

SIR THOMAS RICH'S NEWSLETTER

JULY 2002



As a busy school year comes to an end I wish all staff, students and parents a relaxing and enjoyable summer. I am grateful to all for their contributions towards making this another very enjoyable and successful year.

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM

Replacement uniform can only be purchased through school. For anyone wishing to make late purchases a member of the Parents' Association will be available on Monday, 2nd and Tuesday, 3rd September between 1.00 and 2.00 p.m. It will not be possible to purchase uniform during the first two weeks of term except on these two occasions. Any enquiries concerning the above please telephone Mrs. P. Lancaster on 01452 530838.

GEOLOGY

Following their ten day trip to North West Scotland at Easter, AS Geologists have since taken their exams and are now embarking on A2. This level requires coursework, preparation for which has been started since students' return. They have spent three morning sessions collecting data to test and evaluate hypotheses:

- a graphic log of sediments at Crickley Hill
- measurement of the orientation of joints in rocks of different age at Blaisdon and Westbury-on-Severn.

Also planned this term are visits to the Geological Museum in London and to a working aggregate stone quarry near Bristol. So far we have been very lucky with the weather.

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PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Our latest fund raiser for the new minibus has raised £2,171.40 so far. We sent out 676 envelopes to parents, 125 have been returned. We are pleased with the sum donated, many thanks to those who responded. It is not too late to send in your envelope. The school is planning to purchase a new minibus soon, to replace the L-registration minibus which is on its last legs.

BUILDING WORK

The builders no sooner completed the Language Centre than they started work on our next project. Over the summer holidays they will convert two rooms (a Graphics and a Computer room) to a large Art room. This will provide a much-needed improvement to the temporary classroom which we have had to use as our second Art room for the last four years. Two classrooms opposite the library will also be knocked into one to house a new computer suite. A new Technology room is being built, this is a longer project which is unlikely to be completed until December.

UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS

Upper Sixth Formers who wish to progress to university apply to UCAS, each student can apply to up to six universities. This year at Rich's ninety five Upper Sixth students received 463 offers from universities, an average of 4.9 offers per candidate. Taking into consideration that not all courses allow six applications, and that sought-after courses at popular universities are often vastly over-subscribed leading to most applicants having to be rejected, this is a remarkable outcome. This reflects the care staff and Form Tutors take in preparing references and the thought and preparation put in by the students. Our Higher Education programme which runs through the Sixth Form ensures that our students' applications are considered, appropriate and therefore strong.

TOKENS

Our thanks to all who gave Walkers' "free books for schools" tokens. We received 1,600 tokens which qualified us for six books which will be placed in the Library.

We bid farewell to the following members of staff:

Mr. D. J. Slinger who retires as Head of German after 24 years of loyal service to Rich's; Mr. P. D. Vaughan-Smith, who started his History teaching career with us in 1994, now moves to Monmouth School; Mr. M. J. Parris after 5 years at Rich's, latterly as Head of Year 7 and Head of Biology, has gained promotion to Head of Science at Rushey Mead School in Leicester; Mr. I. R. Maxfield, who started his Geography teaching career at Rich's two years ago, will be teaching in the Far East for a year prior to commencing a Masters degree at Bristol University.

We are sorry to be losing the services of these four valued teachers but we extend our thanks for all their contributions to Rich's.

We shall welcome in September:

Mrs. M.P.E. Lewis, who will introduce Psychology A-level into our Sixth Form; Miss M. Lucas, teacher of Geography, from Bath University; Mr. N. D. Pitel, History teacher, from Cheltenham College; Mr. D. Riley, who will teach Business Studies and Economics; Mrs. B. Testoni-Ranken as Head of German, joining us from St. Peter's High School; Mrs. R. C. Zurick, from The Downs School, Newbury, who will be our Head of Biology.

Other staff changes this summer are: Mr. Buttler will be Head of Economics/Business Studies, Mr. Crewe Head of ICT, Mr. Gowler Head of Year 7 and Mr. Lewis Head of Southgate.

PE/GAMES

For the safety of all pupils the following were made compulsory last year and will be put into practice this year:

Rugby - all pupils should wear a mouthguard for any contact sessions in lesson/practice/matches. Boots to be worn on fields.

Football - all pupils should wear shinpads for practices and matches. Boots to be worn on fields.

Hockey - Mouthguards and shinpads to be worn for all practices/matches.

Please ensure that your son/daughter has the correct kit for their sports programme.

