

Student & Parent School Bulletin

Monday 19th February 2024 week 21A

Message from Ms Pike, Headteacher:

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you very much for your support over the last half term, as we approach the mid-point of the year. It has been another very busy and productive week, with success in lessons, sports fixtures, our excellent school production, International Week in our Modern Foreign Languages department, and the departure of our ski trip over the holiday. We wish our skiers well, as most of us are probably planning much more sedate activities in the coming down-time!

Although the days are becoming longer again, and dark journeys to and from school are becoming less of an issue at this time of year, we are always mindful of road safety, and establishing safe ways for parents and carers in cars to pick up their children whilst maintaining a safe environment for the bulk of our students who arrive on foot. We work with the local authorities and with our neighbours on all sides (given that we have three entrance points) and would really appreciate it if you could park only in areas without restriction when dropping off or collecting your child. There are areas with yellow lines placed strategically for road safety around the school - these are put there to manage the safe passage of large numbers of students, as well as the flow of traffic at peak times, so your help in complying with this should make it a really smooth process.

The final thing to remind everyone is the fact that we will all be returning to school as normal on Monday 19th February. I understand that at some point in the distant past there was a calendar issued that noted the 19/2/24 as an INSET day. This is NOT the case (sorry to all who wish that it was!), and we will all be back in studying hard as usual on that day!

We look forward to seeing all students then. In the meantime, though, I would like to wish everyone a great half-term break

Best wishes

1. Year Group Notices

Years 10 and 11 - Brighton and Sussex Medical School

The final Brighton and Sussex Medical School event is on Wednesday 21st February at 3.15pm. Please e-mail sbuckland@felpham.org.uk to let me know if you will be attending.

Neuroscience in Action.

After exploring neurons as the functional unit of our brains, we'll use neuroscience to hack our body's nervous system to take control of someone else's arm and use our brain power to move a robotic claw. We'll then discuss ways in which we utilise neuroscience to assess, diagnose and manage medical conditions before getting an insider's view to current university research.

Year 11

English Department - Drop in and revise sessions

After half term the following English rooms and after-school slots will be available for Year 11 students to come along and revise.

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.

Tuesdays: Ms Constantine in N4, Mrs Wills in N3, Mr Castle in N5, Miss Jarvis in N9, Miss Smith in N8

Wednesdays: Miss Stacey in N2, Mrs Marques-Darling in N1, Ms Constantine in N4

Fridays: Mr Bulpett in N7, Mrs Naylor in N6, Ms Constantine in N4

Year 11 Geographers - Powerful Revision in Geography

Below is a reminder on how to approach revision in a successful way. This is the method we have practiced in class. Please use this over the next few weeks to prepare for the mock exams!

Mrs Sloggett, Curriculum Leader: Geography

Powerful Revision in Geography

Step 1



Grab a past paper from [AQA](https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035/assessment-resources).

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Step 2



Select a question from the paper that you do not feel 100% confident.

e.g. to what extent are the social and economic changes in the UK rural landscape positive in areas of population growth and population decline. (9)

Step 3



Identify the content needed from the question.

e.g. rural landscape, area of population growth, area of population decline, social changes and economic changes.

Step 4



Create a mind map/ flash card for the content for the question.

Use a revision resource e.g. a revision guide, [BBC Bitesize](#), [FCC Youtube Channel](#), [Hawks](#).

Step 5



Plan your answer to the question using the exam techniques taught in class e.g. *PEE*

Step 6



Write a timed answer and mark it using the mark scheme or hand to your teacher to mark

Leavers' Hoodies

Information about how to order a Leavers' Hoodie was emailed to parents and carers this week.

The deadline for orders is Sunday 10th March 2024, no further orders can be made after this date. The link, username and password are below:

- Please click here: [View the shop here](#)
- Username: 3152
- Password: SYRKahAR

The Year 11 Team

2. 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](#).

3. Health displays

Year 12 Health and Social Care students will be running two health displays on the 20th and 21st February in the café at lunch time. One is on the dangers of vaping and the other is on the dangers of UV light on our skin. Students from all year groups are invited to come along and have a look, learn some facts, take a quiz and get a reward.

Miss Greenland, Year 7 Leader / Teacher of Health and Social care

4. International Bake-Off

Please [click here](#) to view a PowerPoint from our International Week this week.

If you took part in the International Bake-Off and did not collect your plates/ boxes/ dishes, please come to the MFL office at the top of the Blake Building to collect, thank you.

Mr Cauchy-Duval, Curriculum Leader: Modern Foreign Languages

5. LGBTQ+ History Month

This week as part of LGBTQ+ history month we are looking at the life and career of Dr Cecil Belfield Clarke. Please [click here](#) for more information.

Ms McAuley, Curriculum Leader: History

6. Geography Newsletter

Please [click here](#) to view the latest newsletter.

