

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 27TH JANUARY 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been suggested to me by several parents that I should reintroduce the Parent Council meetings that previously took place. I would therefore like to invite Parents and Carers, next Tuesday at 5pm, to attend the initial meeting of the revamped Parent Council. The purpose of the meeting will be to gather your views and opinions on a specific school improvement focus, which will be set in advance. It will also give me, and my staff, an opportunity to explain some of our ideas and plans relating to that focus area. The meetings will run between 5 – 6pm and next Tuesday's focus will be on Homework and Assessment. If you are interested in attending, please contact Michelle French on :- mfrench@swr.bucks.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

Mr C Carter
Acting Headteacher

Letters home

Letter dated 17th January 2017 to Parents/Carers of Sixth Form Students concerning attendance and punctuality in the Sixth Form.

Letter dated 24th January 2017 to Parents/Carers of Sixth Form students re Parents' Consultation Evening on Thursday 2nd February 2017. Please [click here](#)

Letter parents/carers re Pupil Premium funding re Students with Service Personnel Parents and Adopted and Looked After Students. Please [click here](#)

Important events

Mon	30 01 17	Y9 Mentor Day No. 1
Tues	31 01 17	Head's Open Door 16 00—17 00 / Parent Council Meeting, 17 00—18 00
Weds	01 02 17	Ski Trip Meeting 1800
Thurs	02 02 17	Y12/13 Parent/Carer Consultation & HE Evening 16 30—20 00
Tues	07 02 17	New Year 11 Academic Review Day
Weds	08 02 17	Y9 Model United Nations Preparation Day 2, Green Park
Thurs	09 02 17	Y9 Pathways Evening 6—8 pm
Friday	10 02 17	MUFTI Day School finishes for Half Term
Monday	20 02 17	Students return to school

School Arrangements in case of Bad Weather, etc

In the event of extreme weather conditions, emergency etc. the SWR website will be updated by 0630 if there is any news on closure or a later start to the school day. This will be the main source of communication to parents/carers.

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Sixth Form News

Our Year 13 students were visited by Elevate this week, where they enjoyed a presentation called 'The Finishing Line' – this presentation gave students the skills to be able to identify areas needing improvement and how to address these. It also enabled students to set short term goals for their final exams, how to work effectively during the exam periods itself, the importance of sleep, holiday work and how to avoid putting it off . Details can be found at www.elevateeducation.com

Sir William Ramsay School was able to negotiate 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 Office, to pay cash at any of the Paypoint machines available in local retail shops.

Messages from the Art Department



IMPORTANT

The FINAL deadline for all GCSE and A level Art and Photography students' coursework is Friday 3rd February at 3pm. This is the coursework aspect of the course which is worth 60% of their final grade. The students' work will be taken in during their lesson.

To help support students we would like to remind them of the necessity to attend the catch up sessions after school every Tuesday from 3 – 5 pm.

Thank you, Mrs Bennett, Head of Art

Wycombe Homeless Connection are celebrating their charity's 10 year anniversary. They are planning ten special occasions to mark a decade of fighting homelessness. One of these events is an Art Competition and we will be entering art work from Sir William Ramsay School students.

The winner of each age category (11-14 & 15-18) will win a Samsung Galaxy Tablet E9.6 and have their entry featured in Wycombe Homeless Connection's 10th Anniversary booklet.

Brief: Create an A5 – A2 piece of art on the theme of 'Journeys'. (It can be Photography, Graphic Design, paint, pencil, pastel)

School entries to be given to your Art Teacher by the end of:

Thursday 9th Feb 2017

Miss Dahl, Teacher of Art



Important message for Year 11 Parents/Carers

The revised date for our Year 11 Academic Review day is Tuesday, 7th February. Letters will follow shortly to inform students and parents/carers of their allocated time slot and the member of staff they will be meeting with as not all meetings are with Form Tutors.

Miss G Roser – Year 11 Academic Leader

Year 11 Geography Revision *Reminder*

The following revision sessions will be held in E8/9 with one of the geography teachers. Please would students check their revision notes and attend the necessary sessions.

Miss Sparks, Teacher of Geography

Revision focus

Rivers and coasts

Rivers

- 12-Dec Rivers processes: transportation, deposition, erosion
- 19-Dec River landforms
- 09-Jan Flooding: causes, impact, management
- 10-Jan Flooding: case study LEDC/MEDC

Coasts

- 16-Jan Coastal processes: weathering and erosion
- 23-Jan Coastal landforms
- 24-Jan Coastal area case study
- 30-Jan Coastal management (Case study)

Hazards

Tectonic

- 06-Feb Plate tectonics
- 07-Feb Impacts and reducing impacts of tectonic hazards
- 20-Feb Case Study: LEDC/MEDC

Climatic

- 27-Feb Formation, Impacts and reducing impacts of climatic hazards
- 28-Feb Case Study: LEDC/MEDC

Economic Development

Development

- 06-Mar Measuring development & Factors affecting development
- 07-Mar Development and Aid- Case Study

Industry

- 13-Mar Location of industry: LEDC/MEDC (change over time)
- 20-Mar Impacts of industry and development- Case study
- 27-Mar Global Climate Change- Cause, Impacts, Response

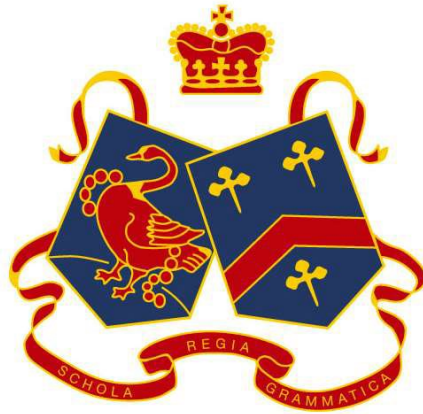
Globalisation

- 24-Apr Multinational Companies- Case Study and globalisation



Message from Miss Le Count, Head of Sixth Form

The Royal Grammar School has kindly invited our students to their Annual Careers Fair where lots of advice will be offered for University, Apprenticeship or Employment. We thoroughly recommend that students and their parents/carers attend this fantastic event.



RGs CAREERS FAIR

Tuesday, 7th February

6-8pm

All Y9, 10, 11 and Sixth Form students and their guardians are invited to attend

Confused about applying to university?

Oxford, Cambridge, Bristol, Manchester, LSE and many more will be exhibiting, ready to answer your questions.

What about the world of work?

Whether you want to look ahead to life beyond university, make contacts for work experience opportunities or are considering a higher apprenticeship, internship or trainee scheme, there will be professionals - from vets and accountants to engineers and lawyers - at your disposal.

Throughout the evening there will be presentations and workshops ranging from planning your gap year adventure to putting together the perfect CV.

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