

9th February 2024

ACADEMY UPDATE 19

Dear Parents and Carers,

It hardly seems like this time last term we were breaking up for the Christmas holidays, but here we are! It feels like we've blinked and this term is over. Hopefully, next term brings the warmer weather but for now, let's recapture all the magic of the last week.

Monday's Year 5 masterclass saw 30 mathematicians take on secondary school maths equations. We were so impressed with their thirst for knowledge and it was lovely to see such young math enthusiasts. We can't wait to see how they develop over the next year before they come to *big school*.

This week has been a wonderful week for trips. We had our GCSE dance students take the stage at the white rock theatre for the performance of a lifetime. The audience was captivated by their performances. Wednesday was the Crème De La Crème of trips where we took 20 lucky students to The Harry Potter Warner Brothers Studios. It was a magical afternoon and the students were mesmerised by all of the people and craftsmen it took to turn the imagination of J.K. Rowling into the magical mega-franchise. It was a great trip for career aspirations and ideas as well as being such a fun day.

The Girls Year 10/11 football team had skill and last-week-of-term luck on their side as they were crowned the undefeated tournament champions, winning against Buckswood School. The girls played impeccably as they won the final game of the tournament. Year 8 Boys rugby gave some other schools the chance to win before winning their final game with a 20 – 0 win vs Lewes Priory in the County Cup. Finally, our Year 9 Boys put on an incredible match and battled up to the last minute but unfortunately, the final score did not reflect their efforts, it was a 5 – 1 loss to Ark Alexandra but although it was not the outcome they hoped for they were graceful in their defeat and we are very proud of them nonetheless.

As you may have seen from our social media, the Saturday revision sessions for Year 11 were a complete success with 100 students attending the final one. Some students even claimed they felt they had gone up a whole grade by attending. The sessions have been so popular we have decided to put some more dates together for the Easter half term, but more information to follow soon. They had the final push for their second round of mocks this week and we can't wait to celebrate with them tonight at the Valentine's Ball.

At the end of a busy week, we are still feeling upbeat following our monitoring visit from Ofsted. I hope you will have seen the letter that went out yesterday to give you more information but I couldn't not mention it in the week's final run down. A great outcome and end to a fantastic term!

We hope you all have a restful half term and get up to lots. We hope you spend quality time together and feel refreshed for the start of term 4 on the 19th February.

With best wishes,



Dr. Craig Neal
Headteacher

Calendar Dates

Term 3

Friday 9th February – Year 11 Valentines Party

Friday 9th February – Last Day of Term 3

Term 4

Monday 19th February – First Day of Term 4

Tuesday 20th – Y8 Inter-Form sports

Wednesday 21st February – Y7 Inter-Form sports

Thursday 22nd February – Year 8-11 School Photos

Thursday 22nd February – Y10-Y11 Inter-Form sports

Thursday 22nd

Thursday 29th February – Y9 Options Evening

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day

Thursday 7th March – Y11 celebration and feedback evening

Thursday 7th March – Y9 Option Form to be returned

Tuesday 12th March – Year 9 Tetanus injections

Thursday 28th March – Last Day of Term 4

Tuesday 19th March – Provisional Year 11 Year Group Photo

Wednesday 20th March – Provisional Year 11 Year Group Photo

Thursday 21st March – Y7 celebration and feedback evening

Thursday 28th March – Last Day of Term 4

Term 5

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday

Monday 15th April – First Day of Term 5

Thursday 9th May – First day of GCSE exams

Friday 24th May – Last Day of Term 5

Term 6

Monday 3rd June – First Day of Term 6

Tuesday 16th – Thursday 18th July – The Big Show

Wednesday 26th June – Last day of GCSE Exams

Friday 28th June – **INSET Day (Students do not attend)**

Tuesday 23rd July – Last Day of Term 6

2024/25 Dates

Term 1

Monday 2nd September – 1st day of term 1

Tuesday 3rd September – Students first day

Friday 25th October – Last day of Term 1

Term 2

Monday 4th November – 1st Day Term 2

Friday 20th December – Last Day Term 2

Term 3

Monday 6th January 2025 – 1st Day Term 3

Friday 14th February – Last Day Term 3

Term 4

Monday 24th February - 1st Day Term 4

Friday 4th April – Last Day Term 4

Term 5

Monday 22nd April – 1st Day Term 5

Monday 5th May – Bank Holiday

Friday 23rd May – Last Day Term 5

Term 6

Monday 2nd June – 1st Day Term 6

Friday 18th June – Last Day Term 6

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