



Weekly Bulletin 20th October 2025

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End of Half Term Reflections

As we approach the end of the first half term, it's been wonderful to see our students settling into the rhythms and routines of school life, guided by our core values: **Ready, Respectful, Responsible**. On the occasions when things don't go quite right, students have engaged thoughtfully in restorative conversations with staff—an important part of our community ethos.

We've had a successful **Year 11 Parents' Evening and Next Steps meeting**, helping students and families plan for the future. Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed.

This week, **Year 11 students are heading out on a field trip to Hoo Zoo**, as part of their Animal Care BTEC; with thanks to Ms Cunnion for organising what promises to be an enriching experience.

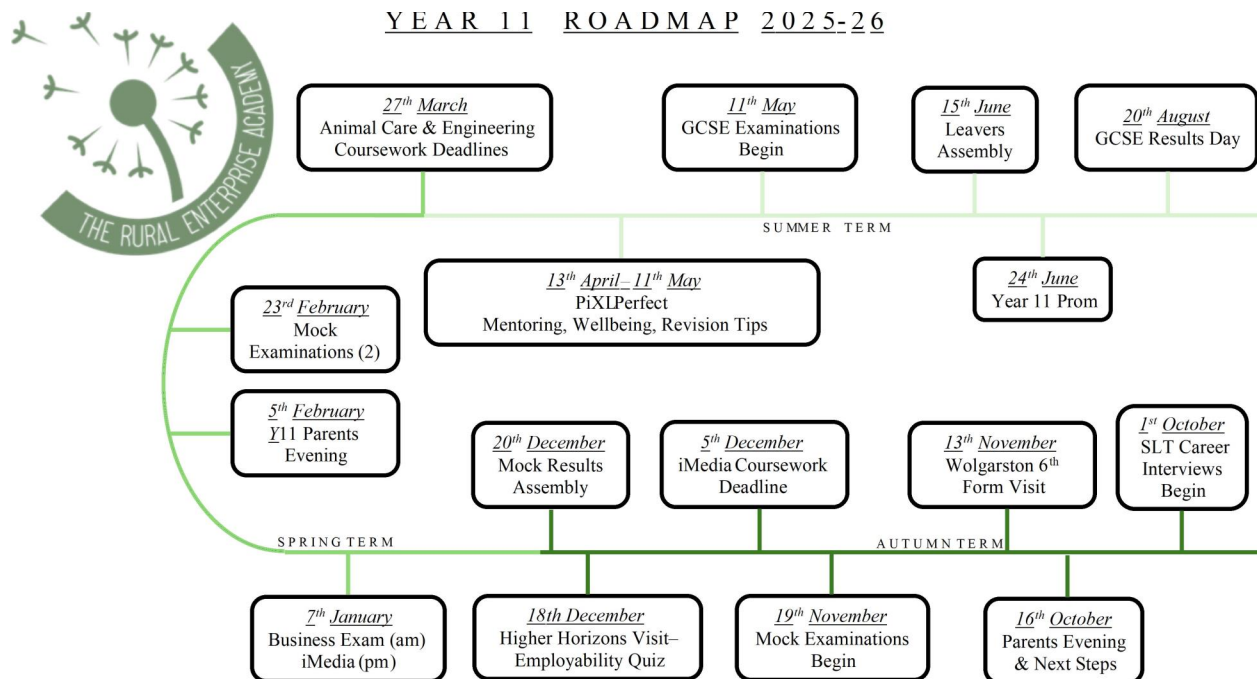
Last week, students took part in the **district cross country event**, showing great tenacity and resilience. A special mention goes to **Tom Gilliver in Year 9**, who placed **6th** and will now represent the district at **County level**—a fantastic achievement!

Finally, we wish all our students and families a **restful and restorative half term break**. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 11 Parents

Here is a copy of the presentation shared in our Next Steps Meeting that followed Parents' Evening. [Year 11 Next Steps Presentation October 2025](#)

Year 11 Roadmap 25-26



Key Dates



1. Thursday 16th October Year 11 Parents Evening and Next Steps presentation
2. Friday 17th October Small Steps workshops (students)
3. Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st, Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th October - Year 11 Animal Care field trip to Hoo Zoo
4. Friday 24th October - Half term break begins 3:30pm
5. Monday 3rd November Start of term



1 - Guidance for parents on Conspiracy Theories

Year 9 -11 Workshop: Understanding and Preventing Extremism

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our ongoing commitment to safeguarding and promoting positive values within our school community, students in Years 9–11 will take part in an educational workshop **next half term** delivered by **Small Steps**, a Government Prevent-accredited organisation that works nationally to raise awareness of the dangers of extremism and radicalisation.

The session will explore:

- How young people can recognise and challenge extremist narratives.
- The influence of online content and social media.
- The importance of tolerance, respect, and critical thinking.

The workshop is designed to be **age-appropriate, interactive and informative**, encouraging students to think critically and discuss how to stay safe and make positive choices.

You can find more information about the organisation here:

www.smallstepshub.com/youngpeople.

Workshops like this form an important part of our **Prevent Duty** and wider **PSHE and safeguarding curriculum**, helping us equip students with the knowledge and resilience to navigate complex social issues safely and respectfully.

If you have any questions or would like further information about the session, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs N. Bragoli

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