



Lille Christmas Market Trip

On Friday 6th December, 14 Year 7 students embarked on an unforgettable adventure to the Lille Christmas Markets in France. The day was filled with excitement, language practice, and festive cheer. Both staff and students thoroughly enjoyed the experience, which offered a wonderful opportunity to bring classroom learning to life.

Upon arrival, we parked on the outskirts of Lille and made our way to the city center. Staff and students enjoyed a traditional French brasserie lunch and ordered everything in French showcasing their language skills with confidence. Their politeness and eagerness to learn were commendable.

The Christmas Markets were undoubtedly the highlight of the trip. Students enthusiastically engaged with local vendors, confidently practicing their French and earning praise for their efforts as they explored the vibrant and festive stalls.

One of the standout moments was the Ferris wheel ride, which provided breathtaking views of the city and markets below. The joy and excitement on the students' faces were heartwarming to see.

Following the ride, the students had an opportunity to revisit their favourite stalls under distant supervision. Their independence and exemplary behavior were a credit to the group. Before heading home, we made a final stop at a charming café boulangerie, where everyone enjoyed delicious crepes and hot chocolate—a perfect and cozy conclusion to our time in Lille.

The return journey was seamless and enjoyable. After a quick dinner at the Eurotunnel terminal where students once again practiced ordering food in French with enthusiasm we boarded our train back to College. For many, this trip was filled with firsts: their first time traveling through the Eurotunnel, their first visit to France, and their first opportunity to immerse themselves in such a vibrant cultural event. Watching their faces light up with excitement and seeing their confidence grow throughout the experience was truly rewarding.

We hope to see even more students join future trips like this one, as it was undoubtedly an unforgettable and enriching experience for all.



Year 8 Online Safety Workshop

On Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th December, our Year 8 students took part in workshops related to online safety.

The workshops were aimed at assisting students to learn ways of protecting themselves online and making informed choices about their use of apps and online games.

This workshop covered a range of areas, including:

- **Setting boundaries on apps and games:** Students learned how to set limits on their screen time and how to choose apps and games that are appropriate for their age.
- **Cyberbullying:** Students learned about the dangers of cyberbullying and how to report it.
- **Online safety:** Students learned how to protect their personal information online and how to be safe when communicating with others online. The students took part in discussion relating to different scenarios and learnt the best way to act in the different situations.

The workshops were led by the Keep It Safe 'n' Sorted team, experts in online safety.

At Rosedale College, we are dedicated to equipping our students with the knowledge and skills they need to navigate the digital world safely and confidently. This engaging session provided valuable insights and practical advice to help students stay safe in an increasingly connected world. We look forward to hosting more workshops



Sustainability Workshop

On Wednesday 11th December, we invited two presenters from Grundon to present to our Year 9 and Year 7 students about the importance of sustainability. They delivered an excellent and informative presentation, and our students were attentive throughout the presentation.

The highlight was the detailed information about various products that contain plastic and harm the environment. These items ranged from non-stick pots to moisturisers.

The students learned about the significance of becoming more sustainable and the changes they can make now to achieve this goal. The presentation was well received, and the students left with a wealth of new information. We hope this experience will encourage our students to become more interested in sustainability and lead to a change in their behaviour, positioning Rosedale College as a pioneer in sustainability.



Christmas Carols at Ashwood Care Home

On Tuesday 10th December our college choir held a wonderful concert at Ashwood Care Home, our wonderful choir entertained the residents with christmas carols and really lifted them all into the christmas spirit, well done to all involved.



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Christmas Holiday

Please note that from Friday 20th December through to Wednesday 8th January 2025, the College will be closed for our Christmas holiday. Monday 6th January and Tuesday 7th January 2025 are staff training days, therefore college will recommence at the normal time of 8:40am on Wednesday 8th January 2025. Thank you.

Academic Tutoring

Academic Tutoring meetings will be held on Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th January 2025 between 13:00pm and 18:00pm.

All students have been allocated an Academic Review appointment time and this information will be sent to their parents, guardians or carers in due course. Please contact your child's Form Tutor if you have any questions about the Academic Tutoring meetings. Thank you.

Free Winter Half-Term Programme 2024/25

The Hillingdon Youth Offer's Targeted Team is offering a fun-filled winter programme during the Christmas school holiday for the enjoyment and growth of children and young people in Hillingdon. Across the action-packed days, expect activities ranging from creative arts, STEM, sports to cooking aimed at fostering fun, creativity, teamwork skills and improved well-being. It is a fantastic opportunity for our young residents to learn new skills, make friends, and create lasting memories. Sessions are fun, free and provided on a referral basis.

Visit our website for more information on session times, and how to book:

<https://www.therosedalehewensacademytrust.co.uk/free-winter-half-term-programme-2024/25>



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DECEMBER 2024

DECEMBER	
17th December	Christmas Lunch
17th December	Year 11 National Space Centre Trip
20th December	Term Ends



Week Commencing: Monday 16th December 2025

MENU 3

MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Chilli Con Carne with Pitta Bread or Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Halal
Meal Choice 3	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Non Halal
Meal Choice 4	Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 5	Gluten free Pork Sausages with Mashed Potatoes without Milk or Butter	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Carrots and Green Cabbage	
Dessert Choice	Orange Jelly	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
TUESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Halal
Meal Choice 3	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Non Halal
Meal Choice 4	Vegetarian Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 5	Minced Beef with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Broccoli and Cauliflower Florets	
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Mousse	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Lamb Koftas with Rice and a Yogurt and Cucumber Dip	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 3	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Non Halal
Meal Choice 4	Chickpea and Lentil Curry	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 5	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	French Beans and Sweetcorn	
Dessert Choice	Apple Crumble	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Cajun Chicken in a Ciabatta Roll with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Cajun Chicken in a Ciabatta Roll with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Roast Mediterranean Vegetables in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Cajun Chicken with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Baby Carrots and Peas	
Dessert Choice	Vanilla Sponge with a Pineapple Ring and a Cherry	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	
Meal Choice 2	Salmon and Dill Fishcakes with Potato Wedges	
Meal Choice 3	Chicken Fillet with Potato Wedges	Halal
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Broccoli and Mushy Peas	
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Brownie Tray Bake	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts

Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day, Homemade Soup of the Day and Baked Jacket Potato with Filling, are available daily