



WHERE EVERY PUPIL CREATES THEIR OWN STORY

## Rendlesham House



## From the HM



'To appreciate the beauty of a snowflake it is necessary to stand out in the cold'

It is hard to believe that we have already reached the end of the first term. It has been jampacked, with each pupil contributing to Rendlesham's success. The common room is a joyous place, attracting people from other Houses throughout the day and evening, which is a true testament to the warm and welcoming atmosphere within Rendlesham.

I had the privilege of reading through everyone's reports, and it was pleasing to see wonderful comments and a majority of engaged and highly motivated attitude grades. A massive well done to the top achievers in each year group for positives: Year 9 – Joe B, Year 10 – Harry W, Year 11 – Henry W, Year 12 – Charlie B, and Year 13 – Edward P. Additionally, congratulations to the Year 9 group for achieving an impressive 270 positives as a team.

Rendlesham can be proud of its efforts in giving back. We made a healthy contribution to the Harvest collection, and the boys are eagerly preparing the annual Christmas hampers to be donated to the local community. November was also a time for our sixth formers to support men's health by growing, or attempting to grow, moustaches. Thank you to everyone who helped raise £100 for testicular cancer research.

The rugby season has come to an end, and I am proud of the boys who were recognised for their efforts during the term's celebrations in chapel. Our other sportsmen can also be proud of their achievements in the pool, during extra hockey sessions, and keeping fit in the gym.

Our musicians had the opportunity to showcase their talents during the annual Autumn Concert. We often don't see the hard work and dedication that goes into preparing for events like these, so I would like to compliment everyone involved for delivering an excellent performance. A special mention goes to the boys involved in the production, "See How They Run". Their excellent performances, both on and off the stage, were professional and had the audience in stitches from start to finish; we are extremely proud of all your efforts.

As mentioned before, the common room is a wonderful place, thank you to Kerry who made it even more special by providing biscuits for them at break time and played a special hand in ensuring that it is well decorated for the festive period. Thank you to all the pupils for making this House special!

I would like to wish everyone a blessed festive season, and to those who celebrate Christmas, a Merry Christmas.

## Messages from Head and Deputy Head of House



I can't thank the boys enough for their hard work, effort, and resilience throughout this term. This is one of the longest and most challenging periods in the academic year, packed with numerous activities, matches, and competitions every week.

At the start of the term, I encouraged the boys to "throw yourself at as many opportunities as you possibly can, and when it gets tough, don't stay down, get straight back up, and the results will follow." It's been incredible to see how they've embraced this mindset, with success following closely behind.

Highlights include an amazing first win in House singing, followed by a brilliant victory in the first round of the House quiz. A special mention goes to Joe B for consistently leading in the positive count, what a fantastic achievement! There's so much more I could say about their accomplishments.

As Christmas approaches, I wish everybody a well-earned rest, quality family time, and an opportunity for Years 11 and 13 to prepare for their upcoming exams. Once again, a massive thank you to everyone, and I look forward to hitting the ground running in 2025.



This term has been incredibly rewarding for me as Deputy Head of Rendlesham House. As a House, we are proud to celebrate our collective accomplishments, including winning the House Singing competition with our main song, which showcased both talent and unity.

In sports, our House has truly excelled, securing first place in the Senior House Football competition and an impressive second place in House Rugby. Unfortunately, the basketball team couldn't pull off a win in the final House event of the term; however, I am still proud of the 2nd place.

The atmosphere in the common room and throughout the House has been vibrant and supportive, making this term truly memorable. It has highlighted just how much we can achieve together as a House, and it makes me incredibly proud to hold the role that I do.

