

**YEAR 7  
Tutor Chat**



**RISEDALE**  
A family of learners

**Welcome**





- **Our new Year 7s are a fantastic year group**
- **They are really settling in well to life at Risedale and secondary school**
- **They show respect to their peers and their own learning**
- **This Tutor Chat is to keep you informed and allow you to ask questions**
- **It is about celebrating just a few of the many early successes**



# Year 7 Form Tutors



Mr Dean



Mr Metcalfe



Mrs Laheney



Mr Pugh



Mrs Rodgers



Mrs Wright

Head of  
Key Stage  
3

# Meet the SEND Team



Miss Burke



Ms Blatch



Mr Higham



Mrs Davies



Miss Hardstaff

Looking after pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities  
( S E N D )

SENCO: Miss Burke. Assistant SENCOs: Ms Blatch (Teaching and Learning Development) and Mr Higham (Pupil Development).

SEND Specialist Teacher: Mrs Davies. SEND Administrator: Miss Hardstaff.



## Our Teaching Assistant Team and SEND Pupil Mentors



Mrs Brown



Mrs Carlisle



Mrs Deighton



Miss Lowe



Mr Meacher



Mrs Piper



Mrs Pippett



Miss Smith

# Pillars of Success



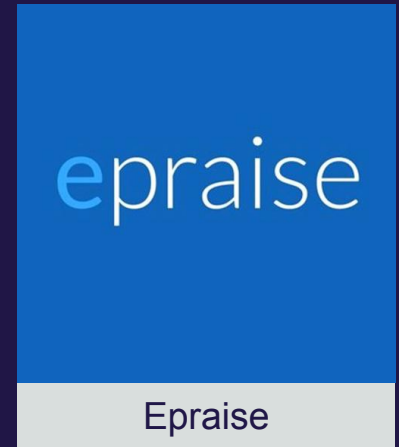
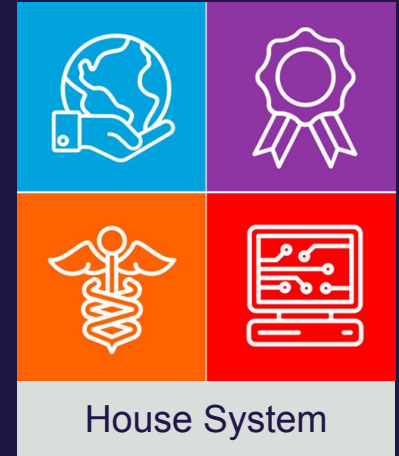
**The five pillars:** The main mantra of our curriculum is to be inclusive, to challenge and engage all pupils positively in their learning through a broader understanding of the world around them. Throughout this, we emphasise kindness and empathy through a family ethos. To achieve this, we have 5 clear pillars which underpins our whole school curriculum vision.

# The House System



#TEAMRISEDALE

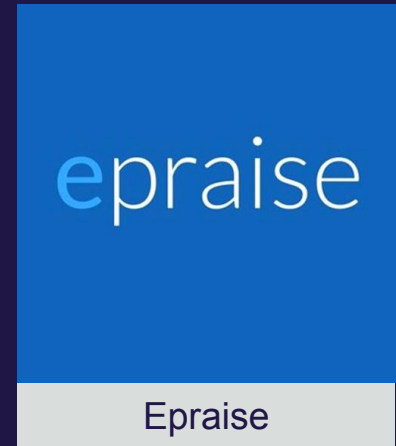
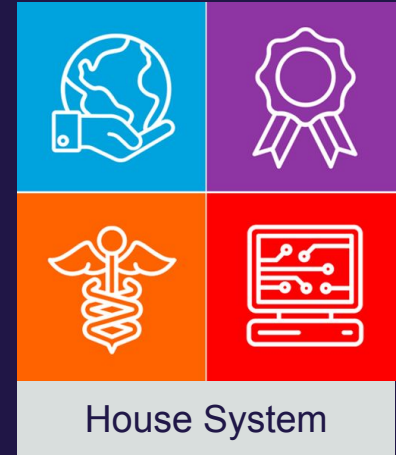
**Epraise = House Points and Rewards**



# Epraise

- Pupils earn Epraise house points for excellent contributions to lessons and in our school and local community.
- Some house points are linked to our Pillars of Success.
- Each Monday, two pupils in each year group with a high Epraise score for the previous week are recognised.
- Each morning Tues - Fri, two pupils with a high Epraise score from the previous day are celebrated.
- Epraise points can then be exchanged for rewards from our 'Epraise Shop'.
- The School Council are looking at improving this so that there is a much greater variety of rewards available from next half term onwards.
- Pupils and parents can track Epraise points via an app or the [online portal](#).

**Epraise = House Points and Rewards**





# Homework

- We are going to start gradually building up the homework that Year 7 pupils receive over the next few terms.
- Homework helps pupils to consolidate their learning in class, or it may help prepare them for new learning.
- Sometimes homework helps to diversify the different topics covered and allow them to explore in more detail.
- Homework is important to develop independent learners who will be successful in Year 11 and beyond.
- Homework will look different from subject to subject.
- One example of homework set to all Year 7 this term in their Science lessons was to make a model cell!

