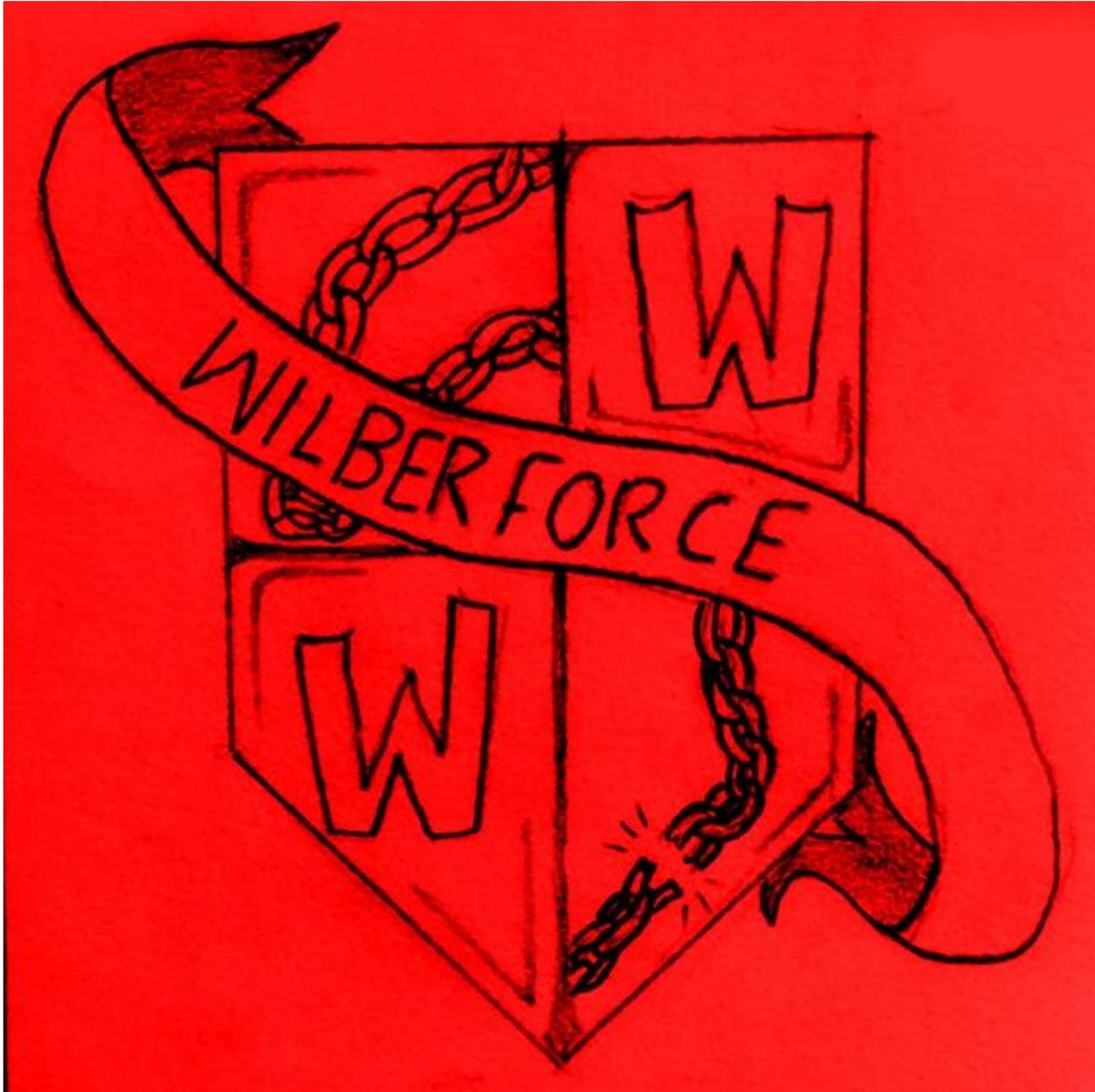


## WILBERFORCE HOUSE Y7



**HOUSE BASE:** MFL Block

**HOUSE INSTAGRAM ADDRESS:** [@rps.wilberforce.house](https://www.instagram.com/rps.wilberforce.house)

From the Head Boy and Girl Team:

Hi everyone! We are really looking forward to meeting you all in September and welcoming you to Roundwood! We hope to get to know you over the coming year and if you ever need anything, or have any questions, feel free to send us an email, or in September, come and talk to us!



