

Student & Parent School Bulletin

Monday 18th March 2024 week A

Message from Ms Pike, Headteacher:

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another really busy week has passed, with more to come before the end of term! I hope that Year 9s going to Lodge Hill get a great deal out of their stay next week, and that Year 10 parents appreciate the opportunity to discuss student progress with teachers next Thursday.

In terms of successes this week, among all sorts of things we have had great results from girls' football, and seen many students involved in spoken word and drama workshops and productions. As I have said to many of you that come to support students doing these activities in school, we really appreciate the support for your child as they enrich their school life so positively and contribute to their community.

We also appreciate your support with being aware of online safety, and its impact on young people in the community. There have been a few concerns recently, which we will always work through to support students, but it is good to be aware of the best ways to access reporting tools and advice/support, which can be found at FCC here: <https://www.felpham.com/parents-students/online-safety-advice/>.

If in doubt, please always direct your child towards trusted adults in school for advice.

Wishing you a safe and happy weekend,

1. Diary

Monday 18th March

- Students follow their Week A timetable
- Year 9 Lodge Hill trip (day 1)

Tuesday 19th March

- Year 9 Lodge Hill trip (day 2)

Wednesday 20th March

- Year 9 Lodge Hill trip (day 3)

Thursday 21st March

- Years 11, 12 and 13 Panoramic photos
- 16.00-19.00 Year 10 Virtual Parents' Consultation Evening

Friday 22nd March

2. Year Group Notices

Year 7
Easter Egg Hunt
<p>Next week all Year 7 students will be given a question sheet during tutor time. If they can get all the questions answered and return their slip to the YO, they will be entered into a prize draw to win 1 of 20 Easter Eggs.</p> <p>Miss Moon, Year 7 Manager</p>
Student Survey 2023-2024
<p>A link to a student survey was emailed out to all students in Year 7 today (Friday 15th March). If you would like to give the school your views, please complete this by Friday 22nd March. Thank you in advance.</p>
Parent / Carer Survey 2023-2024
<p>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. A link to a survey was emailed out to parents and carers today (Friday 15th March), we would appreciate it if you could spare a couple of minutes to complete this. Please submit all entries by Friday 22nd March, thank you.</p>



Drama Club will be running every Tuesday, afterschool from 3.00-4.00pm in B6 for KS3 students - all students in Years 7 to 9 welcome!
Ms Tetra, Performing Arts

Year 10

A reminder that Year 10 Virtual Parents' Evening takes place on Thursday (21st March); booking is now open and closes at 9.00am on the 21st March. Please [click here](#) to view a letter emailed to parents and carers this week with information on how to book appointments.

Year 11

LIBF Exams

On Tuesday 26th March all Year 11 students who take Financial Education will sit their Unit 2 exam P5 in the ALC or CSC. These are external exams. Some students will also be re-taking their Unit 1 P6. Students will be able to see their seat and venue allocated on the student portal and we have given a paper version out too.

Mrs Whelan, Data & Exams Manager

English Department - Drop in and revise sessions

A reminder that 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 Geography students

Hello Year 11 Geographers

A reminder that everything you need to revise geography for the exams in the summer is on our TEAMS revision hub, [click here](#) for a summary.

Mrs Sloggett, Curriculum Leader: Geography

Year 11 3D design exam

A reminder that the 3D exam is next week, this a 10-hour practical which takes place over two school days. The information below was emailed to parents and carers of 3D design students this week.

- Students in 11B will have their exam on Tuesday 19th March and Wednesday 20th March
- Students in 11A will have their exam on Thursday 21st March and Friday 22nd March

Students must have all their prep work complete and handed in at the end of the day on Monday 18th March as this needs to be present in the exam time.

- Students will need to be in school uniform and will have break and lunchtimes as usual.
- Students should arrive to B4 (their usual classroom) between 8.10am and 8.20am to get their practical area set up in advance of the exam on day one of their exam. On day two they will need to arrive for the start of tutor time.
- Students will have to have their phones in their bags and headphones/smartwatches are not permitted in the exam.
- Students may have a water bottle and will need to have all stationery needed in a clear pencil case.

