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HALF TERM NEWS

Key Stage 4 students that are studying City & Guild Catering have all completed the unit on preparing a three course meal. Each student had to plan, prepare and serve their meal and could invite a member of staff as their guest. We were also lucky enough to have a visiting School Governor that was able to join one of our students. Great care and dedication was shown by all the students involved and it definitely showed in the presentation of the dishes. Well done to everyone involved.



Key Stage 4 students studying BTEC Travel and Tourism received their results for the unit 1 written exam on the UK Travel & Tourism Sector and we are pleased to say that all students passed – congratulations.

In Health and Social Care students have been learning about healthy eating and have designed and made a healthy balanced meal as part of their coursework. One student even made a healthy version of a brownie made with Avocado- no butter or flour.



SCHOOL DIARY DATES

16 th April	Students start at 10.30am
7 th May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
28 th May - 1 st June	Half Term
4 th June	Students start at 10.30am
23 rd July	Inset Day

KEY STAGE 4 EXAM DATES

30 th April – 4 th May	Maths Functional Skills (Yr11 only)
8 th May – 11 th May	GCSE Art (Yr11 only)
8 th May – 11 th May	BTEC Sport onscreen (Yr10 & 11)
14 th May	BTEC Health & Social Care Unit 1
14 th May	BTEC Music Unit 1
15 th May	GCSE Combined Science (Yr11 only)
16 th May	GCSE Religious Studies (Yr11 only)
22 nd May	GCSE English Literature (Yr11 only)
23 rd May	GCSE Combined Science (Yr11 only)
24 th May	GCSE Maths (Yr11 only)
25 th May	GCSE English Literature (Yr11 only)

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

5 th June	GCSE English Language (Yr11 only)
7 th June	GCSE Maths (Yr11 only)
8 th June	GCSE English Language (Yr11 only)
11 th June	GCSE Combined Science (Yr11 only)
12 th June	GCSE Maths (Yr11 only)
13 th June	GCSE Combined Science (Yr11 only)
11 th June – 15 th June	English Functional Skills (Yr11 only)

Please impress on students that they must respect the needs of others and not disturb those who are taking exams.

STUDENT REWARDS

Unfortunately, due to more than £6,000 of vandalism by students this academic year all Vivo reward points will be reduced with immediate effect for the rest of the academic year.

It is a very unfortunate decision and one which we have not taken lightly. The majority of vandalism is caused by a very small number of students but the cost cannot be sustained and has to be paid from other budgets, including the rewards fund.

MOORS VALLEY COUNTRY PARK

3B and 3D took a trip to Moors Valley Country Park and Forest for their first experience of orienteering, which combines the skills of map reading, team work and fitness. Jason explained how to find the controls which were located around the expansive woodland and set the challenge of finding as many controls as possible and making it back to the picnic area within ninety minutes. Both teams, supported by staff, planned their route, discussed tactics and set off in an attempt to be the winners of the competition.

Miraculously, both teams made it back exactly on time to the meeting point where they were met by much-needed lunches, kindly provided by the school canteen. After lunch the students had the opportunity to visit part of the play trail, play on the wooden features such as the hawk nest and even engaged in a bit of football. An enjoyable day for both staff and students with great behaviour from all.



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT WORK

Building improvements have now begun to replace external windows and doors. The double glazed units will improve the energy efficiency of the school and help keep the building warmer during winter months. There will also be better ventilation for classrooms and changes to the sports hall.

Whilst a lot of the work will be carried out during the school holidays there is likely to be some minor disruption and classroom changes during term time. Staff will keep the students informed of any changes to their classroom or timetable.

Please help us support your child if they are feeling anxious about any of the changes. You can contact the school office or email your child's tutor to report any difficulties or to ask questions about changes to classrooms or activities.

The work will continue throughout the summer term and into the school summer holidays. We will update you on progress of the improvements in future newsletters.



EASTER RAFFLE

The Team Saturn Enterprise Group have been busy this half term arranging an Easter raffle, which will be drawn on the last day of term.

