



Parent Bulletin Friday 5th July 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

On Tuesday we welcomed 180 Year 6 pupils into school for the day ahead of their start with us in September. There was a great buzz in school and the children were a pleasure to talk with. Our Transition Ambassadors and Prefects were a great help during the day. We also had some really impressive questions from Year 12 students at yesterday's 'RE Question Time' event about how communities can work together more effectively. A panel of different faith leaders attended and really enjoyed working with our students.

Big Bash

Today Winton House were announced as the Big Bash winners and students in Winton House need to come to school wearing their PE kit on Monday so that they can take part in the afternoon activities.

Mock General Election

Yesterday we held our mock General Election in school and all students had the opportunity to vote if they wanted to. Students voted for parties not people and although Slough voted for Labour our students had a different view and voted for Reform. I hope they found the experience helpful with understanding more about our political system and the Sports Hall was a great Polling Station:



Attendance

The way in which parents are fined if their child does not attend school sufficiently well is changing from August ready for the new school year. Some details are attached for parents to look at and our Attendance Officer, Mrs Begol, can assist you if needed.

Finally, if your child is in Year 7 or 8 and wants to enter the 'Spirited Art Competition' entries must be ready to submit on Monday.

Have a great weekend.

Peter Collins
Headteacher

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



News and Information

Keeping Children Safe Online – Mrs Goodyear

The school is committed to helping you to keep your child safe online and we issue weekly guidance on key aspects of online safety. This week's advice is about **Age Inappropriate Content**. You can find this and previous advice on our website, plus a livestream blog about e-safety produced by Safeguarding Essentials:

<https://www.slougheton.com/about/safeguarding>

Lost Property

If your son/daughter has lost any items in the school of uniform, PE kit, bags etc., please ask them to check in the Lost Property Office in the Student Reception. Items will be disposed of by Thursday 18th July.

Collective Worship

Week 8th – 12th July:

Endings

As we draw towards the end of the academic year, we are invited to look back with gratitude on the way we have each learned and developed and through this time and give thanks for those who have shone light on the path for us.

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. (Jeremiah 29:11)

Are those who know equal to those who do not know? Only they will remember who are people of understanding. (Al-Zumar Q 39:9)

That one plant should be sown and another be produced cannot happen; whatever seed is sown, a plant of that kind even comes forth (Guru Nanak).

Life in all its fullness – John 10:1-10

Reflection

*O God,
in you all things have their beginning
and their ending and all time is in your hands:
we thank you for the path on which you have placed us
and the way we have learned
and grown in the course of this year.*

*With gratitude in our hearts,
may we look forward with confidence and hope. Amen.*

Endings: 8th– 12th July 2024

Monday	" Looking back we see with great clarity, and what once appeared as difficulties now reveal themselves as blessings." -- Dan Millman
Tuesday	"You don't reach points in life at which everything is sorted out for us. I believe in endings that should suggest our stories always continue. " -- Lauren Oliver
Wednesday	" It is better to spend one day contemplating the birth and death of all things than a hundred years never contemplating beginnings and endings." -- Gautama Buddha
Thursday	"The golden moments in the stream of life rush past us, and we see nothing but sand; the angels come to visit us, and we only know them when they are gone." -- George Eliot
Friday	" Think with deep gratitude of those who have lighted the flames within us. " -- Albert Schweitzer