Trip to Paris – May 2002

At half term 40 Year 7 pupils, together with four staff, travelled to Paris. Based in the North West suburbs visits were made to the major tourist attractions of the French Capital including Notre Dame, the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre and the Science Museum. The party also enjoyed a guided coach tour of the famous city and cruise on the Seine. The highlight of the five day trip, of course, was the full-day excursion to Disneyland Paris where the pleasures of 'Space Mountain', 'Indiana Jones' and 'Big Thunder Mountain' were experienced; many I am sure have the photographs to prove it. CDC

Archery

On Sunday, 7th July 36 Year 7 boys put their skills to the test under the watchful eye of an archery instructor. They learned how to shoot accurately and then practised their newfound skills in a number of games and competitions. Mr. Morgan was a particular whiz! A good time was had by all despite the typical British summertime weather conditions.

Mr. Parris would like to thank all staff who have helped with Year 7 activities this year. Good luck to Mr. Gowler who will be Head of Year 7 from September. MJP

NEW YEAR 7 INDUCTION DAY

On Friday, 5th July those pupils who will be joining Year 7 in September spent a day at Tommies. They experienced the kind of lessons they will be having next year, saw a drama production and let off steam with some games on the school field.

Thanks to all staff who contributed to the day and the Sixth Form team led by Akshay Nair and Dan Tingle. MJP

HAIRCUTS

Occasionally a pupil attempts to start the new school year in September with an unacceptable hairstyle. The excuse is normally that it was bleached/dyed/cut for the summer holidays and hasn't grown out yet. Our response is to send him home or keep him in isolation until his hair is within school rules. Parents' support in maintaining our high standards is appreciated, our Rules are clearly stated in the "Information for Parents".

CHARITIES

We split the donations collected over the last two terms between two Gloucester charities. We passed cheques for £553 to each and welcomed David Stallworthy from The Spring Centre, and Elizabeth White of Cloud 9, to our assemblies last week, who told us about the work of their organisations. Thanks to all who donated at our weekly loose change and termly Free Dress Day collections and to Mr. Lloyd for organising these.

If any student/parent would like to nominate a Gloucester/Gloucestershire based charity for next term's charities please contact Mr. Lloyd.

NEARLY NEW UNIFORM

A reminder – blue blazers are required together with any other outgrown uniform.

Sally Langley will be giving up her duties this term as her son leaves school. Volunteers are therefore desperately needed to help with future sales. If any parent has an evening to spare once or twice a term please contact either the School Secretary or Eleanor Constable (01242 674836).

Many thanks to everyone who has supported the sales this year by either selling/donating or buying items.

INDUCTION

We have welcomed the boys who will be our new Year 7 in September. They joined us with their parents on a Saturday morning last month and for a 'taster' day earlier this month.

We also ran our Sixth Form Induction Week for students hoping to join our Sixth Form. The students were treated to a presentation on 'Impressions Management', a day of activities at the Wilderness Centre, a day's 'Challenge of Industry' and a morning exploring study skills, rounded off with a barbeque. Thanks go to Mrs. Cormack-Hicks for organising and over-seeing the week.

TRIP TO THE GLOBE THEATRE

On Wednesday, 10th July thirteen Year 10 Drama students went to the matinee of A Midsummer Night's Dream. They watched a superb, dynamic performance by the Red Company. A trip to the Globe is always worthwhile but this was a particularly good performance – highly recommended. ERS

LANGUAGE COLLEGE

There has been much activity recently connected with our Language College status. Most significant has been the completion of our Language Centre. The building is a marvellous facility, we are impressed and delighted with the quality of the build and finish.

Our commitment to community language teaching is increasing, with more French and German teaching to be provided at Heron and Elmbridge Schools (in addition to that we provide at Longlevens Junior and Widden Primary Schools); groups of our Year 10 boys helped at French and German cafés organised at Longlevens Junior School; we hosted a group of Czech dancers with an audience of primary school children.

We also hosted 3 Polish teachers and one German teacher for a day. And a range of international events took place last week for our pupils, including Japanese poetry, karate, Chinese chopsticks workshops, Japanese food, calligraphy and Chinese games.

Thanks go to Mrs. Hewett, our Language College Co-ordinator, for working hard to organise the above.

L6 PHYSICS TRIP TO JOINT EUROPEAN TORUS

The Lower Sixth Physicists have recently visited the Nuclear Fusion (JET) experimental facility at Culham, Oxfordshire. A European venture, established nearly twenty years ago, its main aim has been to test the possibility of producing electrical energy by nuclear fusion; the same process the Sun uses to produce its own energy.

