



Parent Communications

Date: 17 January 2020

Message from the Principal



Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year. I'm delighted to say that on the whole the students have settled back really well and though many wouldn't admit it, they seem happy to be back at school. This is the time of the year when we start to put the final touches to our curriculum design for September. I am convinced we can improve it in a number of ways and I will outline the changes I am proposing below.

Firstly, at present we run a six period day. For many of our students they experience the day as a series of double lessons. Essentially three long lessons a day. I propose we move to five one hour lessons per day. This will mean more movement between lessons, but common sense will tell you that a short break in between learning episodes will benefit everybody.

As you also know, the Academy is growing, in fact one in four students at the Academy is in year 7 and we are oversubscribed again for September 2020, therefore I want to change how we do lunch time. Essentially, we will have two lunch breaks and split the cohort in two, which will make for a more comfortable experience for everybody.

We will also move to a two week timetable, making for more flexibility, which will help in terms of fulfilling our obligations in delivering the KS3 national curriculum in full. I have written to the year 8 parents in more detail, as I am making specific changes to how we choose our options, which are relevant to them now. Rest assured the disruption should be minimal for the rest of the cohort.

As always, I rely on your feedback with these things, so we have set up a dedicated email address Parentfeedback@srwa.co.uk, which we will monitor regularly. All feedback is gratefully received.

Best wishes

Kieran



Key Dates

Date and Time	Year group	Event	Notes
Monday 20 to Friday 24 January	Year 11	BTEC Resit Exams	
Thursday 30 January 4.00-6.30pm and Friday 31 January 9.00am-6.00pm	Year 11	Drama Rehearsal/Exam Assessment	

Trips and Events

Date and Time	Audience	Event	Location
Monday 20 January 10.00am-12.30pm	Year 10	Blue Boy Entertainment Workshop	SRWA
Tuesday 21 January 9.15am-3.30pm	Year 12	RO Launch Trip to the University of Sussex	University of Sussex, Falmer
Wednesday 22 January 1.00pm-4.30pm	Sixth Form DT Students	Trip to Bowers & Wilkins	Worthing
Thursday 23 January 11.00am-3.00pm	Years 7-9	District Cross Country Event	Lancing Manor
Thursday 23 January 9.00am-3.00pm	Year 8 (select students only)	Making Choices Trip to The University of Sussex	University of Sussex, Falmer

Fixtures and Results

Fixtures

- 22 January - Year 7 Girls' Football League, at Littlehampton Academy
- 22 January - Year 10 Basketball, at home, SRWA v Sion
- 22 January - ABL Southern Basketball Fixture, at home, SRWA v Barton Peveril Sixth Form College
- 23 January - U16 Girls' Basketball League, at SRWA
- 28 January - Year 10 Netball Tournament, at The Towers
- 29 January - Year 7 Girls' Football League, at Littlehampton Academy
- 29 January - ABL Southern Basketball Fixture, at Crystal Palace, SRWA v Harris City Academy
- 30 January - U16 Girls' Basketball League, at SRWA

Results

- On Monday 16 December the year 7 Girls' Basketball Team won 20 nil against Bohunt.
- The year 9 basketball team celebrated two good wins this week against Angmering School (40-34) and Shoreham Academy (20-18).

Successes and Congratulations

Excellence Awards (Awarded w/c 16 December)

Jack Dalley - For outstanding homework in geography

James Radford - For absolutely sensational participation in science lesson and superb questioning of other groups

Danny Kimmins - For his construction work, it is clear to see that heart and soul went into it. Congratulations.

Louis Gunn - Awesome science Expo project.

Bronze and Silver Certificates for Green Cards Awarded

70 students have managed to reach over 50+ green cards last term, meaning they receive a Silver Certificate. The top three students are **Elliott Dey** (81 green cards), **Benjamin Costello** (83 green cards) and in top place **May Balmer** (85 green cards).

