

Student & Parent School Bulletin

Monday 5th February 2024 week 20B

Message from Ms Pike, Headteacher:

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another busy week in which we have seen many of you in school – thank you to those of you with Year 9 students for attending to find out more about the options process last night. It was great to see so many students being so enthusiastic about their learning and their future choices.

We are always looking to see how we can improve everything we offer even further, so we would be really grateful if all Year 9 students and their families filled in our survey about their school experience – please see the year group notices below. It won't be limited to Year 9 students, either - over the course of the year we will make sure that we canvas views from everyone.

I am really looking forward to seeing the students perform next week in the production of 'Annie' - they have been working really hard and would really appreciate being able to play to a full house each night. Please to get your tickets ASAP if you haven't already, and 'break a leg' to the cast and crew!

Have a great weekend



1. Diary

Monday 5th February

- Students follow their week B timetable

Tuesday 6th February

Wednesday 7th February

- 18.30 Annie Performance

Thursday 8th February

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- 6th Form Quiz Night

Friday 9th February

- School breaks for half-term (usual finish time of 14.50)

2. Year Group Notices

Year 7 - Dodgeball Tournament - Tuesday 6th February

A reminder that the Year 12 Sport Diploma Team are running a Dodgeball Tournament on Tuesday 6th February from 3.00 - 4:30pm in the Sports Hall.

All students are advised to bring their FCC PE kit, footwear and - most importantly - a water bottle.

If you are interested, sign-up sheets are in form rooms. The deadline is Friday 2nd February 2024.

Year 9 - Student and Parent / Carers Surveys

Year 9 Students

At Felpham Community College, we are always looking at how to further improve our practice so that you have the best chances of maximising your potential and achieving well at school. We value your feedback and would appreciate it if you could spare a couple of minutes to complete the survey that was emailed to you today (Friday 2nd February). Please submit all entries by Friday 9th February.

Year 9 Parents and Carers

At Felpham Community College, we continue to value the views of all parents and carers in helping us to evaluate our performance and identify priorities for the future. We would very much appreciate it if you could spare a couple of minutes to complete a quick survey. The survey opens tomorrow (3rd February), parents and carers will receive an email tomorrow with a link. Please submit all entries by Friday 9th February. Thank you in advance.

Ms M Kelly
Deputy Headteacher

Year 11
English Department - Drop in and revise sessions
<p>After half term the following English rooms and after-school slots will be available for Year 11 students to come along and revise.</p> <p>Materials will be available so students can tailor their revision to their needs and staff will be on hand to answer questions and give advice. These are not taught sessions.</p> <p>Tuesdays: Ms Constantine in N4, Mrs Wills in N3, Mr Castle in N5, Miss Jarvis in N9, Miss Smith in N8</p> <p>Wednesdays: Miss Stacey in N2, Mrs Marques-Darling in N1, Ms Constantine in N4</p> <p>Fridays: Mr Bulpett in N7, Mrs Naylor in N6, Ms Constantine in N4</p>
Win an iPad, Apple Pencil and keyboard when you take Cibyl's career survey Deadline extended to Wednesday 6th March
<p>Cibyl help schools/colleges across the UK understand what students want when going through the careers process. They give the school a detailed report so that we can change our provision to suit our students.</p> <p>All students who take part will have the opportunity to win: a £30 ASOS, Footlocker or Footasylum gift card (1 given away each week), a £150 gift card of your choice (3 given away when the survey closes on 6th March) or and iPad, Apple pencil ad keyboard (1 given away when the survey closes).</p> <p>Click here to take the survey now!</p>
Warner Bros. Discovery's Early Talent Team - Webinar - 6th February, 6pm
<p>As part of National Apprenticeship Week why not join this webinar and hear from current apprentices working for Warner Bros, how the different projects they have worked on have provided them with #SkillsforLife. Register here.</p>

3. School canteen

Please [click here](#) to view the menu for next week. Our lunch menus run on a 3-week cycle, below is a link to our website which shows all 3 menus and the morning break menu, [click here](#).

4. Free Schools Meals

We would like to ensure that all families with entitlement to Free School Meals have the opportunity to apply. There are two reasons why it is important that families entitled to this benefit register their claim:

1. Students receive a daily allowance, currently £2.45, which enables them to purchase a healthy two-course hot or cold lunch. Our cashless catering system does not differentiate between a student who pays for their meals and a student on free school meals.
2. All schools receive additional funding from the government based on the number of students who are entitled, and have, claimed free school meals. Just registering your child for free school meals means that the school gets this extra money.