The students were given a brief description of the nuclear fusion process and were then given a tour of the laboratories and data collection facilities.

The facility has been successful in its aims and it is likely that the next stage, referred to as ITER, with an estimated cost of at least £3 billion, will eventually see the Culham facility closed and returned to green fields, as was originally planned. A decision is expected next year.

As it is, JET, with operating temperatures of 100 million Kelvins, can claim to be the hottest place in the known local universe. Unfortunately, despite this, the inclement weather meant students still had to wear coats! ACP

ESPERANTO CLUB

Undoubtedly the highlight of our year was the visit of seven students from the Czech Republic; the first chance club members had had to speak Esperanto to real foreigners! We have also been in correspondence with Martin Luther School in Wittenberg. Next year we welcome Petra Fantom to talk about her visit to the Universala Kongreso in Brazil this August.

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SIXTH FORM CAREERS

All parents and Sixth Form students should note that the school possesses the CD packages "Higher Ideas" and the Potter's Guide to Higher Education, to name but a few, which should be of good use to all those involved in their higher education planning. Access can be made via the School Site, including the computers in the Careers Room. Students are advised to undertake their university research over the holiday period ready for their UCAS applications in the Autumn Term.

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JUNIOR DRAMA

The recent production of 'Robby Nudd' performed by the Junior Drama Club was a great success. The cast had worked hard, not just to learn their lines, but to portray the characters and humour of the play. A special mention must be made of the efforts of the backstage workers, Tom Towers and Chris Pigott, who produced all the props and filled in for any missing members of the cast. I enjoyed working with such talented young actors and I hope they will all return next year for the next production.

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DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

This has been a successful year after the disruptions last summer. Six Bronze groups have completed their Expedition section while one Bronze group and one Silver group have deferred their final expedition until the Autumn. Most participants have also completed one or more of the other three sections of the Award and I will look forward to awarding plenty of certificates and badges in the Autumn term. Thanks must go to all staff and parents who have supported participants by acting as assessors and also to Mr. Buttle, Mr. Birkett, Mr. Maxfield, Mr. Crewe, Mr. Gowler and Miss Adamson for giving up their weekends to supervise groups.

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LETTERS SENT HOME THIS TERM

- 27/5 Year 9 Cancellation of trip to Imperial War Museum
- 12/6 Year 8 IT Trip to PGL, May 2003
- 12/6 Year 9 Refund – Imperial War Museum
- 14/6 Year 10 exam revision at home
- 17/6 Opening of W. J. Veale Language Centre
- 21/6 Year 7 Archery
- 28/6 Year 9 The Current Account Theatre Group
- 28/6 Languages in Year 9
- 28/6 Languages in Year 8
- 10/7 Summer Concert

YEAR 11 WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 11 students have this term been on their placements. A number of varied placements has been experienced, ranging from law and engineering to tourism. Reports have been most positive about our students and our thanks go to all those employers in the area and beyond who looked after our students for the week.

PDL

GEOGRAPHY FIELDWORK

Year 7 - This year saw the return of the Year 7 Geography trip to Wenchford following a year off with foot and mouth restrictions. A fun morning was had by all the groups, the weather was fine but the pupils got wet anyway splashing about in the stream. Here they measured the size of stones in the stream bed, the shape of the banks and most fun of all the speed of the water by floating dog biscuits down the stream. A memorable day's fieldwork.

DAG

Year 8 - The whole of the Year travelled to the attractive Shropshire town of Bridgnorth by coach, minibus and the Severn Valley Railway. Here they studied land use, traffic patterns and the town's development over the centuries. Glorious sunny weather and the interest of the pupils made for a very successful visit.

SWP

HISTORY TRIPS

This month Year 8 travelled to the Coalbrookdale area where they were treated to a flavour of Victorian life, work and entertainment. The Museum of Ron, the world's first iron bridge and Blist's Hill Open Air Museum were visited.

Recently Year 7 assessed the impact which the Romans had upon the local area through visits to Chedworth Roman Villa and the Corinium Museum.

