

Student & Parent School Bulletin

Monday 31st January 2022 week 19A

1. Diary

Monday 31st January

- Year 13 Mock exams

Tuesday 1st February

Wednesday 2nd

Thursday 3rd

- Intermediate maths challenge (see item 5)
- 16.00-19.00 Y9 Virtual Parents' Evening, School iCloud (see year group notice below)

Friday 4th

2. Year Group Notices

Year 9

Options

1. A reminder that the **Virtual Options Fayre** went 'live' this week (Thursday 27th), parents/carers and students were emailed a link to our website with the following information:

- Subject videos outlining each course
- An Options PowerPoint
- The Options Booklet

Please click here for a direct link: <https://www.felpham.com/year-9-options/>

2. Students have been emailed a link to the **Options Form** and guidance on how to complete it, these were sent to students' school email addresses; the guidance notes can be viewed [here](#).
The deadline for students to complete and submit their online options form is **Thursday 10th February**.

Please contact the Year 9 Office if you have any queries regarding the above.

Mr Whiffin, Deputy Headteacher

Virtual Parents' Consultation Evening - Thursday 3rd February

A reminder that the online booking for appointments opened yesterday and will close at 8.00am on Thursday 3rd February. Please click [here](#) to view the letter emailed to parents /carers this week.

Year 11

Registration and Form Time

We would like to remind parents/carers that the school day starts at 8.30am and it is compulsory for all students to attend registration with their form tutor. Important information is constantly being conveyed during this time i.e. exam procedures, revision support, prom details etc and it is expected that all students are present.

From Monday 31st January, we will be closely monitoring students who are arriving late to school and they will be asked to attend a lunchtime detention, on the same day with the year office, during which they can catch up on what they missed during form time.

If your son/daughter is going to be absent or late for any reason please keep the school informed using one of the following methods:

email: attendance@felpham.org.uk

Tel: 01243 826511 - Option 1

Text: 07943 110012

Thank you for your support.

Year 11 Office

Food Preparation and Nutrition practical exam

On Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd February Year 11 students who study this course have a two 2-day practical exam which forms part of their external exam. Please ask your child to be prompt to the start of these exams, thank you.

Mrs Whelan, Data and Exams Manager

History Club

Just a reminder that Year 11 History Club is taking place afterschool on Tuesday 1st February, we will be focusing on the needs of the 6+ students for the forthcoming Elizabethan England mock exam.

Mr Pilling, Curriculum Leader: History

Leavers' Hoodies

We would like to offer our year 11 students the opportunity to purchase a leavers hoodie, please see below:

- Please go to the following link <https://www.schoolleaverscompany.co.uk/leavers-hoodies-login>
- Alternatively, go to the website and click on “Login” at the top of the home page
- Your login details are as follows: **USERNAME: SL57079** **PASSWORD: 57079fcc**
- You can then choose the size and colour you want and make payment. The hoodies are £20.25 each.
- You can also opt to add your first name, last name or nickname in large letters on the back at an additional cost of £4.45. Any names that are added will be sent to us for approval before printing.

After the Easter break, students will be able to wear their hoodies instead of their blazers as part of their school uniform.

The last day for orders to be placed is 16th February 2022, no further orders can be made after this date.

If you have any queries please contact Mrs Peterson, Year Manager, 01243 826511 ext 240.

3. St Wilfrid's donations

Thank you to everyone for your support with the Bag-A-Thon for St Wilfrid's Hospice. Donations are being collected next week so please can any final donations be in Reception by the end of day on Monday 31st January.

4. Student Council

Thank you to the Canteen Crusaders for the work they have been doing since December - more information to follow soon!

The next Whole School Council meeting will take place on Thursday 3rd February from 8.30-9.40am in the Blake Conference Room; please can Whole School Council reps check Teams for the agenda. Following this meeting, the minutes will be available to all students.

Message for all Student Council reps across the year groups

Please take 5 minutes to complete the English survey which has been sent to you on your Year Council Team, the deadline is 5th February.

Mr Summers, Assistant Headteacher

5. Intermediate Maths Challenge

We have 85 students from year 9, 10 and 11 sitting this challenge on Thursday 3rd February at 1.15pm in the Arun Leisure Centre (ALC), students need to come to the ALC gym promptly after lunch. Students have been given their timetable with seat number on via their form tutors.

Mrs Whelan, Data and Exams Manager

6. Attendance reminders

Please see below:

1. **Reporting Absences** - All absences need to be reported to the attendance office (only), no later than 8.30am and a reason needs to be given. Absences that are not reported to attendance, or are without a reason, are marked as unauthorised.
2. **Sickness** - If your child has a sickness bug they will need to remain off school until 48 hours after their last episode of sickness and/or diarrhoea to prevent spreading the illness; they will be sent home if they arrive in school before this time limit.
3. **COVID-19** - If your child has symptoms please do not send them into school and arrange for a PCR test. If they have had a positive LFD test whilst displaying symptoms a PCR test is not required. If they have had a negative LFD test whilst displaying symptoms, a PCR test is still required. Be sure to regularly check the Covid-19 guidance and isolation periods as it continues to change (click [here](#) to view).

Mrs Crook, Attendance Officer

7. Geography Newsletter

Please click [here](#) to view the latest Geography Newsletter. I hope you enjoy reading it!

Mrs Sloggett, Curriculum Leader: Geography

8. Student Safety

Please could we remind students who cycle to and from school to do so safely and be aware of the traffic around them. This week we were contacted by a concerned member of the public who was driving behind a large group of students cycling three abreast and weaving towards the other side of the road. This was along Downview and Outerwyke Road.

