

School Bulletin for Friday 8th February 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 8 Options Parents' Evening – Thursday 14th February

The Year 8 Options Parents' Evening takes place next Thursday 14th February from 5pm–7pm. There will be a presentation at 5pm that will be repeated at 6pm.

This is a very important evening and it is essential that all parents/carers or a representative attend this evening, so that you are fully informed about the curriculum for your child for the next three years and how the option process works. The option booklet and form will be distributed as you sign in on arrival.

If you have not yet returned your reply slip for the evening, please ensure that your child returns it to Main Reception as soon as possible.

New Homework Folders

Each student has received a plastic homework folder this week. The folder must be used for homework pieces and can also hold knowledge organisers and revision materials. The folder needs to fit securely inside a bag (a school bag that can hold A4 book is a school requirement).

Year 11 Saturday School – Saturday 9th February

Tomorrow we have the following revision sessions taking place:

SUBJECT:	TIME:	ROOM:	STAFF:
Animal Care	9am-11am	MF7	CCO
Art & Photography	9am-2pm	MF1, MF4, MF6	HBE
Design Technology	10am-1pm	EG2	CMC

Aladdin

The school is excited to be producing Aladdin this summer. More details and confirmed dates nearer the time. Auditions have been held and yesterday the cast went off to see the West End's production, which promised them breathtaking sets, mind-blowing special effects, over 350 lavish costumes and a fabulous cast and orchestra. Next week I will include some feedback from this visit from both the cast and our staff. Personally, I am looking forward to the school presentation.

Message from the Canteen Manager

Louise Brown the Canteen Manager has asked that if any parents/carers have any concerns about food allergies they are welcome to contact her via email: u72132@compass-group.co.uk

Makeup

A gentle reminder that make-up should not be worn in Years 7-9. In Years 10-11 subtle make-up only may be worn (the definition of subtle is at the discretion of the Headteacher or his or her representative).

False eyelashes or semi and permanent eyelash extensions are also not allowed. No acrylic, gel or false nails of any description. Coloured nail varnish is not permitted.

SMC and British Values

The theme this week is Valentine's Day and the challenge is to: Share the love and tell a friend or a family member why they are so special to you.

Sports Results

Netball

The Year 8 Netball team took part in their first match of the season this week away at The Marsh Academy. It was a really close game with the scores even at the end of the 3rd quarter; unfortunately, our opponents snuck two goals in during the last few minutes that meant the final score was 6-4. There were some great performances from the whole team, with Ella Van Huyssteen being selected as our Star Player. Well done girls.

Basketball

Two results from last week.

Wednesday 30th January:

The North School Varsity Lions basketball team hosted renowned American school ACS Cobham in the first leg of their 2018/19 series. The game got off to an electrifying start, as co-captain Jay Parnell hit an amazing 9 shots from behind the 3-point line, and a tough defensive team effort helped secure a 63-30 lead at half time. The Varsity Lions kept their foot on the gas throughout the second half, with notable performances from co-captain Sean Trumper and guard Harry Greenfield, as they rallied together to secure a triple-digit offensive output that led to an outstanding 106-74 victory.

The Varsity Lions remain unbeaten against all American opponents this year and will host The American School from London **today**, Friday 8th February 2019 (4:45pm tip-off in the Sports Hall).

Thursday 31st January:

The North School Lions U16 basketball team hosted Folkestone Academy in an eagerly anticipated rivalry matchup in the Ashford and Shepway League. Varsity Lions senior Max Heath stepped up to coach the team and showed outstanding leadership and enthusiasm throughout the fixture. It was a close contest to start the game, with both teams showing versatile scoring and intense defence. The Lions pulled away in the second and third periods behind excellent performances from Jino Muruganantharuban and Kieran Hodges. Folkestone made a strong run at the Lions in the final period, but superior composure meant that The North School were able to secure a 63-52 victory that sends them through to the semi-final of the competition.

Regards,

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