

Student & Parent School Bulletin

Monday 26th February 2024 week B

Message from Ms Pike, Headteacher:

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a good first week back after the half term holiday. Students have really settled back in quickly and calmly, which is great, and Years 11 and 13 have hit the ground running as they head towards the final preparations before exam season, which always come upon us very quickly. The second round of Year 11 Mock examinations begin in this coming week, so we wish students well – we hope the hard work will pay off, as in my experience it usually does!

Thank you to all Year 9 parents, carers and students who completed survey responses for us. We really appreciate your views and see them as an essential part of a good culture of responding to stakeholder feedback. We will build what you tell us into our plans for future improvement, and we do have a plan for regular surveys spread across all year groups to help us tailor what we do. We will also pass on your individual acknowledgements and thanks expressed to staff, as they are really appreciated.

As arguably our most important stakeholders, our students' voice is extremely important to encourage and act upon. Amongst all that is going on (as detailed below), I'd like to draw your attention to the items below about our Student Council and also voting for the West Sussex Youth Cabinet, and the UK Youth Parliament. In a year where more of the world's population is exercising their democratic right than ever before, it is good to know that FCC students have a chance to make their voices heard!

Have a wonderful weekend,

1. Year Group Notices

Years 7-11 - Locker problems and replacement keys

If your child has an issue with their locker, they should first head to the Careers Office (S13a) and speak to Mrs Woodman or Mrs Nash. If there is no one in the Careers Office, they should speak to their year office. If your child loses their locker key a replacement **must** be paid for via the ParentPay shop (£5); there is now a new box to tick for a replacement key. Please note that we **cannot** accept cash payments. Once the payment is made it can take a few days for it to appear on the system; students who have made payments will be notified when their key is ready for collection. Please be aware that the school does not always have replacements keys in stock; if a replacement key has to be ordered it can take up to a week for the replacement to arrive.

Year 11

English Department - Drop in and revise sessions

A reminder that the following English rooms and after-school slots are 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

You have all been added to the geography revision hub TEAMS group. Here is a one stop shop to access you revision needs for the exams.

Mrs Sloggett, Curriculum Leader: Geography

Year 11 Prom - Wednesday 26th June

A reminder that tickets are now available for the Prom, they cost £33.00; payment is via ParentPay, please see below:

- Initial deposit of £15.00 by Thursday 29th February 2024 (please contact Mrs Irish if you have any problems paying by this deadline)
- Balance payment of £18.00 by Friday 17th May 2024

The deadline for purchasing tickets is Friday 17th May.

Please [click here](#) to view the letter emailed to parents/carers with full information for the Prom.

The Year 11 Team

Year 11 Leavers' Hoodies

A reminder that Leavers' Hoodies are now available to order, the deadline is Sunday 10th March 2024. Please see below:

The hoodies are £22.25 each. You can opt to add a first name, last name or nickname on the back at an additional cost. Please note names that are added will be sent to us for approval before printing.

Please click here: [View the shop here](#)

Username: 3152

Password: SYRKahAR

- Click on the main picture
- Choose the colour and size
- Add a nickname or name
- Enter your child's name
- Add to cart
- Follow the payment instructions

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. Allergy Alert reminder

We would like to request that students do not bring nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes. This serves to set out all measures to reduce the risk to those children and adults who may suffer an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to nuts to which they are sensitive. The school aims to protect children who have allergies to nuts and other allergens, yet also help them, as they grow up, to take responsibility as to what foods they can eat and to be aware of where they may be put at risk. We really appreciate your cooperation in being mindful of products that may include nuts.

We have a high number of students at school that are not only at risk of anaphylaxis due to consumption, but also air born. Definition Anaphylaxis (also known as anaphylactic shock) is an allergic condition that can be severe and potentially fatal. Anaphylaxis is your body's immune system reacting badly to a substance (an allergen), such as food, which it wrongly perceives as a threat.

FCC really appreciates your consideration in this matter in order to keep all our students safe.

Mrs Stout, Welfare Assistant

4. Important medical room reminder for Parents and Carers

It is the responsibility of parents/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 parent/carers' decision to send their child into school and will therefore encourage students to continue on for the day once they have arrived. Please do not send your child into school if they report not feeling well before school and you feel they are not fit for school.

