

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 09 MARCH 2018

Snow



Having had two periods of snow now, I thought that it would be worth recapping on a few things.

Wherever possible, we will remain open even if only for students who walk to school and are able to get in. Closure will happen where we cannot get enough staff in or the site cannot be made safe to an appropriate level.

We will let you know via text and the school website if we are closed. We will update the school status on the Bucks County Council website as well.

We have had students contacting home directly and asking to be collected with the parent/carer thinking that the school had sanctioned it which was not the case. If you don't get a message from the school saying we are closed then we are open despite what your child may be telling you.

On snow days, lessons may not all take place as normal but we will do our very best to ensure that learning (which may have to be adjusted) takes place. A couple of hours of learning is better than no hours.

Snow days are challenging for us as a school so please do not come in once school has started to collect your child to take them home (unless it is for a medical or other exceptional reason) as it is very hard for us to manage this. When this happened last week, we had over a hundred parents/carers coming into school asking us to get their children from lessons so that they could be taken home. Quite simply this made life very difficult for staff and took us away from supervising and teaching the students.

I know that we are all hoping that the snow and bitter weather has gone now and that we can look forward to Spring.



Mrs Christine McLintock
Headteacher

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Important Message / Letters home / Reminders

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Important Dates	Week commencing 12 March is Week 1
Monday 12 March	Maths Week begins / Science Week continues
Wednesday 14 March	U14A and U15A Netball (Year 9 and 10) at Wycombe Abbey School 16:30 (K Grigg) Rocky Shore Sampling Y8 (R Schofield)
Thursday 15 March	Science Week Ends / UCAS (Miss Le Count)
Friday 16 March	Maths Week Ends / Y11 Beauty Trip P1-2 (AH)
Monday 19 March	'Little Shop of Horrors' Rehearsal
Tuesday 20 March	'Little Shop of Horrors' Opening Night
Wednesday 21 March	Y13 Grade Booster Student Workshop (Mr Wolfenden) / 16 30 U12B Netball (Y7) @ Pipers Corner / 'Little Shop of Horrors' Last Night
Thursday 22 March	Y12 Future Options Evening 1800-2000 / Health Tec Trip (Mrs Patterson) / Scholars Club Trip (Mr Wolfenden) / Y8 County Championship Rugby @ Aylesbury RFC (Mr Thomas)

Technology—Food Tech



This week our Year 11 GCSE Food and Nutrition students were tasked to produce 3 skilled dishes from a European country of their choice. This involved pasta and bread making, making sauces, preparing meat, pastry and desserts. Well done to Maria Barrick, Millie Wheable, Olivia Smith, Bushra Quadeer, Kobi Frost, Maleeka Khan, Jodie Whittle, Alice West, Eden Bradding, Katie Booth, Lily- Rose Church, Samika Khan, Kym Stenson, Sophia Skingley, Lauren O'Donnell, George Baker. I feel extremely proud of what these students have achieved in just 3 hours.

Pictures of the dishes they prepared will follow at a later date, once moderation has taken place.

Mrs Julie Hawes, Teacher of Food & Nutrition

Year 9 News

All options forms were due in by March 9th. This means the start of the task of putting together all the information. Final options will not be sent out until the end of June. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Henwood at MHenwood@swr.school if you need any further help.

Our new Pastoral Manager, Miss Russell, joined at the start of the week and is already starting to get to know the year group. She can be contacted at brussell@swr.school

Assembly this fortnight covered the ideas of fairness and is it fair that we are all treated equally?

Mrs M Henwood

Teacher of MFL & Head of Year 9



Who is this?

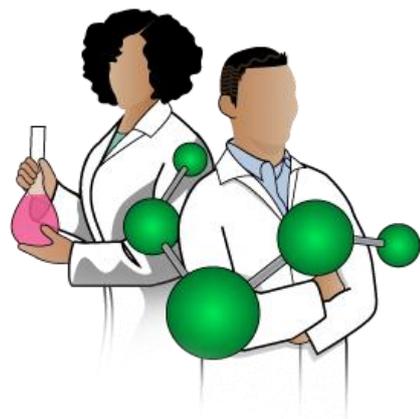
Why is there a car in space?

Where is it going?

Science Week - Space discovery

This week can you work out who we are? It is Science week next week and every day the Science teachers will give a clue as to who they are and on the Friday we will be dressing up as the final clue.

