



It hardly seems possible to be writing to you already at the end of the first half term. It has been a busy one and I am very pleased with how well everyone has settled into the new school year. This week has been busy once again and celebrating the opening of our new Library on Wednesday was definitely a highlight. Yesterday parents of Year 7 pupils came into school to meet with form tutors and staff really enjoyed meeting and discussing how the first half term at secondary school had gone.

Please can I ask all parents to use the holiday to check on uniform and equipment for school. Our pupils look really smart and I am keen to ensure they stay that way.

Have a wonderful half term holiday with your children.

Best wishes
Mr Collins
Headteacher

Official Opening of New Library

On Wednesday we welcomed award winning author Bali Rai into school to speak to Years 7 to 11 and to officially open our new library. Bali spoke passionately about growing up in Leicester with his Indian family and his multicultural friends and how this had influenced his writing. The pupils and staff greatly appreciated his down to earth, funny and honest delivery and all Bali's books are available to borrow from the library. After school Bali cut the ribbon to officially open the new library and we welcomed back former Headteacher Mr McAteer together with school governors, staff and students to celebrate this fantastic new resource. Bali commented on what a warm and welcoming school we were and said that the students he had met had been a credit to the school.



**One Week Half Term
Holiday**

We look forward to
welcoming all students back
to school on
**Monday 30th October 2017 at
8.20am.**

Dyson Design Challenge at Eton College

On Thursday 10 Year 13 Graphics students took part in the Dyson Design Challenge hosted by Eton College. The students participated in designing, prototyping and pitching their design ideas to engineers from Dyson. They represented Slough and Eton exceptionally and were commended on their innovative thinking.



Millionaire Reader

Congratulations to Rafia of 7 Blue for becoming our first reading millionaire this year. She has read an impressive 14 books so far this term!

Work Hard · Be Nice · No Excuses

Interview of the Week

by Alaa Hasrat, Head Boy

Mrs Qayyum , Biology Teacher.

What inspired you to become a teacher?

I had two amazing secondary school teachers, one a drama teacher who really made me enjoy the subject and also understand that teachers are people too. The other was a biology teacher, he got the class to do activities such as writing stories for biological processes. I once wrote a story called 'the journey of a red blood cell'. I think it was him that inspired me to become a biology teacher. I want the kids at the school to enjoy my subject and to learn in a fun way. What makes me happiest is seeing the kids understand the topic that I've taught them.

Why are you working at Slough & Eton?

I live locally and like giving back to the community. Also the children at the school are fantastic! The majority of the students really appreciate the work we do for them. That's resulted in me forming good relationships with the students.

What don't you like about your job?

My job means I have to do a lot of paperwork and most days when I go home I still find myself thinking about work

Quick fire questions...

- ◆ Favourite food? *Chick peas in anything!*
- ◆ Favourite place to visit? *Makkah Madina*
- ◆ Favourite time of the year? *Spring*
- ◆ Favourite colour? *Purple*
- ◆ Favourite film? *Gladiator*
- ◆ Scared of ? *Rats*

School Photographs

Don't forget to check out your child's school photo at <https://surreyschoolphotos.gotphoto.co.uk/login> using the code your child brought home last Friday. Orders can be placed online.

Pupil Postcards

Next week over 170 carefully chosen students will receive congratulatory postcards from some of their teachers. The reasons range from continued excellent effort in lessons to showing an outstanding commitment to the school community in a voluntary capacity. If your son or daughter receives a postcard please congratulate them.



Parent Forum

On Thursday 9th November from 5-6.00pm we will be holding a Parent Forum Meeting. This is to give parents the opportunity to discuss matters regarding the school and to give us your honest views and suggestions.

If you would like a topic to be discussed at the forum please contact Mr Culkeen (martin.culkeen@slougheton.com) to discuss.



Upcoming Events

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October
Half-term Holiday (School Closed)

Monday 30th October

All students return at 8.20am

Thursday 9th November 5.00-6.00pm
Parent Forum

Year 12 Settling in Evening 3.15pm-5.30pm

Friday 15th December

Last day of Autumn Term

16th December to 7th January (School Closed)

Monday 8th January

Students in all Year groups return for 8.20am

Year 11 Netball



The Year 11 netball team faced Langley Academy on Tuesday evening. They had a slow start in the first quarter conceding too many goals to make a come back by the end of the match. However, their fighting spirit and resilience was the highlight of the evening as they were determined as a team throughout the evening to work together and improve. 'Players of the Match' went to Yasmina and Maham.

Year 9 Football Results

Westgate 2 S&E 3 Goal scorers Nomaan (Yellow) 2, Derrick (Green)

S&E 1 St Joseph's 2 Fernando(Yellow)

S&E 8 Wexham 4 Derrick(Green)3, Fernando(Yellow) 2, Nomaan(Yellow), Amir(Mauve), Munasar (Grey)

