

### DT Room

The new DT room will be open for business after the half term! Students have worked hard to create and prepare the room ready for lessons and have thoroughly enjoyed seeing their work take shape and be appreciated by staff and students alike. The room offers different areas based on what projects students are involved in and it a great space for learning!



### Fantastic Football Success!

This term saw the unveiling of the new Ramsden Hall Academy football strip. The traditional colour of purple was re introduced based on the schools founding colours. This half term it was used for the first time for KS4 in their Latimer League fixtures against Kingswode Hoe School and St Nicholas. Both resulted in a definitive win of 9-4 and 6-2 respectively. Next term sees the athletics season commence for SESSA at Basildon Sports Village and the Presidents Sports Event for KS3 in Chelmsford. If you wish to view the league table go to your local search engine, searching for Full Time and searching for Ramsden Hall via the Latimer League.

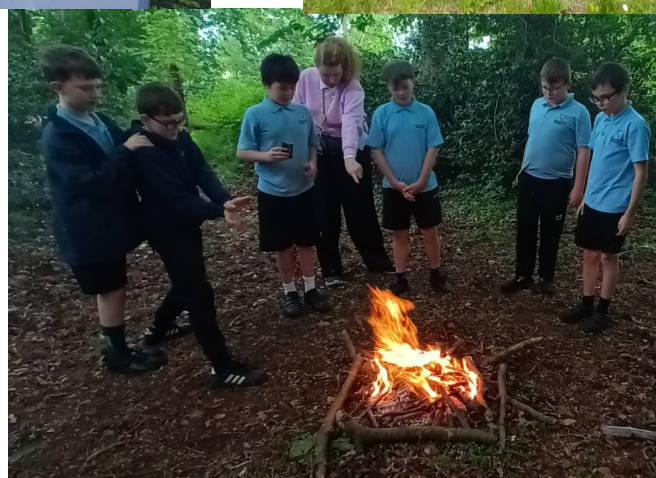
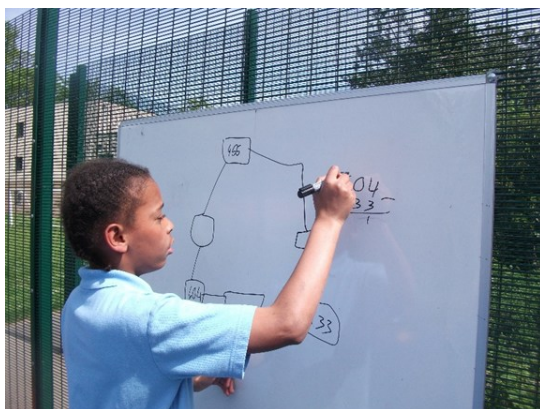
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# Redwood and Birch News

Although this half term has been the shortest one of the year, it's still been jam packed for us in Redwood and Birch as we start to prepare the students for moving up into year 7 and 8. We've had some great fun in forest school, experimenting with camp fires, snacks and things we can make from resources in the forest. Students have enjoyed going into the science labs to carry out experiments and we've been able to get out and about for Personal Development sessions to local parks where teachers should absolutely not go on the slides! We were also able to take part in a boxing workshop with our very own boxing coach. The students were fantastic at this and everyone had a go, learning new skills and having a good work out!





# Residential

This half term in residential the students have enjoyed the lighter evenings with trips to the park and Thriftwood activity centre. They had a fantastic VE day celebration with an afternoon tea themed dinner and traditional games like hop scotch, skipping with a rope and parachutes. Boarders have also enjoyed swimming, ice skating and regular trips to the park. They've also enjoyed some spa treatments with our very own Ramsden Spa!

Next half term our boarders will be going on their annual Boarders Holiday! This is a brilliant fun packed week where students go out for activities every day! See the next newsletter for all the AMAZING adventures!





# Reward Trips

This half term we have rewarded our top students with the opportunity to go to The London Dungeons for some grisly tales, Thorpe Park for the thrill seekers, Oxygen for the bouncy boys and Barleylands for our animal lovers. We'd like to congratulate all our students on their hard work this half term. Although shorter than average it has been intense and students have demonstrated great respect and resilience throughout the half term and taking time to reflect and repair where necessary. This puts the students in great stead for their lives outside of Ramsden.



## Top points this half term

### Top KS3 Points

**1st - Jack**

**2nd - Koah**

**3rd - Taylan**

### Top KS4 Points

**1st - Jay**

**2nd - Josh**

**3rd - Nick**

### Attendance update: Let's finish the year strong!

We're proud to share that our overall attendance for the year stands at 74.2%, just 0.8% below the Essex target. With your continued support, we're confident we can reach—and even surpass—that goal in this final half term. Every day counts!

#### Celebrating Commitment

A huge shoutout to our top students for both the year and this half term—your dedication sets a fantastic example for everyone at Ramsden Hall Academy. Well done! Keep up the brilliant work.

#### Thank you for Your Support

We know that attendance is a team effort. Thank you to parents, carers, and staff for everything you do to help every student attend, achieve and thrive. Let's work together to finish the year on a high note!

#### Key messages:

- Attendance is directly linked to achievement and wellbeing
- Every day in school matters, especially as we approach the end of the year
- Celebrating progress motivates everyone, not just those with perfect attendance
- Small changes in attendance habits make a big difference

#### Tutor Group

##### Attendance

Birch - 92.2%

Redwood - 89.4%

Willow 2 - 87.0%

Willow 3 - 86.5%

Oak 1 - 75.6%

Oak 2 - 74.3%

Oak 3 - 69.3%

Elm 1 - 68.8%

#### Top Students

**Dylan M, Trievi, Cameron, Nick, Issac H, Caine C, Finley T, Ralph and Korey**

**Well done boys this is an amazing achievement!**

## A Word From The Head

As we move into the final stretch of the academic year, we're pleased to report that the summer term is progressing smoothly. Exams are now underway, and everything is running to plan.

Although it has been a short term, both students and staff have worked exceptionally hard, as reflected in the achievements highlighted in this newsletter.

We'd like to thank everyone for their continued focus and dedication during this important time, and we wish all students the very best of luck with their examinations!