Full information about free school meals, including the online application form, is available on the West Sussex County Council website, please [click here](#).

If you think you may qualify for free school meals; please complete their online form. If you apply and you are unsuccessful this will not affect any of your current benefits.

Mrs Ruskin, Finance Office

5. Student Illness

A reminder that is the responsibility of parent/carers to assess the health and wellbeing of their child in the morning before school to ensure that they are well enough to attend school that day. FCC will always respect a parents/carer's decision to send their child into school, and will therefore encourage students to continue to carry on once they have arrived.

If a student is sent home ill, after being unwell in school, they will be marked as ill (the same as if they were reported ill in the morning) and parents/carers will be contacted to collect them.

Please note that if a student does not follow the medical room/classroom procedure and calls home themselves to be collected, **it will be marked as unauthorised**.

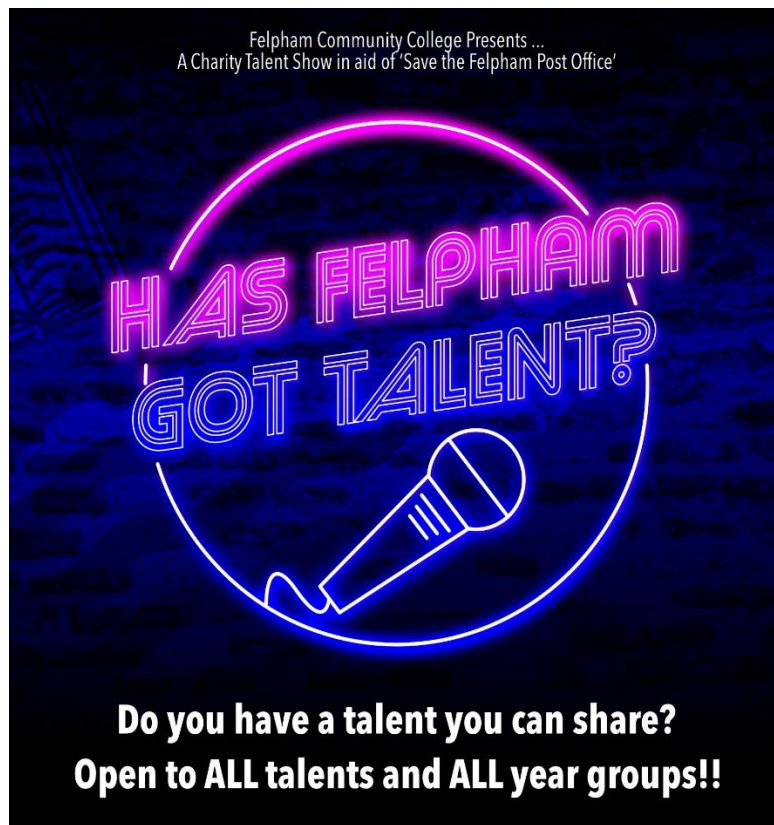
Thank you for your cooperation with the above.

Mrs Stout, Welfare Assistant

6. Annie Performances

Tickets are now available for our production of Annie; the performances are on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th February at 18:30. Tickets are £4.00 each, available now on ParentPay. [Click here](#) to view a flyer.

7.



If you are interested in taking part, you need to sign up at the music / drama office before half term.

The FCC Sixth Form Enrichment Team are hosting a Charity Talent Show in aid of Felpham's 'Save the Post Office' fundraising scheme. This is open to all year groups and all talents:

- Singing
- Dancing
- Musical instruments
- Stand-up comedy
- Plus, any other talents our amazing students have!

Auditions will be held on Wednesday 21st February afterschool by Miss Crocker and Mr Harrington. The Talent Show will take place on Tuesday 26th March with a Celebrity Judge and **big prizes** including £100 first place and £50 second place.

Sign-up, have some fun, show us your talents and help us fundraise and produce an excellent show!

8. Fortnightly Family Maths Challenge

Congratulations to the Neaves family (Logan in Year 8) for winning the previous family maths challenge below:

In the sequence puzzle below, the relationship between the first 2 numbers in each row is always the same, whilst the relationship between the last 2 numbers is always the same but different from the first relationship. What are the missing numbers?

1,2,1
2,6,3
7,56,28
?,?,66

The answer is 11, 12. The first relationship is $a(a+1)=b$ and the second is $b/2 = c$

Good Luck with the next challenge.