Parents / Carers: If your child uses this route to and from school please reinforce this message at home, thank you.

9.



Safeguarding Corner - Young Minds - Supporting parents and carers

Please find below links to resources from Young Minds.

Young Minds do a 'Looking after yourself' blog with tips from parents/carers.

Click here: > [Share our parent blog](#)

For additional support for families concerned about their child's mental health,

Click here: > [Contact our parent services](#)

Mrs Covill, Safeguarding and Inclusion Lead

10. Spanish Trip - October 2022

This week a letter was emailed to parents/carers of students studying Spanish in year 8 to 12 regarding a Language Immersion trip to Jaen (Spain). Please note there are 40 places available on this trip. Please follow the link in the letter if you would like a place for your child.

Mr Cauchy-Duval, Curriculum Leader: Modern Foreign Languages

11. Praise Points

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

- 7H, 8C, 9C, 10E, 11L, 12/13 GSL

12. Publicity

In the Bognor Regis Observer this week - Students celebrate mock exam results (page 26)

13. Careers Information from Mrs Woodman, Careers Leader

Students in all year groups - Job of the week

Each week I share with you a short YouTube video, created by Jamie Pywell of MyPath Careers, that introduces 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 [sports coach](#).

Students in Year 10 - Are you interested in a career in medicine?

Aspiring medical students in year 10 are eligible to attend both the live virtual UCAS Get Into Medicine Conference and the Insight Into Medicine Conference hosted by Medic Mentor, for **free**. Students who attend both conferences will also automatically be enrolled onto the **free** Medic Mentor Work Experience programme.

Once you have attended, you will be awarded with a certificate from the President at Medic Mentor to acknowledge that you are a student who has gone one step further than others. Both conferences will unlock exclusive opportunities such as scholarships and prizes, as well as help you to make a highly competitive application.

Full details of the two conferences are below.

UCAS Get into Medicine Conference 09.00am-13.30pm

You will be looking at:

Medical UCAS Application, Medical Personal Statements, Medical School Interviews, Getting Work Experience, UCAT & BMAT Exams, CV Building and How to access Medical Awards, Prizes, Leadership Programmes and Scholarships to study Medicine at University.

Upcoming dates:

Saturday 5th February, Sunday 6th February, Saturday 12th February and Sunday 13th February

Here is an overview of the programme:

09:00 - 09.30 - Registration

09.30 - 10.15 - Quick introduction to Medic Mentor, overview for the day, competition ratios, application timeline, Awards and Scholarships.

10:15 - 10.25 - Break

10.25 - 11:25 - UCAS Application Form, Entry Requirements and CV Building

11:25 - 11:35 - Break

11:35 - 12:15 - Personal Statements

12:15 - 12:25 - Break

12:25 - 12:40 - Entrance Exams: UCAT & BMAT

12:40 - 12:55 - Medical School Interviews

12:55 - 13.25 - The Perspective of a Current Applicant

13:25 - 13:30 - Summary & Questions

You can register for free using the coupon code: teacher22

<https://medicmentor.co.uk/medicine-national-healthcare-weekend/>

Insight into Medicine Conference - 14.00pm - 17.00pm

At the Insight into Medicine conference, you will have a unique opportunity to interact with doctors from a range of different specialities. From surgeons and hospital physicians to anaesthetists and GPs you will get to hear first-hand experiences from Medic Mentor doctors.

Upcoming dates:**Saturday 29th January**

Renal medicine - Dr Beatrix Tan

Anaesthetics - Dr Rachael Penrose

GP - Dr Monica Lowrie

Saturday 5th February

A&E - Dr Elmahdi Darbi

Psychiatry - Dr Nikhita Handa

Trauma and Orthopaedics - Mr Joe Esland

Saturday 12th February

Obstetrics & Gynaecology - Dr Clare Astbury

Oncology - Dr Muhammad Haris

Paediatric surgery - Dr Jack Eklid

You can register for free by completing the online application form:

<https://medicmentor.co.uk/insight-into-medicine-conference/>

I would encourage you to make every effort to attend both conferences, to give yourself a head start.

Students in Year 10 and above - Insight to Goldman Sachs - Wednesday 2nd February, 5-6pm

Goldman Sachs is a leading global investment banking, securities and investment management firm that provides a wide range of financial services to a substantial and diversified client base that includes corporations, financial institutions, governments and individuals. Founded in 1869, the firm is headquartered New York and maintains offices in all major financial centres around the world.

Within the company there are a number of different divisions from Asset Management and Investment Banking to Global Markets and Investment Research to name but a few.

Come and hear about the career opportunities on offer in Global Markets, Finance, Asset Management Digital Technology and more whilst getting an insight into one of the world's most recognised and established investment banking institutions.

Sign up using this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Goldman-Sachs>

Parents and Carers - Success Beyond School

InvestIN's parent event series is designed to give parents the essential tools they'll need to support their child on their career journey. Events are run by leading experts and are free to attend.

- 9th February - 7-8pm: [Making it in the medical sciences](#) - expert advice on breaking into medicine, dentistry and veterinary science
- 9th March - 7-8pm: [Women in business](#) - inspiring entrepreneurship in young women
- 6th April - 7-8pm: [The career workshop](#) - helping your child to choose their future with confidence
- 4th May - 7.00pm: [Through the magnifying class](#) - uncover your child's future in forensic science