

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 17TH JUNE 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

A quick message from me this week as I'm about to go and watch the England / Wales match with students and staff. A great opportunity to share in this important match as a whole school community and to celebrate or commiserate with students—depending on the result!

Mr M Mayne
Head

Messages for Parents/Carers / Letters home

It is with regret that, due to lack of support, the PTA have had to cancel the Ruby Ball. The PTA are still keen to fundraise for the school in the new academic year, for much needed resources for the students. Any fundraising ideas can be sent to the PTA at swrpta@gmail.com

Unfortunately the Ramsay Reunion planned for Saturday 2nd July 2016 has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances

Letter Year 10 parents/carers re English & Maths Exams w/c 20th & 27th June. Please [click here](#) for link.

Important information re new Parent Pay topping up process. Please [click here](#) for link.

New Year 12 Induction Evening

Who? Parents/Carers of and students who will be attending the SWR Sixth Form Induction Week on Monday June 27th – Friday 1st July

When? Thursday 23rd June 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Where? A8 (Performing Arts Block)

This evening will be an opportunity to learn more about the Induction Week and to ask any questions you may have. It will also give you a chance to meet Miss Le Count and Mrs Aldred (the Sixth Form team).

If you require further information please contact Miss Le Count elecoun@swr.bucks.sch.uk or Mrs Aldred

Year 12 Future Options Evening

Who? Parents/carers of and current Year 12 students

When? Monday 4th July 6.30 – 7.30pm

Where? A8 (Performing Arts Block)

This evening will be an opportunity to learn more about the next step for students entering into Year 13 and what future options are available. We will look at University (UCAS application), apprenticeships, employment and education and training opportunities.

If you require further information please contact Miss Le Count elecoun@swr.bucks.sch.uk or Mrs Aldred valdred@swr.bucks.sch.uk

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Some important dates from our Parent/Carer Calendar—Summer Term 2016

Y5 Open Evening, 28th June, 18.00-20.00 has been cancelled

Parents Evening for Year 8 students is on Tuesday 5th July, 16.30-19.00. It is vital that parents/carers and their son/daughter attend.

Sports Presentation Evening takes place on Thursday 7th July—details to follow

SWR Honours:

Please see the following details of those students who have been nominated and awarded with the SWR Honours badges in recognition of their exceptional commitment to our seven school values.

Year	Form Tutor	Student	Value
Year 7			
7.1	Ms Hay	Samuel Gray	Respect
7.2	Mr W Bent	Emily Forster	Trust
7.3	Mr D Hutton	David Fosh	Respect
7.4	Mr J Wolfenden	Kamila Wierzbicka	Ambition
7.6	Ms R Warren	Katie Fleming	Ambition
7.7	Mr D Thomas	Benjamin Thomas	Compassion
Year 8			
8.1	Mr M Harrowell	Scarlett Bond	Commitment
8.4	Mr S Balloo	Freddie Nicholls	Trust
8.5	Ms S Barlow	Zak Pickett	Commitment
Year 9			
9.1	Mr K Hughes	Kiera Barszcz	Courage
9.3	Mrs J Pitt	Edward Webb	Ambition
9.4	Ms N Ullah	Danny Allen	Courage
9.5	Mr E Olhausen/ Ms P Holt	Ellison Williams	Respect
9.6	Miss B Sparks	Lily Miller	Commitment
Year 10			
10.4	Miss A Thomas	Nicola Bird	Trust

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.

Important: Prescribed emergency medication in school and on trips.

If your child has a medical condition which needs prescribed emergency medication (asthma, severe allergies, diabetes etc) and this has been stated on the pink medical form, it is parents/carers responsibility that they have a sufficient supply of this medication with them during the school day, and a reserve supply kept in matrons. Unfortunately, failure to bring this medication when attending a school trip could result in the student being withdrawn from it.

Message from Mrs S Hanson, Pupil Premium Administrator

A questionnaire about Careers was recently completed by Year 10 students. Following this, Ms Lisa Goodman from Connexions will be coming into school and running workshops on the following days:-

Monday 20th June,

Monday 27th June,

Thursday 7th July



With the feedback provided, Ms Goodman has tailored these workshops to accommodate the area of industry the students wish to learn more about, ie: Business, Media, Engineering, etc.

