



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted that our students have contributed so much to raising money for South Bucks Hospice, already having exceeded the target of £10,000 with further money being raised from tomorrow's non uniform day. I am so pleased that we have been able to work in partnership with the Hospice, an important part of our local community.

We will continue to focus on our own school community together with wider community links as we progress through this year. I am looking forward to the Careers Information Evening on 8th March (please see Mr Olhausen's note later on in this newsletter).

In terms of continuing to improve our own school community, I am proud of students—particularly those in Sixth Form—who are continuing to work with other students lower down the school. This is an area of our work which we will continue to develop though this year and into next year.

I wish you all a happy half term holiday.

Mr M Mayne
Head

Messages for Parents/Carers / Letters home

Reports for Years 7, 8, 10 & 11 will be available on the SLG from today.

Important Messages from Miss Roser , Y11 Academic Leader

Revision Sessions at Half Term for Year 11 students:

Please make sure your son/daughter is aware of which sessions they need to attend and that they have paid special attention to the specific times each session will be running.

Please be aware that the Tuesday session listed as Food Tech is actually 'Engineering'

Letter Y11 parents/carers re GCSE Mock Examinations

Year 11 Prom—Friday, 24th June 2016.

A reminder that reply slips and deposits are due in by Friday 4th March

Link: <http://www.swr.bucks.sch.uk/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=1040>

Attached please find the Spring 2016 Pre Public Exam Timetable for Years 11, 12 & 13

Parents/Carers of Year 12 & 13

To help our students become better prepared for their formal exams, the majority of students in Years 12 and 13 will be sitting Pre-Public Examinations during week commencing 29th February 2016.

Please encourage your son/daughter to prepare by revising the areas indicated and attending study sessions after school and those scheduled during Half Term about which letters have been sent home for relevant students. The attached timetable includes details of those subjects that are scheduled exams.

Link: <http://www.swr.bucks.sch.uk/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=1041>

Year 12 Parents/Carers re 'Ace your Exams' – Elevate Education

Year 12 students recently attended an interactive training seminar aimed at enabling students to consider and develop their approach to revision and exam technique, so they can achieve their full potential in exams. Details can be found at www.elevateeducation.com

We have negotiated a discounted rate for our students and would like to request a voluntary contribution of £3.00, per student, to cover the cost of this valuable and positive training. This has been added as a payment option on Parentpay. You can pay online or request a barcode letter from Ms Pridham, Main Reception, to pay cash at any of the Paypoint machines available in local retail shops. www.swr.bucks.sch.uk



Extract from our Parent/Carer Calendar—Spring Term 2016

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| 13/02/16 - 21/02/16 | Spring Half-Term |
| 29/02/16 | Y9 Model United Nations |
| 29/02/16 - 07/03/16 | Y11 & 6th Form Mocks |
| 01/03/16 | Y11 Netball Tournament (WHS) |
| 02/03/16 | World Maths Day |
| 04/03/16 | Deadline Y9 Pathways Forms |
| 07/03/16 | Y11 Men ACWY Vaccinations |
| 08/03/16 | Y10-13 Careers Evening 18.30-20.30 |
| 08/03/16 | Governor's Day |
| 09/03/16 | Heads Open Door 16.30-18.30/Parent Council 18.30-19.30 |
| 11/03/16 - 20/03/16 | Science Week |
| 14/03/16 - 18/03/16 | Maths Week |
| 15/03/16 | Y7 Netball Tournament (St Michael's) |
| 16/03/16 | Y8 Netball Tournament (Godstowe) |
| 17/03/16 | Sixth Form UCAS Convention |
| 17/03/16 | Y10 Parent/Carer Consultation Evening |
| 21/03/16 | Dress Rehearsal - School Musical - 'Bugsy Malone' |
| 21/03/16 | Y11 Science Revision Week in Tutor Time |
| 22/03/16 | Y9/10 Netball Tournament (WHS) |
| 22/03/16 - 23/03/16 | School Musical - 'Bugsy Malone' |
| 24/03/16 | British Values Day/Academic Review Day Y11-13 |
| 24/03/16 | Y9 Follow-up Pathways Day |
| 25/03/16 - 11/04/16 | Easter Holiday Students return on Tuesday 12th April 2016 |

Please Note: Changes to calendar details are highlighted in red. Students return to school after Half Term on Monday 22nd February.

Please see the link below for our Parents and Carers' online calendar:

<http://www.swr.bucks.sch.uk/site/data/files/parental%20calendar/1B733017686FFA1EA6503058BBCEF9BC.pdf>

Careers Information Evening – 6.30pm -8.30pm 8th March in A8

This event is open to all Year 10, 11, 12 and 13 students and their parents/carers. This is a fantastic opportunity to speak to different professionals about their jobs and the routes they took into those careers. There will be a range of careers represented on the evening including Accountants, Lawyers, Hotel and Catering, Nursing, Insurance, Estate Agents, IT Programming and Support, Pharmaceutical Research and the Army. Staff from Bucks New University will also be available to provide information about courses they offer and routes onto those courses.

Please put this date in your diary - more details to follow.

Mr E Olhausen

Message for Y10 and Y12 students studying Performing Arts: Please see the letter and Parental Consent Form on our website concerning 'Blood Brothers' at the Wycombe Swan on Thursday 14th April 2016.

Important—Inclement Weather arrangements: Please note that the School website will be updated by 0630 should we have any snow or bad weather which may result in the school's closure or later opening.

Student Transport: If parents/carers have any issues/questions re school transport, all calls should be directed to the dedicated Transport Team at County on: 01296 387439.