



Parent Bulletin Friday 16th September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

I continue to be impressed with the way students are conducting themselves at the start of the new school year. Today I enjoyed my first '*Hot Chocolate Friday*' of the year with a group of Year 7 students who were full of enthusiasm for their start to secondary school. I am also delighted that so many parents of students in Years 11 and 13 attended the information evenings last night. Their support is invaluable this year.



Students have been very respectful this week in Collective Worship when we have focussed on the life of Queen Elizabeth II. Today we had a '*Get Talking Friday*' focus on the monarchy and some students went to St Mary's Church to sign the book of condolence on behalf of the school. I encourage you to ensure your child watches the funeral on Monday, it really will be a significant piece of history in the making.



This week we have been delighted to formally appoint our Prefect team for this year from Years 11, 12 and 13. Official photographs were taken and students will shortly start duties around school. Parents of these students should be very proud of them and the work they will do this year.



Finally, dates for your diary this term are further down in this bulletin. You can find the full year's calendar on the school website or from clicking [here](#).

Have a good weekend.

Best wishes

Peter Collins

Headteacher

News and Information

Year 11 Preparing for Success Evening – Mr Leane

The Year 11 Preparing for Success evening was held yesterday with Mr Leane and Mrs Shaw outlining to parents/carers the key dates for students as they head towards the summer 2023 exams. This included mocks, business interview day, parents' evening and much more. As promised in tutor time today all Year 11 students were given a 'How to Revise for GCSE' study skills and revision planner which we will be referring to throughout the year. Parents/carers who ordered any of the discounted revision guides will have those given to their child once they arrive from our supplier. The presentation is on our school website for anyone who wishes to look back at any of the slides or was unable to attend yesterday.

HMRC help with childcare costs

As children return to school after summer holidays, HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC) is reminding families who may be missing out on Tax-Free Childcare to register. Families receive up to £500 every three months (£2,000 a year) per child, or £1,000 (£4,000 a year) if their child is disabled, helping towards the cost of before and after-school clubs, childminders and nurseries, holiday clubs and other approved childcare schemes. More than one million families in the UK are entitled to some form of government childcare support and the government is encouraging those eligible to not miss out on their entitlements. There is some more information on these links:

[News story](#)

[Guidance](#)

[Statistics](#)

Dates for Your Diary – Autumn Term

Date	Event
19 th September	School closed for the State Funeral of HM The Queen
3 rd October	Open Evening 4:30 – 7:00pm
6 th October	Year 7 and Year 12 Meet the Tutor 4:00 – 7:00pm
20 th October	Sixth Form Open Evening 6:30 – 8:30pm for Year 11 students
24 th – 28 th October	Half Term
2 nd November	Year 7 Transition Drop In 1:20 – 3:00pm
10 th November	Year 11 and Year 13 SLT Parents Evening Targeted students
1 st December	Year 9 Parents' Evening 4:00 – 7:00pm
2 nd December	SCHOOL CLOSED
9 th December	Senior Citizen's Christmas Party 4:00 – 6:00pm
14 th December	Whole School Musical Performance of Matilda 6:30 – 8:30pm
15 th December	Whole School Musical Performance of Matilda 6:30 – 8:30pm
16 th December	End of Term – 12:30pm
3 rd January 2023	School opens for the Spring Term

Student medical requirements and taking of medication in school - Mrs England

Please could you advise the school as soon as possible if your child is receiving medical treatment or will need to take medication during the school day.

If you need to notify us of any medical issues please can you email firstaid@slougheton.com or call the school reception and ask for Miss Salar. We will make a telephone appointment to discuss your child's needs and arrange for a Health Care Plan and Medical Register to be completed.

It is very important that we are aware of any medical needs for your son or daughter so we can offer support.

This week's **Collective Worship** reflection is:

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

May she rest in peace.

Amen

A prayer for the new King

Everlasting God, we pray for our new King.

Bless his reign and the life of our nation.

Help us to work together so that truth and justice, harmony and fairness flourish among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen

I have come in order that you might have life – life in all its fullness (John 10:10)