

Letter from the Head 29/3/24

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Dear all,

This week we have held our Easter achievement assemblies, and I would like to reiterate a huge congratulations to each and every student who received subject awards as we celebrated their achievements. But also to those that received school 'Colours' for how they are living out our values of working hard, being kind and taking responsibility. A full list of students who received Colours in this round of awards can be viewed → here

By now you will have received our termly interactive newsletter, but you can also hear about events at the school from the students' perspective by having a read of the latest edition of <u>'Park Life'</u> A brilliant edition this term from our talented journalism club.

The last two weeks have seen students pit themselves into a fiercely competitive series of House matches which has allowed a large number of students to showcase their talents on the netball courts and football pitches. Whilst we await the conclusion after the holidays as a result of the extreme weather on Thursday that saw a postponement to the Year 7 competition...it does look like Chaffey House have set the pace in this round of competition.

As we move into the holidays, I hope everyone manages to get a rest and takes the opportunity to recharge their batteries after what has been an incredibly busy term. Next term sees attention turn fully to the exam season, which is actually now already underway. Practical exams started last week in food, dance and drama, and on our return, we are straight into the languages speaking and listening assessments before the exams start 'properly' on the 9th May. We wish our Year 11 and 13 students the very best with their preparations over the next two weeks, we look forward to seeing them at revision sessions and I would like to remind them that as a school, we will be right behind them over the exams season

Looking forward to next term, I am delighted to announce the start for two new colleagues;

Shauni Peeters - Head of Humanities and Simon Combstock - Head of Science. Two experienced and high quality practitioners who will add a great deal to the school.

I would also like to announce that we bid farewell to two colleagues; Izzy Peacock leaves the PE department to pursue her passion of working with SEND students, and Simone Herden now starts her maternity leave. We wish them both the very best.

I hope you all have a fantastic Easter.

Warm regards,

Headteacher