## Hello Year 6 Welcome to our House System

Here at RPS we have 7 houses, that everyone in the school is a part of and we all get involved in house competitions to win points for our respective houses. You will have attached a coloured badge that you can wear on your first day and shows the colour house you are in.

I am Mrs Tattersall and I oversee all the houses and events, I have been in Mandela, Scott and Cadbury since I joined the school but you will stay in the same house throughout your journey at Roundwood Park.

You will get to meet me and the team of year 13's that help run your house in September, until then this is a little booklet all about your house, the captains that will be with you at events to cheer you on and encourage you to earn house points to battle for the Hart Cup at the end of the year.

To give you a little insight we have all sorts of events for every student to have the opportunity to take part in, House music is our biggest event and sees all houses battle in a choir and performance piece stage show – this is great fun and involves most of the school, we also have national Maths competitions that are linked to our house point system so everything is to play for. And specifically, for your year we will have speed stacking races, netball, rugby, basketball and football to name a few.

So, get ready to get involved in your fundraising events like the giant sleepout overnight in the playground, school discos and 5km fun runs.

**If you have any ideas for our house system write them down as we will want to hear all about them.**



I can't wait to meet you all and hear about your ideas to help your house help our school charities' – Remember crazy ideas are the best ones.



## Wilberforce House Values

**William Wilberforce's greatest political achievement was his long fight to end Britain's involvement in the Transatlantic Slave Trade. He used his position as a spokesperson for the Abolition Movement and was the first Member of Parliament to raise the issue in the House of Commons. His battle to change the law was not an easy one, however.**

**Wilberforce achieved the Suppression of the Slave Trade, with the passing of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Bill, in 1807. He remained concerned about the many people still held in slavery and carried on his campaign until the bill outlawing slavery in Britain and all its colonies was passed in 1833 - just days before he died.**

**Wilberforce also devoted himself to other causes and campaigns such as the limiting of the hours children should work. He fought for prison reforms, and he was also passionate about policing, education, healthcare, gambling. He appealed for amendments to the Poor Law (to improve the conditions for the poor) and in 1796 became a founding member of the 'Society for the Bettering Condition and Increasing Comforts of the Poor'. This organisation worked to reform Parish Relief and Workhouses for the poor and improve their general living conditions.**

Valuing Others	Motivated	Equality
<b>"Wilberforce valued everyone in society and believed nobody deserved to be a slave."</b>	<b>"Accustom yourself to look first to the dreadful consequences of failure; then fix your eye on the glorious prize which is before you; and when your strength begins to fail, and your spirits are well nigh exhausted, let the animating view rekindle your resolution, and call forth in renewed vigour the fainting energies of your soul."</b>	<b>"You may choose to look the other way but you can never say again that you did not know."  "We are too young to realize that certain things are impossible... So we will do them anyway."</b>

**"We have different forms assigned to us in the school of life, different gifts imparted. All is not attractive that is good. Iron is useful, though it does not sparkle like the diamond. Gold has not the fragrance of a flower. So different persons have various modes of**