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CRICKET

1st XI Cricket – P4, W1, D1, L2

In a shortened season in which two matches were lost to exams the school showed a commitment and tenacity to their game. However their batting and bowling lacked the consistency necessary to put the opposition under real pressure.

v Marling

Batting first the school scored 126 for 9 in their 30 overs. P. Green 25.

v Newington College Development XI

Once again the School hosted Newington College from Sydney, Australia. A team of 14-16 year old development players toured South England and were with us for two days. Unfortunately the cricket was washed out after the luncheon interval with the school on 85 for 2. Despite this disappointment the players and their hosts had an enjoyable two days and I am sure firm friendships were made. Many thanks to those who went to the trouble of hosting the boys and to Paulette Maxted for organising the lunch and tea. They plan to return to England in two years' time and despite the washout we will be high on their list of intended games.

v King's

On a good batting wicket the school bowled poorly to help Kings to 178 for 8 in their 35 overs. R. Bhaiyat 4 for 23.

v Rendcomb

Batting first on a pudding of a pitch the school worked hard to reach 101 for 9 declared. M. Taylor 25, T. Dodwell 21. In reply Rendcomb struggled against some good bowling but managed to survive on 80 for 9 for a draw. T. Moseling 5 for 25.

v Crypt

In a 30 over match the school batted first reaching 167 for 4. T. Moseling 86 N.O. J. Davies 32. In a close finish Crypt were bowled out for 164 losing by 3 runs. T. Moseling 3 for 30. IJG

Under 15 – P7, W2, D0, L5

This has been a disappointing season during which tidy bowling has been let down by undisciplined batting. In the absence of a batsman willing to provide backbone to an innings, the U15s have struggled to post scores large enough to set opponents a challenging total. The discovery of Max Gibbons' left-arm in-swingers explains much of the late-season revival, returning 5 for 5 against Churchdown. He took 9 wickets over the season. Other notable performances with the ball came from Richard Kimber and Tom Roberts each with 7 wickets. Batting achievements were few and far between: no batsman reached 50 in the course of the season. Apart from the occasional lower order cameo, little was offered by way of a proper innings, except by Michael Joyce. The side were rapidly dismissed from the County Cup by St. Benedict's but advanced by way of their two victories against St. Peter's and Churchdown to the City Cup Final against Crypt. PVS

Under 14 – P8, W5, D1, L2

Despite the weather causing havoc with the fixtures, this has been an enjoyable season. The team has been a pleasure to be with, with excellent team spirit and very competent performances on the pitch. The highlight has been the team's success in reaching the Rotary City Cup with some good wins en route to the final. The team, under the excellent captaincy of Ciaran Conway, has displayed some fine cricket, with all the players contributing positively to ensure solid team performances. With excellent habits instilled into the team from two years coaching with Mr. Brown, the Under 14s have the potential to get even better! The team must be congratulated for their excellent win against Beaufort in the final of the Gloucester City Rotary Cup. PDL

CRICKET (Continued)

Under 13 – P8, W5, D1, L2

There is little doubt that the U13s have talent and potential in abundance. In a season that has been decimated by poor weather and cry-offs from opposing schools, there have been some moments of quality cricket, particularly in the field. However until the squad learn to work together and play to their strengths as a team, they will not realise their full potential. The team has managed to reach the final of the District Cup, but the result of this match is not available at the time of going to press. Team captain Alex Winter and Vice-Captain Andrew Downes have worked hard throughout the season and deserve thanks for their efforts on and off the pitch. RS

Under 12

The U12 cricket team suffered extensively from the vagaries of the weather and some ill-timed cancellations by opposition schools. They ended their season on a high by winning the U12 City Schools Cup – thanks again to the Rotary Club for sponsoring this competition and the King's School for allowing the finals to be played on their splendid Archdeacon ground. PB

INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Steven Broughton (11S) and **Philip Hanson** (10R) who were selected for Gloucestershire to compete in the South West Athletics Championships at Bournemouth at Intermediate Boys level. Philip came 6th in the 1500m (4m 23.8s) and Steven 4th in the long jump (6.15m);

Alasdair Burchill (L6H) on winning a place on the physics Masterclass course at Surrey University;

Mehul Chavda (10S) who won a creative writing competition run by the Association of Language Learning. Mehul's entry was a poem in German which he was asked to read at the awards ceremony at Clifton High School in Bristol;

Sam Goad and **Luke Leighfield** (10T) who cycled 9 miles on mini-bikes to raise over £1,000 for Water Aid;

Tim Grant (L6R), **Michael Foxcroft** (L6H) and **Michael Smith** (L6H) who have gained selection for the Headstart courses run at Newcastle and Surrey Universities for Sixth Formers who are considering engineering as a career;