If a student is sent home ill after being unwell in school they will be marked as ill, the same attendance mark as if their parent/carer reports them as ill.

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

Mrs Stout, Welfare Assistant

5. Student Council Meeting

The Student Council meeting for this half term will be on Tuesday 5th March for all Student Council Reps in the cafeteria within registration - students will be registered at the cafeteria. Please ensure you check Teams on a regular basis for updates, thank you.

6. Year 5 Magic Day

The next Magic Day will be with Nyewood Junior School on Thursday 29th February. Thank you in advance to Mrs Penfold for running the sessions and to our Year 9 student helpers who are supporting the event.

7. FCC social media

Please note that the only official social media sites for Felpham Community College are:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/felphamcc>
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/felphamcc/>

Please could we remind anyone who is a member of other social media platforms not to share personal information, including that of other people.

If you have any concerns you wish to raise with the school regarding this, please email fcc@felpham.org.uk.

Miss Szymura, Assistant Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

8. Making 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. This has been emailed out to all students and is also available as a link through the school website (under news).

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

Mr Summers, Assistant Headteacher

9. Fortnightly Family Maths Challenge

Congratulations to the Saunders family (Luke in Year 10 and Adam in Year 8) for winning the previous challenge:

*There are 3 dogs competing in a 100m race. Rover runs at an average speed of 10m/sec. Charlie has a speed of 16m/sec, but after 80m rests for 5 seconds, before running at the same speed as before. Bella runs at 12 m/sec but stops after 6 seconds for a 3-second scratch, then continues at the same speed. Which dog crosses the finish line first? **The answer is Rover.***

This fortnight's challenge is: A mathematician went to the archaeology museum. She spent one-sixth of her time in the Egyptology rooms. She took a break for 1 hour to have lunch. She then spent one-third of her total time looking at Roman artefacts. After that, she spent twice as long in the Indus Valley rooms as she had in the Egyptology rooms. How long did she spend in the museum?

Please send your entries to me at lpullen@felpham.org.uk by 3.00pm on Friday 8th March. If there is more than one correct entry, the winning family will be drawn from these. Good luck!

Mrs Pullen, Maths Department

10. Charity Football Event

Please find below information about a local charity event. Kev Cooper (ex-footballer), Ricky Groves (Gary from EastEnders) and Flintz (singer and rapper) are coming into FCC on Monday (26th February) to stream live at 10.20am to advertise the game, this will be shared with students where possible. They will then meet students in the main hall for photos at break.

Mr Whiffin, Deputy Headteacher



Bognor Regis Town FC
Sunday 3rd March 2024
Doors Open 1:30pm - 3pm Kick Off

BOOK NOW AT WWW.SELLEBRITYSOCCER.ORG.UK - Tickets £12 + Booking fee

Dan Osborne, Jake Wood, Ricky Groves, Man Like Haks, George Barthonneau, Arthur Foremba, Flintz, Matt Lapinskas, Ouzy See, Billy Brown, Josh Brocklebank, Zac Ashford, Robbie Blake
Plus Many More Celebrities To Be Announced
Celebrity players subject to work commitments

My Shining Star SELLEBRITY

11. FCC Spring Music Concert - save the date!

Please see below - all students, parents and carers and staff welcome. We hope you can join us.
Mr Harrington, Curriculum Leader: Music



*FCC Spring Concert
Wednesday 6th March 2024
6.30 to 8.00pm in the Hall*

*We are pleased to host a Spring Concert again this year,
featuring performances from our Sixth Form students,
the School Choir, the Wind Band, the Big Band and more!*

All welcome

Tickets: £4.00 per adult, £2.00 for children (18s and under)
now available on ParentPay



12. Advance notice - End of Spring Term

Please note the school will finish early on Thursday 28th March 2024 for the Easter Holidays. Students will register at 12.20pm and be dismissed at 12.30pm.

13. Charlie Humphrey Go Fund Me

We have been asked to share information about Charlie, a student at The Regis School who has friends and family who attend FCC. Unfortunately, Charlie is currently in Southampton Hospital after falling ill just before Christmas. Please find below a link to a fundraiser page his family have set up should anyone wish to support this - [#charliefightback](#).

