

# Rosebery School *Alumnae*

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Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Dear Alumnae

It is a pleasure to contribute to this, our first newsletter to our former students. Whether you left Rosebery very recently or whether it is several decades since you were last in these buildings, you are still very much part of our community; this will always be your school.

Rosebery may have physically changed since you were a student here, but essentially our core values remain. We strive to inspire and support every member of our community to achieve excellence through a love of learning, and a desire to succeed. We challenge ourselves to continually improve and understand that endeavour and effort are central to meeting the highest of expectations. We are committed to creating a happy, purposeful and secure environment which provides the opportunity for all to develop and grow; to build confidence and self-belief; and to be enriched and stimulated so that we can all contribute significantly and positively to the Rosebery community and beyond.

Your role in helping us to achieve these goals has never been more important. Our students face an increasingly narrow and rigorous curriculum and an exam system which can lead some to feel incredibly anxious and worried about the future. We want to broaden their horizons, to help them understand the wealth of opportunities that are open to them and to hear first-hand from former Rosebery girls about how you have translated your school experiences into the successful, interesting and rewarding careers you have now. We hope that links to alumnae will also provide some tangible and practical experiences of different work places but also of ways in which they can contribute to the wider community as volunteers. In essence we hope that you can help our students to feel more confident, more self-assured and inspired that with commitment and hard work they can achieve their dreams.

You are always welcome to come back to visit Rosebery, and I am delighted that we are going to be providing a number of formal opportunities for you to do so. We hope that you learned a great deal during your time at Rosebery; it is now time for us to learn from you! We know that there is a wealth of experience from which we can benefit, in relation to a number of the development projects which are so important to the future of the school. We are excited to work more closely with you as a group and individually and to narrow the gap between our current and former students, something which we hope will be fulfilling for all.

Very best wishes

Ros Allen

## Date for your diary: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016

We're holding a Summer Festival at Rosebery School on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016 from 6pm-8pm. We had a great turn out for our event in February (leavers of the past 10yrs – see pictures below) and are looking forward to now inviting all of our Alumnae for a tour of the school, 6pm-6.30pm and a chance to meet up with some old friends, whilst enjoying our summer festivities, it would be great if you can join us.

The Rosebery Summer Festival is an event to raise funds for various projects around the school. The latest purchase has been a number of new benches to be used for outdoor seating at break and lunch.

At the Festival we will have a BBQ, PIMMs tents and a variety of stalls as well as live performances from local bands.

If you would like to attend please email [cfinegold@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:cfinegold@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk) to secure your wristband which will be left on the door for you.

Looking forward to having another big turn out like our first successful Alumnae event in March.

Carolyn Saul



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# FUNDRAISING INFO

Shelter – we raised **£244.54** by wearing our slippers in school for the day!



The Swimathon raised **£1629.00** which was divided between a number of charities including Children in Need, The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and Smile Train.

Amazingly, we have also raised **£5,570** for Meningitis Research (this charity was chosen after one of our Y13 students sadly passed away to the disease, last year)

The Staff have raised over **£100.00** through Soup Lunches and ‘bring and share’ events.

## Careers Events

Alumnae are great role models for current students and are often well placed to offer practical support to them as they start looking at future career options. Current students can benefit from their skills and experience. Many of our alumnae have supported our careers events in the past.



If you have an inspirational, exciting, rewarding or unusual job, and would like to take part in a future careers event held in school or, alternatively, if you are able to offer a work experience opportunity to any of our students, please contact:

[fkeaveney@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:fkeaveney@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk)



## Rosebery Students and Alumnae win ‘Superstars of the Year Award’

Rosebery students and ex-students (Alumnae) have just received the Superstar of the Year Award at the **Surrey Young Superstars** awards this weekend, along with the rest of their 7th Epsom Scouts Tanzania Team.

The team won the category of Fundraising Superstar 13-19yrs (group) for their amazing effort of raising over **£24,000** for their projects in Tanzania in 2015. Their fundraising endeavours included running chocolate tombolas, quiz nights and a casino night, **a mufti day at Rosebery School** (thank you), being the arena team at a 2 day show jumping event, chopping down trees, marshalling traffic at the Stoneleigh Village Day, a lucky envelope stall in the Ashley Centre and building over 80 bird boxes which they sold at several local events.



They received this prize from H.M Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, Mr Michael More-Molyneux at a special awards ceremony at Guildford’s Guildford Harbour Hotel on Sunday 8th May. They then went on to win, much to their surprise and against very humbling and inspiring competition, the overall Superstar of the Year Award, which they are pictured receiving from the Mayor of Guildford’s representative; Mrs Sally Marks and H.M Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, Mr Michael More-Molyneux.

The current year 11 Rosebery girls are: **Georgina Carswell, Lottie Coley** and **Sophie Edge** (*pictured right, in Udzungwa, Tanzania in front of the school buildings that we paid for and helped to build*). Rosebery Alumnae are: **Ella Coley** and **Izzie Rowe (Eleanor Meech)** was also part of the fundraising team but unfortunately could not attend the expedition).



