

MANDELA HOUSE



HOUSE BASE - Geography Block

A message from our Head Students:

“Hi everyone. We’re really looking forward to meeting you all in September and welcoming you to Roundwood Park! We hope to get to know you over the coming year and if you ever need anything, or have any questions, feel free to come and talk to us!”

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Hello Year 6 and 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 competitions to win House Points for our respective Houses. You will receive a coloured badge that you can wear on your blazer to show which House you are in (there is also a coloured 'House' stripe on your tie!).

I am Mrs Tattersall and I oversee all of the Houses and House events. You will meet me and the team of Year 13s that help to run your House in September, until then this is a little booklet for you to learn all about your House and see some of the events you will be able to get involved in. Your House will be supported by a staff 'Head of House' and Year 13 'House Captains', as well as 'House Leaders' – which you could become! – made up of students from each Form Group. They 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.

We run all sorts of House events so that every student has the opportunity to take part; House Music is our biggest and sees all Houses perform in a huge stage show of singing, dancing and playing music – this is great fun and involves most of the school. We also have House Art, national Maths competitions and specifically for your year we will have speed stacking races, netball, discos, rugby, basketball and football to name a few.

So, get ready to be involved in your House events – some of which raise funds for our school charities – such as the Giant Sleepout overnight in the playground!

Miss Tatts



I can't wait to meet you all and hear about your ideas to help your House win points and support our school charities – remember crazy ideas are the best ones!

Mandela House Values



Mandela's story is one of **courage**, driven by his sense of right and wrong. Mandela's legacy has been the **inspiration** for change worldwide.

South Africa in 1961; A time when Prime Minister, Hendrik Verwoerd, nicknamed "the Architect of Apartheid", continued to repress opposition against apartheid. Mandela had clear objectives – **equality for all**; no matter education, race or gender and he was determined to fight for it.

Mandela fought tirelessly to build bridges between blacks and whites and all South Africans;

Following his election to become prime minister in 1994, South Africa was named the 'Rainbow Nation'. As the man himself said, 'If you want to make peace with your enemy, you have to work with your enemy. Then he becomes your partner'. Spending his life breaking down divides between peoples; **Mandela encouraged togetherness**.

Friendship	Determination	Pioneering
'A state of mutual trust and support between a pair of individuals'	'When people are determined, they can overcome anything'	'Impossible until it's done'
'If you want to make peace with your enemy, you have to work with your enemy. Then he becomes your partner'	'There is no passion to be found playing small – in settling for a life that is less than the one you are living'	'As we let our own light shine, we encourage others to do the same'

'There can be no greater gift than that of giving one's time and energy to help others without expecting anything in return' N. Mandela

Key HOUSE Events

House Leader Elections & Training

House Netball Y7

House Drama Day

RPS Sleepout

House Music

House Maths Challenge

House Science

House Creative Writing

House Languages

House Rugby

House Football

Charity Cup

House Assemblies

House Disco Y7

Charity Shoe Box Donations Deadline

Senior Leadership Government Elections (Y12)

House Art

Individual House Weeks

SPORTS DAY

Interhouse Sport Competitions

Ready Steady Cook

Charity Cup Presentations

Whole School Assembly

Curriculum Weeks

House Dance

Speed Stacking Y7

Roundwood's Got Talent!

GETTING TO KNOW MY HOUSE:



Head Of House
Miss Casey

Improvement
Theme:
Environment

What is a House Leader?

House Leaders are elected from every year of the school and act as ambassadors for their form. They attend House meetings regularly and have a say in the organisation of their House Week and charity events. It is also their responsibility to keep their form updated with House news and to oversee their form's vote during Student Leadership Government (SLG) elections.

What is a House Captain?

House Captains are members of the SLG and support the Head of House. They hold House meetings with younger years, giving them key information from the SLG meetings, and organise House events.

What is a School Captain?

School Captains are members of the SLG who deal with one improvement scheme i.e. Charity, Learning or Environment. They run all events that are linked to their scheme and implement ideas and improvements throughout the year. Each improvement scheme is linked to a House.

What is the SLG?

The SLG is a group of students who help to run events, enhance communications and seek to make improvements across school. They are responsible for House Weeks and most of the events that take place during the school year - with the help of RPS Staff. The SLG is made up of two Head Students, along with Deputies and the House & School Captains.

What happens at House events?

House events are usually competitions between Houses where you can win House Points. The House with the most Points at the end of the school year wins the Hart Cup.

House Mentors:

You will be paired with a student in a year higher than you and will get a certain amount of form time throughout the year in which you can meet with them. You can talk about whatever you like and if you have any questions, they are another person you can ask. Through this scheme you can learn a lot more about the school - who is better to learn from than a student who already attends RPS?

A message from your Head of House:



Miss Casey:

"Hello, Year 7 Mandela students!

Welcome to the best House in school!

I am incredibly passionate about raising awareness for our charities and I am very competitive!

Mandela House prides ourselves on succeeding and persevering so please do get involved in all House events next year

I look forward to meeting you all

A task for you...

Can you find out 10 things about Nelson Mandela? Bring your facts with you to share with your form in September...

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*We look forward to seeing you and having you join
MANDELA HOUSE in September!!*