



SLOUGH & ETON CE BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE COLLEGE

FRIDAY REVIEW

Friday 12th September

Headteacher

This is the first weekly newsletter from me, the Headteacher, to you the parents. The aim of the letter is to keep you informed about the school so that you can be an active partner in your son's or daughter's learning, helping them to make the most of their time in Slough & Eton.

I took up post on September 1st and have been warmly welcomed by pupils and staff. The last ten days have confirmed for me that this school has enormous potential and it is my job to try and ensure that every pupil achieves success and is well prepared for the next phase of their life when they leave Slough & Eton. I am looking forward to working closely with you in the future.

Buildings

Pupils returned last week to find a brand new teaching block with twenty four new classrooms, new sports facilities and lots of refurbished areas of the school. While building work continues, we hope that by next half term we will have a new hall, reception area and sixth form area along with new kitchens and canteen.

Start for pupils

I have been delighted with the start that the majority of pupils have made. They have been properly dressed in full school uniform and have worn it with pride. Their

attitude towards learning has been great and they are friendly towards each other and to staff.

However, I have been disappointed with the number of pupils arriving late in the morning. All pupils should be in school by 8.35am ready to have registration at 8.40am. Please ensure your son or daughter is punctual.

Uniform/haircuts

I have made it clear to pupils that they must be good ambassadors for the school whenever they are in the local community. This includes travelling to or from school. Full school uniform must be worn correctly at all times and their behaviour should be exemplary. The image that pupils present to the local community is very important to the success of the school. To this end, I would like pupils to stop wearing hoodies, track suit tops and any other unsuitable outdoor coats as quickly as possible. By next half term, I would like to see these articles disappear from school altogether. If pupils need an outdoor coat they should have a plain coat. Similarly, pupils should not have hair shorter than No. 2 shave with no patterns and this included eyebrows.

Canteen

Until we have the new canteen ready after half term, we can only offer a very limited choice in the make-shift canteen. Packed lunches may

offer a better option for now.

Year 11 Business Trip

On Thursday 16 Year 11 pupils attended a Business course at Waterside British Airways education centre. They took part in discussions and customer service role plays and their findings will help them to write up their coursework. Pupils were a credit to the school.

Year 7 and Year 10 Tests

Today Year 7 have carried out CATs tests. These tests (Cognitive Ability Tests) will help us to set your son or daughter's challenging targets for the future and monitor their progress.

On Monday 15th September Year 10 pupils will take Yellis tests. These will help us to predict potential GCSE success and allow us to support pupils over the next two years.

Football Results

On Thursday Year 8 played Burnham Grammar in the Sloughs Schools Cup. After full time the score was 3 each. All the goals were scored by Idriss Mugwiza and we won the game 4 - 2 after penalties.

Telephones

On Wednesday 17th September we are having an upgrade to our telephone system so will be unable to receive any incoming calls from 12.00 – 3.00pm. After this a receptionist will

answer the phone and you will not have to go through an automated system.

Adult Learning News

Classes for adults will be starting on Monday 15th September. For more information, please contact Heather Hyams on 01753 486047 or call into talk to Heather or Jan.

Dates for your diary

**Thursday 9 October
Prospective Parents
Evening.**

**27th-31st October
Half Term**

**P McAteer
Headteacher**

**We would value your comments on any of the items in the Friday Review.
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