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Newsletter

October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

I love the school month of September; full of potential, new uniform, new books, hope and the promise of a good year. Whatever the previous experience may have indicated, a fresh start, fresh approach is what we all sometimes need. Year 7 have certainly improved. Their holiday book challenge has seen an impressive array of books recommended, some of which I haven't heard of. The great storyteller Roald Dahl once said, 'Books shouldn't be daunting, they should be funny, exciting and wonderful – they give you a terrific advantage'. Please continue to challenge your child to read and always have a book.

Prior to the summer holidays, 270 parents kindly completed our 16th annual anonymous survey regarding their child's educational experience, their perception. These results are invaluable and form a key part of our September reflection. The result headlines were:

- 84.2% rated us as an outstanding school.
- 3.2% rated us as poor or very poor.
- No subject was recorded as less than good.
- For the first time, 'moral values' was the parents number one priority above 'school discipline'.
- 93.4% would recommend this school to another parent.
- Sixth Form was recorded as an outstanding provision throughout.

I have read the comments and ensured the numerous lovely personal remarks about specific staff departments have been passed to them. Areas we will reflect upon are:

- The catering queues – we have supported Aspens in putting an outside pod for 'grab and go' food.
- Continuity of homework – with various concerns expressed regarding too much, too little, too demanding.

The 29 page overall report is on the website, under 'Letters Home' for those who are interested.

The success of 'HegartyMaths' is an area we will continue to explore and try to develop in other areas. A major thank you to all who contributed. We continue to want to improve and learn, your experiences are essential to all of your child's future success.

Y7 Book Postcard House Winners

- Kayleigh Day, Brunel – *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* by J K Rowling
- Taylor Lewis, Curie – *War Horse* by Michael Morpurgo
- Jac Harley, Da Vinci – *Artemis Fowl* by Eoin Colfer
- Lola Aram, Pankhurst – *Wonder* by R J Palacio
- Oliver Braddick, Seacole – *Kick* by Mitch Johnson
- Molly Mountford, Shakespeare – *Scarlet and Ivy: the Lost Twin* by Sophie Cleverly

Their book recommendations have been given to the LRC and their valuable insights earned them a £5 book gift card. Roald Dahl would approve of their selection.

Summer Homework Challenge

Congratulations to Holly, Hollie, Amelie, Charlotte, Harrison, Mea and Chloe. Their cooking was outstanding, showing real dedication and talent. All were rewarded with a cookery book and some goodies.



Physicists win the Physics Olympiad

Congratulations to our fabulous year 13 who beat Malvern College and Kings School to take first place.

Parent Governor Wanted

Look out for election paperwork coming soon.

Y7 – Y11 Current School Attendance is 96.6%

Boules Tournament House Competition for European Day of Languages

1st place – Brunel, 2nd place – Pankhurst, 3rd place – Shakespeare

Sports Results

Netball – Y10 B Team v Blessed Edwards, lost 5-15

Rugby – Y10/11 v Bishop Perowne, won 35-14

Rugby – Y8 v Bredon, lost 5-50

Rugby – Y7 v Nunnery Wood, won 75-10

Football – Y10 v Nunnery, lost 3-6

Football – Y9 v Bishop Perowne, won 9-1

Football – Y8 v Bishop Perowne, won 11-0

Sporting Opportunities

A huge array of clubs is offered – get involved!

	Lunch Time 1.10 – 1.40pm	After School 3.20 – 4.20pm
Mon	Hockey Girls' Cricket Rugby Y10 & 11	Rugby Y7 & 8 Girls' Football Trampolining
Tue	Trampolining Football Y10 & 11	Rugby Y9 & 10 Football Y8 Netball Y7 & 8 Dance Y9 – 13
Wed	Badminton Rugby Y7 & 8	Meeting night No clubs
Thu	Football Y9 Girls' Basketball	Netball Y9 - 12 Football Y7 Dance Y7 & 8
Fri	Rugby Y9 Barbados Cricket Team Barbados Netball Team GCSE Netball Y11	

Citizenship Day

Our off timetable Citizenship Day was a rewarding experience with students valuing the following tasks/experiences as the most invaluable:

Year 11 – 'Dying to Drive' – Fire Station presentation on speed/awareness.

Year 10 – Knife crime dangers.

Year 9 – Team building.

Year 8 – Environmental concerns and how to help.

Year 7 – Plastic Pledge and preparation for remembrance of the fallen.

The 'Friends' of CWLC Christmas Fayre Saturday 24th November 11am – 3pm



Calling all crafters, bakers and candlestick makers... Book a stall (approx. 8ft table) at our Christmas Fayre for a small charge of £15. If you are interested in running a stall please contact Di Howland, tel: 01905 423906 ext 309 or you can email: d.howland@cwlc.email

This will be a bigger event than normal as we make a huge effort to raise money to buy a 'Minibus Lite', which allows younger staff to take trips. We need to raise a further £14,000 so please get involved or come and do some Christmas shopping.

Wanted, in good condition: books, jewellery, candles, ornaments, glassware, toys, pictures, board games, picture frames, DVDs, CDs, stationery, un-opened toiletries, etc. for our bric-a-brac & book stalls plus tombola.

In addition, we are looking for student and parent volunteers to help set up and run the Christmas Fayre – please email d.howland@cwlc.email if you are able to offer some help – thank you.

Worcester Street Café (Mon – Thu)

Serves some of the most vulnerable homeless people in Worcester. In addition to our support of the Foodbank, we are supporting these people. There are approximately 45-50 each night who need the following clean items: coats, hats, gloves, scarves and ruck sacks. Our sixth formers are making additional food for Tuesday nights.

Free School Meals

We are concerned that a number of parents are not claiming free school meals for their children. If you think you qualify, please ask for an application form at reception or you can complete it online by visiting the Worcestershire County Council website: www.worcestershire.gov.uk, click on Apply then click on the Free School Meals section.

Dates for your Diary

Thu	25-Oct	Sixth Form Open Evening 6.30pm
Fri	26-Oct	Y7/8 Halloween Fancy Dress Disco 6.00 – 7.30pm Arts Block Hall
Mon 29 Oct – Fri 2 Nov Half Term		
Thu	8-Nov	Y11 Parents' Evening
Thu	15-Nov	Certificate Evening
Sat	24-Nov	Christmas Fayre
Thu	06-Dec	Y13 Parents' Evening
Fri	21-Dec	End of Term