Mrs Sloggett, Curriculum Leader: Geography

7. **Royal Mail - Dog Awareness**

Royal Mail have asked us to share information with parents and carers to raise awareness of the increased risk of dog attacks on postmen and women. Please see below:

Even the most lovable dog can be a danger to postal workers. Dogs are territorial by nature and if they feel they need to protect their family, they can become unpredictable. Please help us to deliver your post in safely by keeping your dog secure and out of the way before the postman or woman arrives. Guidance for keeping post people safe can be found here: <https://www.royalmail.com/personal/dog-awareness>

8. **Online safety**

Please see the following three notices:

1. **Online safety advice and support**

As part of our work for Safer Internet Day, we have created a new section of our school website where students and parents can access a variety of online safety advice and support.

This covers a range of topics including:

- Online bullying
- Reporting Social Media Content
- Safe Phone Settings
- Sexting and Pornography
- Screen-time

Please use the link below to explore the resources:

<https://www.felpham.com/parents-students/online-safety-advice/>

2. **Online Safety training for Parents and Carers**

To celebrate Safer Internet Day, we have also purchased an online safety training package for staff, students and parents/carers. Students will be covering this in school in the Summer Term, however the parent/carer course is available now.

The course is a short interactive video which will take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete. It briefly introduces parents/carers to a few key concerns regarding online safety and directs to further support and resources. If you are interested in completing the course, please [click here](#) for instructions.

Miss E Jarvis, English Teacher and Online Safety Coordinator

3. **Online Safety message for Parents and Carers**

As we approach half term, it is always useful to talk to young people about their online activity. Please ensure that they know who the contacts are that they are engaging with on social media, or any platform. Young people spend a lot of time online, so we need to stay curious about their interactions. Mrs Covill, Safeguarding and Inclusion Lead

9. **Who is here to help at FCC?**

Students raised through the Student Council, that it would be useful to have a poster detailing all the various staff who can help students at FCC. From this, the Council have designed a poster which is now on our website, in Years 7/8/9 Year Offices and with Form Tutors. Please see link below:

<https://www.felpham.com/parents-students/who-can-help/>

Mr Summers, Assistant Headteacher

10. **Make Your Mark**

All young people across West Sussex are encouraged to vote for the 2024 Youth Cabinet, UK Youth Parliament and Make Your Mark voting. Students can access the voting to all of this through the link below. Our locality is Bognor and Felpham. It only takes 2 minutes to vote.

<https://yourvoice.westsussex.gov.uk/wsyc/surveys/yc-ukyp-mym-voting-20221>

Mr Summers, Assistant Headteacher

11. **Pupils 2 Parliament Survey - children's views and experience of outdoor spaces**

Pupils 2 Parliament are inviting students to take part in an online survey of children's and young people's views and experience of outdoor spaces around where they live, for a report to a Parliamentary Select Committee. The Pupils 2 Parliament project is part of the Youth Participation and Support charity.

The survey is open until Friday 23rd February. The link and password are below.

Link: <https://app.onlinesurveys.jisc.ac.uk/s/p2p/around-where-i-live-r39>

Password: fcc

12. **HAS Felpham Got Talent?**

Final reminder - If you missed signing up for the Has Felpham Got Talent auditions, you can do so up until end of day on Tuesday 20th February. Auditions for everyone who has signed up will take place after school on Wednesday 21st February.

13. Publicity

In the Bognor Regis Observer Thursday 8th February:

- FCC students take part in Social Enterprise Challenge with Albion in the Community (front page and page 9)

Please click on this link to view our latest press releases <https://www.felpham.com/news-events/news/>

14. Department information and students shout-outs

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

15. School Ski trip

This year's School Ski trip departs this afternoon - we wish all staff and students a fantastic time.

If you would like to join next year's ski trip, please see below.

The 2025 Ski Trip is planned for February half-term 2025. Non-skiers are more than welcome, with over 50% usually attending annually. The group of approx. 50 students will travel to Austria for six days of skiing for 5 hours a day. The total cost of the trip is **£1589.00, which is broken down into instalments over the year.** The price is great value for what for the students will be offered and they have an amazing experience and includes: travel, full board accommodation (3 meals a day), ski pass, ski equipment hire (skis, poles, ski helmet and boot hire), full ski tuition, a trip hoodie and evening activities. The accommodation has full en-suite facilities and great in-house entertainment. Please [click here](#) to view the original letter and [here](#) to view a PowerPoint.

If your child would like to join this trip, please email me at Jross@felpham.org.uk stating your child's name, tutor group and skiing experience (beginner, 1 week, 2 weeks or more).

If you have any questions, please email me at the above email address.

Mr Ross, PE Department

16. Girls Football

Year 8 and 9 girls' football

Congratulations to the Year 8 and 9 football girls. Both teams played in a regional tournament at the The Regis School. The girls played five matches each - winning 4 and drawing 1 - resulting in the Year 9 girls winning pool A and the Year 8 girls winning pool B.

All the girls should be super proud of themselves; although we came up against some strong opponents, FCC dominated the tournament. Keep up the great work girls, into the next round we go!!