**excellence, and we must have an eye to all.”**

— William Wilberforce

**Key dates for the year**

**AUTUMN**

**House Leader Training –**

**Yr 7 Disco**

**Shoe Box Deadline**

**Key dates for the year**

**WINTER**

**Hse Netball Y7**

**Hse Drama Day**

**RPS Sleepout**

**Hse Rugby**

**Hse Disco Y7**

**Christmas Holidays**

**Key dates for the year**

**SPRING**

**SLG elections begin**

**Hse Art**

**Charity Week**

**Speed stacking Y7**

**HL Elections**

**RGT Auditions**

**RGT Show**

**Mid-year assembly**

**Key dates for the year**

**SUMMER**

**SPORTS DAY**

**Interhouse competition week**

**Ready Steady Cook**

**Charity Cup Presentations**

**Whole School Assembly**



## GETTING TO KNOW MY HOUSE:

Improvement  
Theme:  
**Sports and  
Participation**

Head Of House  
**Miss Harris**



House Captains:  
**Emily & Lucy**



Head Boy:  
**Alastair**



Head Girl:  
**Katie**



DHB:  
**Owen**



DHG:  
**Megan**

**Katie:** Hi I'm Katie and I'm Head Girl! I am studying geography, physics, maths and further maths for my A-levels. I've been at Roundwood since year 7 and there have been so many opportunities to get involved in extra-curricular clubs and events. I especially enjoy choir and concert band because we play a wide variety of music, and put on regular concerts which are lots of fun! One of my favourite memories from the last few years was netball tour because it really united our team, and Roundwood even won a trophy! Another exciting annual event is house music, where each house brings together people from all year groups and puts on a great performance! There is such a range of activities on offer at Roundwood – there is something for everyone. I look forward to seeing you soon! Oh, and I'm in Wilberforce house!!!

**Alastair:** Hi guys, as head boy I wanted to tell you one of my favourite things about Roundwood is all the opportunities. I have some great memories from events such as University challenge, house debates, the maths challenge and inter-house and sports day. Outside of school I have also enjoy being a member of lots of clubs and teams and have developed my love for politics over the years.

**Megan:** I'm Megan, deputy head girl. I am currently studying physics, maths and economics. I am in frank house and have loved to be involved in the competitions and events since I was in year 7. Some of my favourites include house music, sports day and interform sports. Getting involved with your house and taking part is the main thing! I've also played netball all the way through the school-there's loads of clubs to get involved in (not just sports)! I hope you enjoy roundwood as much as I have and good luck for September :)

**Owen:** Hi I'm Owen and I'm one of the Scott House Captains, and also Deputy Head Boy. I'm currently studying maths, further maths, economics and Spanish, and I'm really enjoying it! Having been at Roundwood since year 7, I have loads of great memories, such as winning house music twice, competing in debating competitions and also

being a house leader and a language leader. I'm really looking forward to seeing you all next year in our house assemblies, and those of you who are elected as house leaders in our meetings.

## GETTING TO KNOW OUR HOUSE

### The House System:

House Captains:



Hi guys I'm Lucy and I'm a Wilberforce house captain. I'm currently studying Business, Geography and Sociology at A level. Roundwood has so many fun activities and events to get involved in such as house music and sports day. I recommend doing these as it is a great way to make friends with other people in different years and is so much fun! I look forward to seeing you in September!

Hello everyone, I'm Emily, one of your House Captains. During my time at the school, one of my favourite things has been taking part in house competitions. They are some of the most enjoyable parts of the school year, particularly House Music and Interform Sports Day, and for you get used to being at Roundwood, and miss out. We want to make your time member as fun and easy as possible, or suggestions, don't hesitate to bring meeting you all!



to make friends, so don't as a Wilberforce House so if you have any concerns them to us. I look forward to

Bonjour, Hola,  
Nǎn hǎo, Olá

Head Of House  
Miss Harris

*Hello I am Miss Harris and you will find me teaching in the MFL block, I teach languages to all different year groups. I am now in my second year as Head of Wilberforce and cannot wait to get involved in some physically events this year and bring our passion alive and try and win a House cup or two. We are really looking forward to meeting you all next year*

## **All About Your House**

### **GETTING TO KNOW OUR HOUSE**

#### **What is house Leader House Captain School Captain SLG**

The Student Leadership Group (SLG) is a group of Sixth Form students that contributes to the management of different elements of school life. It consists of the Head Students, House Captains and School Captains. The House Captains of each house (Lily, Harry and Callum in Wilberforce) along with the Head of House and House Leaders in each form, manage house events, assemblies and competitions, among other things. The School Captains are each in charge of a certain aspect of school life, such as Community and Events. Each house is linked to one of these; for example, Wilberforce is linked to Sports and Participation.

