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7th November 2025

Dear Parents/carers



I trust you all had some time to relax over the break. Students have returned to a term that will see a number of events taking place over the coming weeks. With the weather and light changing at this time of year, students are reminded about the importance of wearing warm outer clothing if walking to school and to ensure, if they are cycling, that they can be visible to other road users.

Other messages for the week can be found below:

Sixth Form Fundraiser

The year 13 Health and Social Care class recently visited the Children's hospice at Charlton Farm. Although this could have been a sad experience, instead, the students left with a feeling of hope, joy and love. As a result of the visit the group have launched a fundraiser to give back to a place that gives so much, every single day. The hospice relies on donations to continue their vital work, offering specialist care, comfort, and unforgettable experiences to children and families when they need it. Without the work of fundraisers throughout the year this essential charity would not be able to run and provide the services and support that it does. If you can donate, no matter the amount, please support this very worthy cause through the link here

https://www.gofundme.com/f/thswa-raising-money-for-childrens-hospice-south-west or use the QR code on the right.

For more information about the Children's Hospice South West please see their website www.chsw.org.uk



Year 11 and 13 winter exams

Students have continued to show high levels of focus ahead of the exams next week. Year 13 students will have a week of study leave coming onto site, only for their exams.

Year 11 students with afternoon exams will have lunch during period 4 where, if required, hot food can be purchased from the canteen. With the rest of the school still in lessons at this point, those taking an early lunch will remain in the canteen and outside area at the front of school, usually reserved for years 7 and 8 at social times.

Art and Photography Showcase – 13th November

An exhibition of the work from the class of 2025 will be on show next week. The exhibition, in the atrium, will be running between 5pm and 6pm on Thursday 13th November and refreshments will be available. Last year saw some stunning work, so if you are available please do pop in to see the talent on show.

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Finally... with Tuesday marking Remembrance Day I will be accompanied by Thomas and Yasmin (Year 13) who will also read extracts from a poem and the names of some of the fallen from Nailsea, as we attend the Wessex Learning Trust service in Cheddar. I know many of the school community will also be involved in other services that will take place this weekend. Such events help us to remember the sacrifice and contributions of those who were killed or affected during wars. This time is even more powerful when we think of ongoing areas of conflict around the world and to remember those who help, often at risk to themselves, in responding to the humanitarian impact of war. I am sure we will all take the time to reflect this weekend.

Take care and Be Kind

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Dee Elliott,

Head teacher





