

Parent Forum Meeting
Thursday 19th May 2016



New Developments



- ❧ KS4 and KS5 after school and Saturday morning revision classes continue to take place this module. Staff are running half-term holiday sessions. See website for details.
- ❧ We have been awarded a place at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show for the 4th year running. Two students will be representing the school in the main arena on Wednesday 25th May.
- ❧ We are currently applying to be assessed for the Level 3 Investors in Careers Award. Lesley Tannock is here tonight to talk about this.

Standing Items



- Attendance is currently 95.0% - this continues our four year upward trend.
- Exams – This is the main period for external examinations. Year 10 mock exams and Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 literacy tests take place start on 20th June.
- Teaching & Learning - Staff are being observed by the Senior Team and **Mr Beamish, The Trust Chief Executive**, on Thursday 26th May.
- New appointments: **Head of Jupiter College** - Carl Hassett, **Assistant Headteacher** – Michael Gurney, **English** - Joanne Broady & Mandy Marsh, **Science** – Thomas Hanna, Amanda Horsley & Alex Scheodert, **Humanities** – Suzanne Leach & Ben Thilthorpe, **IT** – Colin Chambers & David Fitzgerald , **Maths** – Janette Parker-Jeffreys, Geraldine Serwada & Gill Strachan, **Business** – Syeda-Fahima Khanom & Jack Konarski and **PE** – Danielle Stevens, Liam Turner & Stephen Sage.

Trips



- ❧ We have been awarded a place at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show for the 4th year running. Two students will be representing the school in the main arena on Wednesday 25th May.
- ❧ Year 7 will be visiting Bath & Bristol between 22nd – 24th June.
- ❧ Sir Charlie Mayfield will be working with our Post 16 students on 28th June.
- ❧ 6th July – District Sports
- ❧ 8th July – Year 12 Induction Trip to Canterbury University
- ❧ Post 16 work experience from 4th July to 15th July.
- ❧ Year 10 Product Design trip to the V & A Museum on 15th July.

Student Achievements



- ✧ Jonjo Heuerman in Year 9 Apollo College was awarded the British Empire Medal by the Lord Lieutenant at Penshurst Place on Thursday 12th May. He was awarded this for his outstanding charity fund raising. He has raised over £250 000 so far for Cancer Research.
- ✧ Tyrone Ralph in Year 13 Minerva College was nominated for a national BTEC award for his outstanding work in BTEC Horticulture. He received a certificate and a commendation for being a finalist this week.

A.O.B.



1. Concerns about the crossing on the bend in Common Lane from the footpath. Mr Dedross has formally passed this to Kent Highways Dept.
2. Building work in preparation for the new Jupiter College will begin this summer.
3. Staff have been visiting all of the Primary Schools in the local area to meet the Year 6 students joining us in September. Enrolment interviews will be taking place over the next few weeks.