#### **What happens at house events**

House events are all different, and there are lots of them, but in general they are either competitions, like sports day, or charity events, such as cake sales. There are so many that I can't go into detail about each one, but you will be told exactly what each involves beforehand. For competitions, there will be a sign-up process for those that want to take part. If you want to get involved in charity events, either bring in whatever it is you are asked to, for example tinned food for food banks, or simply attend charity events like cake sales and donate money. There are countless ways in which you could get involved, and you will always be encouraged to do so.

#### **House Mate?**

At the beginning of the year, you will be paired with a student in year 9 Wilberforce who will be your buddy. Every few weeks, you will go to their form room, or they will come to yours, so that you can have a discussion, guided by the teacher. This will help you to settle in at Roundwood, because you will be able to draw on the experience of an elder student, one who remembers what it was like to be new to the school.

#### **Past events success and traits of our house**

**During our time at the school, Wilberforce has won both the Charity Cup and the Hart Cup (the cup given to the house with the most points from house competitions), and it usually sees success throughout the year in everything from sport to academia. House members represent Wilberforce with pride and integrity, aim to win but are gracious in defeat.**

**Finally, we are going to be continuing an idea of the previous House Captains, Josh and Libby. In house assemblies we are going to be running fun competitions**

between the different forms. The first one is the toilet paper keepy-uppy challenge; the winning form will receive an edible prize, so get practising!

### Our School Charities

Each house nominates two community projects or charities: one charity is national and the second is local. We also support an international charity.

#### **Our national charity: Macmillan Cancer Support**

Macmillan are a national charity based in the UK.

They *support cancer patients* from the moment they are diagnosed, throughout their treatment and beyond.

They offer *emotional, physical and financial support*.

#### **How have we as a house helped support this charity?**

Last year we made warrior packs and delivered them to patients in the Macmillan centre at Lister Hospital. This year we held an event to make cards for the Macmillan nurses.



#### **Our local charity: Herts Young Homeless**

Herts Young Homeless are a unique charity in Hertfordshire which provides services to *support vulnerable people*.

Their focus is *preventing homelessness*.

#### **How have we as a house helped support this charity?**

We ran a food bank and blessing bag collection. **We collected over 500 items!** These were donated to local homeless shelters that are supported by Herts Young Homeless.



We also collected warm clothing and blankets, over **250** items were donated by the Roundwood Park community!

We are hoping to repeat these vital collections again in 2021, so you can all get involved!

**Our international charity (which is changing this year):**



### **The Unique Home for Girls, in India**

The Unique Home is an orphanage in India that **supports abandoned girls**. It provides a **safe place to live** and helps to **educate the girls**.

### **How does Mandela House support this charity?**

Each year we make birthday cards for the girls. Over the last 3 years we have created approximately **1000 cards!** These are posted to the girls! We also support the **cake and candle campaign** by decorating cakes in school.



## Community and Events



*Hi, I'm Gemma and I'm a Community and Events Captain for 2021-22. I'm in GT (Grey-Thompson) and am studying Geography, Maths, Further Maths and Physics A Level. We've already started planning for a variety of events next year, the biggest one being House Music. It takes place in the Alban Arena and is an amazing opportunity for everyone to get involved and represent their house, so I'd definitely recommend joining in!! There are also lots of concerts, sports competitions and charity events (like the GT Sleepout) coming up next year to get excited about! Enjoy your induction day and I can't wait to see you all in September.*

Hi I'm Louise, one of the new community and events captains. I'm in Wilberforce, one of my favourite school events is house music, and outside of school I enjoy playing music and singing. In school I also sing in the school choir and play in a number of school bands. There are many great events at Roundwood, which are very fun for all ages and abilities to take part in, I definitely recommend getting involved in as many as you can.

