



NEWSLETTER



28 February 2020 Term 4: Week 1 Weekly Message from the Headteacher: Mr Ellis

We have enjoyed a very positive return to school for the start of term 4 of the academic year. This is a critical time in the school calendar as students prepare for examinations and assessments. It was great to see some of our Years 11 and 13 in school over the half-term break, taking part in revision sessions in preparation for their next round of examinations starting next week. A huge thank you to the staff who made this provision. I am writing my contribution to this week's newsletter just before the Year 10 PCE on Thursday evening. This will provide a great opportunity for our students to precisely identify the areas on which they need to focus, if they are to secure the best possible GCSE grades.



As well as celebrating our students' achievements in school, we are always keen to acknowledge their extra-curricular successes. It was great to hear of the Hind brothers' recent exploits in the pool, as both Christopher (Year 7) and Matthew (Year 10) recorded personal bests in the Sussex County Championships, winning a stack of medals between them. This is a reflection of all the effort and commitment they make and is fully deserved.

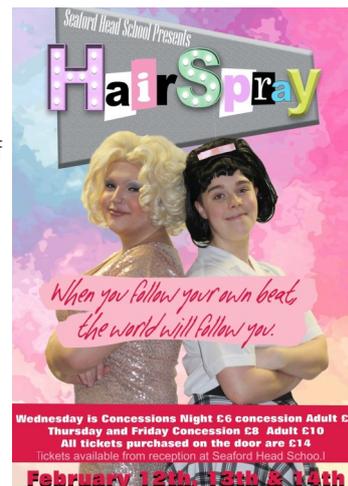
Although we are heading towards spring, the weather remains wet and miserable. I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that our students should not be wearing 'hoodies' to school as these are not part of the school's uniform and offer scant protection against the elements. Our students are generally extremely smart but this is becoming an issue, along with a small but growing number of them who are wearing black trainers or canvas style footwear, rather than black school shoes. I would also like to issue another reminder to our cyclists and scooter riders that they should be wearing a helmet for the journey to and from school whilst students who walk should use the crossings. The roundabout outside the Texaco garage has been identified by a number of concerned local residents as a dangerous place, where our students are crossing. We really do appreciate the support we receive from parents and carers in maintaining our high standards and keeping our students safe and smart.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 4 March	S6H Parent Clinic	4.00pm-5.30pm S6H Centre
Wednesday 11 March	Science Fair	4.00pm-5.00pm Steyne Road Site
Tuesday 17 March	12 Rocks Andrew Wright Parent Seminar	6.30pm-7.30pm Arundel Road Site

Headteacher's Star of the Week The Cast and Crew of the Production of Hairspray: Positive Contributions Key

I am sure that I am not the only person who started the half-term break with a spring in my step and a song in my heart. This was a result of having the privilege of watching the performance of Hairspray on Friday evening. It was the fourth performance and each show scaled new heights. One proud parent commented to me, as he left, that the show was of "West End quality" and the "best school show he had ever seen" and I agreed; it really was sensational. The one hundred and thirty students who made up the cast and crew, along with the fantastic team of staff who supported them, should feel extremely proud of themselves and deserve our thanks for keeping us so thoroughly entertained. It was a real team effort and, although it is difficult to single out individuals, every high performing team needs a great leader and in Mr Faulkner we have someone who inspires the whole school community. Thank you for putting on such an amazing spectacle that will live long in the memory.



Key stage 3

KS3: loquacious (adj)

This **adjective** is used to describe something who talks a great deal (is talkative).

Key Stage 4

KS4: thematic (adj)

This **adjective** is used to describe something as having or relating to subjects or a particular subject.



Director of Learning Star of the Week!

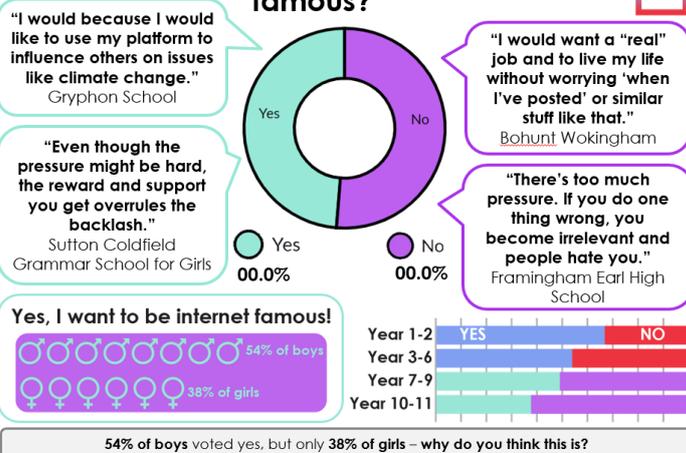
Year Group	Name	For
Year 7	Mia Golovnuiva	For always working really hard in Geography!
Year 8	To be confirmed	
Year 9	Bella Bennett	For an OUTSTANDING performance in Basketball!!!!
Year 10	Matthew Hind	For sporting success!!
Year 11	To be Confirmed	

Year 7 PCE	Thursday 23 April 2020 Arundel Site: 4.30pm-7.30pm
Year 9 PCE	Thursday 30 April 2020 Arundel Site: 4.30pm-7.30pm
Year 11 PCE	Thursday 19 March 2020 Arundel Site: 4.30pm-7.30pm

Votes for Schools?

