

#### 1 March 2024

## **Principal's Blog**

Please read Mr Wilding's blog '<u>A Principled View</u>' on our recent progress monitoring inspection report.

## Stop Labour from adding 20% to private school fees

Please find for your consideration, the following petition from a working family to stop Labour's pledge to end the tax-exempt status of education, adding 20% VAT to private school fees.

Petition

## Raising a child in a digital age

We are delighted to be able to offer you a complimentary recording to an online event provided by the Independent Schools Association (ISA) for parents on the topic; Raising a child in a digital age with Dr Kathy Weston. Please find <a href="here">here</a> further information and the link to the recording.

#### **Parents' Evenings**

Sixth Form parents evenings are coming up soon - Year 13 will be on Thursday 7 March and parents have been invited from 5.30pm- 7.30pm. Please keep the date for Year 12 Parents evening on Tuesday 19 March; a letter to parents will be sent very soon. Grade Cards from the exams will be available to parents on the day before parents evenings.

#### Year 13 Summer Ball - Thursday 27 June 2024

We are pleased to be able to give you initial details of the Y13 Summer Ball on Thursday 27 June 2024 from 7pm-10.30pm. The Ball will take place at Magnolia Park, Valley Road, Hughenden Valley, HP14 4LA. There will be pizzas and a disco with a paying bar. The event has been generously subsidised by the PTA so the cost of the tickets to students will be £25 per student. In order to secure your ticket, please pay on our payment portal. The deadline has been extended to Friday 8 March.

#### CCF Quiz Night - 6pm Friday 22 March

Tickets are on sale now via the <u>PTA Payment Portal</u> at £10 a head or £100 for a table (max 10). Please bring your own picnic/takeaway and with a cake sale by the cadets (cash only) and a PTA run bar it promises to be a good night for all.

## PTA Hollywood Ball - Saturday 8 June

Reserve your place by sending an email to <a href="mailto:pta.ccgs@gmail.com">pta.ccgs@gmail.com</a> with the number of guests, year group and contact number. We aim to put year groups together.

### **Auction Prizes for the Summer Ball**

The PTA would like to reach out to any parent in the school that could perhaps be able to offer an auction prize for the Claires Court Ball. If you can help please

drop us an email to <a href="mailto:pta.ccgs@gmail.com">pta.ccgs@gmail.com</a> advising what you would like to offer and we will be in touch to discuss further.

# Joint Senior Concert - Wednesday 20 March - Senior Girls, College Avenue 7pm-9pm \*Save the Date\*

Further information to follow but please pop the date into your calendar for a musical evening performance provided by our Senior Girls and Boys and Sixth Form Students.

#### **UNIVERSITY INFORMATION FOR YEARS 12 & 13**

## For aspiring Doctors and Dentists: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL CONFERENCES

Get Into Medicine conference, Saturday 2 March from 9.30am - 3.30pm <a href="https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjv0">https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjv0</a>

For those curious in a career in dentistry, we're thrilled to offer a FREE LIVE VIRTUAL InspireD conference on Wednesday 6 March 6pm-8pm: https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shrRVMnYG589uWiXs

### **Politics and International Relations degree**

The University of Surrey and University of East Anglia will join us on 6th March to offer invaluable insights into their courses. The session is designed for students interested in discovering more about further study and informing their university options for 2025.

Wednesday 6 March 4.15pm-5.15pm - Politics & International Relations - University Module Insights & The Learning Experience – Surrey & UEA (KS5) Find out more »

## **Nursing degrees**

Thursday 7 March 5pm-6pm Nursing - University Module Insights & The Learning Experience - Sheffield & UEA (KS5) Find out more >>

# Philosophy Taster Lecture: Argumentation and Structuring an Essay

Join Dr Brendan Larvor, Head of the University of Hertfordshire's Philosophy department, for an essay writing masterclass. Brendan will share advice on arguing, structuring essays, deciding what to put in and what to leave out, and how to really make a point stick..

Thursday 7 March, 4.30-5.15 Book your place.

### **Oxford Brookes University Taster days**

Join our Subject Taster Days to gain first hand experience of studying at university level and student life. Each Subject Taster Day is free to attend and will give insight into a range of courses within a subject area from one of our four faculties: Humanities and Social Sciences, Oxford Brookes Business School, Health and Life Sciences and Technology, Design and Environment: For more information and descriptions of the days, please visit the website.

#### **Brunel University Taster days**

Our subject-specific taster days begin at 10am and run for approximately 4 hours on campus in Uxbridge, west London. These sessions provide students with the opportunity to delve deeper into their course(s) of interest through taster lectures and workshops. They can chat with our current students and

teaching staff, and receive all the support they need to make informed choices about their future studies.

Sessions on law, engineering & maths, criminology and history and politics are available. You can find out more details and book here

#### **CAREERS INFORMATION**

## **Apprenticeships**

Please see this very helpful parent guide to apprenticeships <a href="here">here</a>

## Insight to Amazon: Business & Economics - Tuesday 5 March 5pm - 6pm

Are you looking to enter the world of business & economics after you leave school? Perhaps you are looking for some business & economics work experience that would set you above the rest when it comes to applying for university or apprenticeships? This virtual event will be delivered by key business leaders at Amazon as well as potential future employers, who will also share their secret tips and tricks on how to secure a business role at Amazon. So, with the opportunity to widen your knowledge, expand your network, and gain invaluable tips on how to secure yourself a future role, what is there to lose? Application Link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TJCL7BX

## RSM UK London - Early Careers Insight Event - Wednesday 13 March

RSM would like to invite students from local schools, along with their parents, to our upcoming insight event at our London Farringdon office for prospective school leavers.

RSM is a leading provider of audit, tax and consulting services to the middle market, and offer a range of programmes via our school leaver professional apprenticeship programme, helping school leavers to take this first step in their career with confidence.

About the event:

Date: Wednesday 13 March 2024

Time: 5.30pm- 7pm

Location: RSM UK London Office, 25 Farringdon Street, London, EC4A 4AB What our Insight Event will include:

- A chance to learn about the wide range of career opportunities available at RSM
- Find out about the opportunities we offer for learning and development
- Hear about the different service lines at RSM and the career paths available
- Learn about our recruitment process, professional qualifications, and career progression
- Meet some of our current trainees, managers and partners and find out what life is like at RSM
- Get answers to questions that will help you shape your future

#### RSVP:

If you would like to attend this event, please RSVP to kayla.lewis@rsmuk.com & francesca.cook@rsmuk.com



## Career Taster Schedule - sign up here

Tuesday 12 March - 6pm

Breaking into Creative Arts

Breaking into Psychology

Wednesday 13 March - 6pm

Breaking into Engineering

Breaking into Law

Thursday 14 March - 6pm

Breaking into Medicine

Breaking into Banking

All webinars will take place online via Zoom at 6pm UK time.