

Message from the Head of School

24th November 2023

Dear Parents, carers and all in the Chessington community

Year 11 Mock exams started this week and I have been incredibly impressed with the students' focus and attitude. As I type they are completing the most important of all - Maths!

As a school we participate in so many different sports, each week we have on average 3 or 4 fixtures which is fantastic. A huge thank you to all of the PE team for giving up their time for these and for coaching so well that we keep winning!

Some staffing updates for you:

Mrs Cooper has been promoted to Deputy Headteacher to oversee Behaviour, Safeguarding and Culture. She has already made a great start to this role and I know will have incredible impact for our students.

Miss Jones will be our new Behaviour Support Officer, with her excellent relationships with our students she is in a great place to support them with making right choices.

Mr Swanepoel will be joining us as Head of Design Technology on 6th December. I know that our students have missed having the practical element of DT and we are delighted that we have managed to find a great teacher in a national shortage.

Our team of Year 9 Mental Health Ambassadors attended the Kingston Schools' Mental Health Conference last week with Mrs Jackson and came back full of ideas on how they can support their peers at school. More information on this to follow in the end of term bumper newsletter. See a snapshot below from the event.



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Successes

Green Tie winners from Year 10 this week, well done Lilli, Daniel, Loui, Alfie and Yasir.

Lots of Year 9's have improved their attendance this half term so have been issued with skip the lunch queue passes - great work and keep it up!

As always, please do let me know if you have any feedback (positive or negative!)

Best wishes

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Ms S Wilson Head of School



What's coming up

Monday 27th November - Year 11 Mock exams continue

Wednesday 29th November- Masterchef Competition hosted here at Chessington

Streak Week returns starting 4th December - 100% attendance for that week to gain entry to a film afternoon!



Reminders

Please keep bringing in the gifts for the Smiles2Smiles campaign, it closes on Monday 4th December.

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