*Hi, Emily-Cate here, I take Double BTEC Business and A level Spanish but enough about me. I am really excited to be one of your new community and events captains for 2021-2022, for the last 7 years I have been part of GT and I can't wait to meet all our new house members and to give you opportunities to be part of some amazing events.*

We are your community and events captains, and our role is to organise and oversee all events within the school and the community. Some of our highlights include:

- House music - this year we are organising house music (the most anticipated event of the year). Therefore, we would like it to be the best house music ever, and to do this, we need participation! So...please sign up (around the middle/end of September) for the best event of the school year!
- Senior Citizens party - unfortunately, this is not an event for year 7s to partake in, however, it is a truly rewarding experience for the year 12s that coordinate and help with the event. It is definitely an event that you should look forward to in sixth form!
- RPS Acts of kindness - a week where everyone is encouraged to do a random act of kindness to a stranger.
- Open evening - an evening event where potential year 7 or year 12 students for the following academic year come and learn about the school and life at RPS. This is an opportunity for all students, including year 7s, to help in subject departments and to guide prospective students.

As you can see, there are many events that you can participate in throughout the year - so please don't be afraid to partake! I hope to see many of you at various events throughout the year, and please feel free to come and speak to us at any time - we are very approachable!

forward to meeting you all in the new year, and hope you have a great indu and summer



## *Sports Participation and Clubs*

*HI, MY NAME IS TOM, I AM IN FRANK AND I AM ONE OF YOUR SPORTS, CLUBS AND PARTICIPATION CAPTAINS ALONGSIDE MEGAN. I HAVE A STRONG PASSION FOR ALL THINGS SPORT RELATED, FROM PLAYING RUGBY INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL, TO LEARNING ABOUT HOW THE BODY WORKS IN MY SCHOOL SUBJECTS, I AM VERY KEEN TO TRY AND HELP AS MANY OF YOU TO GET INVOLVED IN SPORT AND ALL THE OTHER EXTRA-CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES WHEN YOU JOIN US AT ROUNDWOOD PARK SCHOOL.*

Hi, my name is Megan and I am also one of your sports, clubs and participation captains. I am in Frank house, like Tom I have always enjoyed the sporting opportunities provided by the school and have taken part in many different events including netball matches, athletic competitions and rounders tournaments. I enjoy playing netball both inside and outside of school and during lockdown I have enjoyed long walks with my dog, which helped my mind as well as my fitness. Tom and I really want to open as many clubs for you in the next year so that we can start communicating as teams once again.

As sports, clubs and participation captains, we aim to ensure you are all aware of all the clubs you can get involved in by producing a termly extra-curricular club timetable for each form room. We also want to encourage participation within all the events throughout your first year at roundwood for example house events, sports day, house music and as many events as possible to earn as many points as you can for your house!

Our advice to you is to try as many clubs and events as you can when you join the school in order to find something you have a passion for and experience all the advantages of participating in these activities, such as making new friends. If you have any questions about the upcoming events throughout the new year or the clubs, we are always available.

## Learning



Hi I'm Lauren and I'm in Cadbury House. At the moment I am looking forward to changing perceptions on ways to learn and how to get the most from yourself. We have so many new ways and ideas on how to do this and can't wait to get started.

*Hello I'm Zara and I am also in Cadbury. Here at RPS I am undertaking my A levels, which has ignited my passion for women in STEM to great heights and is a real area I want to expose to all within the school. We cannot wait to put together new events and awareness through learning.*

We are your learning captains and our job is to oversee and encourage the schools learning curriculum from year 7 to 11. We are here to help with any issues you might have with lessons or homework but to also give recognition to hardworking students that excel in the school curriculum. We also want to make sure you enjoy your time in school and so we host lots of extra events and activities for you to get involved in. These include:

- University Challenge- Lasting two weeks, this is a general knowledge quiz where houses compete against each other to win! There is normally one person from each form in the house.
- Thought for the week- weekly powerpoint on current affairs or interesting topics that have come up in the week, usually includes an activity for your form such as a discussion topic.
- Scholar program- There is an extra curriculum program on offer for those of you that want to get more stuck in with a subject by completing extra research or reading.
- Buddy system- Once every few weeks, you meet with a 'buddy' who is from your same school house in order to bring your house closer together and perhaps gain or give advice to or from other students in your house



THE BRILLIANT CLUB SCHOLARS PROGRAMME

We are very approachable so don't be afraid to come and speak to us around school or on our emails. We hope to see you soon and that you enjoy your first year at RPS!