Peter Kellie (U6R) who ran for Gloucestershire in the English Schools' Athletics Championships at Nottingham, finishing 3rd in the 2000m steeplechase;

Robert Litchfield (9R) on his selection to represent Gloucestershire in the Inter-Service Rifle Meeting at Bisley last month;

Jonathan Maxted (7R) who was awarded gold medals and a trophy in 'verse speaking' and 'solo scene' at the Cheltenham festival;

Edward Price (U6B) who was selected as a BBC runner for the Queen's Jubilee baton relay. Edward rushed off after a morning of A-level exams, complete with a police escort, to enable him to carry the baton en route to the Commonwealth Games;

Nicholas Walkley (L6C) who was invited to play for the Flowers Band in a competition and concert in France;

Alexander Winter (8B) on his selection as captain of the Wales Under 13 cricket team;

Richard Young (7T) who climbed 1 kilometre at The Warehouse, raising over £1,000 for the P.A. minibus appeal.

HOUSE EVENTS

The House athletics competition was completed with our Sports Evening on 12th June. Somewhat bleak conditions did not detract from keenly contested events enjoyed by an appreciative crowd. Our thanks to the Parents' Association for providing a welcome barbeque and refreshments. It proved to be the closest competition for many years, eventually won by Southgate (260 pts) from Northgate, Westgate (each with 258 pts) and Eastgate (251 pts). Well done to Joseph Noel who won the Year 7 100m and 200m, the latter in a new school record of 26.8 seconds – he was awarded the Walter Rangeley Cup for Best Sprinter.

The House tennis competition, organised by Mr. Parris, was won convincingly by Northgate who triumphed in each Year group. Southgate came second, then Eastgate and Westgate.

The House cricket event was completed in beautiful sunshine this week. In the final Westgate beat Southgate; Eastgate beat Northgate in the third place play-off.

This completed the House competitions for the year. The Cock House trophy was won by Northgate with 60 points from Southgate (56½), Eastgate (53) and Westgate (50½). This was the closest competition for some years with all four Houses in contention until May. Well done to all pupils who contributed to the nineteen House events.

ATTENDANCE

Of the 576 pupils eligible for attendance certificates (Years 7-10 and Year 12), 215 gained silver certificates for full attendance this term and 57 received gold certificates for uninterrupted attendance throughout the year. Congratulations to all and our thanks to parents for invaluable support in this.

SUMMER CONCERT

Last Monday evening the Music Department presented its annual summer instrumental concert. The varied programme included solos, a pop group, the jazz group up to the full orchestra; the audience appreciated music on piano, classical guitar, flute, tuba and clarinet amongst others, performing compositions from Mozart to Lennon/McCartney.

Well done to the performers and thanks to Mr. Thompson for organising the evening.

LANGUAGE CENTRE

The opening ceremony for our new Language Centre was held last Tuesday evening. The Guest of Honour was the Earl of Stockton, MEP, President of Macmillan Publishers.

Over 200 guests represented the School and its community: pupils, parents, staff, ex-staff, ex-pupils, Old Richians, Governors, representatives of the architects and builders, the LEA, Gloucester United Schools, our partner primary and secondary schools, Gloscat, local businesses. We also welcomed two nieces of Mr. W. J. Veale and we were delighted to be joined by Mrs. Gweneth Veale: the Centre is named after Mr. Veale, Rich's Headmaster from 1936-1957, who died earlier this year.

Guests looked around the Language Centre then gathered in the Hall. Matthew Key played a Mozart clarinet movement, pupils welcomed Lord Stockton in each of the languages we now teach at Rich's and in our partner schools, Lord Stockton addressed the audience then answered a range of searching questions on the European Community and its future direction. He spoke with humour, intelligence, experience and insight, he was an excellent orator and a fitting Guest of Honour. He and Mrs. Veale then unveiled a commemorative plaque. Refreshments with an international theme were provided by the Parents' Association.

In summary I was honoured that so many friends and supporters of Rich's representing the wider community upon which we depend, joined us in celebrating the latest addition to our facilities. It is an excellent new building which will quite properly raise the profile of languages at Rich's and indeed the morale of the whole school. Its opening was a celebration of Rich's continuing progress.

CRICKET CUPS – STOP PRESS

Excellent performances this week from the Under 12, Under 13 and Under 14 cricket teams who each won their Gloucester City Cup finals.

All cricket cups and colours will be presented in the final assembly of term by a Gloucestershire County cricketer.

