

FRIDAY REVIEW

28TH MARCH 2018

Dear All

It's been a really busy term at Slough and Eton. We had a fantastic Multi-Cultural Evening last week and the students who performed did a great job.

Over Easter we have a range of on school activities going on for Year 11, 12 and 13 students to support them with exam preparation and parents of those students should ensure they do plenty of work over the holiday.

After the holiday we will be increasing our electronic communication to parents and reducing the amount of paper we send home so please watch out for those emails.

Have a wonderful Easter break with your children.

Peter Collins

Headteacher

Easter Holidays Study Rooms open (Monday 9th April to Friday 13th April)

We will be running study room sessions for Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13 students who wish to come into school during the Easter break to work for their exams and deadlines. The rooms will open from **Monday 9th until Friday**13th April between 9:30am to 2:30pm. Students will be supervised and will need to sign in at reception as normal. We would strongly encourage as many students to make use of this facility in order to stay on top of their workload.

The following rooms will be open:

Room iSS1 - Year 11 students

Room iSF8 – Year 12 and Year 13 students

Please make your way straight up the staircase from reception, the door will be kept open for you to access the rooms. This means you should not be wondering around the school. If a student misbehaves or fails to follow instructions then they will be sent home. Students are responsible for bringing their own lunch, you are reminded that this is a healthy school.



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SPORT RELIEF RAFFLE



Thank you to everyone who made the Sports Relief raffle & cake sale such a success. In all £116.48 was raised by the school.





Congratulations to our *raffle winner* **Muhammad 7 Mauve** who will be receiving this special sport's themed gift hamper pictured.

REVISE A LEVEL RELIGIOUS STUDIES



On Thursday, the 22nd March 2018, Year 13 students attended the Revision A level conference.

The aim of the conference was to develop exam skills and revision techniques. The conference was led by Dr Peter Vardy and Charlotte Vardy.

Dr Peter Vardy has a passion for engaging young people with the big questions that affect them and has done more than anybody else to inspire the resurgence in the popularity of studying RS and Philosophy. He is a lively and engaging speaker with the rare ability to keep a mixed audience's attention for hours. Peter has also written some 16 books, many translated into multiple languages and used by RS departments from Indonesia to Poland.

Aleksandra commented, "I really enjoyed the overall experience. The tips towards the exams were very beneficial and the ideas I gained in regards to writing gave me an insight on how to develop my skills. I specifically enjoyed Peter Vardy's presentations and his breakdown of content whereby he evaluated all ideas analytically, using a variety of references as well as modern day examples and applications. I would highly recommend attending such conferences."

MyTutor for English GCSE

A few weeks ago students from English sets 3 and 4 wrote applications to be awarded with ~£200 worth of online tutorials with university students to help them prepare for their English GCSE.

MyTutor is a company that connects students who have got either an A* or an A in certain subjects and links them with students who are currently studying for their GCSEs.

Their web platform enables face-to-face discussion and the ability to write answers on the screen and highlight/underline key things to work on.



We are really pleased that 20 of these applications were successful, and the first group had their first session last Friday. They unanimously said how useful it was to have the one-to-one support and felt that even after the first session that it had really helped them. They particularly enjoyed being able to discuss things with someone who has recently taken exams in the subject.

Reading University

On Tuesday 20th March 2018, Mrs Hind and Mrs Fogarty took 12 Year 9 students that had shown an outstanding attitude to learning during their English lessons, to Reading University. The pupils participated in a lecture and interactive activities related to understanding, developing and communicating strategies to plan and implement a political campaign on a subject of their choice. This trip provided a fantastic opportunity for pupils to develop their knowledge and understanding of persuasive techniques and propaganda, their debating skills and competing with pupils from other schools.

This experience is linked to the texts currently being a studied in Year 9 and so will help with their studies this term as well as helping build the skills they will require for their GCSE studies in the future.

I learnt lots about ways of persuading people to help you if you want to start a campaign. In particularly enjoyed the campus tour.

Abu



What I enjoyed was the way everyone was giving their views on the topic....
The lunch was really good!

Jamal

9 Blue

Year 10 Parents evening

This will take place on **Thursday the 19th of April from 4pm until 7pm.**

Letters were sent home last week so please ensure the reply slip is completed and returned, confirming your attendance. This is an important evening where you will have the opportunity to meet you son/daughters Form tutor as well as subject teachers to receive important information on their progress in their GCSEs. Please ensure you make every effort to attend this important event.



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Maths Feast

"Congratulations to the eight Year 10 students who travelled to Langley Grammar School last Friday to take part in the 2018 Maths Feast: Imran, Mohamed, Emran, Saba, Kaviduni, Dawar Anser, and Hashim.

They showed great teamwork

and were a delight to spend the morning with. A huge thanks also to Qurrat in 12 Grey, who came along to help out!"

Inter House Benchball Results

Year 7

1st - Grey House (12 points, won in the final against Mauve)

2nd - Mauve House (12 points, lost in the final against Grey)

3rd - Green House (9 points)

4th - Blue House (6 points)

Joint 5th - Red House and Yellow House (3 points)

Year 9

1st - Blue House (13 points)

2nd - Mauve House (10 points)

3rd - Red House (8 points)

4th - Yellow House (7 points)

5th - Green House (3 points)

6th - Grey House (1 point)



Curve Library Visit

On the 20th of March 9 year 10s went to the Curve for a workshop on performance poetry. The Workshop was led by Thomas 'Ghettogeek' Owoo, a renowned spoken word poet, and Desree Gumbs-Carty, a published poet and performer from Slough. The first part of the workshop was the creating poetry where the students really excelled and showed no fear in wanting to perform what they had written to the other school groups, this later helped students from other schools gain the confidence to perform.

