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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are all well. I survived my 3 days on the Colomendy residential with the wonderful Year 7 students. We had a fabulous time and I have to be honest, I am a little tired since I have returned. It really was a pleasure to spend time with the students and to get to know them in a different environment. I think it was also positive for them to see me in a different light too.

They did persuade me to do the Leap of Faith and some were very surprised by my goal keeping skills in the Staff v Students football match, of which we won 3-2. They may argue that this score line was incorrect, but in the absence of VAR, the score stands. The students were a credit to their parents/carers and a real joy to be with. We really do have amazing young people here in the Boteler Family.

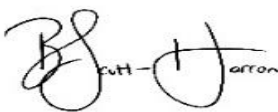
Yesterday we held a memorial service for Emily Foxall who tragically passed away last June. It was a small Service at the family's request and Emily's family and closest friends were involved. It was a very spiritual Service led by our Chaplain Mike Wildsmith with music and readings from both staff and students. During the Service we dedicated a bench in memory of Emily. 'Emily's Reflection Bench' is now there for all to use as a place for thinking and reflection and also a place where people can go and sit and meet others if they are worried or struggling with anything.

Emily always used to help and support her friends and would sit (on the old bench) next to them and help them with anything they needed. Emily will always be remembered for her zest for life and how she was selfless in helping others and that legacy will live on through all those that knew and loved Emily.

Please just a reminder that full uniform and High Standards still remain in place until the end of term. I appreciate that school shoes get worn out but it is important that we remain focussed and smart up until we finish.

Many thanks for your support as always and have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards



Beverley Scott-Herron  
**Headteacher**

## **Lesson Punctuality**

Of late we have had a significant push on students being prompt to lessons. This has proved to be very successful. As previously communicated, we expect all students to be in lessons within 5 minutes of the bell. This is very achievable given the size and layout of our school.

It will always remain a priority as nothing is more valuable in a school than learning time. Please do engage with the Arbor App for information on your child's punctuality to lessons if you wish to check.

If you have any concerns please contact your child's Head of Year.

## **Year 11 Exam update**

Year 11 continue to demonstrate an excellent attitude towards their exams. We have received many positive comments from our team of invigilators about how well they have approached such a long exam period.

All students have one further week of exams with some our students having exams into a further week if they study those option subjects.

On **Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th June**, all students will have Science revision lessons Period 1 and Period 2. Students who study subjects still to be examined in Geography, GCSE DT or Hospitality are to remain in school for revision lessons during Period 3, 4 and 5 on these days. If students do not study these subjects, they are free to leave school after the Period 2 Science revision lesson.

On **Friday 14th June**, all students are to attend school as normal. Students who study Geography have their exam at 09.00. Students who do not study Geography will have a Science revision lesson during Period 1. All students will have Science revision lessons during Period 2 and Period 3 in preparation for the Science Exam which starts at 1pm.

The last main exam that **all** students sit is the **Science exam on Friday 14th June**. Students will be dismissed from their exam venues and are free to leave school. Only students still to sit remaining exams in GCSE DT, Hospitality, Music or Further Maths are required to come into school following Friday 14th June for revision lessons as scheduled on the Exam Revision Timetable.

Details of which exams and revision sessions are taking place next week are below:

<b>WEEK 1</b>						
<b>Date</b>	<b>Period One</b>	<b>Period Two</b>	<b>Period Three</b>	<b>Period Four</b>	<b>Period Five</b>	<b>Subjects Complete</b>
<b>Mon 10 June</b>	H Band – French/Spanish/Hospitality C Band - Science Maths Paper 3 (Calculator) Exam (1Hr 30)	Option C	H Band – Geography/History C Band - English Spanish Writing Revision	H Band – Maths C Band – History/Geography Spanish Writing Exam (1Hr/1Hr 15)	H Band – English C Band – Spanish/French/Art Science Revision	Maths Spanish
<b>Tue 11 June</b>	Option D Combined Science: Chem 2 Exam (1Hr 15) Triple Science: Chem 2 Exam (1Hr 45)	H Band - Science C Band - Maths	H Band – French/Spanish/Hospitality C Band – History/Geography History Revision	Option C History Paper 3 Exam (1Hr 20) Further Maths: Paper 1 Exam (1Hr 45)	H1 – RE H2/H3 - English C Band - Science	History
<b>Wed 12 June</b>	Science Revision	Science Revision	Geography Revision Hospitality Revision DT Revision	DT Revision	Hospitality Revision	