Mrs Pullen, Maths Department

9. LGBTQ+ History Month = February is LGBTQ+ History Month

This year's theme is people from the LGBTQ+ community who have made a difference in the field of medicine and health care. This week we have included some information on Sophia Jex Blake who made a difference to all women wanting careers as a doctor by battling restrictions and prejudice. [Click here](#) to view. Ms McAuley, Curriculum Leader: History

10. Safer Internet Day - poster competition

February 6th marks this year's Online Safety Day - to celebrate we are hosting a competition to find a star designer for our online safety posters. Please see below:

- Students will need to design a top tips poster (please [click here](#) to view the guidance and use this to make sure you have included all of the right information).
- This could be designed online or on paper.
- Three winners will be chosen and will receive a prize, in addition to their poster being displayed around the school.

Please send all entries to ejarvis@felpham.org.uk or deliver to me in N9 in person; the deadline is Friday 23rd February. Happy Designing.
Miss Jarvis, English Teacher / Online Safety Coordinator

11. Non-uniform day

The next non-school uniform day will be on Friday 9th February, raising money for UNICEF. Students and staff are invited to donate £1 to wear non-uniform. Please pay (if you have not paid for the whole year already) via Parent Pay or students can bring £1 cash on the day. Thank you in advance to our Sixth Form Charity Committee and the Student Council for their help collecting in the money on day, and to everyone for your on-going support with our charity programme of events.

12. Summer Internship programme

Please find below information we have been asked to share for a summer internship programme, designed for undergraduates interested in getting experience of a career in teaching.

Government funding of £300 per week (£900 total) is available for secondary Maths, Physics, Chemistry, MFL and Computing interns. There are also programmes for all other secondary subject specialisms and primary teaching on an unfunded basis.

The programme is based across multiple schools in Surrey, Berkshire, London and Sussex and will run for 3 weeks this summer (dates to be confirmed - but likely to be 24th June to 12th July 2023).

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

13. Year 9 Sports Leaders



I would like to say a massive 'Well done' to some of our Year 9 sport leaders who took part in our multi-skills workshop.

They came up with some great ideas and I am sure the primary schools will love them when they start to deliver these activities after half term.

Miss Shine, PE Department

14. Department information and students shout-outs

Please [click here](#) to view departmental information and student shout-outs for this week.

15. Careers Update from Mrs Woodman, Careers Leader



- [Click here](#) to be taken to our dedicated Careers website, with lots of information/links for parents and students.

Students in all Year Groups - Job of the week

This week's Job of the Week is [web designer](#).

Discover what the job entails, what qualifications you will need to get into it, what subjects are useful for it and the salary you might earn. If you want to find out more about a specific job pop along to the Careers Hub (S13b) and speak to Mrs Woodman or Mrs Nash.

Students aged 14-19

Last chance to sign up - Are you interested in a career in Allied Healthcare?

Sunday 4th February 8.30am - 5pm

Virtual work experience focusing on Geriatrics and Recovery

The NHS Virtual Allied Healthcare Work Experience from Medic Mentor offers a unique opportunity for aspiring healthcare professionals. It's a rare occasion for you to hear from guest speaker, Sarah Trevannah, a seasoned nurse with a wealth of captivating experiences, stories, and insights to share.

Sarah will provide invaluable guidance to help you embark on your dream healthcare careers. Following Sarah's talk, you will gain an intimate look at the healthcare industry in the LIVE virtual work experience, delving into diverse roles within allied healthcare and taking a closer look at patient care by following the journeys of two patients from incident through to treatment.

The NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience is the largest programme for aspiring healthcare professionals, having successfully invited over 12,000 students to participate in its programme last academic year - many of which have gone on to study:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics
- Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy

Registration Link: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/>

Once registered, you will receive access to Medic Mentor's virtual work experience portals. Better yet, every complete session comes with a Work Experience Certificate, and for those who complete the full 6-month programme, there's a Highly Commended Reference – a golden ticket for your apprenticeship and UCAS applications.

Registration will start at 8:30am, with guest speaker Sarah, from 9-10am, then the live work experience session starts at 10am, with an end at 5pm. Plenty of breaks are scheduled throughout.

You can register at any time throughout the 6-month programme using the link below. We recommend booking early to gain as much out of this programme as possible.

Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs, or £50 for the full 6 months: <https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

Careers Information - week ending - Friday 2nd February

Please [click here](#) to view more careers opportunities for students and information for Parents and Carers.