## Google Classroom Parent Alerts

Parents can receive email summaries showing their child's progress in Google Classroom. To become a 'Google Guardian' simply complete this form ['Google Classroom Summary Alerts'](#) and our IT team will set this up for you.



Homework



Google Classroom

# Excellence in Science



**7 Dean: Mason Bassett, Wilfi Price, Ella Naylor.**

**7 Laheney: Renesmee Bascombe-Nakoma, Mia Cassidy, Taya McKee.**

**7 Metcalfe: Layla-Mae Mckiddie, Amelia Mendham, Mabel Thirlwell.**

**7 Pugh: Ruby-Leigh Bowman, Paris Johnson, Kiera O'Connell.**

**7 Rodgers: Poppy Grainger, Indi Gray, Peighton Williams.**

# Excellence in Reading

## Enthusiastic Readers

**7 Dean: Sofia Arckless, Mason Bassett,  
Keira Marrable.**

**7 Laheney: Mia Cassidy, Alicia Kay.**

**7 Metcalfe: Willow Curtis, Noah Hughes,  
Ava Ridley.**

**7 Pugh: Neve Davies, Ruby-Leigh  
Bowman, Elia Wilson.**

**7 Rodgers: Poppy Grainger, Nathan  
Masvora, Jemesa Silivale.**



## Reading Champions

**7 Dean: Ella Naylor.**

**7 Laheney: Cooper Bromfield.**

**7 Metcalfe: Jack Booth.**

**7 Pugh: Oscar Baker.**

**7 Rodgers: Logan Holohan.**

# Equipment

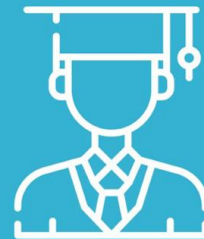
- Chromebook fully charged and in its case.
  - Do not bring the charger to school as it can damage the Chromebook when it is stored in the case.
- A pencil case containing the following:
  - a black biro, red biro and blue biro
  - pencil
  - ruler
  - eraser
- PE kit (on the timetabled day).
- A reading book (KS3 only).



**IMPORTANT:** If you haven't already done so, please complete your online [Risedale Chromebook Agreement](#). Thank you, Mr Kirkbride.



Equipment



Pupil Portal

# Uniform

## Required items of uniform:

- ★ Black blazer with logo
- ★ Tie (House colours)
  - Shirt (white)
  - Skirt or trousers (black)
  - Shoes
  - Socks or tights (black / neutral)



Uniform

## Required items of PE Kit:

- ★ Risedale PE t-shirt
- Shorts (navy)
- Socks (navy sports socks)
- Trainers



SCHOOLSHOP

Schoolshop



# MCAS Parent Portal - Online Parental Engagement

- [MyChildAtSchool \(MCAS\)](#) is an online portal for parents that enables you to view your child's performance at school in real-time via the web.
- Please check MCAS regularly as this facility allows you to access your child's timetable, attendance, behaviour and reports whenever you wish to see the latest available information. Parents can access MCAS via the school [website](#) or can use the MCAS App which can be downloaded from the app/play store.
- When your child joined Risedale you were sent details to allow you to access your account. If you have forgotten your Parent Login details click [HERE](#).
- If you have any problems accessing your MCAS account please contact the Admin Team.



MCAS



Forgotten Password



## Communications

We communicate regularly by email / telephone / text / post and [My Child at School \(MCAS\)](#) - an online portal for parents that enables you to view your child's performance at school in real-time via the web.



## Payments

Payments for lunches/trips etc. are made via [ParentPay](#). We are a cashless school.

## Social Media

We have a thriving social media presence - **FOLLOW US TODAY!**



Facebook: [@RisedaleFamily](#)

Twitter: [@RisedaleFamily](#)



Instagram: [@RisedaleFamily](#)

YouTube: [@RisedaleSchool](#)



MCAS



ParentPay

# Halloween Disco



£1 ENTRY

TICKETS IN ADVANCE ONLY

THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER  
6PM TO 8PM

FANCY DRESS  
COMPETITION (OPTIONAL)  
REFRESHMENTS  
AVAILABLE TO BUY

ORGANISED BY THE  
RISEDALE SCHOOL  
COUNCIL

## Halloween Disco

Thursday 26th October

- All parents were sent an email about the Halloween Disco on 17/10/23. It is also advertised on our social media outlets.
- The event being organised by The School Council and all money raised will be donated to charity.
- Pupils in Year 7 were asked to design a ticket for the Halloween Disco.
- The winning ticket was designed by Alex Dunphy (7Dean).
- You can purchase tickets via [ParentPay](#), our preferred payment method. Alternatively, pupils can buy tickets with cash during lunchtime in the canteen from members of the School Council.
- Tickets will be handed out next week, prior to the event.