14. FCC Teacher Training Event

Are you interested in training to teach in your local schools? FCC will be hosting a Teacher Training event on Friday 8th March from 8.00-9.30am. Please [click here](#) for more information.

14. Safeguarding Corner

Please [click here](#) for information from West Sussex Mind for Parents / Carers concerned about self-harm.
Mrs Covill, Safeguarding and Inclusion Lead

15. Department information and students shout-outs

'Well done' to all of our Social Sciences students for a fantastic first week back, full of hard work and dedication to the subject. Particular shoutouts for continued outstanding A2L this week go to:

Year 10

10A: Daisy K and Martha R

10C: Teni A, Bartek D and Darcey T

Year 11

11B: Rihanna V, Bella C and Milena U

11A: Beth R, Evie R, Jess R, Annie T, Sam S, Sophie Y, Ella P, Ashleigh B and Olivia G

Year 12

12C: Tallulah P, Shayla H, Emilia L, Lily C and Lola H

Year 13 A-Level: Olivia P

Miss Mills, Teacher of Psychology

16. Beach Trash MASTerclass session

Yesterday's MASTerclass was run by Carmen Haselup, a local beach cleaner and 'artist'. The two-hour workshop involved the following:

- Learning about where beach trash comes from and its effects on marine wildlife and habitats.
- Looking at examples of artwork created from beach trash and students seeing if they can identify the trash used.
- Students creating their own beach trash artwork.



'Well done' to all students involved who got stuck in and produced some amazing creations - please [click here](#) to view a selection of them.

Ms Campbell, Teacher of Social Sciences

17. 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

National Careers Week - 4th to 8th March

During National Careers Week there will be lots of events taking part, most of them virtual that you can take part in in your own time, but also some taking part in school. Early next week you will be emailed with all the details so please take some time to read through the email and remember, if you take part in any activities, log it in Xello as a permanent record that will feed into your CV.

In school we hope to have a Premier League football referee in on the Monday, there is a talk (by an ex-student who works for the BBC) delivering a virtual session on journalism on the Tuesday and the Royal Navy will be in on the Friday. If you are interested in any of these talks, please let Mrs Woodman or Mrs Nash in the Careers Office (S13a)

Careers with Animals Day - Saturday 2nd March 9.30am to 4.00pm

The College of Animal Welfare are hosting a virtual Careers with Animals Day, open to everyone who is looking at future career and job opportunities in the animal care and veterinary professions. Speakers will be delivering career talks throughout the day about career/training options for working with animals. You will not need to attend for the whole day but can dip in and out of the different sessions on offer.

Each session lasts 25 minutes and the day will cover:

- Veterinary Nursing - is it for you?
- Ponderosa Zoo and the Animal Care Industry
- Applying to Veterinary Medicine
- Animal Welfare Volunteering and Working in Australia with Horses and Livestock
- Introduction to Canine Hydrotherapy and the Canine Hydrotherapy Association
- Careers at Cats Protection
- Work-based Animal and Horse Care - learning on the job
- Dog Grooming for a Living
- The Horse Trust and Careers in Equine Welfare
- An Introduction to Anthrozoology
- An Introduction to Veterinary Physiotherapy

For more details and to get your **free tickets** click [here](#).

Job of the week

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

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 in Years 7-11 - Keeping Xello up to date

Remember to keep Xello updated with everything you do in and out of school. By recording your experiences and successes in Xello you will have a permanent record of the things you have done. When you come to write your CV or personal statement, Xello will automatically add all of these in for you, without you having to try and remember what you did and when.

Using Portfolios: Portfolios let you showcase everything you do, in or out of school.

[This video](#) explains how to create Portfolios; the link to the video can also be found on the home page of Xello in Links and Resources.

Remember, you access Xello via Office/Microsoft 365:

Click on the 9 dots (top left of the screen) and then on the Xello icon.

Once in Xello click on About Me in the black menu bar at the top of the page, scroll down the page and either add an experience or upload something into Portfolios.

If you have any issues accessing Xello then please see Mrs Woodman or Mrs Nash in the Careers Office (S13a).

Year 11 students - Cibyl's Career Survey - deadline extended to 6th March

Win an iPad, Apple Pencil and keyboard when you take Cibyl's career survey - 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 an iPad, Apple pencil and keyboard (1 given away when the survey closes)

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

Careers Information - week ending 23rd February

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