

Student & Parent School Bulletin

Monday 4th October 2021 week 5A

1. Diary

Monday 4th

- 09.00-10.30 Open Morning for prospective Y7 Parents / Carers

Tuesday 5th

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- Y11 Careers Interviews (all day)

Wednesday 6th

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Thursday 7th

- 18.00 Y7 and 8 Parents' Information Evening (see item 6)

Friday 8th

2. Year Group Notices

Year 7 and 8 Reading Group

The first meeting of the Year 7/8 Reading Group will take place at lunchtime on Wednesday 6th October in the Library. Come along to discover some great new books and join the book chat fun, (there might even be cake!). All Year 7 and 8 students are welcome.

Mr Thraves, Librarian

Year 10 and 11 - History Club

A reminder that KS4 History Club will be taking place in the hall afterschool on Tuesday, focusing on knowledge and skills needed for the Weimar and Nazi Germany topic, which will be being examined in the mock exam at the end of November.

Mr Pilling, Curriculum Leader: History

Year 11 - Sixth Form Open Evening

The Sixth Form Open Evening will be held on Tuesday 19th October from 6pm-8pm, please click [here](#) to view the advert. This is an opportunity for students and parents to come along and find out about life in the Sixth Form from staff and current students. In the meantime, please see our website www.fccsixthform.com for further information.

Mrs Brixey, Sixth Form Leader

3. Geography Newsletter

Please click [here](#) to view the second newsletter for this term. I hope you enjoy reading it!

Mrs Sloggett, Curriculum Leader: Geography

4. International MasterChef competition - open to students in all years

If you enjoy food and love cooking then this competition is for you! In a team, you will prepare a three-course international meal from your chosen country. In addition to cooking, your team will need to tell us about the cuisine, customs and its culture and why you have chosen to prepare dishes from this country; dishes will be judged and there will be prizes. Each team will have 100 minutes to prepare their dishes and have the support of a member of staff and Sixth Form.

Entries open from Monday 4th October and the deadline to apply is Monday 11th October. To register your interest please see either Mrs Wise B10 (Food) or Mr Cauchy-Duval (MFL). The competition will take place on Wednesday 10th November 2021, periods 5 and 6, judging will take place from 3.15 to 4.00pm in the hall.

Please click [here](#) to view a flyer.

5. Whole School Council reps

Congratulations to our whole school council representatives for this year, as below:

Student Leadership Team: Andrea Webb, Ditso Mhutsiwa, Amber Hearn, Phebe Allies, Joseph Reavey and Antoana Micheva

Year 7: Max Maycock and Sophie Crouch

Year 8: Luke Macmorland and Darcey Beattie

Year 9: Mateusz Eszner and Jessica Ruskin

Year 10: Ethan Drew and Yoana Angelova

Year 11: Haranyan Kugathas and Ella White

Sixth Form: Zalia Ali and Oliver Denman

The first Whole School Council Meeting will take place on Thursday 7th October, from 8.30-9.40am in the Blake Conference room. Councillors will be emailed the agenda.

Mr Summers, Assistant Headteacher

6. KS3 Information Evening - Thursday 7th October

A reminder that we are holding an information evening on Thursday for parents/carers of students in Year 7 and 8, where you can find out about teaching and learning in Key Stage 3. Please click [here](#) to view a letter emailed to parents/carers this week.

7. Keeping young people safe

Recent concerns raised by the *Everyone's Invited* website, and Ofsted's research into the experiences of school children across the UK, has led to Ofsted recommendations for supporting our young people to keep themselves and others safe both in and outside of school. In the first instance it is important for us to raise awareness in order to help our young people to navigate the current landscape and keep themselves safe. To ensure that we continue to create a safe and supportive community here at Felpham, we will be embarking on a variety of activities this term, including a series of age appropriate assemblies for all year groups.

Miss L Szymura, Designated Safeguard Lead

8. Good Samaritan

Thank you to the female student who helped a member of the public afterschool last Friday. An elderly lady was struggling to walk along the high street in Felpham, leaning into a hedge for support; our student was helping her along the pavement and stayed with her until the person who contacted us gave the lady a lift home. The car driver wanted to pass on her thanks to our student on behalf of the lady, she thought the student may be in 9 or 10 and said she is a great ambassador for our school.

9. Publicity

In the Bognor Regis Observer Thursday 30th September: Advert for Sixth Form Open Evening (page 13)

10. Praise Points

The tutor groups with the highest number of praise points in their year group last week were:

- 7L, 8P, 9O, 10L, 11A and Sixth Form: 12/13GSL

11. Careers Information from Mrs Woodman, Careers Leader

Students in all year groups - Job of the week

Each week I will be sharing with you a short YouTube video that will introduce you to a job - what the job entails, what subjects are useful for it, what qualifications you will need to get into it, and the salary you might earn. This week's Job of the Week is [Disaster Manager](#).

Year 8 and 9 girls - Are you interested in finding out more about cybersecurity?