There will be a prize for the form which can guess all the teachers correctly!



News from Performing Arts



News from Performing Arts.

Rehearsals and preparations for 'Little Shop of Horrors' are in full swing. Since we have returned from the break we have been busy rehearsing at lunchtimes and after school. We even have managed a Saturday and Sunday Rehearsal!! We are in the final two week stretch of rehearsals before the big event and the arrival of the Plant.

Make sure that you get your tickets in advance. They are available on Parent Pay.



MFL Department

Year 10 and Year 11 Spanish Revision Guides



Those pupils who have paid for their revision guides—they have now arrived so please come and collect them from Miss Sanmartin in the Languages Office.

Linguists of the month

February's "Linguists of the Month" were:

Year 7	Bethany Malecki:	Consistently producing good quality work
Year 8	Muhammad Shakeel:	Excellent speaking assessment using comparatives and 2 tenses
Year 9	Haram Butt:	Achieving above & beyond in her recent writing assessment
Year 10	Danyaal Ali:	100% effort with all classwork and homework and achieving good results in vocab and grammar tests
Year 11	Portia Anderson:	Consistently producing accurate pieces of writing on a variety of themes using a variety of tenses.

Well done!

Miss Sanmartin

Head of Modern Languages

Psychology news – 'Project Psychology' at Bucks New University

On Tuesday 27th February we gathered at Bucks New University with our Year 12 Psychology students to take part in 'Project Psychology: A BNU collaboration with local schools, where students took part in lectures on a variety of areas, from Developmental Psychology to Forensics.

The students sat in on lectures at the university with students from other local schools. They were given ideas on how to develop a research proposal around a subject. Our students came up with ideas of how to tackle research, taking into account of any ethical issues that may impact on their research.

During the next few months our students will be conducting their own piece of research and we will return to BNU in the summer, where students will have an opportunity to present and share their piece of research with fellow A Level students and Lecturers.

Mrs F Rahman

Teacher of RS/Psychology

Year 10 news

We would like to congratulate the following students who have achieved the top 10 conduct points for Year 10.

Maira Akhtar	Megan Birch
Mihai Chiriac	Alex Milligen
Scarlett Bond	George Redrup
Hajara Ahmed	Caitlin Meech
Nathan Thomas	Hamaad Ur-Rehman

The above students have been working really hard all year and have shown a positive attitude to their studies. Well done.

The students are working really hard towards their GCSEs and in registration are learning about different ways that they can revise. On Friday 9th March this work will be supported by 'Positively Mad' a revision group who will be running a workshop with Year 10 to help improve their revision in order to achieve the best they can in their GCSEs.

Miss Sparks and Mrs Thomas

Sixth Form News

Our Year 12 students will be attending a UCAS Convention on Thursday, 15 March at Brunel University, Uxbridge. This experience is an important event which has been specifically designed to give students maximum information regarding their future career and education options, enabling them to get an insight into the next phase of their lives.

UCAS conventions are the only opportunity students have to explore a variety of post-18 options in one setting. With over 150 Higher Education institutions and professional organisations, this convention provides the opportunity for students to talk to exhibitors who can provide information and advice on their future choice of course, institution of study and career options. Students will have the opportunity to speak with university admissions staff and subject specialists, find out what life is like on and off campus, and discover what else is on offer when exams are finished, such as volunteer work, gap year adventures and future career opportunities.

If you haven't done so already, please complete the online parental consent form.

Year 12 Future Options Evening

On Thursday 22nd March we have our future options evening for our Year 12 students and their parents. It will give us an opportunity to talk you through the options available when leaving us in June 2019. The evening starts at 6.30pm and will be held in the LRC. We look forward to seeing you there.

Miss E Le Count
Head of Sixth Form

Sir William Ramsay School

Presents...

Little Shop

of
HORRORS

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL
(Europe)

Music by Alan Menken

Book & Lyrics by Howard Ashman

Tuesday 20th March &

Wednesday 21st March

7pm in MHI

Tickets:

£8 Adults. Concessions/Students £5

Tickets available via ParentPay

Based on the film by Roger Corman,

Screenplay by Charles Griffith

Originally produced by the WPA Theatre (Kyle Renick, Producing Director) Originally Produced at the Orpheum Theatre, New York City by the

WPA Theatre, David Geffen,

Cameron Mackintosh and the

Shubert Organization