<b>Thu 13 June</b>	Science Revision	Science Revision	Geography Revision Hospitality Revision DT Revision	DT Revision	Hospitality Revision	
<b>Fri 14 June</b>	Geography: Paper 3 Exam (Geographical Applications) (1Hr 15) Science Revision	Science Revision	Science Revision	Combined Science: Phys 2 Exam (1Hr 15) Triple Science: Phys 2 Exam (1Hr 45)		Geography Science

## **KS3 WA2 Assessments**

Following on from Mr Koltan's correspondence before half term, KS3 students will be sitting their second Working At assessments starting on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June and these run for two weeks.

Students have been issued with their assessment timetables, so they know which subject assessments are taking place when.

## **Year 10 Mock Exams**

Year 10 will be sitting their Mock Exams starting on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June and run for two weeks. Students will be sitting these exams in our real exam venues which we have been using for Year 11.

This is to help prepare students for the conditions and environment they will need to work in during the Year 11 Mock Exams and the real GCSEs at the end of next year. These exams will assess all of the work covered since September and will be based on past exam papers and questions.

**Morning Exams:** start at 09:00. Students must arrive at school at 08.30 and go to form as usual. They will then be sent to the canteen at 08.45, where they will be escorted by invigilators to their exam venue.

**Afternoon Exams:** start at 13:00. Students must wait in the canteen at the end of lunch, where they will be escorted to the exam venue.

Please note it will be an early lunch for the mock exams (12.15–13.00, and 12.25-13.00 on Fridays).

Students **MUST** bring all the necessary equipment required (**including a scientific calculator**) for each subject. **Full uniform is to be worn for the exams.**

**YEAR 10– MOCK EXAMS TIMETABLE JUNE 2024**

WEEK	Date	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Lunch	Period 5
1	Mon 10 June	8.55	9.55	11.15	12.15	13.15	14.00
	Tues 11 June	<p><b>MUSIC PERFORMANCE</b> A 20 minute slot will be allocated by your teacher</p> <p><b>MUSIC PERFORMANCE</b> A 20 minute slot will be allocated by your teacher</p>					

WEEK	Date	Morning	Break	Morning	Lunch	Afternoon
2	Mon 17 June	<b>RELIGIOUS STUDIES</b> (Christianity and Judaism) 1 hour 45	10.55	11.15am	12.15	13.00
	Tues 18 June					<b>OPTION B SUBJECTS</b> History 1 Hour 15 Geography 1 hour 30 French Reading 1 hour/ 45 mins
	Weds 19 June					<b>MATHS Paper 1</b> (Non-Calc) 1 hour
	Thurs 20 June					<b>BIOLOGY</b> 1 hour 15/ 1 hour 45
	Fri 21 June	<b>OPTION D</b> Hospitality 1 hour 30 Sport Science 2 hours Design Tech 1 hour 30	11.10	11.25	12.25	13.00

WEEK	Date	Morning	Break	Morning	Lunch	Afternoon
1	Mon 24 June	08.55 <b>OPTION C</b> Computer Science 1 hour 30 Geography 1 hour 30 Design Tech 1 hour 30 Dance 2 hours (with teacher)	10.55	11.15am	12.15	13.00 <b>CHEMISTRY</b> 1 hour 45/ 1 hour 15
	Tues 25 June	<b>ENGLISH LANGUAGE</b> 1 hour 45				<b>OPTION A SUBJECTS</b> French Reading 1 hour/ 45 mins Spanish Reading 1 hour/ 45 mins Sport 2 hours Geography 1 hour 30 Hospitality 1 hour 30
	Weds 26 June	<b>MATHS PAPER 2</b> (Calculator) 1 hour				<b>FRENCH LISTENING</b> 35/45 mins
	Thurs 27 June	<b>PHYSICS</b> 1 hour 45/ 1 hour 15				<b>SPANISH LISTENING</b> 35/45 mins
	Fri 28 June	<b>Morning</b> 08.55	<b>Break</b> 11.10	<b>Morning</b> 11.25	<b>Lunch</b> 12.25	<b>Afternoon</b> 13.00
<b>WARRINGTON WALKING DAY</b>						