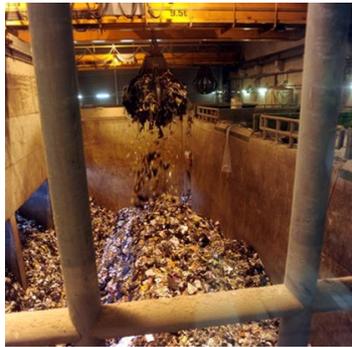
Is the UK a tolerant place to live?

Feedback: "Do you want to be internet famous?"



Newhaven Energy Recovery Facility Visit Report By Ruben Davey Year 8

On 30 January, we went to the Newhaven Energy Recovery Facility. We travelled in two minibuses there and back. We had to sign in on entry to the building and sign out when we left, for our safety. The site stays open all year round, it doesn't close and produces electricity by burning non-recyclable rubbish. When we arrived, we had to put on reflective vests, safety goggles and hard hats which was our PPE clothing [Personal Protective Equipment]. At night there are only two people working at the plants as most of the building was automated. The people working at night would only need to watch computer screens, to monitor for fire or any issues with the machines and equipment. They get the rubbish by having lorries and rubbish trucks collecting rubbish and bringing it to the plant. There are about eighty lorries a day bringing rubbish to the plant, which is managed by professionals working shifts so that there are always members of staff on site. The fumes from the stacks are filtered, so none of the toxic gasses will be released, thus reducing pollution. In one of the rooms there was a big, glass screen and on the other side a big claw for mixing up all the rubbish, which then gets put on a conveyor to get burnt. Sometimes the rubbish catches fire and there are thermal heat cameras to detect this before it gets out of control. The plant opened on 4 July 2004. The facility had two furnaces so rubbish could be burnt faster and if one furnace has a problem then the other will take over. The electricity is produced by the rubbish when it has been burnt. This produces steam by heating water, and can power many homes in the local area [Seaford, Newhaven etc.]



The Giant Claw picks up all the non-recyclable rubbish to burn

The control room where all stages of the process is monitored



	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Year 7 Lessons	Emotional Wellbeing Resilience Smart Movers Book 1	Character Development Friendships Anti-bullying	Healthy Self Exercise Food & Nutrition Sleep & First Aid	Relationships & Sex Education	Substances Alcohol Smoking	Citizenship Rights & Responsibilities Human Rights
Year 8 Lessons	Emotional Wellbeing Resilience Smart Movers Book 2	Character Development Relationships	Healthy Self Growing Self & Puberty Hygiene	Relationships & Sex Education	Substances Alcohol/ Smoking Medication/Cannabis	Citizenship Culture & Identity Equality & Diversity Extremism/ Racism
Year 9 Lessons	Substances Smoking Alcohol	Substances Cannabis Class A & B, 'Legal Highs'	Democracy & Equality	Relationships & Sex Education	Relationships & Sex Education	Mental Health Emotional Resilience Addiction/Gambling (Year 10) Money Skills
Year 10 Lessons/Tutor Time			PiXL Wellbeing		CHW Sexual Health	Relationships & Sex Education (after Ethics GCSE)
Year 11 Tutor Time/Assembly	UCAS World Mental Health Day	UCAS Resilience	Revision techniques and revision	Maths/English revision	Maths/English revision	
Events	Inns for Genes Day Mental Health Day 10/10 Show Racism the Red Card Black History Month	World Aids Day 1/12 Children in Need Anti-Bullying Week International Men's Day Human Rights Day 10/12	Safer Internet Day 5th Feb LGBT History Month Feb	International Women's Day 8/3 World Book Day 7/3 No Smoking Day	Healthy Eating Week	National Democracy Day Refugee Week

Attendance

Our Attendance Target for Years 7 to 11 has been set at 97%.

Teachers and members of the support staff work hard to encourage students and their families to achieve the 97% target and we reward students for 100% attendance on a weekly and termly basis.

Year Group Attendance Weeks 1-18 5 September- 24 January 2020						
Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
96.1%	95.7%	95.1%	95.3%	94.3%	95.23%	95.0%
Average						95.3%

Absence Line

If your child is absent, please ensure that you phone the absence line on 01323-872728 by 9.00am, as this will avoid receiving an unnecessary call from our Absence Officer.

