

Student & Parent School Bulletin

Monday 3rd June 2024 week 33A

Message from Ms Pike, Headteacher:

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a lovely day today, raising money for the NSPCC with our non-uniform day and saying our formal goodbyes to our wonderful Year 11 and Year 13 students. I want to pay tribute to them all, as they have been excellent in their attitude and approach to their exams so far - I am sure this will continue into the second half of the exam season after half term. We wish them well and look forward to seeing many Year 11s joining us again as part of Year 12 in September.

Half term is a much-needed recharge point for all taking exams (and for staff, who work so hard with our young people through the term), but it applies equally to all students. Wellbeing and encouraging good mental health is an important part of what we do in school, and we look forward to seeing students back after the holiday fully refreshed and ready to embrace the final half term of the year!

Wishing you all a happy, healthy break,

1. Diary

Monday 3rd June

- Start of Summer second half-term

Tuesday 4th June

- 11.00 Deadline for Year 9 vaccinations (see year group notice)
- 18.00 Year 7 Awards Evening

Wednesday 5th June

- 18.00 Year 10 Awards Evening

Thursday 6th June

Friday 7th June

- Year 9 Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio and Meningococcal vaccinations (see year group notice)

2. Year Group Notices

Year 8 - exams

Over the next few weeks students will undertake assessments across most subjects. For a majority of subjects these will take place in normal lessons but English, maths and science will take place in the exam hall. The timetables for these are on Bromcom.

Students have had an assembly on the exam procedures, but please can parents and carers support students during this time to ensure that they complete revision tasks, have the correct equipment and that they are aware of what they need to do. Any questions please contact your child's teacher / Form Tutor or the Year Office.

Mrs Elkins, year 8 Leader

Year 9 - Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio and Meningococcal vaccinations

A final reminder that the deadline to give consent for the above vaccinations is by 11.00am on Tuesday 4th June.

If your child is having these vaccinations, please note the following:

- Please ensure students have had something to eat and drink beforehand
- Students to wear short-sleeved shirts please

3. School canteen

Please [click here](#) to view the menu for next week. Our lunch menus run on a 3-week cycle, below is a link to our website which shows all 3 menus and the morning break menu, [click here](#).

4. Safeguarding Corner reminder - Keep your children safe from sextortion

Please find below information we would like to share from WSCC:

Since the beginning of last year, Sussex Police has seen a concerning increase in the number of children and young people from West Sussex reporting that they have been a victim of sextortion. Sextortion (also referred to as financially motivated sexual extortion) is a form of blackmail where a perpetrator threatens to reveal intimate images of a victim online unless they give in to their demands.

These demands are typically for money or further images and although this type of blackmail does affect girls, it is actually boys and young men aged between 14 and 17 who are most affected.

To help support children and young people and parents and carer we have created a page dedicated to information, guidance and helplines that can support victims of sextortion. This has been created in partnership with our West Sussex County Council Public Health colleagues, Sussex Police and Crawley Borough Council.

We also have a useful leaflet for parents and carers which focuses on supporting boys and young men. To find out more, visit the sextortion page on the Safer West Sussex Partnership website, [click here](#).

Mrs Covill, Safeguarding and Inclusion Lead

5. New AI and Plagiarism Policy

As part of our continued efforts to help the school community build a better understanding around the use of AI and to help our students protect themselves from potential malpractice when completing their coursework and exams, we have written a new AI and Plagiarism Policy in line with the requirements and guidance from JCQ. This document has been sent to all KS4 and KS5 students, however we also wanted to make parents/carers aware of this new policy as well. Please [click here](#) to view.

Mr Manning, Whole School ICT Co-ordinator

6. End of year Student Council Event

The end of year Student Council Event will take place on Wednesday 5th June p5 and 6 in the main hall. This is for all student council reps from years 7-10 to attend.

Mr Summers, Assistant Headteacher

7. New School timings - September 2024

Please [click here](#) to view a letter from Ms Pike which was emailed to parents and carers this week.

8. Help - bring us your litter please!

Our Student Council Reps are doing a project on recycled litter. We need lots of recycled colourful items for this!

Anything that can be 'stuck' on to a display - packets, bottle tops, wrappers etc.

It needs to be clean and any colour which is in the rainbow!

Thank you for your support - the deadline is Tuesday 4th June. Please bring to the Student Leadership Office - N26B.

9. Cricket

Well done to the Year 7 and 8 girls who played in their second cricket game this year against The Regis, Keep up the great work!!