WEEK	Date	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Lunch	Period 5
2	Mon 1 July	8.55	9.55	11.15	12.15	13.15	14.00
<b>ART ALL DAY</b>							

## **Awards evening - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

We will be celebrating the successes of our students for the academic year 2023/24 on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Having held the celebration for the previous academic year in September, we are reverting back to hosting this prestigious event in the final weeks of the summer term.

There is much to celebrate, with us looking forward to coming together in recognition of the many successes, including the outstanding performance of the overall winners within a range of categories.

We have extremely High Expectations, High Aspirations and High Standards at Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School and we wish to formally recognise the performance of our wonderful students.

## **Rewards Visits**

Should your child have received an invitation to take part in the rewards visits on 15<sup>th</sup> July, a reminder that the deadline for payments to be in via iPay is **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**. Payment via iPay must be made in order to secure a place.

There are very limited spaces left so it is important to note that if you have filled in the consent form, this alone does not secure your child's place on a trip.

## **Transition**

We welcomed Year 5 students through the door this past week and shown them around our school. Tours are available for Year 5 for the next two weeks.

Year 6 will be visiting us on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June for their first Subject taster session in preparation for starting in September.

Year 9 Ambassadors are very excited about helping at this event and supporting the Year 6 students.

## **Ambassadors**

Ambassadors have been involved in the recruitment process over the last term both interviewing candidates and touring them around school. The Ambassadors have then fed back to the Headteacher their thoughts about how suitable the candidates are.

The feedback from the candidates about our students has been exceptional.





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**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

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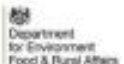
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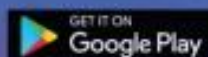
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## **Leavers' Hoodies**

Please click on the link to view a letter from Mr Horne regarding Year 11 leavers' hoodies. Details of how to order a hoody and make payment are within the link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/GbtKbkLbDK>

The deadline for payment via iPay is 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Hoodies will be given out to students on GCSE results day, Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

## **Year 11 Hospitality and Catering**

Mrs Callaway is very excited to announce celebrity chef, and writer, Nigella Lawson has contacted her to give Year 11 Hospitality and Catering students a very special message:

Nigella says: "Mrs Callaway has told me how hard you've all been working, and what skills you have been acquiring, and I just want to say congratulations and good luck for the written exam on the 20th June. I am crossing my fingers for you all, and am so impressed with what you've achieved so far. Just do your best, and please know I'm thinking of you and cheering you on!"



Year 11 Hospitality and Catering students have also received an exciting message from Monica Galetti, author and professional chef (most known for her work as judge on the competitive cooking show Masterchef).

Monica praises students on their current progress and wishes them the best of luck for their upcoming final exam. A very special guest also makes an appearance in the footage! We are sure these words of encouragement will give the Year 11 Hospitality and Catering students a boost, and show how proud we are of them! You can view the video by clicking here:

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/1190907518929756>

## Duke of Edinburgh Award

Expedition season is in full swing for those Year 9s and 10s taking part in either the Bronze or Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award!

We've had a lot of interest in both Awards this year, and it's fantastic to see so many of our young people putting themselves out there - getting involved with different volunteering, sports and skill activities alongside their hikes.

On Thursday a group of 21 students took part in their first practice walk through Lumb Brook Valley, which was a great opportunity to put their map reading skills into action so they're ready for their overnight expedition in July. Our intrepid Year 10s completed their practice expedition in Rivington just before half term, successfully navigating a region that was completely unfamiliar to them.

We're very proud of their hard work and dedication to the Award!





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# DANCE EXPLOSION

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AND DANCE STYLES FROM ACROSS  
THE DECADES



**2ND JULY 2024 18:00**

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£2 PER TICKET - TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE MAIN SCHOOL OFFICE