Premier United FC

New U13 Players Wanted!

(We're looking for dedicated boys and girls currently in Year 8 to play for our new age group U13 (U14s, Year 9 in September), who can play in the league from September 2020.)

Training Saturday's 9am – 10:15am @ The Salts Recreation Ground, Seaford.

Premier United is a local grass roots club based in Seaford, East Sussex, with FA chartered standard status.

The football club prides itself on the dedication of high quality, and fun but suitable technical and tactical training sessions to help develop social skills, and build confidence whilst improving their ability within football, we aim to treat all players equally and make sure that whilst having fun they are learning and feeling safe in the training environment we provide. Alongside this, we also offer:

- Free taster sessions
- Free kit
- Monthly FREE training sessions with Albion in the Community

Coach Profile:

Name: Bethany Whittaker

Experience:

- 13 months of coaching football in the United States of America
- FA coaching badge qualified with safeguarding
- FA Talent Identification qualified
- Degree with Honours in Sports Business and Coaching

"As a parent at the club for eleven years, and with three of my children playing, I only have praise for Premier. All three of my boys have fun, whilst in a safe learning environment. The coaching sessions are all appropriate and fun, which makes my children excited to go back every week."

Email: bethanywhittaker2010@hotmail.co.uk

- Kayleigh Spencer



YOUTH U13s RECRUITING NEW PLAYERS

A fantastic group of current year 8 boys and girls are looking for new players to join their team.

We currently train Saturday mornings at Seaford Head Lower School. Come along and try us, the first three sessions are free!

We are an inclusive community football team who's focus is to create a safe and friendly atmosphere, providing a platform for every player to flourish and to help them become the best that they can be.

FIRST 3 SESSIONS FREE

For Further Information
Please Contact U13s
Team Manager:

Nick Phillips
07368 305 113

BSMS MONTHLY LECTURE SERIES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS



BSMS MEDICAL STUDENTS A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A MEDICAL STUDENT

What does a typical day look like for a student studying medicine? How did students find adjusting to life at BSMS? And what advice would our current students give to those hoping to study medicine in the future? In this lecture we'll hear from our very own students from various year groups, including a recent BSMS graduate in the first year of their foundation year training. As well as hearing from our students, there will also be the chance to ask them questions about their experiences so far, and how they are finding training to become the next generation of doctors.

Wednesday 4th March, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Checkland Lecture Theatre, University of Brighton

Tickets are free but must be booked online at: <https://bit.ly/38DMUjy>



Protecting the beauty of the Downs

2019/2020 Photographic Competition

The Friends of the South Downs invite you to join some of our strolls with photographic opportunities in our beautiful countryside at half term and in the Easter holidays.

Northchapel Snowdrops 5 miles

Wednesday 19 February 10:30 - 13:00

Start: Northchapel Village Hall CP GU28 9JA
Around Northchapel and through a snowdrop wood for photo opportunities. Notes: No Dogs please

Photographic beauty of Petworth Park 2 miles

Monday 6 April 10:30 - 12:00

Start: Horse Guards Inn Tillington GU28 9AF
Come and see the beautiful landscape of Petworth Park. The fallow deer, long views and great trees make for great photographic opportunities. Notes: Dogs Welcome

Iconic Views at Seaford Head 4 miles

Wednesday 15 April 10:30 - 13:00

Start: Seafont near Splash Point, Seaford BN25 1BW
Eric Slater's colour woodcuts of the amazing views round Seaford Head were popular in the 1930s. We'll curtail the Slater Trail to allow for photography time: steep climb to Seaford Head, Coastguard Cottages, Cuckmere Haven, views of Seven Sisters, golf course, return.

Please arrive at the meeting place 15 minutes before the walk to allow time for putting on boots etc, and make yourself known to the leader.

Children to be accompanied by an adult

Registered Office: 5 Swan Court, Station Road, Pulborough, West Sussex RH20 1RL. Tel: 01798 875073
The Society is a company limited by guarantee, registered no.319437 and is a registered charity no: 230329
The South Downs Society is an independent charity which relies on member subscriptions, donations and gifts in wills



FIRST 3 SESSIONS FREE

For Further Information
Please Contact U11s
Team Manager:

Paul Smith
07881 556 931

YOUTH U12s RECRUITING NEW PLAYERS

A fantastic group of current year 7 boys and girls are looking for new players to join their team.

We currently train Friday evenings on the Wave Leisure AstroTurf pitch 6pm-7pm. Come along and try us, the first three sessions are free!

We are an inclusive community football team who's focus is to create a safe and friendly atmosphere, providing a platform for every player to flourish and to help them become the best that they can be.