## Communication



Hi, I am Millie and I am in 12GT. I am loving my role as communications captain and have really started to expose all the amazing things that we are doing within school for everything from Charity to learning. We hope to really grow the following and communications so that if you are part of an event you will feature on our socials and in our communication. Are you doing something we could shout about? If so please let us know as we'd love to work with our new students.

*Hi, I'm Bruno and like Millie I have jumped into the role that we started at Easter with enthusiasm and passion. Over the years I have taken part in events and activities that have been brilliant for my learning or character building while working in teams and this is what we want to show to the outside community just what we get up too and how much time, fun and the sheer range to events offered to suit every RPS student is planned, promoted and taken part in.*

*During your time at Roundwood you could be a part of many different activities such as being a house leader and a language leader as well as the house geography event or even sing in house music and these are only a few of the events we have the chance to be a part of. I would love to encourage everyone to take part in all of the house events as there are so many to choose from and to enjoy!*

We are your Communication Captains and our role is to produce a termly edition of Park Times (our school magazine available to all), to advertise upcoming school events on social media and around the school, help with preparation for after school events such as open evening, and to oversee our social media pages and school website.

In terms of the Park Times, we would love for YOU to get involved and help us write the articles, and share new ideas on how the magazine can be improved. We are really

hoping that you, as new members of our school community, will get involved to share your fantastic ideas!

We all hope that your first year at RPS goes well and we look forward to getting to know you all!

## Wellbeing & Diversity



Hi everyone, we are this year's wellbeing and diversity captains.

*Hi, I'm Hollie and I'm one of your new diversity and well-being captains for 2021-2022. I'm in GT house but will be working with Owens house captains. I currently studying Psychology, Spanish and Art for A Levels. There are many great events to take part in within school, for example, sports day, house music and inter house sports which I would really recommend. Good luck on your induction day and see you in September!*

I'm Maddie, and I'm excited to be one of your wellbeing and diversity school captains! At A level, I'm currently studying Biology, French and Psychology, I am really enjoying helping out with the SLG to make Roundwood an even better place to be! I've loved taking part in house events like House Music and can't wait to help Scott next year (I'd definitely recommend having a go!). Outside of school I love swimming and spending time with my friends. I can't wait to meet you all when we do assemblies next year. Have a great induction day, and see you in September!

*I'm Jeremy, I'm in Cadbury. My passion and interest lay within Well being so when I undertook the role I knew I wanted to make a difference for the year that I am in office.*

*We as a team are working hard to make little changes that come from ideas students give us, we are kicking it off this year with planning a well being garden area, this idea came from a governor who we are now working on this project with. Watch this space for a number of different activities for you to be part of.*

At RPS we strive to ensure everyone is heard, cared for and understood while at school. We have lots of differing clubs for all to join as well as well being week full of activities and assemblies run by the students on topics that are a concern to you.

**We have emails set up so that you can always tell somebody your worries and get support for anything you are going through.**

**We are looking to grow this section within the school so watch this space for helpers and new ways to expand our diversity and spread awareness within RPS.**

We can't wait to meet you!

If you ever need anyone to talk to, please don't hesitate to contact us, we'll always be there to listen and help!!

## *Environment*



Hi, I'm Jenny and I'm one of your new Environment captains. I am in year 12 in Owens house and am currently studying my A-levels. Having been at Roundwood since year 7, I have loved to take part and participate in many house events and opportunities, one of them being house music. Outside of school, I love to play instruments within bands/orchestras and I when I finish at Roundwood Park, I would love to study at University. But before then I am excited to work with the science team and create a wilding area that can be used for lessons as well as great for the environment.

Hi, my names' George. I'm currently studying food science and nutrition, biology and geography. I found that house events such as interform sports and house music were some of my best memories of roundwood. Roundwood also provides a whole variety of clubs from rugby to badminton. Give all the clubs a go and find the ones that suit you best, as they are a good way to get the best experience possible. The sense of community that is experienced in these events is amazing and the friendships you make here will stay with you forever. Good luck with your induction day!

