

News & Views



#### **BREAKFAST FOR OUR YEAR 7 NETBALLERS**

It was a pleasure to host breakfast for the Year 7 Netball Team on Thursday 16 May alongside their coach, Mrs San Emeterio.

The students were invited to a special breakfast to celebrate their achievement winning their league, coming 3rd out of 12 teams in the District Netball Tournament and then making it through to the Inspire Tournament at the Surrey Finals.

Another team of talented students who epitomised all the Collingwood values during the netball season and have been rewarded with a promotion to Division A netball in Year 8.

Mrs San Emeterio said that their commitment to training and a very heavy fixture list has been superb. She would also like to thank their parents and carers for their continued support.

Harriet Andrew, Lottie Cook, Angelie Garcia, Emily-Mae Hodgson, Daphne Hood, Freya Langford, Madison Lesser, Chloe Marshall, Elsa Tansiri, Philippa Yuen

Miss Watling - Acting Principal

### **MOBILE PHONE POLICY**

Following the Department for Education releasing mobile phone guidance on the 19 February 2024 which states 'mobile phones will be banned in schools across England under new guidance issued to teachers', we have taken this as an opportunity to reflect on our position and to prohibit the use of mobile phones to all students during the College day after the May half term 2024.

Please see my letter dated 22 May which gives full details of this change to our policy which is attached to today's email to parents/carers and can also be found on Edulink \ Noticeboard \ Letters Home \ May.

I would be grateful if you could reiterate my rationale to your child to ensure a smooth transition to a mobilefree environment at Collingwood and that you ensure that your child brings in a bag to College as outlined in the Uniform Policy to store their mobile phone in during the day.

Miss Watling - Acting Principal



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - DON'T MISS OUT!

Friday 24 May:	End of Half-term
Monday 3 June:	Start of Term
Thursday 6 June:	Sports Day 2024, 5.00pm until 8.30pm, Aldershot Garrison Stadium
Wednesday 12 June:	Year 10 Sixth Form Taster Day

#### WATER BOTTLES

As the weather is now warming up, please could you remind your child to bring in a full water bottle which can be refilled onsite during the school day.

Many thanks.

Barossa and Kingston Reception

## **DOES YOUR CHILD SUFFER FROM <u>HAY FEVER?</u>**

We are beginning to see more students in first aid suffering with Hay Fever.

#### Please Note – We do not supply antihistamines in College.

If your child suffers from Hay Fever, can you please ensure that they take their medication before coming to College. We can, however, hold your child's own medication in College. Please hand in to Barossa or Kingston Reception along with a completed Parental Agreement to Administer Medication form, which can be found on Edulink – Noticeboard – Forms.

Many thanks. Barossa Office

#### ATTENDANCE - LEAVE OF ABSENCE/ HOLIDAY REQUESTS

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority, they will be liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carer per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive 4 penalty notices.



## NATIONAL NUMERACY DAY

Today, Wednesday 22 May, is National Numeracy day.

Form tutors have spoken with students about Maths for the 'National Numeracy Natter.' We discussed students' views about Maths alongside topics such as Maths anxiety. Students were encouraged to sign up for the very user friendly Numeracy Challenge - <u>Getting on With Numbers | National Numeracy Challenge</u>

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Students who sign up and complete the challenge will be rewarded with praise points.

In Maths lessons, students will be introduced to the 'Number Heroes' competition - <u>Number Heroes</u> <u>competition | National Numeracy</u> in which students draw a picture of how they would use numbers in their dream job. The winning entry will receive a £50 gift voucher!

Please encourage your child to get involved. Any entries submitted will be rewarded with 10 praise points. Please ask your son/daughter to speak to their Maths teacher if they would like to enter.

Mrs Harbour - Maths Department

### **LIBRARY INFORMATION**

#### Overdue Books/DVDs

Please can you encourage your son/daughter to return any overdue library books/DVDs as soon as possible to avoid possible behaviour points. If you have any issues. please email: s.blay@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk. Many thanks.

#### **Opening Hours**

The Library is open from 8.00am until 4.00pm every day.

#### **Reading Club**

The Reading Club takes place every Thursday after school.

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#### GOLD PARTICIPANTS SHOW TRUE METTLE ON DOFE QUALIFYING EXPEDITION

Getting ready for Gold DofE expeditions takes months and sometimes years of training physically and organisationally. The four Gold Year 13 students had the added battle of some of the most difficult weather conditions ever seen and having to change venue to a completely different terrain with a month's notice.





They showed true commitment in getting their expedition sections completed and battled very strong winds, torrential rain, hail, storms, thunder, lightning and raging rivers to walk, camp and cook when completely drenched.

