

STUDENT BRIEFING

Week commencing 13 January 2020

VOCATION AND EVANGELISATION

“You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.” (John 15:16)

Important Dates

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| Monday 13 January | College Uniform check Year 11 Mock Week |
| Tuesday 14 January | Swindon College Open Event -5.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. Year 9 Options Evening – 5.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. |
| Wednesday 15 January | Year 7 Mass |
| Forward Notice 20 & 21 January 22 January 23 – 26 January | Siemens Mobility Careers Open Evening – 5.00 p.m. Year 9 Parents Evening Year 11 Kintbury Retreat |

Swindon College Open Event



Into the Woods – Thursday 16th January – 3.00 – 5.00 p.m.

All cast members to get together for the first time Thursday 16th of January. Please meet in Mr Halpin's room. We will be having a quick chat and then watching the Into the Woods film. Feel free to bring snacks. Any students who want to be part of the chorus but were not listed on the notice board please feel free to come along especially if you signed up before the auditions started. Any questions please come and see Mr Halpin.

Chaplaincy

Student Chaplaincy will be taking place Wednesday 15th January, 8.35 a.m. – 9.35 a.m. in the Chapel. Please arrive straight after registration. Many thanks Mrs Mobey and Mrs Barkham.

Student Leadership notices

Year 7-9 Student Advisory Group - The STAG Group have been busy redecorating the plastic recycling bin. We would love students to use the bin to recycle their plastic drinking bottles. The College is looking into selling water bottles so speak to your Tutor rep about this. Our next meeting is on Thursday 16th January at 1.30pm.

Year 10 Student Leaders - Our Next Meeting will be on Tuesday 14th during Citizenship. The venue will be advertised outside Mr Matyla's classroom.

Blue recycling bins - Please could all students use the blue bins in the Street for their plastic bottles. The Student Leaders have decorated one bin and will be launching a competition to put a design onto a second bin.

Design Ideas Needed! - As you already know, pollution and plastic waste is becoming a major issue and as students we aren't doing much to help. Many people are not aware of which bin in the canteen is for recycling plastic, therefore plastic is going in the waste bin. As student leaders, we have decorated two bins to advertise plastic to be put there. We have one more bin to decorate. We are asking all tutors to take a Citizenship lesson or two to draw and colour in a design for the bins on a piece of paper. If your tutor group design idea wins, it will be painted on the bins and displayed in the canteen. Please bring designs to G12 by the end of this month.

Thank you and good luck!

Curriculum Support

Please note that Curriculum Support will not be available at lunchtimes for the next two weeks for years 7,8,9,10. Year 11 are welcome as usual. This is due to the mock exams. Please see Mrs Fraser if you have any concerns. The library is usually open so if you wish to go somewhere quiet after you have finished your lunch then please go there.

Important Immunisation changes for 2020

The new schedule for this has been changed and will now be:

Girls and Boys in Year 9 DTP & MENACWY vaccination on Thursday 12th March 2020.

Girls and Boys - HPV vaccination 1st dose-HPV on Tuesday 16th June 2020

All consent forms will be emailed home in February. There are no hard copies of these forms and all forms must be completed online before the immunisation date.

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh

The following groups will be in ICT rooms this week to add evidence, contact details etc. to their eDofE sections:

Mr Shakles' groups go to S16

Mrs Kilder's groups go to S18

Mrs De Araujo's groups go to S19

All other groups go to your normal classrooms. Thank you Miss Mckenna.

PE enrichment Term 3

| <u>Time</u> | <u>Day</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Year Group</u> | <u>Activity</u> |
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| Afterschool (3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.) Fixtures will run later | Tuesday | Boys | 8 & 9 | Basketball |
| | Tuesday | Boys | 7 & 8 | Football |
| | Wednesday | Girls | All years | Football (Indoor & Outdoor) |
| | Thursday | Boys | 9 & 10 | Football |
| | Thursday | Girls | All years | Basketball |

Girls' fixtures this term are football and boys are continuing with basketball. There is also Cross Country and an U13 Wiltshire Games Girls 'B' team netball tournament. Coming up in Term 4 are the Swindon Girls' basketball leagues and the Swindon Boys' football cups. PE Department.

Pastoral Notices

Can students please take care when removing their bikes from the bike sheds? If their bike becomes entangled or blocked in by another student's bike please ask a member of staff for assistance. Wrenching or pulling your bike forcibly free is very likely to result in damage to other bikes.

A reminder that students are not allowed past the barriers in the street during lunchtimes and must not enter/exit via the doors at the end of the street nor by the doors by the ILC (unless using the ILC). Food can only be consumed in the canteen or in the designated outside areas.

Siemens Apprenticeship Information for Year 11 Students

We have been sent this information about opportunities to apply for Siemens apprenticeships next year. Please see the information below:

Dates: 20th & 21st January 2020

Time: 5pm

Location: Siemens Mobility – Rail Infrastructure, Langley Business Park, Pew Hill, Chippenham, SN15 1GE.

Sign up for free here: <http://bit.ly/2KEOFUa>

The event is designed to provide essential information about the apprenticeships Siemens offers. This includes information about real-world live projects apprentices work on, the support apprentices receive from line managers and mentors as well as information about the following qualifications you could gain on one of our apprenticeships:

- Level 3 – Rail Engineering Design Technician
- Level 3 – Business administrator / Learning and development practitioner
- Level 4 – Engineering Manufacture
- Level 6 - Digital and Technology Solutions Professional Degree Apprenticeship
- Level 6 – Civil Engineer
- Level 6 – Project Management

Siemens Mobility apprentices will also be in attendance to explain their role in the organisation and provide an unrivalled insight into their daily life as an apprentice within the company.

For parents, there will be presentations on the recruitment process with tips on how they can help their children with their apprenticeship applications. There will also be the opportunity to ask questions to apprentices, managers and those in the recruitment team.

Students who are interested in attending these information events should use the link to sign up. If they have problems signing up they should see Mrs Sanders.

The next briefing will be Friday 17 January 2020.