

Parent Governors: Jason Brown
Michael Wainhouse

Dear Parents/Guardians

1. Anti Bullying Award

We were really pleased to be awarded the Gold level Surrey County Council Anti-bullying Award this month. The Charter Mark represents the school's commitment to empowering students, parents and staff in the area of anti-bullying. The assessor said that 'It was a pleasure and a privilege to be able to see the work that the school undertakes in dealing with issues around bullying through the school's ethos of "respect and acceptance."' Thanks go to Sam Thomson (PSHCE Coordinator), Jan Chaplin (Governor) and parents who came to the focus group as well as the Y11 anti-bullying ambassadors all of whom were interviewed.

2. Duke of Edinburgh Award

Some students in Y11 have been working on The Duke of Edinburgh Award since September. Students said they were all enjoying the course and have had to learn lots of new skills. They have been working as volunteers in school and have helped out with Year 7, in the kitchen, the office and Home Lodge.

As part of their expedition training they have been learning about maps and symbols. They have used these skills to follow a map on walks to Horsell and Whitmore Common. They have been using their communication skills to support each other and have written directional instructions for others to follow.

3. Ski Trip

Mattie McCarthy took 18 students on the annual Ski trip at the end of January. All the students had an amazing time and were a credit to the school. By the end of the week most were able to use the chair lift to get to the top of the slope and ski down. Mr. McCarthy was particularly proud of those students that were complete beginners who were skiing independently at the end of the week.

4. Visit to Houses of Parliament

Y10 had a visit to the Houses of Parliament as part of social studies lessons. The students and staff got the train to London and then walked to the Palace of Westminster. After getting through the strict security they had a guided tour. Students said that it was really interesting to see MPs and Peers at work debating in the House of Commons and the House of Lords.

5. Boccia

Four Y8 students represented The Park at Surrey Sports Park for The Winter Festival. The team played four games, lost two and won two. The students, Jay, Nicolas, Shabaz and Jack said that it was a really fun day.

6. Clay Workshop

Y9 students took part in a clay workshop run by ceramicist Angie Child. It was a great success. The students produced amazing sculptures inspired by the theme nature and the artist Grayson Perry.



Karen Eastwood
(Co-Headteacher)



Paul Walsh
(Co-Headteacher)



Dates for the Diary

Spring Term 2017

Monday 27 th February – Thursday 2 nd March	Y10 EHCP Reviews
Tuesday 14 th March – Wednesday 15 th March	Y9 Transfer EHCP Reviews
Tuesday 21 st March – Wednesday 22 nd March	Y9 Transfer EHCP Reviews
Thursday 23 rd March	Spring Fair at 1.30pm
Thursday 30 th March	KS4 Play at 1.30pm
Friday 31 st March	Prize giving 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)

Summer Term 2017

Tuesday 18 th April	Students return to school at 9am
Tuesday 25 th April – Wednesday 26 th April	Y8 Annual Reviews Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday 1 st May	Y8 Annual Reviews
Wednesday 3 rd May – Thursday 4 th May	Y7 EHCP Reviews
Tuesday 16 th May – Wednesday 17 th May	Y7 EHCP Reviews
Tuesday 23 rd May – Wednesday 24 th May	Sports Day and Parents Picnic at 12.30pm
Friday 26 th May	
Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June	HALF TERM
Wednesday 14 th June	Y7 Kids Day Out
Thursday 29 th June	Record of Achievement Evening for Y11 and their families
Friday 21 st July	Prize giving 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)

Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4 th September	INSET for staff training – School Closed
Tuesday 5 th September	INSET for staff training – School Closed
Wednesday 6 th September	Students return to school at 9am
Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October	HALF TERM
Wednesday 20 th December	Prize giving 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)
Thursday 21 st December	INSET for staff training – School Closed

Spring Term 2018

Thursday 4 th January	Students return to school at 9am
Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February	HALF TERM
Wednesday 28 th March	Prize giving 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)
Thursday 29 th March	INSET for staff training – School Closed