This year the Gold Qualifying team had to change venue at the last minute to move to Dartmoor from Brecon, a very different part of the country. Their Assessor turned out to be a top ecological scientist, whose passion is preserving the rain forest of Dartmoor. So, their expedition project focus became a fact-finding mission



on all that is Dartmoor and what makes it the most special and fragile remaining rain forest in the UK.

Their final project was deemed to be one of the best he had ever seen, which was a testament to their conscientious work. They worked hard to do their research before they went and then answer the questions he had posed. They presented the final project to their parents, SLT and Governors on 7 May at Collingwood to complete their section.

The team had four days of walking and three nights of camping. Two of those nights were wild camping

with no facilities other than a raging river for water and washing up, and an open terrain for bathroom facilities. They were in a remote part of Dartmoor National Park, but what beautiful views they had.



As a group of only four they had to support each other and were always laughing through the terrible conditions to achieve what is an exceptional goal. With only a few other sections to complete they will be off to Buckingham Palace next year to receive their official awards. Huge congratulations to each and every one of them.

Students were Alexander Baker, Cameron Porter, Sophie Grainge and Breanna Dibbs-Fuller.



Mrs Goggin - DofE Co-ordinator



#### **EXAM CERTIFICATES**

Exam certificate postage payment is available on ParentPay. Please ensure payment is made as soon as possible to ensure your child receives their exam certificates for the summer 2024 season. This is of particular importance for those students in Years 11 and 13 who are leaving the College.

To avoid certificates being lost in transit or left crumpled at the bottom of a school bag, we encourage payment to be made for Years 9 and 10 too.

For those that make payment for postage, exam certificates are usually despatched in December using Royal Mail's 'Signed For' service.

Certificates will be required by future employers and further education institutes. If you do not have your certificates when you need them in later life, the exam boards can provide a replacement statement of results but it is very costly.

Collingwood Exams Team



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We are recruiting a suitably qualified, compassionate, dedicated and experienced school nurse. The successful candidate will provide the highest standard of medical care to both students and staff with a passion for promoting health and wellbeing in young people and be able to work effectively with a range of stakeholders including students, staff, parents and external healthcare professionals.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS, INCLUDING A FULL CANDIDATE INFORMATION PACK, PLEASE VISIT OUR VACANCIES PAGE ON THE WEBSITE COLLINGWOOD COLLEGE - VACANCIES



# SIXTH FORM LEARNER MENTOR

27.5 hours per week, Term Time plus 1 week in August

Salary: £15,193.56 to £16,183.05 (FTE £22,541 to £24,009) per annum.

We have an exciting opportunity for a Sixth Form Learner Mentor to join our team. We are looking for an enthusiastic and committed individual to join this vibrant and high performing College to support students with the Sixth Form Supervised Study programme and development of independent learning skills for post-16 students.

You will be part of the Sixth Form Supervised Study programme including monitoring student attendance and staff cover arrangements. You will support students to develop their study skills and will provide academic mentoring for a sub-set of students aimed at deepening the independent learning culture of Sixth Form students, therefore improving student progress. You will support the Sixth Form Student Services Manager in a range of Sixth Form matters, including administration and organising of Sixth Form events such as Open Evenings, Parents' Evening and Enterprise Days.

The successful applicant will demonstrate excellent organisational and administration skills, be proficient with the use of IT programmes including MS Office and have outstanding communication skills. Relevant experience in a similar role will be an advantage.



For further details, including a full candidate information pack, please visit our vacancies page on the website - Collingwood College -Vacancies



## Performing Arts at Collingwood

# Vote for Collingwood Productions in the Tesco Stronger Starts Scheme

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#### Maths Tuition

Years 7 to 11

As GCSE's are nearly over, I have availability for Maths Tuition. Starting now will give your child the head start they might need to tackle next year, enabling them to move forward and tackle new topics. In weekly lessons I will support your child with topics that they are doing in school, as well as recapping previous topics and helping them with exam technique and guidance on how to lay out their working to gain maximum marks in tests and exams. If your child is in Year 11, I will do past papers with them, so that they go into their exams fully prepared.

I am a qualified Teacher with 33 years' experience of teaching Maths in a local Secondary School and 6 years doing Private Tuition. In the past 6 years, I have tutored several pupils from Collingwood and can provide references should you require them.

Please give me, Emma, a ring on 07905 135019 so that I can tell you a bit about myself and we can chat about what I can do to help your child.

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## **POLITE NOTICE**



# Please treat our staff with the same respect you would expect to receive.

Verbal and physical abuse will not be tolerated, in person or on the telephone.

We reserve the right to ask anyone giving verbal abuse to members of staff to leave the premises or end a telephone call. (The conversation will be continued at a more suitable time).

Please remember that all our staff are always trying their best and are here to help you and your children.

