



Parent Governor: Jason Brown

Dear Parents/Guardians

We have nearly reached the end of a very busy term. On Monday we have our Christmas lunch with entertainment and bingo in the afternoon. On Tuesday we have films in the morning and 'The Parks got Talent' in the afternoon. Parents are welcome to join us for the Talent Show. On Wednesday morning we have our end of term assembly, which you are welcome to join us for as well.

### **St Paul's Cathedral**

We were fortunate enough to be invited to take a group of students to a Remembrance Service in St Paul's Cathedral. It was a truly memorable event. Students also experienced a taxi ride across London and an interesting walk back to Waterloo along The South Bank. All the Y10 students involved acted as real ambassadors for our school. There are some beautiful photographs from the day on our school website.

### **Dance Woking**

A group of students from all years students took part in the Dance Woking event appearing on stage at The Rhoda McGraw Theatre. They performed a colourful Latin American themed dance that they had rehearsed over a 10 week period.

### **Y7 Big Night In**

Y7 had an amazing time on their residential, bowling, doing laser quest and then coming back for entertainment and an overnight stay at school. As always, we would like to say a huge thank you to staff who support these events, giving up their own family time to do so.

### **December Events**

We had our Annual Ski Bingo evening a couple of weeks ago to raise funds to support the Ski Trip which 18 students are taking part in next January. We managed to raise nearly £600. Friends of The Park helped organize a craft afternoon. All students enjoyed making a range of Christmas crafts and decorating their classrooms. We also had our Christmas fair last week. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making it such an enjoyable event. We raised over £1200. On Monday 3rd December a group of 20 students from year 7,8 and 11 went to Heathside care home to sing carols. They sang traditional and modern carols finishing with a rousing rendition of The Twelve Days of Christmas. Afterwards the students enjoyed chatting to and playing dominoes with the residents whilst enjoying a mince pie.

### **Carol Service**

On Wednesday we had our carol service where we watched the students take us through "Christmas through the ages" We had over half the students participating which was amazing. Thank you to Naomi Harwood and her team for organizing the performance and to Woking United Reformed Church for hosting us and providing refreshments.

### **Panto**

The whole school enjoyed an amazing trip to the Panto last Thursday to see Cinderella. This year's panto was superb. It really told the story with great singing, costumes and special effects. Lots of students were describing it as "the best afternoon ever." Two of our staff, including Mattie McCathey of course, went on stage and had shaving foam pies thrown on their faces which made it even more fun. We would like to thank The Children with Special Needs Foundation for providing this treat for the students.

### **Thank you**

We would like to say an enormous "Thank you" to all the staff for their hard work throughout this term. We have one change of staffing. Amanda Ellis is leaving us at the end of term to take up a new Science post back in mainstream. We would like to thank her for all her hard work and the



way in which she has made Science so exciting. We will be welcoming Helen Stanley next term who will tutor 8E and teach Science.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing students on the 7<sup>th</sup> January.

*Karen Eastwood.*

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(Co-Headteacher)

*Paul Walsh*

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(Co-Headteacher)

## Dates for your Diary

Spring term 2019 Y9-Y11 Reviews this term	
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> and Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET for staff training – School Closed
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Students return to school at 9am
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Y7 Subject parent evening
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Y9 residential
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	HALF TERM
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Y8 Tutor Parents Evening
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Y8 residential
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Fair
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	KS4 play
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Prize giving assembly 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)
Summer Term 2019 Y7 and Y8 Reviews this term	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	INSET for staff training – School Closed
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Students return to school at 9am
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	HALF TERM
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Y11 Prom
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y11 Record of Achievement
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Y9 / Y10 Tutor Parents Evening
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fete
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Prize giving assembly 11am Break up at 12 noon (no lunch)