

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017

## Summer Term 2017 – Newsletter 7

Dear Parents

Last week I attended the Senior Education Leadership Team meeting at Exchange Place in Warwick where the future global strategic vision for One School schools was shared with UK Head Teachers. The first part of this involves sharing and exploring the vision with all stakeholders including parents, pupils and staff. To support this there will be an evening meeting later in the term to present and explain the One School global vision. Once a date has been confirmed you will be invited to this event.

### Safe Use of the Internet and Laptops

Information Technology has quickly become an integral part of the pupils' learning with many of the older pupils having their own school laptop to use both at home and at school. Despite ongoing education about internet safety and well developed filtering systems installed there still remains a danger that pupils may access inappropriate content whilst using their laptops. Laptops are routinely checked in school and there are clear protocols for Focus schools to follow if a pupil has accessed such content or is not using their laptop for an appropriate task.

Please could we ask that you support your child by following this guidance:

- Laptops should only be used in family areas with the screen clearly visible at all times
- Parents should regularly check the files, photos and internet sites accessed
- Parents are encouraged to ask their children to show them what they are using their laptop for and how it is helping their learning

### Return of Laptops and Text Books – Year 11

Now that Year 11 have completed their GCSE exams all laptops and text books should be returned to Reception. Thank you to all who have already done this. Please could all outstanding laptops and text books be returned by Wednesday this week (21<sup>st</sup> June).

## **School Exam Week (Years 7 to 10) - 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> June - reminder**

End-of-year exams will take place for all pupils in Years 7 to 10 during the week beginning Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Subject teachers will ensure the pupils know what preparation is needed and what content will be covered. Home learning for this week will reflect this. Tutors will be covering revision techniques with the pupils as appropriate.

There is no need for the pupils to be unduly worried about the exams but please could you support by ensuring they have some time at home to carry out a revision programme. This is good habit to develop before public exams are encountered in the future.

Please note that full attendance during exam week is important as exam slots are difficult to reorganise for individual pupils so please could we ask that absence is avoided if at all possible.

## **GCSE Geography Field Trip**

On Friday last week the year 10 students joined up with Biggleswade campus on their field trip to Walton-on-the-Naze. The pupils collected lots of valuable data for their GCSE Geography. The main focus of the trip was coastal management and protection. It was a very productive and worthwhile trip.



## Dates for your Diary

As we approach the end of another school year here is a list of dates of events that it may be help to refer to:

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June - Dunstable Years 3 to 6 trip to Hazard Alley  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Northampton Market Day  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June - School Exams for Years 7 to 10  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June - Year 12 pupils to Exchange Place  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Year 11 and 12 pupils return to school  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Year 11 work experience starts  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Year 11 to 13 Cricket/Activities Day  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July - Transition Day  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July - Dunstable KS2 CLIC Sargent Charity Day  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Pupil home study day – Staff INSET  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July - Northampton Tip to Conkers  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July - Year 7 to 10 Cricket/Activities Day  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July - Northampton End-of-year Celebration Assemblies  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Sports Day at Bedford Athletics Stadium  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Y13 CAP Boot Camp at Exchange Place  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July - End-of-year Performance and Honours Ceremony

## One School Skills Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils who have accumulated enough commendations in each One School Skills category to qualify for a Silver Award:

**Silver:** Hanley Jackson Y8, Max Green Y9



These will be awarded in an assembly later in the term.

## Key Stage 2 Stars for this week

Hayley Morren: For carefully listening at swimming enabling her to make good progress in the lesson.

Holly Smith: For hard work and achievement all week.

Sadie Morren: outstanding listening skills in swimming.

## Calendar for the Week

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	19 <sup>th</sup> June	20 <sup>th</sup> June	21 <sup>st</sup> June	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	23 <sup>rd</sup> June
June 2017	<p>Years 7 and 8 Athletics Training at Stockwood Park – am</p> <p>Dunstable Years 3 to 6 Athletics Training at Stockwood Park – pm</p>	<p>Years 9 and 10 Athletics Training at Stockwood Park</p> <p>Staff PLG enquiry presentations 3.00pm</p>	<p>Dunstable Years 3 to 6 Trip to Hazard Alley – am</p> <p>Northampton Years 3 to 6 Athletics Training – pm</p>		<p>Northampton Primary Market Day</p>

Best wishes

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