

Dear Parents and Carers

Road to Wimbledon

On Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th June we invited tennis coaching company Inspire2Coach to come in and help us run our very own 'Road to Wimbledon' for students in Year 7, 8 and 9. By the end of this week over 200 students will have taken part and a number of students involved will have progressed to the finals. The aim was to give the students a fun experience, but if we spot any Wimbledon prospects, that's even better. Thank you to Inspire2Coach and the Hollies Tennis Club for giving our students this opportunity. I would also like to thank Mr Timmis for organising this for our students.

Road to Rio

Tutor groups are busy selecting team managers and captains for our annual Sports Day which will take place on Wednesday 20th July 2016. Assemblies have taken place this week to inform tutors and students about arrangements and what students need to do next. Training begins for real now and the advice from Mr Brown is to 'eat plenty of pasta and drink lots of water'. Students should bring sun protection (I am banking on some sun) along with a cap, and they must wear their PE kit to school on the day. There are plenty of options available for students so that no one gets left out of the team.

Road to the Prom

As I write this (Thursday 30th June), Year 11s will be putting the finishing touches to their hairstyles, make up and nails for the big event of the year. Staff will be doing something very similar but they are just a bit quicker at the finishing touches! The Prom at Goldstone Hall Hotel is an opportunity for them to enjoy themselves and let their hair down after a difficult year of revision and exams. We hope that the evening gives the students some very happy memories to look back on.

Road to University

On Wednesday 29th June, Year 12 students attended a UCAS exhibition at Staffordshire University. Going to University may not be the route for everyone after Sixth Form, but it is certainly worth considering and we like to show students all the options that are available. Support with completing UCAS (Undergraduate Courses at University and College) will be given through tutors and Dr Gardner will spend considerable amounts of time with students ensuring that they have completed the necessary applications.

Road to Success

Year 10 students and their parents will be invited to an evening with teachers to prepare them for the demands of Year 11. Parents play a vital role, working with staff to ensure that students succeed. The evening will include guidance to parents from Maths, English and Science teachers on 'what to do when you don't know what to do'. Hopefully you will pick up a few tips to ensure your child is well prepared and can deal with the pressures of this important year. Your child will bring an invitation home and you can RSVP by returning the invite to school reception or by email.

Road to the Festival of Education

The majority of our Year 10 students have been invited to take part in the Festival of Education at The Marches School on Friday 1st July. This festival, organised by The Marches, is a unique event designed for professionals from across the education spectrum. The students will visit the Careers Tent where every university and career prospect under the sun will be waiting to offer help and advice. We are hoping it will inspire them to find something they will have a lifelong interest in. After an inspirational talk, students will be going to the Adventure Zone where they will take part in a number of fun and challenging activities. We hope they thoroughly enjoy their day.

Ms O Glackin, Assistant Headteacher

Reminders

If your child is absent for any reason, please inform us by 8.30am. Call the School on 01948 660600 and choose option 1. Please leave your child's name, tutor group and reason for absence.

Term Dates

Summer Term 2016: Monday 11th April – Friday 22nd July

Waterfalls for Model Students

A group of Year 8 students worked with our assistant teacher Mr Jones recently and made some models of waterfalls. The finished models were all of excellent quality and really showed the students' understanding of the geographical processes that lead to the creation of waterfalls.



Mamma Mia!

On Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th July, the SJT School of Performance's Dancing Queens (and Kings) will be taking to the stage at for their first full-length show – a production of the global phenomenon that is Mamma Mia! The riotous jukebox musical, which tells the story of one girl's search for her father through the legendary music of ABBA, was one of the longest-running shows ever to hit Broadway. Since its debut, over 60 million people have seen the stage show across the world, and it has grossed over \$2 billion. The students have been working extremely hard to prepare the show, putting in ten hours of rehearsal after school every week to bring the story to life, and the performers, who chose the show themselves, cannot wait to hit the stage on the opening night. The curtain will rise at 7pm on both nights, and with the performances almost guaranteed to sell out, those wishing to see the show should book their seats in advance. Tickets can be bought from the SJT school reception in person or by ringing 01948 660600.

Sir John Talbot's presents
Mamma Mia
Showing on 4th & 5th July starting at 7pm
Tickets £5 Adult £4 Concession
(available from SJT Reception 01948 660600)



Upcoming Trips and Events

- Much Ado About Nothing at Dearnford Lake (Sixth Form) – 21st June
- Year 10 Cambridge Residential Trip – 4th - 5th July
- Mamma Mia! Performances – 4th - 5th July
- Year 12 Cambridge Residential Trip – 18th - 19th July

SAVE THE DATE



Sir John Talbot's School
OPEN EVENT
Thursday 22nd September 2016



**Morning tours
available at
9am & 10am**

**Headteacher's
welcome at
6pm**

Year 10 Food Intervention

A group of Year 10 Food Technology students recently took part in some extra sessions after school with their teacher Mrs Dawson. They were focused, polite and worked extremely well, both independently and as a team. The whole process was fantastically successful, with the students showing they were supportive and kind, enjoying themselves while cooking up a storm! Well done and we hope all the hard work pays off.



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