End of Term Assembly Awards

Maths - **Eric Nepal, Lewis Greeney, Alex Stewart, Casey Walker-Cross, Allie Couper, Leila Reed**

Business - **Dylan McDonald, Rachel Hepworth**

English - **Jennifer Phillips, Liam Hannigan, Bradley McCann, Natalie Matthews, George Bridgen, Adam Nealfuller, Isabel Carter**

PE - **May Balmer, Alfie Chaplin, Anh Nguyen, Neil Cascante**

Drama/Performing Arts - **Benjamin Costello, Libby Ayres, Oliver Chenery**

Dance - **Amelia Thomas, Amelia Smith, Amy Saunders, Tiffany Grice, Bryony Wood, Holly Price**

Music - **Kayleigh Jukes, Gia Hunt, Megan Whitehead**

Production Arts - **Alfie Keys, Kieran Beverton**

Art - **Emily Trott, Grace Somner, Jasmine Murray**

Health and Social - **Aimee Hearne**

Graphics - **Oliver Taylor**

RE - **Ruby Stuart, Elizabeth Ayling, Katie Baker**

History - **William Swarsbrick, Harry Radford, Adam Taylor**

Geography - **Amy Saunders, Amy Popplewell, Morgan Buchanan-Wilson**

Psychology - **Lucy Rawlinson**

Languages - **Benjamin Costello** (French), **Phoebe Hopgood** (Spanish), **Eden Penfold** (French), **Sean Whitehouse** (Spanish), **Megan Porter** (MFL)

Science - **Erika Medina, Emily Trott, Beau Deacon** (Physics), **Andreea Bejan** (Physics), **Evie-May Sim** (Chemistry), **Cameron Searle** (Biology), **Lucy Rawlinson, Leonie Hull**

Computer Science - **Harry Radford, Michael Sweetman-Hicks**

Design Technology - **Imogen Huntley, Jallee French, Natasha Wallace, Ethan Howlett**

Accelerated Reader - **Elliott Dey, Owen Whitehouse, Archie Gyford, Nicholas Mann, Jasmine Daly, Max Goodwin, Quinn Hannon, Georgia Port, Max Tinsley**

ASPIRE Awards - **Benjamin Costello, Armarni Burdon, Tom Hards, Kherakeisha de Witt, Ben Douglass** (Excellent), **Isha Chowdhury** (Self-Regulating), **Vinnie Orford** (Ambitious), **Jake Rowland, Salim Seif** (Resilience), **May Balmer, Pip Wakeford, Elliott Dey, William Swarsbrick, Kayleigh Jukes, Maisy Ridpath, Angel Rossetti** (Present)

Excellence Awards (Awarded w/c 6 January)

Daniel Amy, Alisha Jackson, Kaitlyn Rea, Barnaby Aspin, Ryan Brisley, Oscar Simmonds - 'E' is for Excellent and is in recognition of striving to be the best you can be.

Ellis Nealfuller, Alex Stewart, Amelia Walker, Billie O'Loughlin, Molly Dollner - 'A' is for Ambitious and is in recognition of a positive, can do attitude.

Bailey McLean, Josh Newman, Mckenzie Dunk, Phoenix Treharne, Tilly Sullivan-Allfrey, Lexi Gladman-Tunkara, Damon Ellis, Shumaiya Rahman, Lucy Clement - 'R' is for Resilience and is confirmation of the ability to overcome obstacles and keep trying.

Hannah-Marie Fitchett - 'I' is for Independent and is in recognition for contribution to Nightingale chapter and just getting on with it.

Maddie Pittard, Alex Voak, Simon Whitehead, Freya Pain, Charlie Reardon Ellis - 'S' is for Self Regulation and is in recognition of the ability to be able to cope with all that we throw at you and thrive on it.

Alyssa Michaeloudis, Megan Jukes, Cameron Searle, Joshua Leney - For working so hard last term in English, keeping their heads down, working hard, never complaining, always focussed and willing, and making very pleasing progress towards their GCSE English.

Excellence Awards (Awarded w/c 13 January)

Lewis Greeney - Brunel Award Winner in maths.

Lillian Holder - For brilliant attitude to work and homework in maths.

PE Clubs Spring Term

Here is a link to the [updated PE Clubs](#) info for the spring term.

