

Key Notes



MVC Newsletter

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Year 11 Work Experience

Year 11 students had an assembly on Friday about work experience. This will take place from 10th - 14th July 2023. They were each given information on how to find a work placement, together with a form to complete and return to Mrs Brown at school (via reception) by 27th April 2023 at the latest.

The WEX placement form and information sheet is also available to download from the our website here.



Forthcoming Events

February

- Monday 20th Staff Training Day (school closed). Training day has moved from 30th June.
- Tuesday 21st all day GCSE PE practical mock moderation – students involved should check on the whiteboards in the PE changing rooms for which periods they are scheduled.
- Friday 24th Vaccinations DTP & MenACWY Y9 (and mop up for Y10). Sign up link

March

- 10th Year 7 Careers event
- 13th Spring Concert
- 16th KS4 Theatre trip
- 17th Year 11 individual and group photos
- 20th-24th Science Week activities
- 20th 11A food & nutrition practical exam
- 22nd GCSE Drama exam
- 23rd 11D food & nutrition practical exam
- 23rd Year 8 Parents' evening
- 27th-29th GCSE Geography trip
- 31st Year 7 reports to parents/carers

Post-16: National Apprenticeship Week

This week is National Apprenticeship Week. In school we have been promoting career opportunities through the apprenticeship route. Some information that may be helpful for parents can be found below. Please note that apprenticeships have moved on significantly from about 10 years ago and now there are opportunities across many sectors. T Levels are also worth looking at (equivalent to, but an alternative to, doing A levels). Students can do T levels or an apprenticeship from Year 11 onwards.



- National Apprenticeship Week
- T Levels
- Apprenticeships.gov.uk
- Amazing Apprenticeships.com

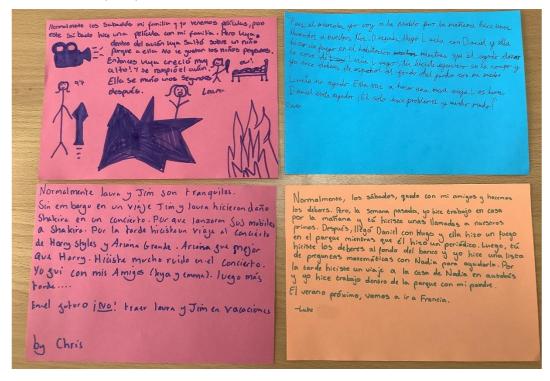
Food technology

Students are really enjoying cooking in our new Food Technology room. The bright space with induction hobs and modern facilities is a lovely area to work. On Tuesday, Year 9 students made cakes and Year 10 made jam tarts.



Spanish

Congratulations to Year 9XM who have written some very imaginative stories in Spanish which will be on display in GE03. Even Harry Styles gets a mention! Chris (9Darwin) wins a small prize for the most entertaining story, and Luke (9Franklin) has one for the most accurate use of three tenses. See Mrs Stanley after half term to collect your prizes!



Physical Education

A reminder to check <u>this link</u> to see what activities will be taught in PE after half-term. It's the boys time to swim for most year groups. A reminder we prefer plain blue or black swimming shorts, but if you only have a different colour currently then please bring them instead.

This week we were supposed to have a double header of boys' fixtures, the Year 8 football team hosted Trumpington in the District Cup and the Under 16 basketball team were meant to host KJAR in a GCSE PE match both on Tuesday after-school. The basketball will now be rescheduled for after half-term, however the Year 8 football match was another exciting cup game! Despite a stunning goal from Josh, the Year 8s were defeated 4-1 by a slick passing from the Trumpington side.

PE Fixtures timetable

- Wednesday 22nd February Y9 Boys District Cup Football v Netherhall at home 3.30pm KO
- Wednesday 22nd February Y11 GCSE PE athletics enrichment
- Saturday 25th February GCSE PE Wimpole Park Run
- Tuesday 28th February GCSE PE athletics after-school 3-4pm
- Wednesday 1st March Cluster fixture at home Y7&9 netball, Y7&8 basketball
- Wednesday 1st March Y7&9 Netball and Y7&8 Basketball v Comberton at home 3.45-5pm.
- Wednesday 8th March Year 7&8 netball v Bassingbourn at home 3.45-5pm.

We kindly ask that parents refrain from coming to watch these matches.



Lost property

Please can parents check their child's PE kit. We have had a number of pupils who have misplaced items so please check if kit has been accidentally taken home that belongs to someone else. If any pupils have picked up these football boots, please return them to the main office or PE office as soon as possible, many thanks.

Year 10 Sports Leaders

The PE department are grateful for all sports leaders who have volunteered their time to assist with enrichment and fixtures for their younger peers this term. We are pleased to offer the following opportunities:

Rugby Leaders course



A rugby leaders and officiating course which is being hosted by Cambridge Rugby club on Thursday 23rd February 4;00-5;30pm at Cambridge Rugby Club. This course is being offered free of charge to all Year 10 leadership academy pupils

and will be a practical course which covers the basics of coaching youth rugby and game management. Follow this link to book on the course by Wednesday 15th February.

Cricket young leaders' course

There is also an opportunity being hosted by Cambridgeshire cricket for young leaders in cricket. Please visit the website for more information on how to book your <u>place</u>.



SEND

Cambridgeshire County Council is holding an event on SEND Transformation for parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs (SEND).

This will be an opportunity for parents and carers to find out about the changes CCC is making to improve the system and to share their views and experiences. The event will be held on 9th March 2023 at Burgess Hall, St Ives. You can find more information here.

SEND Transformation Parent / Carer Event 9 March 2023 | Burgess Hall, St Ives | 10am - 1.30pm Come along to find out about the changes we are making to improve the SEND system. Share your views and learn more about: • Special School places • EHCP processes • SEN Support

Maths skills for parents/carers

Cambridge Regional College is supporting Multiply, a new government-funded programme to help adults improve their numeracy skills.

If you're aged 19 and over and don't have maths GCSE at grade C/4 (or equivalent), you can access free numeracy courses through Multiply. The three-hour courses will help individuals understand how to eat for less, spend less on their groceries and/or reduce their spending on 'eating out'. Learners will develop key maths skills needed to improve number confidence for everyday life and use numeracy skills to manage their money. Find out more at www.camre.ac.uk/multiply.



Health and Wellbeing

On 8th March 2023 at 7pm YMCA Trinity are offering a free webinar for parents/carers entitled: *Game Start: Devices, social media, gaming:* How to help your child navigate this world.

You can book your place online here or email for more information at mentalhealthtraining@ymcatrinity.org.uk



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History at Royston Museum

When in Rome... This half term, Royston Museum are holding two days of toga-twirling arts & crafts on Thurs 16th and Fri 17th February - drop in from 10 am-4pm. Make head wreaths, decorate ancient pots, cast Roman coins, tile a mosaic and create your own gorgeous leather bracelet - all to take away with you! Then don a toga for your #romanselfie!

£3 /child. Members go free! roystonmuseum.org.uk/events



Vacancies

We are currently advertising the following vacancies on our website:

Teacher of English

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Teacher of Mandarin (Part-time maternity cover)

With best wishes,

Christopher Bennet Executive Head Teacher