



## Parent Bulletin Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

It's been an interesting and busy week in school and one that shows the huge variety of activities that go on. Aside from a week of lessons for everyone we've had literacy workshops for Years 9 and 10, a Cosmological Argument seminar for Sixth Form RE students, Year 12 students visiting the Houses of Parliament and our Year 13 Geographers have gone off to Wales for a 4 day field trip.

Next week the variety continues with options assemblies for Year 9 students, additional mocks for Year 11 students, Seniores with a former RAF police officer, Year 10 and 12 work experience briefings and our Year 9 parents' options information evening on Thursday. Please do talk to your child about any of these activities they are involved with.

We have our annual Multi-Cultural Day and Evening in school on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Students will be able to buy tickets from next week. Parents can attend too, they cost £3 and you must be able to come for prompt start at 5pm. I look forward to seeing some of you there.

Like all schools we are working hard to prevent students from vaping. Unfortunately some think this is a good idea and try to do it in the toilets. We are trialing a system from today where students can anonymously report if this is happening by using a QR code as well as continuing to help students to understand this is not a healthy thing to be doing.

Finally, with Ramadan approaching I'd like to remind parents that the school is fully supportive of all students who wish to fast. Expectations remain as they normal and there are no changes to the school day during Ramadan. As always I will be joining with staff and students in fasting to aid my understanding of how they are feeling. I look forward to talking with students about Ramadan in the coming days and weeks.

Have a good weekend.

Peter Collins  
Headteacher

## News and Information

### Poet and Author In Residence - Rebecca Fearnley

We are really lucky to have a poet and author in residence here at Slough and Eton. Many students have worked with Becci in the past and I have included some details of her work here should you wish to find out more. I'm so pleased we can offer this great experience to our students and hope you find the attached details interesting.



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## National Eating Disorder Awareness Week – Mrs Goodyear



National Eating Disorder Awareness Week is observed during the last week in February to spotlight eating disorders. This year, it takes place from February 19 to 25. It's an annual event meant to raise awareness of the resources accessible to those who suffer from these ailments. One of the main objectives of the week is to disseminate information and incentivize the sharing of personal stories from people in recovery and their families, as well as the provision of life-saving resources and educational materials. Every diagnosis of an eating disorder — from anorexia nervosa and binge-eating disorder to avoidant-restrictive food intake disorder and bulimia nervosa — can affect anyone regardless of age, gender, body size, or sexuality. The attached booklet *Survive to Thrive* is a resource guide for parents of a child with an eating disorder, written by parents with lived experience. Students received information and guidance about eating disorders in this week's Student Bulletin. There are further details on our website

<https://www.slougheton.com/about/wellbeing-and-mental-health>

If you are worried about a Slough & Eton student and you would like to speak to somebody in school contact our Wellbeing Team [wellbeing@slougheton.com](mailto:wellbeing@slougheton.com).

### Meet the Team



Clare Soares  
Creative Therapist



Jodi Allen  
Art Therapist



Mrs Holland  
Learning Mentor  
Mental Health First Aid



Mrs McCulloch  
Learning Mentor,  
Mental Health First Aid



## Multicultural Day 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 - Miss Ali

The annual Multicultural Day is a very exciting day for the Slough and Eton school community to display their cultures and raise awareness and educate others about it. You will dress in your own cultural outfits and take part in cultural activities in your lessons and lunchtime. Students may wish to wear the clothing in the colours of their national flag as well.

Some of you will be part of running these activities and others will enjoy participating and learning about each other's cultures. Please do not choose an easy outfit that is handy to you, wear something that represents your own culture.

e.g. Pakistani culture outfit will be 'Shalwar, Kameez' and Indian 'Kurti, Pajama'.



## Multicultural Evening 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Miss Ali

Multicultural Day is approaching fast and tickets for the evening performance will be on sale from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February (Lunch 1 and 2). The ticket price is £3. Tickets will be sold from Student Reception (by the Main Reception) next week. We only have 300 tickets, and they sell very fast. Please note we cannot reserve tickets for anyone. They will be sold on a first come first served basis.

The evening show starts promptly at 5:00pm and doors close at 4:55pm. **Anyone arriving late will be refused entry.**

Have fun and enjoy the cultures of the Slough and Eton community

### Collective Worship Reflection

This term our focus is on our Christian value, **Initiative**. We encourage our students to watch for opportunities to use their initiative in terms of gender equality.

In every corner of the world, religious teachings on gender and power have an enormous impact on human lives, especially those of girls and women.

The biblical view is that males and females are created with equal dignity for the purpose of shared authority (Genesis 1:26-28)

#### Take Initiative.

#### International Women's Day 2024

The campaign theme for International Women's Day 2024 is 'Inspire Inclusion'. When we inspire others to understand and value women's inclusion, we forge a better world.

And when women themselves are inspired to be included, there is a sense of belonging, relevance and empowerment. Collectively, let's forge a more inclusive world for women.

	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March
	Daily Collective Worship- Initiative
Monday	<u>Galatians 3:28</u> There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.
Tuesday	“Observe your duty to Allah in respect to the women, and treat them well.” (Prophet Muhammed's Last Sermon)
Wednesday	Sikhi: Marriage is an equal partnership of love and sharing between husband and wife.
Thursday	Hinduism: No man, even in anger, should ever do anything that is disagreeable to his wife while upholding dharma; for happiness, joy, virtue and everything depend on the wife.
Friday	Buddhism: At the highest tantric levels, at the highest esoteric level, you must respect women: every woman.

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

