



Newsletter for Families 19th April 2024

Our vision is to create an excellent school that gives every child no matter their background or beliefs, the opportunity to live happy and fulfilling lives, go to university or pursue the career of their choice.



Principal's Message

What a brilliant week at school – there have been several trips and visits taking place including some Year 7 students taking part in the “Colour Run” and some KS3 students attending Cambridge University Literary Festival for a poetry and creative writing workshop event and a cross year group visit to Harry Potter World where they had an opportunity to explore media and film making in action.

Additionally, we have had another round of Tea and Tours not only open to KS3 and 4 parents but also to parents of Year 6 students who will be joining us in September. As part of the process parents were toured by our Year 10 prefects and then met with me or Mrs Amner. It was delightful to hear such fantastic feedback from both existing and prospective families about the school, the lessons they had seen, student conduct and the extra-curricular activities that take place inside the school.

Finally, we have a small but growing number of students bringing E Scooters into school. As highlighted in a previous newsletter E scooters are not permitted in school. Any student found with an E Scooter on school premisses will have it confiscated until parents/carers can come into school to collect it.



Do you have any unwanted or outgrown uniform?

If you do, please donate it to the school, we would like to run a swap shop. But to be able to do this we need donated uniform.

With the rising costs we want to support our families, and this is a fantastic way to recycle but also make use of uniform that is outgrown.

We are accepting the following items:

- Blazers
- Grey Sweatshirt
- Ties
- PE Tops
- PE shorts
- PE Sweatshirt

Thank you for supporting your child's school.

Modern Foreign Languages – HOD Daniella De Simone



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Modern languages are a paramount component in modern society; progression in every facet of life is through the importance of languages and by nurturing an interest in languages, we promote intercultural awareness and compassion of others. Our aim within the MFL curriculum, across KS3 and KS4, is to broaden students' horizons and inspire them to step beyond accustomed cultural boundaries and promote different views of the world. We want students to be able to express their ideas and thoughts in another language and to be able to understand and respond to its speakers, both spoken and written. A language also provides opportunities for students to communicate in practical settings, learn new ways of thinking and develop an appreciation of a range of writing in the language studied.

The knowledge that students arrive with from primary schools can be variable. Therefore, in Year 7, we begin with the very basics to allow students to become more confident with the language, focusing on phonics, vocabulary, and grammar. In Year 8 and Year 9 elements of the foundation and higher exam are introduced, with an emphasis on everyday communication areas which directly relate to young people. For example, topics include media, music, festivals, school, future, work experience and the environment.

Topics are revisited in more depth in KS4, focusing on higher vocabulary and more complex grammatical structures. At the end of Year 11, students will sit four papers: reading, listening, writing and speaking.

A big, good luck to our Year 11s and a few Years 10 students that are soon to sit their speaking exam!

[Spanish Curriculum Plan KS3 & KS4](#)



This week the leadership team met with every student in Year 11 to discuss their last mock grades and the actions they are going to take over the next couple of weeks in the final run up to their GCSEs. Students have been participating positively in their interventions and masterclasses and have been focussed and working hard in all their lessons.

On Monday we will be sending out the link to families to be able to purchase Prom tickets for £15. The Prom Committee has been working hard on the final plans for this event and we are excited to see all their work come together.

Head of Year 10, Mrs Bright

College Open Evenings:

As the end of academic year is slowly reaching us and you get ever closer to Year 11, there are a number of college open evenings coming up in the next few weeks/ months. It would be a good idea to go and start to have a look at the options available and what they have to offer, helping to prepare you for your college applications.

Long Road:

Monday 2nd July and Tuesday 3rd July 5-9pm

Hills Road:

Saturday 6th July and Monday 8th July (see website to book)

Cambridge Regional College:

Thursday 25th April 4:30-7pm

Tuesday 2nd July 4:30-7pm

The Oakes College Cambridge:

Wednesday 26th June 6-8pm

College of West Anglia:

Tuesday 23rd April 4:30-7:30pm

Other Colleges yet to release open day/evening dates: Chesterton Sixth Form, Impington International College and Comberton Sixth Form

Work Experience:

Please continue to look for your work experience placements and upload on to unifrog. If you have any questions, please go and speak to Mr Robinson or Mrs Bright. A reminder of the dates: **Monday 8th July - Friday 12th July**

Community Notices



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Preparing for Adulthood SEND Festival

My Life: My Future



From 22nd April

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**PfA Full-day event at
The Burgess Hall, St Ives**

↘ From 10am to 2pm

- Free event for SEND young people and their families as the young people begin to think about their future.
- Offering support, advice and fun activities such as *silent disco*, *ping pong*, *bowling* and *indoor picnic*. **Don't miss out!**

April
22 **PfA Online and smaller
activity sessions**

- Sessions leading up to the main event.
- Information sessions for young people and parent carers on topics such as job coach advice and guidance; benefits information session; mental health and wellbeing talks and discussions etc.

For more
information and
to register:
Scan QR Code



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