

Upper School Bulletin



Monday 14th November 2016

Community Language Exams

If any students wish to be entered privately for AS/A Level exams in community languages please see **Mrs Cole – Exams Officer – Room 9 by 30th November**, who will find out if we are able to offer that particular language. Private fees will be charged for all entries. We are definitely able to offer OCR AS/A Level in Turkish & Persian for summer 2017, as the OCR GCE qualification is a written paper only. Please obtain a request form from Mrs Cole. Unfortunately, we cannot offer the Edexcel Italian or Russian GCE qualification, which enquiries have also been made about, as both the AS & A levels involve a speaking/conversation unit which we cannot support.

Creative Writing Club

If you have any interest in writing; fiction, poetry, non-fiction or even academic writing, then come along to Creative Writing club! The club runs **Thursday lunchtimes in room 137**. Come along for a chance to share work and enter competitions!

Cross-curricular Sixth Form Literacy club

Having trouble with essays? Can't quite figure out how to start a piece of work? Trouble with Literacy? Then book a slot in the Sixth Form Cross-curricular Literacy club! A box will be in the school Library. Just write on the form next to the box your name, form, preferred time and a brief outline of what you need help with, and then pop it in the box before **4pm on Wednesdays**. You will then receive your time slot for a 15 minute 1:1 session with me to work through any issues you are having. The 1:1 sessions will take place on Thursdays, between 3:20-4:20 in Room 150. If you haven't booked a slot, come and see me in room 150 on Thursday at 3:15 and I'll see if there are any free slots. You can get help with any subject, focusing on literacy skills or essay writing skills. Any questions see Miss Knowles (English Faculty).

Debating Society

The Debating Society meets every Wednesday at 1:30 in Room 133. All students welcome.

A Level Literature Support

For Year 12 & 13 students studying English Literature there will be a weekly support session on Mondays in Room 136 from 3:15-4:15. It will commence on Monday 19th September. See Ms Watson for more details.

General Reminder

- Students and parents are reminded to **always** contact the Upper School Office when reporting absences, leaving items for collection or paying in cash payments. **The correct number for the Upper School is 020 8506 3871.**
- Students are reminded that other than for fire escape, they should not use the main school reception area as a walkthrough.
- Sixth Form toilets should be treated with respect and any problems to be reported to the Upper School office.

Year 12 Information

Nuffield Research Placements

Nuffield Research Placements give students the opportunity to work alongside professional scientists, technologists, engineers and mathematicians for 4 - 6 weeks over the summer holidays. See Mr Jenkins for the eligibility and criteria and how to apply or go to <http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/applicants>

GCSE Art work

If you studied GCSE Art in Y11 at Chingford, you need to collect any of your work by Friday 18th November. Anything left after this date will be 'recycled'.

Goldsmiths Progression Scheme

This programme gives students access to a range of opportunities that will challenge them academically and support progression into Higher Education. There are 7 subject strands: Computing, English, Media, PPE, Psychology, Theatre & Performance and Visual Cultures. The deadline for applications is **Monday 21st November**. See Mr. Jenkins for further details.

Year 12 weekly attendance and punctuality awards 31/10/16 - 4/11/16

Position	Tutor Group	Attendance %
1 st	12X	98.9%
2 nd	12L	97.1%
3 rd	12Q	96.7%

Position	Tutor Group	Punctuality %
1 st	12K, 12Q, 12X	0.0%
2 nd	12P, 12V, 12Y	0.4%
3 rd	12W	0.5%

Year 13 Information

Year 13 Prom

The Year 13 Prom will take place on Wednesday 5th July at the Kings Oak in High Beach. Please hand in the £10 deposit to the Upper School Office ASAP. Total cost of the ticket is £65

EPQ

A reminder that all students completing the EPQ must attend the weekly sessions on Mondays at 3:30 on 137. See Mr Belas for more information.

Studying Abroad

Students interested in studying at a foreign university can find information on all universities in the world which run courses in English at www.astarfuture.co.uk

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Position	Tutor Group	Attendance %
1 st	13X	97.5%
2 nd	13R	94.8%
3 rd	13V, 13Y	91.7%

Position	Tutor Group	Punctuality %
1 st	13S, 13T, 13X	0%
2 nd	13W, 13Y	0.6%
3 rd	13V	0.7%

Apprenticeship & University Information

Study in the Netherlands

Students who study at a Dutch University incur tuition fees of €1951 per year for 2015-16, a significant reduction on UK tuition fees. To find out more information on studying in the Netherlands visit www.studyinholland.co.uk

University Open Days

Students should avoid going to Open Days on a school day. If there is a special reason why you need to go to one that falls on a school day, you **MUST complete a yellow Absence Request Form** obtained from the Sixth Form Office. The Sixth Form will then decide whether to give you permission to attend or not.

Absence Request Forms MUST be filled in for university interviews also.

For a full list of University Open Days visit www.ucas.com/open-days

National Apprenticeships

www.future-talent.com is a national apprenticeship resource for 15-19 year olds. The website features apprenticeships, entry level jobs and courses for students who are not looking to go to university in September.

Careers Guidance Website

All About School Leavers is a website which provides advice, jobs and career information for students interested in the world of work when leaving school. The website address is; www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk

Diary Dates

Diary Dates for This Week

Mon 14th Nov	Year 12 Assembly	Refectory	Mr Jenkins
Tues 15th Nov	Year 13 Assembly	Refectory	Mrs Tickner
Wed 16th Nov			
Thurs 17th Nov	Upper School Assembly	Main Hall	Miss Heaton
Fri 18th Nov			

Diary Dates for Next Week

Mon 21st Nov	Year 12 Assembly	Refectory	Mr Millan
Tues 22nd Nov	Year 13 Assembly	Refectory	Mr Taylor
Wed 23rd Nov			
Thurs 24th Nov	Upper School Assembly	Main Hall	Ms Goodman
Fri 25th Nov			

Mr Jenkins