Hi I'm Nikhil and I am very humbled to have a part in the SLG this year and have really enjoyed the freedom and ability to propose and make changes for the environment within the school and that we are allowed to own a project and work to give the whole school an outcome that will be really positive.

The three of us can not wait to make some small changes with hopefully big impacts on RPS, starting with the rewilding project in two different parts of the school, if you are in Mandela look out as we will be calling on you for help.

*We are your Environment Captains, which means that one of our main roles is to raise awareness within all year groups and move Roundwood Park towards an eco-friendlier future. There are a number of different ways that we are planning to try and achieve this goal, especially with the help of you guys! These ideas include:*

- Introducing more vegetarian options into the school canteen! This way, we can help cut down on student's and teacher's meat consumption.
- Reducing the number of plastic items that are being bought within the school canteen, instead offering a more sustainable alternative such as biodegradable cups!

- Raise awareness where we can, which anyone that wants to can take part in! This way, achieving our goal will be much easier.

Don't be afraid to come and speak to us both in school. We would love to hear and get to know as many of you as we can!



## Charity

Hi, we are this year's Charity Captains Jamilah, Niamh, Hannah.

Hi, My name is Jamilah and I am one of your three new Charity Captains for this academic year. I am part of GT however I am also closely linked to Cadbury due to my role in the SLG. I study Biology, Chemistry and Sociology currently but have a very strong passion for music as I've been doing it since very young. I'm so excited for you guys to get started and I can't wait to hear all of your new ideas! Having only joined Roundwood at sixth form, I have loved getting involved in the house & charity events, from House music through to the bake sales during Charity weeks there has always been exciting things to take on. I'm really looking forward to seeing lots of people involved with our upcoming charity events in the new academic year!

Hi, I'm Niamh and I'm part of Cadbury House, throughout my time at Roundwood I have loved getting involved with many of the charity and house events, there is such a wide variety so always something for everyone. My personal favourite is house music which I have such amazing memories from. I enjoy baking and play netball outside of school. I hope to see lots of you getting involved in many charity events over the next year, from the sleepout to warrior packs for our community.

*Hello, I'm Hannah and I remember joining RPS as a tiny Year 7, one of the youngest in the year, and sporting the most hideous fringe! The years whizz by so make sure you get involved in everything you can, make new friends and be encouraged to do your best. You will find tonnes of opportunities at RPS - enjoy! Oh, and say hello to me if you see me working in the canteen!. While being at Roundwood my personality has grown through house and whole school events but in particular charity weeks. I love to take part and give back. Outside of school I volunteer in many local groups engaging with a range of ages.*

Our current charities are: Local- Herts Young Homeless, National- Macmillan, International- Unique Home for Girls. However, we are in the process of changing our international charity, please see the PowerPoint regarding the election process and let us know if you have any suggestions.

Herts Young Homeless- provides services to support vulnerable people, with one of their main focuses on preventing homelessness. Macmillan Cancer Support- provides specialist health care, information and financial support to those affected by cancer. Unique Home for Girls- Is a charity in Punjab, they rescue unwanted new-born girls giving them a secure home and future. Some of the things we organise are: The Rotary Shoebox appeal, Warrior packs, electing the new charity, raising awareness and we host the Charity Cup.

Charity has always been a big part of Roundwood with the houses and whole community coming together using various innovative fundraising methods. Such as Frank houses yearly Race for Life. Some of the things we organise are: The Rotary Shoebox appeal, Warrior packs, electing the new charity, raising awareness and we host the Charity Cup. So, make sure to get involved in as many charity events as possible!

