



Church of England School
Executive Head and CEO: Dr Hilary Macaulay

15th December 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 8 End of Term

As the year comes to a close, I am writing to give you some key information which you may find useful for the new year.

I am pleased to see so many Year 8 students start this year with such strong work ethic, outstanding attitude to learning and excellent progress. If you haven't yet had a chance to view your child's tracking data, it can be accessed via Arbor. Students should be commended for their positive start to the year and their commitment to extracurricular activities and clubs.

It was fantastic to see the generosity of so many students who brought in donations for the Shoe Box Appeal this term with donations going towards RCE Hillingdon. Additionally, a huge thankyou to those students who donated money towards Great Ormond Street for Christmas Jumper Day.

As a reminder if you have any pastoral enquiries/concerns, in the first instance these should be directed to your son/daughter's Form Tutor. If you have any questions or queries relating to individual subjects, please email the class teacher. Form tutor contact details are available on the letter sent in September. This will ensure that you receive a prompt response to your queries.

It has become concerning that there are a number of students arriving late to school, whilst I understand there have been at times issues with the 696 bus, students should be arriving to school before 8.35am, and reporting to their muster point to maintain high standards at all times.

Spring term Key Dates:

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th January	Holocaust Memorial week
Wednesday 1st - Tuesday 28 th February	LGBT History Month
Monday 20th - Tuesday 28th February	Literary Festival
Wednesday 1 st March	BR Got Talent
Thursday 2nd March	World Book Day(staff book character dress up)
Thursday 2nd March	Parent Engagement Group Meeting
Friday 3rd March	Curriculum Day
Monday 20th - Friday 24th March	Lent Appeal Week
Tuesday 21st March	World Poetry Day
Friday 24th March	Dress up Day (lent appeal)
Monday 27th March	Year 8 1st HPV vaccination

As we move through this academic year at pace, it is important that students continue to challenge themselves beyond the classroom; students have multiple resources that they can

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be using at home to support them with their learning and revision, to name a few Kerboodle, Mymaths, Cognito.edu, and OAK National.

There is also a comprehensive list of age-appropriate reading books on the school website for you and your child to peruse. Additionally, we now have an online library platform for students to borrow library books which can be found at <http://bishopramsey.eplatform.co>

The curriculum plans for this term are attached, giving an outline of the topics to be covered in each subject for the Spring Term.

Finally, I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It has been a pleasure getting to know the year group and many of you this year and I look forward to continuing to do so next year.

Best wishes,

Miss J McLoughlin
Year 8 Director