



# This Week

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## From the Principal:

With their time at Sir Jonathan North nearing an end, last Friday night we were delighted to welcome Year 11 students to their Parisian themed leavers' prom. Students displayed their stunning outfits on a red carpet which took them to a transformed dining room. We know that wonderful memories were made for all who attended; it was certainly a night to remember.

We now extend good wishes to this group as they prepare to start their GCSE exams which begin next week. We know this can be a stressful time for students and we will continue to offer extra support. Breakfast will be available from 8 am each morning throughout the exam period. Staff will be on hand at this time to offer last minute support and guidance.

Alison Merrills

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

'Above all be the heroine of your life, not the victim.'

Nora Ephron

## COLLEGE CALENDAR

15 May  
26 May

Year 11 GCSE Exams begin  
College closes for half term

## STARS OF THE WEEK

With 100% attendance and no late marks last week, our Stars of the Week are:



Year 7 **Smriti Mukes 7.6**

Year 8 **Lily Payne 8.1**

Year 9 **Alicia Parmar 9.4**

Year 11 **Madeline Nyombi 11.5**



Mr Hartley, Assistant Principal



## SPOTLIGHT ON YEAR 11

On Monday morning Mr Dean, the examinations manager and I addressed all Year 11 students for their penultimate assembly where we talked through the exam protocol and regulations. It was great to see them all looking so fresh faced and ready to start the week after all the dancing and singing at Prom on Friday evening. I have to say many of the girls were almost unrecognisable at Prom; not only did they all look fantastic but there was a real sense of party and celebration in the dining room which I am sure your daughter will have told you was completely transformed for the evening and looked utterly magical!

This week I have sensed a real buzz in the air of steely determination and purpose. Most students are approaching this weekend with a clear plan for the next few weeks ahead and are just fine tuning and topping up their knowledge and exam skills. There are, however, still some girls feeling anxious. If you are concerned that your daughter is not prepared, please do contact us - we are happy to get revision resources together if she has reached the point where it all seems too much. It is not too late to get her sorted. Again, if your daughter is feeling overly anxious or stressed, please encourage her to speak to one of us, it is important to enter next week calm, relaxed and fully prepared.

To help your daughter enter next week in the best form possible, please ensure she gets plenty of sleep, eats well and spends some time relaxing. It is worth checking through her pencil case and making sure she has two black pens, two pencils, a ruler, protractor and calculator with new batteries. There is nothing worse than getting half way through an exam to find your pen has run out of ink! If she cannot find her exam timetable we can print her another in the exams office. The full exam timetable is also available on the college website.

Last but not least we realise that occasionally despite all the planning things do not always go to plan. Please do call us as early as possible if your daughter is going to be late for an exam. Wherever possible we will ensure she can still sit the exam in the time allocated and we will meet her at reception and help her to get ready before she starts to write her paper. If your daughter is too ill to attend an exam, please ensure you obtain medical evidence and get it into school as soon as possible so we can send it to the exam board.

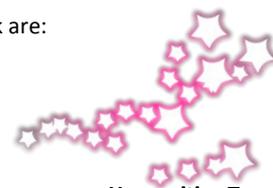
Good luck everyone!

Alice King, Assistant Principal

## HUMANITIES STARS OF THE WEEK

This week's Humanities Stars of the Week are:

Business Studies **Sian Vadher 11.1**  
Geography **Esme Garland 11.4**  
History **Zainab Rao 11.2**  
Religious Studies **Saima Lunat 9.3**  
Travel and Tourism **Katie Cooper 11.4**



Humanities Team

## YEAR 7 LUNCHTIME ARRANGEMENTS

As our Year 11 begin their GCSE exams on Monday, they will now be able to access the dining hall 10 minutes before the rest of the College at 12.55 pm. This is to allow students the time to prepare fully for afternoon GCSE exams. This will mean that from **Monday 15 May, Year 7 students will now go to the dining hall at 1.05 pm at the end of lesson 4.** We wish our Year 11 the best of luck in their upcoming exams.