Academy Council Vacancies

We will soon be inviting applications for Academy Council vacancies. These are highly valued and important positions which play a vital role in representing the views of parents and the local community. We would particularly welcome applications from year 7 parents. A letter will be sent home soon with details of how to apply.

Reminder - Parent App - Arbor

All parents! Please download the Arbor app.

You can quickly and easily access information about attendance, behaviour and sign trip consents while on the go. Arbor works best on the app or desktop compared to a mobile browser.

In future, trips and clubs sign ups will be through Arbor, so let us know if you are unable to login. Push notifications direct to your device are on their way soon too.

Full Arbor information on our website [here](#).

App Downloads: iOS App [here](#). Android app [here](#).

Reminder for Year 11 Families

Apply to W6 Sixth Form

Year 11 students should now have submitted an application for sixth form. Interviews have already begun for those who have applied. All year 11 students should have made a college application for September 202, regardless of where they are choosing to study.

All applications to W6 are done online. [Apply here](#).

Year 11 Intervention Sessions

Year 11 students should be attending at least three intervention sessions per week. The timetable below shows which sessions are running on each day of the week.

	Before school 8.25-8.45am	3-4pm After school	4-5pm After school
Monday		Science	Staff meetings
Tuesday	History/ English	Languages	
Wednesday		Maths	
Thursday	Spanish	English	
Friday	Geography	Option subjects	PE Practical

Spotlight on...History

- Year 7 had a fantastic time on their first ever history trip to Dover Castle in November to learn about how William the Conqueror maintained control in England through the building of castles. All had an amazing day.
- 27-31 January is Holocaust Memorial week. Two sixth form students will give assemblies on their 'Lessons from Auschwitz' trip and their experience of visiting Auschwitz and hearing a survivor speak.

- To support their learning on the First World War and trench warfare, 33 Year 8s will be going on a one day trip to Belgium in February to visit various historic sites including Tyne Cot (a commonwealth cemetery) Langemark (a German cemetery) and Passchendaele Memorial Museum (which has accurate reconstructions of WW1 trenches). They will also have free time in Ypres to look around the historic town.
- On Friday 14 February we have a Holocaust survivor (Dorit Oliver-Wolff) coming into the Academy to talk to year 11 and sixth formers about her experiences as a child refugee and a member of the Kinder Transport. She will also talk about her later life when she was a singer. She will have copies of her book for sale '[From Yellow Star to Pop Star](#)'.

University of Brighton Outreach

See the links below for the winter newsletters from the University of Brighton outreach team including details of useful pre-16 and post-16 events.

[Pre-16 Saturday Club events](#), [Post-16 events](#)

Careers

Start Profile - Careers Website

Well done to all the students who have begun exploring different jobs and careers on Start Profile, our online careers system. It's an excellent resource and has been particularly helpful for students in year 11 in preparation for their careers interviews with Mrs Morley.

All students have been sent an email with their username and password, so they can now log in (they should search "start profile" in their email) or contact Mr Monahan. The link below has details of the website and how you can sign up as a parent and participate in the process with your children.

In the next round of awards assemblies we will be recognising students who have undertaken the most careers learning. Visit [Start Profile platform](#) to find out more.

Education Development Trust

Explore trends and information about jobs in the local area with labour market Information and other key information from our [local enterprise partners](#).

Safeguarding

Personal, Social and Health Education - Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds

We have been discussing health with students over the last week. Students had an assembly identifying the three key areas of health (physical, emotional and social) and what it means to be healthy. In tutor time they have been discussing ways of improving and maintaining healthy lifestyles in all three areas. More specifically, students explored the importance of a good diet (particularly eating a good breakfast) and the role of regular exercise to maintain physical health, also the importance of kindness and friendship to promote emotional and social health. We always encourage conversations around these subjects at home, to further promote health issues in all of our students.

SEND

Events for Parent/Carers of Children with SEND

Disability Family Fun Days at Splashpoint, Worthing on 25 January, 29 February, 4 April - [Leaflet here](#)