Principal Mr C Shaw



HIGH STANDARDS, HIGH ASPIRATIONS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS

13th October 2022

Dear Parent/Carers,

We are into the final "week" of term as students finish at normal time on Wednesday 19th October (Thursday & Friday next week are INSET days) and the time has flown by. Summer doesn't quite seem like a distant memory yet though the changing leaves and some colder spells tell us Autumn is well and truly underway. Before the term ended I wanted to bring a few messages and nice news stories:

Attendance – a reminder that all legal requirements with regards attendance to school are back in place following the formal ending of covid-19 restrictions. Any suspected covid infection now falls under the same guidance as any other illness. Students should be seeking to attend school whenever they are able and should only be staying at home when they are unwell with a view to returning to school as soon as possible. Holidays should not be taken in term time and routine appointments (medical, dental etc) should be, as far as possible, taken outside of school time or arranged to minimise the amount of school time missed. Thank you in advance for your support.

Exam Invigilator Opportunities (Paid) – we have a number of vacancies for exam invigilators who are vital in supporting the exam outcomes of our Year 11 students. These roles are casual and can fit around other commitments so can be ideal for busy adults. For each exam season we ask your availability and offer work to suit. The work is during the school day so can fit perfectly around school drop off and collection commitments. Our advert and online application can be found at this link and if you need any support in applying please contact Reception and we would be happy to assist or answer any questions.

London Marathon – as you know, last time I wrote I was finishing my training to run my first ever marathon (London Marathon 2022, my personal challenge for the year!). Thank you to all families who donated to the NSPCC, we well and truly exceeded the target and have raised over £2300 for the charity. The good news is I managed to finish the race (3hr 43min) and therefore at some point the students will get their promised nonuniform day!

Sickle Cell Disease – members of student leadership wanted to arrange an event to support awareness, research and treatment of sickle cell anemia. They have decided on an "own footwear" day which will be Wednesday next week (19th October.) Students are welcome to wear their own choice of footwear for the day (though the rest of uniform is to be worn as normal.) Donations (suggested £1) will go towards the great work of the Sickle Cell Society.

Grow Wilder Trip – students from eco club enjoyed the opportunity to forage for mushrooms and cook their own lunch with them. A great time was had by all and an amazing learning opportunity to safely discover what can be found in the wild.







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Airbus Graduation – today saw our latest cohort of future engineers 'Graduate' from the Airbus Programme. This is a programme which students can apply to join in Year 9. Those who secure a place spend a number of afternoons working with airbus engineers designing, creating and testing various aviation related themes. This year's challenge involved drone technology. It was lovely to see these students and families celebrating their success on the programme today and we look forward to recruiting the next cohort from current Year 9 in the coming months.

Wishing a lovely weekend to all families and a lovely final few days of term.

Yours sincerely

Cameron Shaw Principal