The dedicated students spent time writing to local companies asking for donations that could be used as prizes, then arranged the sale of tickets to as many people as possible including customers at Nationwide Building Society.

The students have managed to raise over £150 which is a great achievement. Well done Team Saturn!

Special thanks go to Nationwide for their support and donations and also to Morrisons, Tesco, Red Rose Tandoori, Jump Factory and Costa Coffee for donating prizes.

SNOOKER SUCCESS

We would like to share with you the success of our Year 8 student Mason, who recently took part in a snooker tournament at Fareham Snooker Hall. Mason won all three of his first round matches to get to the quarter-finals. After then losing the first game he came back with a 26 break point to win the second game. The final game of the round was scrappy but came to a black ball win making Mason the overall 2-1 winner.

In the semi-finals Mason went on to win 2-1 securing his place in the final round. We are very pleased to say that although he didn't win the final game Mason is a real champion in our eyes and his coach was thrilled he took the runner up position in his first ever season. Mason commented "It was a good experience to play in the final for my first season and play the best player in his group".

If your child has taken part in any out of school activities they would like to share in the next newsletter please pass the details and any photographs to Karen, SENCo Assistant.



FUN IN THE SNOW

The start of Spring arrived with major weather disruption. The 'Beast from the East' brought amber weather warnings and closed the majority of schools across the area as snow and strong winds caused chaos for many.

We would like to thank all parents for their understanding during this time. The safety of our students and staff has to be top priority and many people travel for more than 30 minutes to get to school each day. As smaller roads were impassable and even many major roads came to a standstill during blizzard conditions the safest decision was to close the school for two days.

Text messages were sent to parents by Coppice Spring School and Passenger Transport cancelled all taxis. The closure was also listed on our website and the Hampshire County Council school closures website.

If you had any difficulties with receiving information during this time, please contact the school office so we can check all your contact information is up to date.

When we reopened on Monday 5th March there was still plenty of lying snow and students and staff enjoyed some outdoor fun before the increasing temperatures melted the snow and reminded us all it was Spring.



SPORTS RELIEF WEEK

After Monday's snow disrupted the start of the Coppice Spring School Sport Relief Week, we started again on the Tuesday with some indoor activities such as the one-minute-round with Filip. On Wednesday, Ben organised the football shooting challenge on the courts where students had three attempts to score as many points as they could by getting the ball through any of the three targets attached to the corners of the goal. With keen interest across the year groups, it was Finley in year 7 who achieved the highest score claiming the title of Football Shooting Champion. Later in the day was the re-scheduled Mile Run event on the school field. Students had to raise as much money as they could to take part and run, walk, skip or jump around the track as far as they could. In total we had 17 students sign up to the event and even two members of staff joined in the fun! Well done to all who participated, a big achievement regardless of how far you ran.

Friday was the finale of the Sport Relief week and therefore tournament day. After assembly all of the students made their way to the hall to take part or watch the staff versus student's basketball match. Key Stage 3 went first and were narrowly beaten 8-5 by the staff with some impressive shooting skills on show. This was followed by a tightly contested match for the staff against the 'up for it' Key Stage 4 students which finished 2-2. Overall the staff clung on to win a brilliantly supported and observed match, 10-7.

Up next was the football tournament - four teams battled it out to be crowned Champions. After the league games were played, the teams went in to the semi-finals and then finals. The winners were Ashley's team who also went on to scoop the tournament Top Scorer award.

The final event was 'Capture the Flag' with some new rules introduced and a fun way to cap off an excellent week. All the staff and students were invited on to the field to battle for an intense game of skill, tactics and fitness. This year's winners, after three rounds, were the Red team roared on by team leader Rosie who was delighted to be crowned Champions!

A really fantastic week, well supported by all students and their families as well as the staff. A big thank you for all your enthusiasm throughout and for the hard work in raising and donating money. At last count, we were well over the £60 mark. A big well done to Lisa and the students for making and selling the cakes on Friday, too!



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