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Director - CCfL: Jeanette Lowe

Message from the Director and Headteachers

Welcome to the first newsletter of this academic year. We have had a really positive start to the term and we are looking forward to a busy year ahead.

For all our new parents, please see the section on our Parent Forum we are really keen for more parents to attend so please feel free to drop in to our next forum to meet our multi agency team and other parents

After half term we have our Student Review Day on Friday 3rd November. On Student Review Day, parents are invited up with their son/daughter to meet school staff to hear about how the term has gone and the progress they are making. Your child's tutor team will be contacting you to make a time to attend.

I hope you all have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you on Friday 3rd November!

Parent Forum

Dear Parents/Carers,

We continue to hold our usual parents coffee morning every second Thursday at 10am at KS3 Harmood Street which is open to all parents and carers. We will have three more coffee mornings coming up before Christmas break on the following dates Thursday 9/11/17, Thursday 23/11/17 and Thursday 7/12/17. Please let us know if there is anything you would like to cover when you see us.

Many thanks family workers at CCfL

**ALL
ARE
WELCOME**

School Home Support

My name is Nazia and I am the new School Home Support Practitioner for CCFL. I am based at both KS3 and KS4 from Monday to Thursday. My role at CCFL is to build constructive relationships between the school and families and provide a support service for families in difficulties.

I can help you with:

- Form filling
- Arranging appointments
- Concerns around school and education
- School transition
- Reintegration to mainstream



Or just a listening ear, coffee and a chat

Please don't hesitate to contact me on : 07811 998375 or alternatively you can email me on : nazia.rashid@shs.org.uk

Dates for the Diary

Autumn Term

- Friday Nov: 3rd: Student Review Day
- Wed Dec 13th : Christmas Dinner
- Thurs Dec 14th : School trips
- Friday Dec 15th : End of term

Spring Term

- 3rd January : Inset Day
- 4th January: Student Review Day

Term Dates : Academic Year 2017/18

Autumn term 2017: Monday 4th Sept - Friday 15th December

Half-term: Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October

Spring Term 2018: Wednesday 3rd January - 29th March

Half-term: Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February

Summer term 2018: 16th April to 25th July

Half-term: Monday 28 May to Friday 1 June 2018

Achievements

This half term we are saying goodbye to four KS3 students as they move into full time placements back in mainstream schools. The successful students are Mason Murphy, Liridona Gashi, Raees Kadir and Sarah Peet. They are returning to placements at Maria Fidelis, Parliament Hill, Regent's High and Hampstead schools. This is an amazing achievement and all the staff at CCfL send them huge congratulations and wish them all the very best for their futures!



Attendance

At CCfL we strive to improve attendance and punctuality.

Here at CCfL we look at attendance from the previous term and from their previous school. Students are then set an attendance target to reach that term. Students track their own attendance weekly and can monitor to see if they are reaching their target. Since the beginning of this term, 83% of students at KS3 and 56% at KS4 have been meeting or exceeding their attendance target. Students who reach their attendance target are entered into the end of term prize raffle. Punctuality is important to young people's learning, a chart showing how many days of learning your child is missing if they arrive to school late.

Minutes late to school per day	Equivalent of missing
5 mins	3.2 days
10 mins	6.4 days
15 mins	9.6 days
20 mins	12.8 days
30 mins	19.2 days

Exams 2017

External assessments have begun for our Vocational exams which are a GCSE examination.

Next date is 1st November for Level 1 Food and Cooking at 09.30 for our Y11s, with some Y10s sitting in March.

Our first round of Y11 Functional Skills will be happening after the half term.

L1/2 Maths - Tuesday 7th November at 09.30

L1/2 English - Wednesday 8th November at 09.30

Your support is very much appreciated with these public examinations and it is worth noting that Functional Skills equip learners with very good practical skills for college and, success in them, are a mandatory part of all Apprenticeships.



Design and Technology Clock Project

For the last half term pupils have been engaged in a clock project.

They were assessed on the originality and the marketability of their clock.

This project enabled pupils to explore drawing skills and use hand tools, power tools and refine their finishing skills.