[The CyberFirst Girls Development Day](#) initiative is designed to increase understanding of the different specialisms within Cyber Security and equip girls with valuable, in-demand skills. There is a series of fun, interactive face-to-face one-day courses as well as virtual courses which are split over two days, to choose from. There will also be guest speakers and inspiring videos from inspirational female role models working in the industry. On the day you and the other girls that have signed up will be role playing as cyber security experts working for a fictitious app company, Sirius Cyberworks. Unfortunately, disaster has struck and there has been a serious breach of the company network - a new flagship app has been leaked. Your role is to work through four different parts of the company, uncovering how the leak happened whilst learning new cyber skills along the way.

Places are limited, so if you might be interested, don't delay in signing up. Unfortunately, none of the face-to-face days are close to us but you can sign up [here](#) for one of four virtual sessions taking place during October half term.

Students aged 14 and above - Virtual work experience opportunities

Please click [here](#) to view a full list of the opportunities that Speakers for Schools are currently offering. Insight days are usually a full day but can occasionally be a half day experience. Current employers offering insight days are Bentley Motors, DSTL and the National Portrait Gallery. Work experience opportunities can last between 3 and 5 days - current employers offering work experience include Morgan Sindall - Construction and Reach plc.

If you want to find out more about any of the opportunities listed, simply copy and paste the link given in the list into your web browser. You will need to register with Speakers for Schools before you can apply for a placement. Don't leave applying until the last minute as some opportunities have limited places.

[Springpod's](#) opportunities go live on 1st October - whatever it is you are interested in, you are sure to find something so sign up today! What would you choose from - journalism, dentistry, marketing, aerospace, technology, teaching, TV & film, graphic design, finance & accountancy and more?

Springpod's programmes run over two weeks - in that time you have to complete 10 hours of activity, which you can fit around school and any other commitments you have. Don't leave applying until the last minute as I have to authorise your application before it is sent to the employer for approval.

Students in Years 10-12

Are you interested in a healthcare related career? Last chance to sign up for this Sunday's event.

The NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience programme, set up last year and run by Medic Mentor, is the largest programme in the UK for students interested in the following careers: Nursing, Midwifery, Paramedicine, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Dietetics, Osteopathy, Radiography, Prosthetics and orthotics, Speech and language therapy and Pharmacy.

Applications for this programme are now open, and they will be open throughout this academic year, with the first programme taking place on 3rd October. The whole programme runs from 10am to 5pm (with breaks) on the first Sunday of the month for 6 months (starting on Sunday 3rd October). Students do not have to sign up for the whole programme (though this is recommended): individual days cost £10; signing up to the whole programme costs £50 (a saving of £10).

During the work experience day, students will follow two patients from their initial presentation to recovery. Students will observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and also each other. Students will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching. This will help students to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team. Each work experience day is completely different and students will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and their healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community.

Students will also receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience programme. Those that complete the entire 6-month programme will be awarded with Highly Commended References. Find out more and register [here](#). If you take up this opportunity please let me know by completing [this form](#) so that I can add the details to your personal careers activity record.

Year 11 - How we are helping your child prepare for their next steps

This term we are offering a number of different activities that will help ensure that your child has the information they need to make an informed choice about their next steps.

1. Careers interviews: By Christmas, assuming we have no school closures this term, all students will have been invited to meet with Mel Ponterosso, our independent careers adviser, to discuss their plans for after Year 11 and beyond. A record of what has been discussed will be uploaded to Go4Schools within a couple of days of that interview.

2. Introduction to [SACU](#): Over the past couple of weeks, in citizenship lessons, students have been registering with SACU. This is an online careers programme that, once students have completed a short, image-based quiz, presents them with three interactive 'clouds' to explore careers, higher education courses (at colleges and universities) and/or apprenticeships that they might like to investigate. Any student who may have missed this lesson should see me for the code needed to link you to the school account. Although it is possible to register to use SACU without a code, doing so will mean that some of the tools in the program that the school pay for, will not be available to students who have registered this way.

3. What Next? Sussex - Thursday 7th October, p5 and 6: All Year 11 students will be visiting 'What's Next? Sussex', a free large-scale virtual event showcasing options available for learners from across Sussex. They will be able to chat, via their teacher, with schools, colleges, universities, employers, apprenticeship providers and more, all based in Sussex. Students should start thinking about the institutions they might like to talk to and the questions they would like to find the answers to, so that they get the most out of the session. A second live session will take place from 6.00-7.30pm, giving parents and carers a chance to visit the event, and students a second chance to talk about anything they didn't get an answer to in the afternoon session. Find out more about the event [here](#). Although it is possible to pre-register, there is no requirement to do so to attend on the day - simply head to the site.

4. Mock Interview Day - Friday 5th November: With Mock Interview Day only five weeks away it is imperative that the 117 students who have not yet done so complete and send me their CV as soon as possible. An email has been sent to the parents/carers of the students who have not yet done this, along with the simple CV template that was used in citizenship lessons in the summer term.