**MACMILLAN**  
**CANCER SUPPORT**  
RIGHT THERE WITH YOU

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Herts Young Homeless



## **TOP 10 TIPS TO HELP WITH YOUR START TO YEAR 7 AT RPS:**

- 1. STAY ORGANISED, MAKE SURE YOU BRING EVERYTHING TO YOUR LESSONS TO AVOID BEHAVIOUR POINTS**
- 2. MAKE NEW FRIENDS! MAKE SURE TO CHAT TO NEW PEOPLE IN YOUR FORM AS YOU'LL BE WITH THEM FOR YEARS!**
- 3. STAY ON TOP OF YOUR HOMEWORK- DON'T LET IT PILE UP SO YOU HAVE MORE FREE TIME AND TIME TO SPEND WITH FRIENDS**
- 4. BE RESPECTFUL OF PEERS AND TEACHERS, THIS WILL IMPROVE BOTH YOUR LEARNING EXPERIENCE AND YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THOSE AROUND YOU!**
- 5. DON'T BE SCARED TO TALK TO STUDENTS IN OLDER YEARS (ESPECIALLY SLG), ALWAYS ASK FOR DIRECTIONS OR HELP IF YOU'RE STRUGGLING WITH SOMETHING!**
- 6. GET INVOLVED WITH CLUBS, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOL, FROM SPORTS DAY TO HOUSE MUSIC SUPPORT YOUR HOUSE AND HAVE FUN!**
- 7. KEEP ATTENDANCE HIGH, IT'S IMPORTANT TO ONLY BE OFF IF YOU REALLY NEED TOO SO YOU DON'T MISS OUT ON TOO MUCH AND FALL BEHIND!**
- 8. SET SOME GOALS TO ACHIEVE IN YOUR FIRST YEAR! THIS CAN HELP MOTIVATE YOU TO SUCCEED IN SCHOOL LIFE**
- 9. STAY POSITIVE THROUGHOUT SCHOOL LIFE AND DON'T BE AFRAID TO SPEAK TO A TEACHER ABOUT ANY ISSUES YOU MAY HAVE!**



### Learning to understand

- Problem Solving**  
Adapting existing knowledge and skills, to tackle unfamiliar problems
- Thinking Logically**  
Experimenting and trialling, thinking things through step-by-step
- Questioning**  
Having an enquiring mind. Exploring how, why and what if?
- Making Links**  
Seeing the connections with all learning or the outside world
- Being Resourceful**  
Seeking and selecting the best available resources for a task
- Creative Thinking**  
Using imagination to generate fresh ideas and original solutions

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## LEARNING FOR LIFE

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## LEARNING INTEGRITY FRIENDSHIP EXCELLENCE



### Individuality

- Planning Ahead**  
Researching, exploring and preparing thoroughly, anticipating potential problems
- Organising**  
Prioritising, designing a route and tracking your progress
- Reflecting**  
Understanding yourself as a learner and learning from experience
- Risk Taking**  
Trying new things, seizing the opportunity, whilst managing the risk sensibly
- Evaluating**  
Identifying strengths and weaknesses in a task. Seeking improvements and further refinements
- Responsibility**  
Directing and taking control of your learning



### Focusing

- Inspiration**  
Enjoying learning, approaching it enthusiastically and with a smile
- Self Discipline**  
Identifying goals, avoiding distractions, finishing tasks, meeting deadlines
- Determination**  
Staying motivated and positive to achieve your desired goal
- Perseverance**  
Readiness to make mistakes without fear of failure, accepting them and carrying on
- Insight**  
Being aware of detail and the bigger picture, balanced by the right amount of perfection



### Evolving with others

- Flexibility**  
Knowing when to work alone or co-operate with others
- Collaboration**  
Working effectively in a team, drawing on everyone's individual skills
- Communication**  
Presenting ideas and views clearly, and accurately for an audience
- Learning Respectfully**  
Listening to, understanding and exploring the views of others, developing your thinking
- Valuing Others**  
Recognising and utilising the strengths of others to enhance your learning

**10.HAVE FUN! MAKE SURE TO ENJOY YOURSELVES AS MUCH AS YOU CAN IN SCHOOL :)**

*“But history will judge you, and as the years pass, you will ultimately judge yourself, in the extent to which you have used your gifts and talents to lighten and enrich the lives of your fellow men. In your hands lies the future of your world and the fulfilment of the best qualities of your own spirit.” - Robert F. Kennedy (speech at Berkeley, 1966)*

*“How lovely to think that no one need wait a moment; we can start now, start slowly changing the world!” - Anne Frank (diary entry, 1944)*