This is a great opportunity to help each student to start thinking about their future career options which we hope they will find very useful.



Sir William Ramsay School is turning 40!!

Art and Photography competition

Aim: To create a poster which advertises Sir William Ramsay School's 40th birthday!!

It could be a photo, drawing or a collage (make it bright and colourful)

Open to all years - you can work in pairs

Hand in to Miss Warren

Work on an A4 piece of paper, Full name and form

Photography entry: Printed A4 size or it can be electronic (bring on a USB)

Drawn: A4 size: Use bright colours

It must include text e.g. 40th Birthday party for Sir William Ramsay, Ramsay is turning 40!
Happy Birthday!! etc

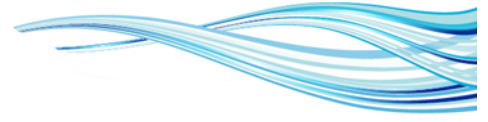
Deadline: Monday 27th June

Stop Press:

Competition to design a mural . A fantastic opportunity for students to create a design which will be painted onto the bus shelter on Rose Avenue. The design should be based on the school's ethos and the forthcoming celebrations. Students can create the design with friends.

We will be running a club, starting Wednesday 22nd June in the Art Dept from 3.15—4.15pm. Students who cannot make the club can hand in a design to the art teacher but this must be by next week. The chosen design will be judged by Mr Mayne & Mr Carter and the winning one will be painted by the after school club .





Ramsay is 40!

As a school we are 40 this year and below are our plans for celebration!

It is also the 100th anniversary of the death of local scientist, Sir William Ramsay

Aim:

Students to develop communication, ambition, courage and respect (school values)

Speaking workshops and competition

Festival event

Tour guides and lunch on community day

Awards evening

Sports day

Students to explore curriculum beyond the school

Educational visits

Festival event

Students develop relationships within and between year groups

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Show pride in the school

Monday 11th July – Educational Visits and Literacy development opportunities

Yr 7, 8 and 12 out on Educational visits (Yr7 – Natural History/ Yr8 – Science Museum/ Y12 – Brighton)

Yr12 in school to support literacy speaking workshops

Yr7 and 8 remaining in school to do literacy, based on improving structure for written work

Yr 9 and 10 doing speaking workshops for a literacy competition

Tuesday 12th July - Educational Visits and Literacy development opportunities

Yr 9 and 10 out on Educational visits (Yr9 - British Museum/ Yr10 –Science Museum)

Yr9 and 10 remaining in school to do literacy based on improving structure for written work

Yr 7 and 8 doing speaking workshops for a literacy competition

Yr12 – Helping support literacy speaking workshops

Wednesday 13th July – Festival Day - non uniform day

Students may wish to bring in money for food and to take part in some of the activities on this day. Mobile phones will not be allowed.

Dress code = festival dress

Period 1-2 – normal lessons and preparation for festival

P3, 4 and lunch – SWR festival – organised by yr12 Music students. Students can socialise with their friends and:

Bring a blanket to sit on to relax and enjoy the music on the stage

Join in novelty sports or join in a game of volleyball

Take part in or observe a cake competition

Buy lunch from food wagons and stands, including an ice cream van (free school meal students will be able to access the food on site), or bring a packed lunch/ picnic

Relax under a tree and read a book or enjoy being read to by 'guest' speakers

Have nails or face painted by beauty students

... lots more fun to have!

P5 – community service cleaning the school/ displays etc

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Thursday 14th July – **Community day**

P1-5 – normal lessons

P3 – visitors touring school (visitors being any past staff, students and members of Sir William Ramsay's family)

P4 – visitors with students for lunch (served by and eating with students)

Lunch – Teachers' quiz: department 'v' department, organised by Young Enterprise group
(Small group of 4 students and 2 staff to lay a wreath on Sir William Ramsay's grave with his family, then opportunity to socialise afterwards)

P5 - normal lessons

Evening: 18.00 for 18.30 start – School Awards Evening; the guest speakers are members of Sir William Ramsay's family

Friday 15th July - **Sports day**

Day – details to go out to students nearer the date from PE department