Miss Mepham, Curriculum Leader: Design and Technology

Sixth Form

A reminder that our Sixth Form Consultation Evening takes place on Wednesday 27th March, appointment booking is now open and will close at 9.00am on the 27th March. Please [click here](#) to view the letter emailed to parents and carers with information on how to book appointments.

3. Local traffic hold-ups

We are aware that the traffic lights in the local area are causing significant delays. Please be mindful of these when planning your journey to school. Thank you for your patience and support with this.
Mrs Crook, Attendance Officer

4. 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](#).

5. Whole School Council - Governors' Day

A reminder to our Whole School Council reps that Governors would like to meet with you on Wednesday 20th March P5 in the Blake Conference Room as part of the Annual Governors Day.

6. The Big Plastic Count - message for Student Council Reps

Thank you for leading The Big Plastic Count. Please pass tally sheets to Mr Summers or Mrs Chester asap, thank you.

7. HAS Felpham Got Talent?

Tickets are still available for our Charity Talent Show on Tuesday 26th March via ParentPay or cash at the Finance Office, £4.00 each. There will be a rehearsal for all acts after school on Wednesday 20th March - students please come to the cafeteria at 2.50pm.

8. Food Tech - competition time!



Can you design a healthy, balanced meal to fuel a Team GB or Paralympics GB athlete at Paris 2024? Your design could win £1,000 for your school and a family trip to the Olympic Games! Speak to Miss Wickins if you would like to enter. For more information please [click here](#).

9. Intermediate Maths Challenge

Congratulations to all of the Year 9,10 and 11 students who took part in the Intermediate Maths Challenge. They achieved 22 Bronze awards and 9 Silver awards. Particular congratulations go to the three students who achieved a Gold award and are through to the next round for their respective year groups: Joel M 9E, Jamie G 9F and Sam S 11P. Good luck for the 24th March when this takes place!
The Maths Department

10. Fortnightly Family Maths Challenge

Congratulations to Daisy Orwell (Year 8) and her family for winning the previous challenge.

This fortnight's challenge is: How could this be true? $8 + 8 = 91$

Please send entries to me at lpullen@felpham.org.uk by 3pm on Wednesday 27th March so that the family prize can be awarded before the Easter holidays. If there is more than one correct entry, the winning family will be chosen from these. Good luck!

Mrs Pullen, Maths Department

11. Science Club

This week in Science Club we have been celebrating Science Week. The theme was 'Time', so the 5 teams competed to design the slowest marble run. After the closest of competitions, Harry Searle 7M, won by two hundredths of a second with a time of 22.32s!

Which of the two marble runs pictured below do you think was his?



Ms Corcoran-Daldy, Science Department

12. English workshops this week

On Wednesday we held a public speaking workshop with 25 Year 10 students delivered by a representative from 'The Speaker's Trust'. The students were outstanding; they began by practicing with short activities such as: telling a short story to each other and answering on the spot questions. As the day went on, the group gave each other meaningful feedback so they could continue to improve, and at the end of the session each student delivered their own short speech to the whole group! Their support of each other and enthusiasm throughout the day was infectious!



On the same day, Year 7 students were all treated to a visit from previous FCC student Taylor Geall. He came into their lessons to talk about his career and journalism, and how his passion for English helped him fulfil his goals. He shared some very interesting anecdotes and even demonstrated how to write in shorthand! The Year 7s were incredibly respectful and polite and asked some brilliant questions.



Miss Stacey, English Department

13. Department information and students shout-outs

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

14. Advance notice - End of Spring Term - non-uniform day

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. It will be a non-uniform day, raising money for Mount Noddy Animal Rescue. Students are asked to donate £1 for the privilege of wearing non-uniform, cash on the day or ParentPay is open. Thank you to the families who have paid online already and thank you in advance to everyone for supporting this event.

15. School Ski trip 2025 - we are are looking to increase our numbers to 50 students



Following on from the continued success of the school ski trips, we are now taking deposits for the trip planned for February half-term 2025. Non-skiers are more than welcome, with over 50% usually attending annually. The total cost of this trip will be **£1589.00, which is broken down into instalments over the year.** The price is great value for what for the students are being offered and they will have an amazing experience.