DATES FOR NEXT YEAR

Thursday, 15th August
Thursday, 22nd August

'AS' and 'A' Level (and Additional Maths) results published
GCSE results published

Mon/Tues, 2nd/3rd September
Wednesday, 4th September
Monday, 16th September
25th – 27th September
Friday, 27th September
2nd – 4th October
Tuesday, 8th October
Tuesday, 8th October
Wednesday, 9th October
9th – 11th October
16th – 18th October
Wednesday, 23rd October
28th October – 1st November
4th – 7th November
Monday, 11th November
Wednesday, 13th November
Thursday, 12th December
Tuesday, 19th November
4th – 6th December
Saturday, 7th December
Monday, 16th December
Wednesday, 18th December
Thursday, 19th December
Friday, 20th December
23rd December – 3rd January

STAFF TRAINING DAYS (non-attendance for pupils)
Term begins 8.40 a.m.
Nearly New Uniform 6.00 – 7.30 p.m.
Form 7S Residential Trip to Stratford-upon-Avon
Speech Day 7.30 p.m.
Form 7T Residential Trip to Stratford-upon-Avon
Governors' AGM, 6.00 p.m.
Open Day
Open Day and Open Evening
Form 7R Residential Trip to Stratford-upon-Avon
Form 7B Residential Trip to Stratford-upon-Avon
Year 7 Informal Parents' Evening 7.00 – 9.00 p.m.
HALF TERM
Lower Sixth examinations
Nearly New Uniform 6.00 – 7.30 p.m.
Year 10 Parents' Consultation Evening 6.00 p.m.
Christmas by Candlelight 7.30 p.m.
Careers Assessment (optional – Year 11 and Lower Sixth)
School Drama production 7.30 p.m.
Parents' Association Christmas Fayre 1.00 – 4.00 p.m.
Upper Sixth Parents' Consultation Evening 6.00 p.m.
Carol Service, St. John's Church, Northgate Street 7.30 p.m.
Carol Service, Holy Trinity Church, Longlevens 7.30 p.m.
END OF TERM 12.45 p.m.
Christmas Holidays

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2003

Monday, 6th January
6th – 17th January
Monday, 13th January
Monday, 20th January
Wednesday, 29th January
Thursday, 30th January
Wednesday, 5th February
24th – 28th February
3rd – 14th March
Thursday, 6th March
Monday, 10th March
Monday, 31st March
Wednesday, 9th ~~March~~ April
Friday, 11th April
14th – 25th April

Term begins 8.40 a.m.
Year 11 Trial GCSE Examinations
Nearly New Uniform 6.00 – 7.30 p.m.
STAFF TRAINING DAY (non-attendance for pupils)
Careers Convention (Years 11-13)
Year 11 Parents' Consultation Evening 6.00 p.m.
Sixth Form Open Evening 7.00 p.m.
HALF TERM
Upper Sixth Trial 'A2' Examinations
Year 9 Parents' Consultation Evening 6.00 p.m.
Nearly New Uniform 6.00 – 7.30 p.m.
Lower Sixth Parents' Consultation Evening 6.00 p.m.
Year 7 Parents' Consultation Evening 6.00 p.m.
END OF TERM 12.45 p.m.
Easter holidays

Monday, 28th April
Tuesday, 29th April
Monday, 5th May
6th – 9th May
Monday, 12th May
12th May – 6th June
19th May onwards
Friday, 23rd May
26th – 30th May
Monday, 9th June
9th – 27th June
Wednesday, 11th June
19th – 25th June
Thursday, 26th June
30th June – 4th July
Friday, 4th July
7th – 11th July
Friday, 18th July

Term begins 8.40 a.m.
Year 8 Parents' Consultation Evening 6.00 p.m.
BANK HOLIDAY
Year 9 National Curriculum tests (SATs)
Nearly New Uniform 6.00 – 7.30 p.m.
AS examinations (Lower Sixth)
GCSE examinations
Founders' Day Service, Holy Trinity, Longlevens 2.30 p.m.
HALF TERM
Nearly New Uniform 6.00 – 7.30 p.m.
A2 examinations (Upper Sixth)
Sports Evening 6.30 p.m.
School Examinations
STAFF TRAINING DAY (non-attendance for pupils)
Sixth Form Induction Week
New Year 7 Induction Day
Year 11 Work Experience
END OF TERM 12.45 p.m.

PLEASE RETAIN THIS INFORMATION FOR FUTURE REFERENCE