Miss Shine, PE Teacher



Year 8 Team



Year 9 Team



Year 8 and 9 Teams

FCC U14 Girls march into the County Cup semi-finals

Wow, what can I say? An outstanding performance from the FCC girls on Monday night when they hosted Ormiston Six Villages (OSVA) in the County Cup quarter final.

The game started quickly with FCC entertaining lots of possession which culminated in a well worked goal from Izzy E. Sophia B and Grace K worked well on the left wing to get a cross into the box, Millie S challenged the defender and the ball travelled through to Izzy E to slot home in the bottom corner. OSVA then picked up the pace and, with a couple of good plays in the midfield, came close to getting the ball in the FCC box; however, an outstanding defence of Halle B, Hollie B, Willow HR, Hattie R and Isabelle W quickly stopped any attack, and Sophia C in goal was not troubled. This continued for most of the first half with both teams having equal possession. This was helped by Evie P, Eleanor MC, Grace K, Sophia B and Willow HA who held onto the ball well and defended as a team to keep OSVA at bay.

The second half started as the first half did, however OSVA had more of the possession to start with and, with the wind behind them, they took more shots from outside the area which Sophia B dealt with well. It was half-way through the second half when a good tackle from Isabelle W led to Hattie R taking the ball up the pitch; a quick one- two followed, and Grace K played the ball out to Willow HA who slotted Millie S in to make the game 2-0 with a neat finish. OSVA then changed formation which left lots of gaps and a good pass through from Evie P found Izzy E who finished the ball hard and into the roof of the net to make it 3-0. OSVA managed to grab a goal late on, but the game finished with FCC coming out 3-1 winners and progressing into the semi-finals.

'Well done' girls, this was a gritty and determined performance and you should be very proud, it is the first FCC girls' team to reach the semi-finals of the County Cup so a great achievement. A final thanks to Ruby-May Rainey for helping to assist the referee by running the line.

Mr Whiffin, Deputy Headteacher



Team: Sophia C, Halle B, Hattie R, Willow HR, Isabelle W, Holli B, Willow HA, Grace K, Eleanor MC, Evie P, Izzy E, Millie S and Sophia B

U16 Girls' 6 a side

On Tuesday FCC hosted an U16 girl's 6 a side tournament. FCC first game was up against Bourne Community College. The girls started off strong, passing the ball to keep possession. Felpham went 1-0 up when Tilly dribbled the ball round Bourne's defence, shooting a powerful shot in the top corner. The team beat Bourne 2-0 with another goal coming from Evie.

Next, the girls were up against Bishop Luffa. Bishop Luffa had a skilful striker so the team knew they would have to track back if needs be. The girls however, still dominated this game, having most the possession. Taylor took the opportunity early on shooting from outside the box, into the top corner. A later goal then came from Evie, with the game finishing 2-0 to FCC.

Felpham's third game was up against Chichester Free school. For the first 5 minutes the game was tight, with both sides having many opportunities. However, the girls took their chances quickly, leaving Evie one on one with the keeper, where she slotted the ball into the bottom corner. Another goal, last minute, came from Taylor meaning the game finished 2-0 to FCC.

The girls last game was up against St Phillip Howard. This game was a big game as both teams had the same number of overall points. The game was very tight, with both teams having some very skilful players. In the last 2 minutes of the game SPH took the win, scoring a goal, making the game finish at 0-1.

Overall, Felpham finished second, which is amazing. 'Well done' to all the girls who played in the tournament on Tuesday, you played some outstanding football and showed some great teamwork.

Match Report: Ruby-May Rainey **Teacher:** Miss Shine



Year 10 Sports Leaders



'Well done' to the Year 10 sports leaders who delivered 'Soccersize' sessions to Year 5 and 6 classes throughout our local primary schools. They were all amazing and showed what fantastic leaders they are, the future is very bright!

All the leaders acted with professionalism and took ownership of each activity, the primary schools could not have complimented them enough.

Ms Shine, PE Teacher

16. 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 [acoustician](#).

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.

NEW - Would an apprenticeship be right for you?

National Apprenticeship Week, which has just come to a close, is all about celebrating the value, benefits and opportunities that apprenticeships can bring. Designed for people aged 16 and over, apprenticeships offer the chance to earn while you learn - you can take home a salary while gaining job-specific skills working with qualified professionals.

With over [600 types of apprenticeships available](#) in a range of sectors, there's likely to be an apprenticeship for you, no matter which job or career you're interested in. Apprenticeships are designed with employers, so you know you are learning in-demand skills and gaining real-life work experience.

From a Level 2, all the way up to a Level 7 (which is equivalent to a Master's degree), there are many ways to progress and land the job of your dreams. It takes between 1 and 5 years to complete an apprenticeship, depending on the level. Visit the new [Skills for Life website](#) to find out more about apprenticeships.

Year 11 students

Deadline extended to 6th March - Cibyl's career survey - win an iPad, Apple Pencil and keyboard

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.

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)

Click [here](#) to take the survey now!

Careers Information

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