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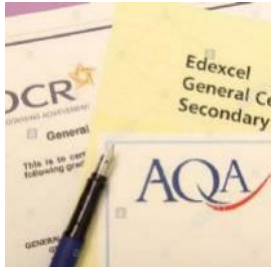


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Dear Parents and Carers



This week marks the **end of the formal assessment** season for our year 10, 11 and 13 students. These students have risen to the challenge magnificently and fully deserve an excellent set of results in August.

It is now the task of our teachers to **assess, moderate and agree grades** for each entry, a significant job for which we have allocated time over the two INSET days this week. Our **final INSET day** this year is on **Monday June 21st**.

With the end of assessments we have said a **fond farewell to our year 13 students** with a BBQ on Wednesday and also **au revoir to our year 11s**. Many year 11s will be returning to continue their studies in year 12, and a number will be invited back in for some **transition sessions** in the second half of the summer term. All subject areas will be setting transition work on their *Google Classrooms* so that our year 11s keep their excellent study habits over the summer.



Some of our fantastic year 11 drama students rehearsing for their assessment today

We are also hoping to be able to run our **proms** for our leaving year groups, though of course this does depend on the national roadmap out of lockdown. At the moment there seems to be cause for optimism.

Last year we did talk of arranging a prom for the classes of 2020. In the end the lack of certainty has meant we have not been able to do so. The majority of last year's 11s are still with us of course, and will enjoy a very special end of year 13 prom in 2022.

The Rose Restaurant, our canteen, has been awarded the coveted **five-star hygiene rating** after our most recent visit from the **Environmental Health Agency**.



This won't come as a surprise to any of the students who regularly eat there (or this year have had food delivered to their year bases) and I would like to **thank Mrs Palmer and her team** for the excellent service they offer.



Food has also been the theme of year **9 beliefs and values lessons** for those students lucky enough to have had a visit from **Mrs Rahman**, one of our team of study supervisors. Mrs Rahman has been talking to the classes about the Muslim festivals of **Ramadan** and **Eid** and has also brought in examples of the kind of food her family enjoy during Eid (left).

I have tasted Mrs Rahman's food (left), and I know it would also get a five-star rating! Her discussion of her personal experiences of Islam went down as well with the students as her food, bringing this section of the year 9 syllabus alive.



And if all of this were not enough, it was the turn of our **sixth form hospitality students** to show their skills this week. With food that looks and tastes as good as this, we are looking forward to some mouth-watering grades.

Year 12 A level art students were treated last week to an intensive drawing workshop with artist **Michelle Cioccoloni**. Before taking up her studio in East Grinstead, Michelle lived for many years in Rome and then studied at the Royal Drawing School in London.

She specialises in monochrome drawings of interior and objects, using a technique influenced by the study of the Old Masters. The students were encouraged to look at the world with fresh eyes and had an opportunity to handle Michelle's sketchbooks.



We are all looking forward to **'de-zoning' the school after half term**, but perhaps **for year 7 the anticipation is keenest**. Our most recent intake have been confined to the northern side of the school for all of this year. Without access to a drama space, students have been exploring other aspects of the performing arts. Most recently classes have been investigating set design, and have had to come up with **ideas for the new National Theatre production of Peter Pan**.

With imaginations like these we can't wait to see what they can achieve when they finally start to enjoy practical drama lessons in June!



And indeed June 7th marks the day when students begin to experience specialised rooms again. I know the **science technician team** are busy planning for practicals and our drama staff are desperate to get students on their feet and performing. This is a big step back towards being a normal school. Mr Bush provides more detail about the de-zoning below.

We are looking forward with confidence to a productive and enjoyable end to the school year.

With best wishes for the half-term break.

Julian Grant
Headteacher

De-zoning

Mr Bush writes:-

In our last newsletter, we explained our decision to remove year group zones across school. This will make use of classrooms vacated by years 11 and 13 and allow teaching in all specialist subject areas for the remainder of the year. The following will therefore apply when students return on June 7th:

- **Students may use any entrance**, most particularly the pupils' entrance on Bourg-de-Peage Avenue. Students should now only use the pedestrian gate beside the lower car park and **no longer walk through the car park itself**.
- Students must still **sanitise their hands on entry** using the sanitiser stations provided or their own sanitiser.

- Students will follow a new **timetable with amended roomings**. This will be issued before half term and form tutors will check they know where to go on Monday 7th June in an extended tutor time. Students go to their **new form room** on this date.
- **Year 7 & 8 students will now use the canteen** at break and lunchtime. Y7 & 8s collecting pre ordered food will collect it from there and others eating packed lunches may also use the space.
- **Years 9 and 10 will collect pre-ordered food from The Pod**. Other lunch rooms are assigned for their use and details will be issued in tutor time on Monday 7th June.
- **Year 12** will continue to use social space as they do currently.



7SJT are shown around the school this week in advance of our de-zoning

We are really looking forward to this next step towards a more normal experience and hope the students are too.

Jamie Young Teenage Cancer Trust football match

This was due to take place tomorrow (Thursday May 27th) but it is now postponed till July 8th in order that more people can come and watch, as we will be in stage 4 of the roadmap by then. It promises to be a fantastic event, with refreshments and great raffle prizes as well as football.

More details will follow after half term.

Amber is performing in the park ...

Year 12 student Amber Titchener is headlining the East Court Summer session on June 6th. You can book a table [here](#).

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Boys' summer term fixtures

Yes – they're back!

Wed 9/6/21	U15 Cricket v Lingfield (Home EGSC 2pm)
Tue 15/6/21	U12 Cricket v Warden Park (Home EGSC 2.30pm)
Wed 16/6/21	U12 Cricket v Copthorne Prep (Away 2.30pm)
Wed 16/6/21	U13 Cricket v Copthorne Prep (Home EGSC 2.30PM)
Thu 17/6/21	U15 Cricket v Oriel (Home EGSC 2.30pm)
Tue 22/6/21	U13 Cricket v Warden Pk (Home EGSC 2.30pm)
Wed 23/6/21	U12 A Cricket v Brighton College (Home EGSC 2.30pm)
Wed 23/6/21	U12 B Cricket v Brighton College (Home EGSC 2.30pm)
Thu 24/6/21	U15 Cricket v Warden Park (Home EGSC 2.30pm)
Thu 24/6/21	U14 Cricket v Oriel (Away 3pm)
Wed 7/7/21	U13 Cricket v Imberhorne (Home EGSC 2.30pm)
Wed 14/7/21	U12 Cricket v Imberhorne (Home EGSC 2.30pm)

Girls' fixtures are just being finalised.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The second hand uniform shop is now in place – **most items only £1 each**

We have shirts, skirts, trousers and PE kits all waiting for a new home!

Please visit reception to ask to see the stock or ask your child to visit at lunchtimes.

We ask that you are patient if Reception is busy at the time you visit.

Is your child now too big for the shirt you bought 6 weeks ago? Please give it a new home at the second hand shop, all clothes donations to reception gratefully received.

Calling all parents of year 11 students ... please send in your unwanted uniforms!

YEAR 7 GIRLS' FOOTBALL

**Lunch time:
Monday & Thursday Redgra
12.05 – 12.20pm**

**After school:
Tuesday
2.30 – 3.30pm**



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