Thank you for your support,  
**7th Epsom Explorer Scout leader**



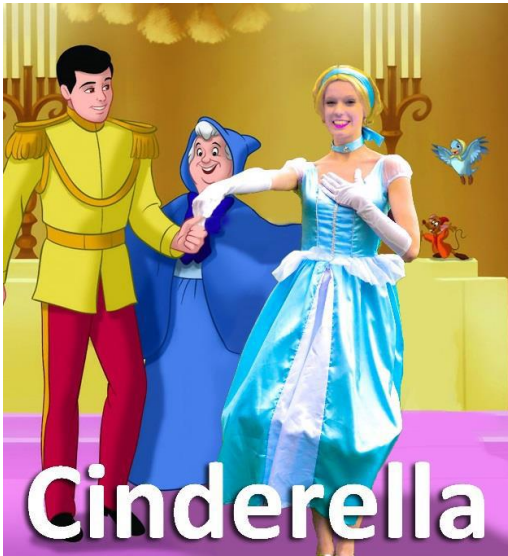
## ROSEBERY DAY – 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY



Once again our students have been celebrating **Rosebery Day** making a badge to wear and meeting on the quad for cake sales and lunch. What a wonderful tradition this is proving to be!



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Cuddington Croft Primary School recently got in contact with Rosebery with a magical request – they were looking for Cinderella. It transpired that the original Cinderella had broken a limb and would no longer be able to attend an event being held for the reception children at their primary school.

We put out a request to our Drama students and **Deputy Head Girl Mary Prescott** instantly jumped at the chance to save the day. In the days leading up to the event, Mary purchased a Cinderella dress, procured herself a blonde wig and teamed up with Mrs St John to send an animated picture of herself as Cinderella alongside Prince Charming and the Fairy Godmother.

Miss K Sage, Reception class teacher and Assistant Head at Cuddington Croft, sent us a copy of the newspaper article given to her students where it detailed the loss of Cinderella's slipper which held magical powers. The students at Cuddington Croft searched long and hard for the slipper in the playground, eventually discovering it and they immediately sent a video on Twitter, telling Cinderella to come and retrieve it. Cinderella heard the call and, just after break time on Friday, appeared! Cinderella was so thankful for the return of her shoe that she cast a magic spell and all of the Reception children's clothes magically appeared in Miss Sage's cupboard! Before heading back to her Prince Charming, Cinderella posed for a few photos, answered the children's questions and even joined in in a playground banquet.



## Poppy's Kickboxing Success

**Poppy Giles 7RX** has finished her competition year and certainly finished on a high this weekend!!

Over the last two weeks she has won 4 golds, 1 bronze and 2 grand championships in her kickboxing.

This brings her total to 8 medals and means she is British Champion this year as in her category she is top in the country.

Congratulations on your amazing achievements and mature attitude towards training from **Miss Elwell and 7RX**.

## Senior Maths Team Challenge Competition

Congratulations to our Sixth Form students who took part in the Senior Maths Team Challenge Competition at Epsom College on Monday 23 November. Katherine Shepherd, Ellen Michael, (pictured) Morgan Morrison and Abigail Muller, accompanied by Miss Bailey, represented Rosebery in this tough competition testing mathematical, communication and teamwork skills. Our team did extremely well coming in the top 10 out of 18 local schools and colleges who took part. **Well done!**



## Rosebery Students' Cheerleading Success!

This April, we were lucky enough to be selected to go to Florida to compete at the World Cheerleading Championships with our team Surrey Starlets Amethyst. We trained very hard in the lead up to the competition, which paid off as we performed a great routine! It was an amazing experience and we hope that we get the opportunity to go again in the future!

**Becca Hill and Gabby Gumbs 11DX**

## Rosebery Student 'Best Overall' in Adult Bake Off!

**Kate Derwent Smith** in 9DX recently won a 'Bake Off' contest at St George's Hospital.

There were three prizes initially - Best Design, Best Taste and Most Imaginative. When Kate's was presented, the judges felt it was too good to cut and taste! They created a new category and called it **Best Overall!!!** Not bad for a 14 year old in an adults' competition!





## Welcome to our Alumnae - LEAVERS OF 2016!

These are our current Y13 Leavers who are sitting their final exams (I'm sure you all remember that time!). Please look out for them on LinkedIn [Alumni@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:Alumni@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk) They officially left on Friday 27th May 2016, please see picture below.



We wish you all very the best of luck with your exams and hope you have a great Summer!

If you enjoyed the 'Memory Lane' video and would like a copy to keep on dvd, please email Mrs St John: [lstjohn@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:lstjohn@rosebery.surrey.sch.uk) your dvd will be ready to collect on **Results Day** and will cost just £2.00 (payable on the day).

Look out for the next Newsletter, due **Autumn 2016**.