The group of approx. 40-50 students travel to Austria for 6 days of skiing for 5 hours a day. The price will include 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 a PowerPoint and [here](#) to view the original trip letter.

If you would like your child to join this trip, please email me at Jross@felpham.org.uk. Please also include - your child's name, tutor group, skiing experience (beginner, 1 week, 2 weeks or more). If you have any questions about the trip, please email me at the above address.

Mr Ross, PE Department

16. Careers Update from Mrs Woodman, Careers Leader

Students in all Year Groups
Job of the week
This week's Job of the Week is deckhand . 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 - British Science Week resources
In celebration of British Science Week, Sussex at School have created a resource that showcases where science could take your career. You can read it here . If you sign up for a Success at School account you will receive emails directly and will be able to create a free skills and qualifications profile to help you with your applications - sign up here .
Year 11 students
NEW - Year 11 Apprenticeship opportunity
Are you passionate about food, creative, ambitious with a readiness to join a super unique programme, which will provide an industry recognised qualification and a friendly door into this great industry? Applications are now open for the Goodwood Estate's Culinary Academy. Find out more and apply here .
Careers Information - week ending 15th March 2024
Please click here to view more careers opportunities for students and information for Parents and Carers. Click here to be taken to our dedicated Careers website, with lots of information/links for parents and students.

17. Year 8 Girls' Netball

'Well done' to the Year 8 netball team who attended a tournament at The Regis School on Wednesday. They came up against some tough competition but ended up placing 3rd out of the eight schools in attendance. They continued to work hard throughout all the games, especially as they had no subs. Keep up the good work girls!

Miss Pitt, PE Teacher

18. **Wow, just Wow! FCC U14 girls make it to the Sussex Schools County Cup Final**

What a fantastic day was had on Wednesday when the U14 girls went over to Peacehaven to play in the County Cup semi-final. The girls had progressed really well in the tournament, overcoming teams who were very established and, up in the semi-final, were a school who boasted a depth of talent with players on the academy pathway with Chelsea. This did not worry the team and the atmosphere in the bus was focused but there was an air of excitement as we arrived.

The warmup was led by captain Grace and, on a pitch that had held up well in the weather, the game got underway. It was clear early on who the academy players were in Peacehaven's team, and they had an impressive midfielder and a tenacious striker who took hold of the game early on. The bus nerves were at play again; however, the midfield of Evie, Grace, Eleanor, Willow HA, Holli and Sophia B worked hard to stay with players and, when Felpham won the ball back, they played some lovely football for Millie and Izzy to chase down to create chances.

Felpham had an early chance with a through ball from Evie to Millie, but the keeper was quick off the line to intercept with a shot going slightly wide. The possession was 50-50 and the defence of Isabelle, Hattie, Paris, Juliet and Willow HR had to work really hard to break down a very good offensive strategy with speed and strength; it was with 5 minutes to go in the first half that the talented Peacehaven striker broke through and hit the ball with her left foot in the bottom corner, from just inside the box - a really well taken goal.

It would have been easy for Felpham to then get their heads down, but Sophia made a couple of outstanding saves and was quick off her line, which allowed the other players to concentrate on playing football rather than marking their best players. A good ball out the back from Isabelle, found Eleanor and Evie who worked the ball to Grace who was then fouled on the edge of the box. You could see Evie's eyes light up when the ball was placed in her hands but, on discussion with Grace and the position of the free kick, it was decided that a left footer would be better placed to have a shot - and that is what Grace did! The ball thundered into the top of the net to make the game 1-1. That is how the first half finished and the girls were buoyant in the team talk at half time.

A few substitutions were made, and the game kicked off for the second half which started like the first with Peacehaven having lots of possession. Hattie was having her own personal battle with the talented Peacehaven striker and won every battle that was 50-50 - an outstanding performance. That left the rest of the defence to concentrate on offensive play and getting the ball up early. A good tackle by Paris and a pass from Willow HA led to Grace picking up the ball and working her way across the midfield. She followed this with a good left footed cross which cut out all the defenders and Izzy E followed in on the back post with a good finish to make the game 2-1 to Felpham. A strategy change came into play and Grace and Hattie stayed tight to the two best players to deny them space, and this worked for 10 minutes, however the Peacehaven striker pulled out a spectacular goal when she worked her way from the edge of the box and smashed a shot right footed into the bottom corner to make the game 2-2. With a few shots from either side, the game finished 2-2 and went into penalties.