Cricket club for everyone is on a Thursday afterschool for anyone else who wants to join.
Miss Shine, PE Department

10. Publicity

In the Bognor Observer 23rd May: Class Act - Celebrating the creative talent at FCC (pages 48 and 49)

11. Vacancies at FCC

We currently have the following vacancy: <https://www.felpham.com/2024/04/26/facilities-officer/>

12. Department information and students shout-outs

Social Sciences

Well done to all of our Social Sciences students for an excellent half-term. We entered in everyone who had received a shoutout to our half-termly prize draw. Congratulations to our winners:

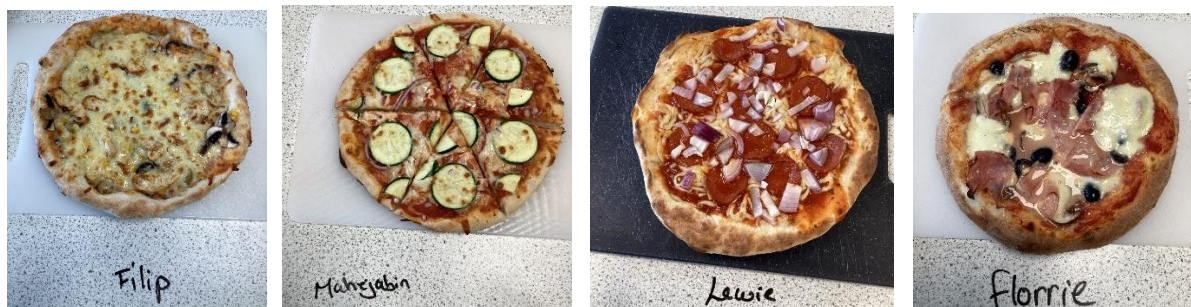
- Teni A 10C
- Larrissa O 10C
- Lexie P 11B

Please come to the Social Sciences office to collect your prizes!

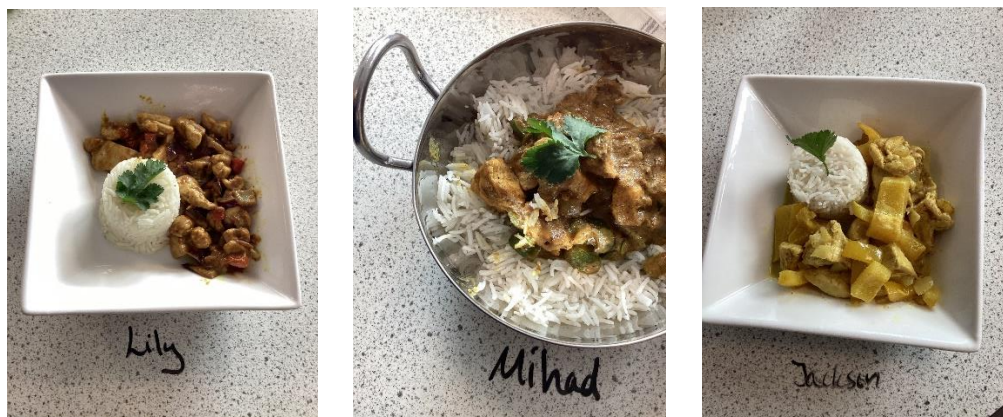
Miss Mills, Teacher of Psychology

Design and Technology - Food Technology

Shoutouts to 8X2 who made pizza and evaluated the sensory properties during their double lessons:



9UV2 made a homemade reduction sauce for their curries and practiced their presentation skills. Well done to Mihad, Jackson and Lily in particular!



Textiles

Mrs Cornell would like to send a huge shoutout to the Year 10 Textiles group for their hard work during the mock exam.

13. Careers Update from Mrs Woodman, Careers Leader

Students in all Year Groups
Job of the week
This week's Job of the Week is Locksmith . Discover what the job entails, what qualifications you will need to get into it, what subjects are useful for it and the salary you might earn. If you want to find out more about a specific job pop along to the Careers Hub (S13b).
Soapbox Science Brighton 2024
This free event takes place in Brighton on Saturday, 1 st June from 11am – 2pm. Soapbox Science is a platform for promoting women and non-binary scientists and the science they do. It is locally organised by Sussex academics, Maria Clara Castellanos (Life Sciences) and Darren Baskill (MPS). Soapbox Science events turn public areas into an arena for public learning and scientific debate. Everyone will have the opportunity to enjoy, learn from, heckle, question, probe, interact with and be inspired by some of the leading scientists. Click here for more details.

Students aged 13-18 - Careers Insight Days

These are online days designed to give you an insight into possible future careers, with advice on how to apply to university and an afternoon session of virtual work experience to help you see what the career might be like. Certificates are issued at the end of each day.

- **Computer Science Career Day** - Saturday 25th May 2024
- **Teaching Career Day** - Saturday 1st June 2024

Please be aware that there is a charge of £69 for each of these days. To find out more and to sign up for a session click [here](#). Bursaries are available for students who meet specific criteria – details can be found [here](#).

Students aged 14 and over Free online sessions for students interested in healthcare professions

Premed Projects are offering two of their sessions for free - the first of which takes place this Sunday, 26th May and the other on Monday 3rd June.

- On Sunday May 26th there is a free online course for students, all about Psychiatry work experience. If you are interested in careers in healthcare, it's a fun way to learn more about healthcare professions and have some of your questions answered by doctors about applying to medical school. You can enrol on the free session here: www.premedprojects.co.uk/free
- Monday 3rd June a free online session hosted by Premed Projects doctors, where they will cover a real life hospital case. A patient is experiencing symptoms and with your help they will diagnose and treat the patient. An interactive work experience session where you can get involved in diagnosing patients with their doctors and other students. You can again enrol on the free session here: www.premedprojects.co.uk/free