



Dancing Through the Decades

On Thursday, 27th February, Rosedale College proudly showcased its dazzling annual Evening of Dance. This year's theme saw students whisking the audience on a nostalgic journey through the decades, performing to a thrilled, jam-packed crowd. The event was so well-attended that every seat was taken, leaving only standing room. Eager and animated spectators couldn't resist dancing in the aisles to timeless hits from legendary icons like Tina Turner, Prince, and Eminem.

BTEC Performing Arts students poured their hearts and souls into mastering intricate choreography, perfecting their repertoire, and honing their movement skills throughout the half-term. Their dedication paid off spectacularly, leaving ticket holders mesmerized. Feedback confirmed their success, with one excited parent declaring, "This evening rocked!"



Year 11 Poetry Live 2025

On Thursday 27th February, Year 11 students and English staff from Rosedale College embarked on an inspiring and thought-provoking trip to the annual Poetry Live event; this time at the Lyceum Theatre in London. The event, designed for GCSE English Literature students, offered an exceptional opportunity to experience live performances of poetry from some of the UK's leading poets ahead of their imminent trial and public examinations, which are now just two months away.

The day began with a lively journey to London, where students were filled with anticipation for the day ahead. Upon arriving at the Lyceum Theatre, the college party were greeted by an atmosphere buzzing with excitement, and quickly escorted by theatre staff to our seats in the theatre's dress circle. The famous Lyceum Theatre, which hosted the event, is perhaps best known for its beautiful architecture and being home for Disney's record-breaking musical *The Lion King*, but provided an ideal setting for more than 2000 students and staff who came from schools across London to experience this creative and educational event.

Poetry Live brought together a group of poets, each with a unique style and approach. Students had the chance to hear from renowned poets such as the current Poet Laureate Simon Armitage (*Remains*), former Poet Laureate Dame Carol Ann Duffy (*War Photographer*), and the legendary John Agard (*Checking Out Me History*), whose works are featured in the GCSE Power and Conflict cluster. For the students of Rosedale College, John Agard, who was the last speaker of the day to appear on stage, was the absolute highlight of the event.

The poets not only read from their collections but also provided invaluable insights into the themes, techniques, and meanings behind their poems and their various experiences and motivations as a writer. Their engaging discussions on imagery, metaphor, and the power of language helped students deepen their understanding of the poems they study in class, and bring to life the English GCSE curriculum.

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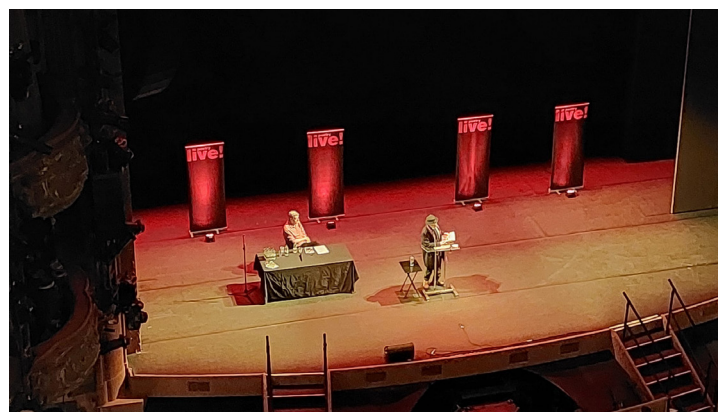
In addition to the live readings, students participated in interactive question and answer sessions, where they could ask the poets questions about their creative process and inspiration. This gave students a personal connection to the poems and a better appreciation of how poetry can evoke emotions and tell stories.

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AI Safety Tips for Parents

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Appropriate Footwear

Students wearing appropriate footwear in college is essential, not only to comply with our published expectations in terms of uniform, but also to avoid inappropriate footwear such as boots and open toe sandals in college. Obviously, if the weather is inclement, it is sensible for students to wear boots to and from college. However, they must change into black shoes on arrival. The Rosedale Hewens Academy Trust cannot accept any liability in circumstances where issues emerge due to inappropriate footwear. Your support in this matter is appreciated.

College Uniform


The college uniform plays a valuable role in supporting positive behaviour for learning and contributes to the ethos of the College. It is designed to instil a sense of pride, identity and belonging. All students are required to wear full college uniform when attending college for normal lessons, representing their college, or when participating in a college event outside normal college hours and on educational trips and visits. Please click on link: <https://www.rosedalecollege.uk/uniform-requirements>

Notification of Change of Student Details

Parents, guardians and carers are reminded of the importance of keeping the College informed of changes to children's details such as changes to mobile telephone numbers, emergency contacts, doctor's surgeries, important medical information etc. In the event of an of emergency it is vitally important for us to be able to access up to date, accurate student contact and medical information on our database. Please support us in our duty of care for your child by ensuring that any changes to contact and medical details are communicated to us as they happen. Thank you.

Leave of Absence

Student absence during term time will only be approved in exceptional circumstances. Any planned term time leave of absence in such circumstances, must be requested in writing to the Principal prior to any travel arrangements being made. If the absence is not approved, but taken, it will be recorded as unauthorised. Please be aware that unauthorised absences could result in the issue of a fixed penalty fine and/or prosecution by the Local Authority.

	MARCH 2025
MARCH	
10th - 12th March	Year 11 Trial 2 Exams
11th March	Game 24, Year 7 Maths Trip
12th March	Year 7 & 8 Trip to Cineworld
12th March	Badminton Trip to Birmingham
13th March	Year 11 & 12 Theatre Trip (Death of a Salesman)
14th March	Pi Day

	Week Commencing: Monday 10th March
MENU 1	

MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Lamb Curry with Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Teriyaki Chicken with Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 3	Teriyaki Chicken with Rice	Non Halal
Meal Choice 4	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 5	Gluten free Chicken Goujons with Potatoes and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Sweetcorn and Green Beans	
Dessert Choice	Strawberry Ice Cream and Fresh Strawberries	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
TUESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Spaghetti Bolognese	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Tandoori Chicken Breast with White Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 3	Tandoori Chicken Breast with White Rice	Non Halal
Meal Choice 4	Ratatouille Spaghetti	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 5	Bolognese with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Carrots, Peas and White Cabbage	
Dessert Choice	Jam Sponge	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Tuna Pasta Bake	
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 3	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Non Halal
Meal Choice 4	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 5	Lightly Spiced Chicken Breast with Rice	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Broccoli and Cauliflower Florets	
Dessert Choice	Lemon Tart	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Mexican Chilli Mince Wraps	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing	Halal
Meal Choice 3	Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing	Non Halal
Meal Choice 4	Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 5	Turkey Escalope with Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Mushy Peas and Sweetcorn	
Dessert Choice	Strawberry Jelly	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	
Meal Choice 2	Tomato Pasta Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 3	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Vegetables	Baby Carrots and Peas	
Dessert Choice	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
<i>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</i>		