The smiles and confidence were beamed across the girls faces and up stepped Hattie, Juliet, Izzy, Evie and Grace to take the penalties. Peacehaven scored their first one and Evie stepped up to make it 1-1 with a well-placed shot into the centre of the goal, Peacehaven then scored their second and Hattie stepped up to make it 2-2 with a shot into the bottom corner. Peacehaven then scored again, which Sophia was unlucky not to save, and Izzy stepped up to make it 3-3 with a shot low down to the left which the keeper did well to get a hand to. Peacehaven were then obviously intimidated with Sophia in goal and the next penalty went wide of the post, with Juliet stepping up for FCC to put them up 4-3. Peacehaven then stepped up again and hit the ball over the bar for Felpham to come away 4-3 winners on penalties.

A fantastically resilient and determined all round performance. Team - you deserve to be in the final and everyone is a winner when you get to that stage. Well done! Information on the final will be issued shortly but it will be a late afternoon/early evening kick off for everyone to attend.

Mr Whiffin, Deputy Headteacher



Team: Sophia C, Isabelle W, Paris N, Hattie R, Willow HR, Juliet D, Willow HA, Holli B, Grace K (Capt), Izzy E, Eleanor MC, Evie P, Sophia B and Millie S

Coach: Ruby May R - Year 12

From Ruby-May Rainey, Coach: 'Well done' to the under 14 girls' team who played in the semi-finals of the county cup on Wednesday! I am so proud of every single one of you. You all played as a team, communicated well, and battled until the last minute! Finally, we got the result that Felpham definitely deserved. It is a massive achievement as a school to get to the finals of a county cup, you should all be very proud of yourself! Let's go and enjoy the finals now girls!

19. Under 16s Girls' Football

On Monday 11th March, the under 16's girls' football team took part in two league games, against Chichester Free School and St Philip Howard.

The first game was against Chichester Free School. Both teams had some very good and skilful players, meaning the game started off very tight. Emily, who was in goal, made an outstanding goal kick out to the halfway line, where Evie was ready to run onto the ball. Evie took the ball down, using her speed and skills to get past their last defender, making her 1v1 with the keeper. Evie smashed the ball into the top corner, with the ball flying past the keeper's hands. This early goal meant Felpham 1-0 Chichester Free School.

Chichester Free School took advantage of their centre kick and quickly started a counterattack. Felpham tried their best to defend the attacking play however, Chichester's midfielder used her outstanding skills to take the ball around out defence and, having a shot on goal, made the score Felpham 1-1 Chichester Free School. The next 10 minutes of the game were tight with both teams doing well to both defend and attack. A free kick was awarded to Felpham after a bad challenge, and we needed to use this to our advantage to get the leading goal. Poppy stepped up to take this and made a lovely kick into the edge of the box. Again, Evie was in the perfect position, took the ball down and dribbled it around the last defender. Evie took her shot at the perfect time, bottom corner, meaning the goalie misjudged the shot. Felpham 2-1 Chichester Free School.

Felpham kept most of the possession after getting the second goal. This led to a pass from Maisie into the middle of the pitch. Elisa received the ball and chipped it over the defenders, where Emily took a first-time shot across the keeper. Final score Felpham 3-1 Chichester Free School.

Felpham's second game was against St Philip Howard (SPH). Felpham knew that this game would be tough after playing them a few weeks ago. Overall, this was a tough game - for both Felpham and SPH. Felpham has many opportunities, however SPH had a great keeper, who made some amazing saves. SPH also had some close opportunities to score, however Felpham's strong defensive line broke them down before they had the chance to get their shot away. The game finished 0-0.

'Well done' girls, some more points secured for the league! Keep up the hard work.

Miss Shine, PE Teacher