The second section of the workshop was where the students were to work on how they were to perform a piece of poetry which they had written that morning. Again our students threw themselves into it and demonstrated resilience with all of them performing in front of a camera. Sauda was able to perform her own compendium of poems to the group.

Both Thomas and Desree were impressed by the attitude, ability, effort and behaviour of our students and each of them was a fantastic reflection on the school. I think Abdi , Rahan, Alissa , Pharrel , Anusha Aggarwal, Saba, Farhan and Sauda should all be applauded for being excellent ambassadors for the school.

Below is an example of the work created whilst on the workshop:

Who is My Super Hero?

You are a Super Hero

You are the catalyst that spreads patience and peace into the world.

Your valiance distributes an abundance of just and compassion into society.

You are the spark that rekindles courage and determination in the hearts of those who are deprived of care and compassion and mitigate the taste of oppression and self-consciousness.

Your noble and austere attributes advance strength and provide a clear and tranquil picture of the coming day, as the dark and dangerous curtain of the night fade away.

You are innovative and strong.

You are my Mum.



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ISSP Choir at Eton College



On Tuesday the 19th of March 13 students from Year 7, 8 and 9 had the opportunity to perform as part of an ISSP vocal workshop at the Eton College School Hall.

The choir was also made up of students from Langley Academy, Eton College, St Joseph's and Beechwood and was directed by Tori Longdon.

All those involved did fantastically well and were a real asset to our school."

Year 7 Netball Tournament



On Tuesday 27 March the year 7 netball team represented the school at Langley Grammar School. They played exceptionally well and should be extremely proud of the progress that they have made this.

The standard of netball was very high and the girls showed that they are resilient and have trained hard as a team this year, well done!

Year 7 Boys' House Football Result

1st Grey House 11pts
2nd Yellow House 10pts
3rd Red House 9pts
4th= Mauve House 5pts
4th= Green House 5pts





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Charlie and the Chocolate Factory—Set design

This term the Year 7's have been looking at Charlie and the Chocolate Factory in Drama. They had a homework project to create a Set Design for the play. The work they created was amazing and they should be extremely proud of themselves. It is amazing to see how creative our students are.



The top 6 are:

Victoria – 7Mauve

Eunice - 7Red

Hudhaifa -7Mauve

Basil - 7Blue

Mia -7Green







Multicultural Evening 2018

Thank you to all staff and students involved in making the Multicultural Evening 2018 a success!

The night was filled with great excitement and over 15 countries were represented within the acts.



We are proud to have such a diverse school community and to celebrate that; brings us great joy!



We would also like to thank friends and families of students who joined us on this night full of culture to support and encourage our students on stage.





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Year 12 SSE Workshop

On the 16th of March over 50 Year 12 students were involved in a Workshop day delivered by SSE - one of the largest energy service providers in the UK. Students participated in workshops where they gained an increased understanding of the energy sector and learnt about their career options with SSE through an SSE Employee Panel.

They also took part in activities to increase their employability and interview skills.



Seniores



On Tuesday 20th March the Seniores hosted former student and Mixed Martial Arts Champion Nabil Forde who spoke to the students about his experiences at Slough and Eton. He spoke highly of the teachers here who encouraged him to work hard. He felt that it was important to realise the power of self belief and the importance of perseverance in overcoming difficult tasks –

"No matter how difficult things get, just keep working hard".

He also reminded students of the importance of having a plan. He felt that a plan is more achievable if it is in place, and that being in Year 11, a plan should be in place of their future. Through careful planning and preparation Nabil has a full-time job as a plumber as well as the title of Mixed Martial Arts champion. Quite an achievement!



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Business Interview Day

On Friday 16th March 2018 Year 11 pupils participated in a Business Interview Day.

In collaboration with 'Learning to Work' the School had arranged for a number of companies, some with a global presence such as Fujitsu to attend and provide pupils with a unique opportunity to test their interviewing skills in a realistic interview setup.

We believe this to be an invaluable experience for the pupils to enable them to understand the interview process, what employers seek in potential employees and generally focusing pupils on thinking about their future careers after full time education in an extremely competitive job market.

The interviewers were very complimentary about our pupils and the level of confidence they showed in answering the questions.









Holiday Bikeability Courses



Cycle Experience is offering Bikeability Holiday courses on behalf of Slough Borough Council.

Whilst we have offered cycle training in your child's school this year, these courses provide an opportunity for children who missed out, or need a little more practice in order to achieve their targeted level.

These courses will be taking place at Salt Hill Park and we're offering the Bikeability level 1 & 2 combined course, for children in Year 5 and above, and Bikeability Level 3 for children in Year 7 and above. Free bike hire is available.

We're also running courses for adults, at all levels (including learn to ride) and cycle maintenance skills, which may be of interest to parents.

For more information, and to book please visit: www.cycleexperience.com