

St Dunstan's School

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Well, here we are at the end of Term 4 - two thirds of the way through the school year! Year 11 are working hard to prepare for their exams. Thank you to all the staff who are running revision sessions over the holidays as well as after school - do encourage your child to attend as many sessions as possible; hard work now really pays off in the exams.

As we come to the end of term, we say goodbye to Mrs Bodman and Mr Waterhouse from the Science department. We also wish farewell to Ms Chapple from the ARC. Finally, a great goodbye to Mr Oakwood. Thank you to them all for all their hard work and contributions to the life of the school - we wish them every success and happiness for the future.

As one door closes, another opens - we welcome Ms Richards as our new Assistant Headteacher for Quality of Education at the start of next term - Ms Richards is also a science teacher and will take on teaching responsibilities as well as her leadership role. Ms Shrapnel also joins the science team as a full time teacher from the start of next term - congratulations to them both on their new roles.

We are all very excited about having a school production in the summer term; thank you to Mrs Hopton and Mrs Pulford for organising this and well done to everyone who is participating both as performers and behind the scenes.

I am delighted that we are taking part in the purple chair initiative - more on this later in this newsletter - thank you to Mrs Loud for all her work on this important project.

We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday 15 April. Mr Armstrong has written to inform parents that there are timetable changes after Easter - you can see your child's timetable on Talaxy. **Do be aware it is week B when we come back.** Please remember to ensure that your child is on the school side of the gate by 8.40 in correct uniform and with the correct equipment. Have a lovely Easter break.

Mrs Bevan



28.03.24

ASSEMBLY
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KEY DATES
15 April -
Start of Term
- Week B
22 April -
Deadline for
Activities
Week Form to
be completed

Click here
for term
dates



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Ofsted Report



As you know, we have had our Ofsted report and we have had a lovely write up in the Nub News - you can read it here:

<https://glastonbury.nub.news/news/local-news/st-dunstans-triumphs-glastonbury-school-secures-good-rating-in-latest-ofsted-inspection-225234>
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Year 11 Revision

Revision packs/past papers have been issued to Year 11 today. We have an extensive range of revision sessions being run in the Easter holidays - please ensure your child has signed up and attends the sessions. Students should arrive 10 minutes before sessions start so they can be collected from reception. Please note the canteen will not be open so students should bring drinks, snacks and/or lunch with them. Here is the schedule of sessions

		Monday 1st	Tuesday 2nd	Wednesday 3rd	Thursday 4th	Friday 5th
Week beginning: 1st April	AM (10:00 - 12:00)	Bank Holiday	Art (L3)	Art (L3) Music (Room 18)	Geography (L1)	Music (Room 18)
	PM (12:30 - 14:30)		Art (L3)	Art (L3) Music (Room 18)	Computer Science (Room 2)	Music (Room 18)
		Monday 8th	Tuesday 9th	Wednesday 10th	Thursday 11th	Friday 12th
Week beginning: 8th April	AM (10:00 - 12:00)	Foundation Maths (Room 1) Higher Science (S3)	English (Drama Studio) Graphics (L4)		History (L5)	School Closed
	PM (12:30 - 14:30)	Higher Maths (Room 1) Foundation Science (S3)	Graphics (L4)		History (L5)	



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Enrichment Week - Final Week of the Summer Term

Information about enrichment week has been sent out to parents and students have had information about the wide range of activities on offer. The letter sent out contains a link to a google form for registering choices. **The deadline for completing the form is 22 April.**

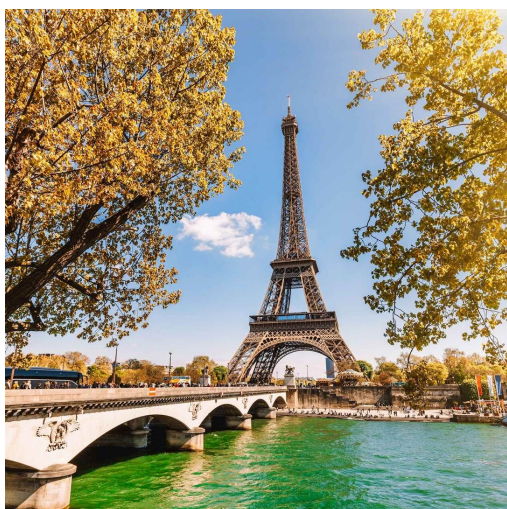
You can access the letter using the link below:

<https://www.midsomernortonschoolpartnership.com/uploads/files/enrichment-week-2024-letter.pdf.pdf>



Year 10 Trip to France

Bon voyage to our Year 10 French students! They left school just after 4am on Wednesday morning for an action packed 5 days in Paris . They have arrived safely and were last seen heading to Disneyland!



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Purple Chair Initiative

In the library we have a new purple chair. The Violence Reduction Partnership at Avon and Somerset Police have kindly donated this to us as part of their Safer Streets project to tackle violence against women and girls. Alongside the chair there is a purple folder where girls can find resources and advice to support their safety and wellbeing.

I also have some keyrings and pens so any students that would like one should come and see me. Mrs Loud



Purple Day

Happy Purple Day! Purple Day is observed on the 26th March to spread awareness about epilepsy and its impact on people's lives. The day also reminds people with epilepsy that they are not alone. Purple Day aims to increase the public's knowledge of a neurological condition affecting nearly 50 million people worldwide. At school this week we are selling purple wristbands to raise money for the Epilepsy Society. Further details can be found here: <https://epilepsysociety.org.uk/get-involved/purpleday>



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School Production



Well done to everyone involved in the auditions and casting for our Whole School Production of Aladdin which will be performed in July.

Rehearsals for the coming weeks are as follows:

Wednesday 17th April 3:15pm-4:30pm- all performers

Wednesday 24th April 3:15pm-4:30pm- all performers

Wednesday 1st May 3:15-4:30pm- Jasmine, Isir, Rajah and Manal only

The cast have been brilliant in rehearsals so far, and we can't wait to share this performance with you in July.

We would be grateful for any donations of coat hangers so we can hang up the costumes!

Mrs Hopton and Mrs Pulford

Duke of Edinburgh Training

The Year 9 DofE students excelled themselves during their training session on Wednesday evening. Students worked in their groups to put up their tents. They were resilient when things got tricky and were kind and supportive of each other whilst undertaking the tasks. Well done everyone!



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Year 7 Easter Quiz

Today, during tutor time, Year 7 held an Easter Quiz. Battling it out were teams of 3, carefully selected by their tutor groups to represent their knowledge and understanding of Easter traditions and their physical skill in the 'After Eight Challenge'. The winning tutor group this time was 7KGR. We plan to repeat this regularly and add to our new 'leaderboard'. Well done to everyone involved!



Health and Wellbeing

We have had a couple of parents report that their children have had headlice - please use the Easter holidays to check your child's hair and treat if necessary. Mrs Easterbrook



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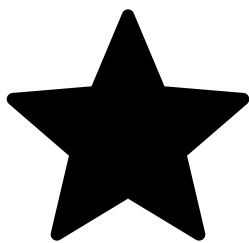


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ATTENDANCE MATTERS



100%

Attendance

Be in to win - 100% attendance will be rewarded with TRACK Stars and chance to win Amazon vouchers

82% of students achieve 5 GCSEs grade 5+

95%+

Attendance

77% of students achieve 5 GCSEs grade 5+

92-93%

Attendance

53% of students achieve 5 GCSEs grade 5+

Below
90%

Attendance

43% of students achieve 5 GCSEs grade 5+

96%

Attendance

This is the target equalling at most 8 days off per year

Absences
add up

Missing 2 days per month means you miss 10% of school