Mr Hartley, Assistant Principal

## SAFEGUARDING SNIPPET

During Year 7 Parents' Evening on Thursday we offered a safeguarding drop-in session to raise awareness of on-line safety and Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE). The Student Support Manager gave parents a demonstration of a new website **H2b Safety Centre** which details all mobile devices and a range of social media sites, to enable parents to put safety controls on devices as well as knowing 'how' and 'who' to report concerns to.

Priya Chandaranra from the new Multi-agency Child Sexual Exploitation Team was also present to share information about their project and to answer any questions. There is a new CSE Parent Support Co-ordinator in place called Wendy Marsh who would like to work with parents and is eager to know from you what support or information you may like.

Leaflets and information were available for parents along with a list of codes which teenagers are using for sexting. If you would like any further information please contact Jacky Mason at the college. There will be further safeguarding drop-in sessions at Parents' Evenings in the future and if you would like to book a slot, please enter a time on the appointment slip your daughter brings home prior to the evening.

Mrs Mason, Student Support Manager

### WORK EXPERIENCE 2017

As Year 10 come to the end of their work placements, it has been amazing to hear so many positive reports back from teachers and employers.

Feedback from employers so far is that many of the girls are making full use of the experience. We cannot wait to hear from the students next week!

**Mrs Orton, IAG Administrator**



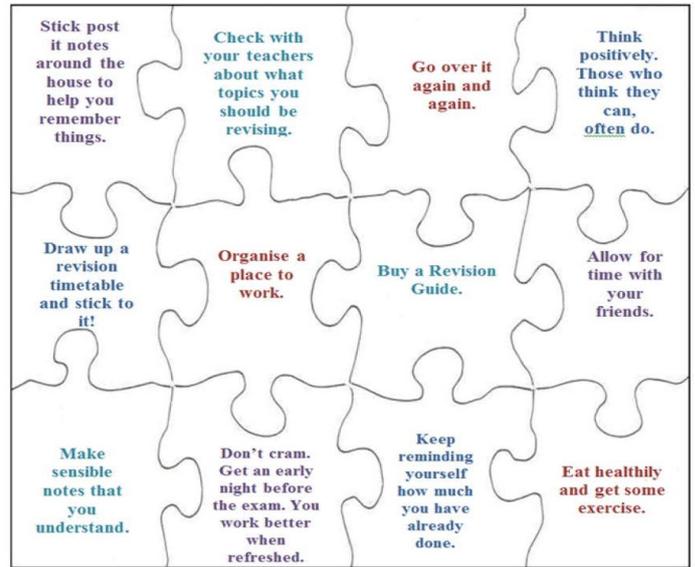
### UNWANTED BOOK COLLECTION



We are collecting unwanted children's books for South African Schools where only 7% of schools have a library. If you want to donate your unwanted books, please send them to the school library. Many thanks

**Mrs Vyas, LRC Manager**

### TOP TIPS FOR REVISION



### CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION IN YEAR 8

This week Year 8 became CSI agents as they tried to determine which teacher was guilty of murder.

Students cross examined witnesses and suspects to get to the bottom of the case. Dr Thompson looked very fidgety as she was questioned and Ms Rashid failed to convince them of her innocence.

Well done to all the students and teachers for their enthusiasm in lessons.

**Mrs Shearer, Subject Leader, Biology**

### YEAR 11 PROM 2017

Year 11 students and staff enjoyed our annual Prom on Friday 5 May. The dining room and atrium were transformed into a scene of Parisian Nights, which was the theme for this year's celebratory event.

This event is always such a fantastic celebration of the past five years before the exam period begins. It truly was an amazing evening, with lots of laughter, dancing, and of course, selfies galore!

Thank you to the 187 students who attended: you were fantastic ambassadors for the college. A huge thank you also to all of the staff who supported the event on the evening, and to those behind the scenes. We would not have been able to do the event without you!

A special thank you must also go out to the Year 11 tutors and the Prom Committee, who spent many hours planning and supporting with the fundraising and events during the months leading up to the Prom.

**Mrs Goodwin, Year 11 Progress Leader**

