



# **OWENS HOUSE**



### **HOUSE BASE** - Humanities 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!

## **Owens House Values**



Jesse Owens, the son of a sharecropper and grandson of a slave, achieved what no Olympian before him had accomplished. His stunning achievement of four gold medals at the 1936 Olympic games in Berlin has made him the best remembered athlete in Olympic history.

Jesse entered the 1936 games, where were in Nazi Germany amidst the belief by Hitler that the games would be dominated by the 'Aryan' race. Jesse had different plans, as he became the first American track and field athlete to win four gold medals in a single Olympiad. Although others have gone on to win more golds than Jesse, he remains the best remembered athlete because of what he achieved. The affirmation that individual excellence, rather than race or national origin, distinguishes one from another.

Perseverance	Positivity	Excellence
"The battles that count aren't the ones for gold medals. The struggles within yourself – the invisible, inevitable battles inside all of us – that's where it's at"	"Find the good. It's all around you. Find it, showcase it and you'll start believing in it."	"The only victory that counts is the one over yourself"

"We all have dreams. But in order to make dreams come into reality, it takes an awful lot of determination, dedication, self-discipline, and effort" Jesse Owens

# **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 Braggins** 

Improvement Theme:
Wellbeing and
Diversity

#### 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 task for you...

Can you find out 10 interesting facts about the Olympic Games?

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