

7th May 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Year 9 End of Year Assessments:

Good luck to year 9 who have end of year assessments this week in core subjects - English, Maths and Science. A reminder of the importance of bringing a scientific calculator to exams, any student who hasn't a calculator must talk to their tutor in good time before exams.

Fundraising from non-uniform day:

Non-uniform day on Friday 3rd May raised £382.32 to be divided between our House charities:

- We Hear You – Jupiter (76.10)
- Purple Elephant – Venus (£101.67)
- I Can and I Am – Mars (54.76)
- Young Somerset – Saturn (90.73)
- MIND – Neptune (£59,06)

Thank you to everyone for their generous donations.

Year 11:

Year 11 must attend all lessons up to May half term holiday and wear full uniform for all lessons and exams. After the May half term holiday students must attend all timetabled lessons of subjects up to the date of the last examination in that subject.

All Year 11 been issued with photo ID cards, lanyards and gate access swipes. These should be always with students while on site and placed on the desk during examinations.

If students have a morning examination (9:00am) they should attend tutor registration and then go to the examination room in time to be admitted at 9:00. If Year 11 students have timetabled lessons or an afternoon examination, then they should stay on site. If students arrive during the day (after 9:00) for an afternoon exam or revision session, please sign in at attendance.

If students have an afternoon examination (1:00pm) they should go to College Hall for lunch at 12:30 and make their way to the examination room for a prompt start at 1:00pm. When the examination has finished students may leave to go home unless waiting for a bus or attending an after-school revision session. College Hall is the only area that Year 11 are allowed to wait in.

Warm up sessions may occur during the day or from 8:00 or in the Merlin, College Hall or classrooms. Subject teachers will publish details of what is being provided.

May half term revision sessions:

During the May half term, there will be a selection of revision sessions available for students in year 11 and year 13. Bookings will open on Friday the 10th of May and close on Thursday the 23rd. Revision sessions will commence on Tuesday the 28th of May.



Due to a high level of demand, we will be operating a first come first served basis for places. Please ensure that your child books as soon as possible to ensure some extra support during the exam period.



Students should access the booking form in the normal way on Frog.

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Healthy Relationships:

This week a group of College staff will take part in Healthy Relationships Training. Staff will learn about what makes peer, family and romantic relationships work well, the signs of abuse and coercion and what to do if they are concerned about themselves or others. The aim of this training is for staff to cascade this training in an age-appropriate way to our students and train a group to become Healthy Relationship Ambassadors for the student body.

Frome Youth Club:

The YMCA are running a Youth Club on Mondays and Wednesdays 7-9pm during term time. The Club is held at Routes, Palmer Street, Frome and is £1 entry.

Celebration Assemblies:

Next week students in Years 9 and 10 will take part in their celebration assemblies where they will be given recognition and reward for their achievements. If your child has been involved in any special achievements outside of College that you feel deserve a special mention please email your child's Head of House via office@fromecollege.org

Trees:

Following our recent tree survey, a small number of trees on the site are showing signs of decline and deadwood due, in some cases, to ash dieback and fungal infection. We will carry out remedial work, where we can, to preserve the trees but trees with advanced ash dieback are a safety risk in high winds and these trees will be removed over the coming months. The priority will be those in the centre of the site.

Library summer reading challenge

All students are invited to take part in the Library summer reading challenge - Reading Bingo. There are 6 different activities for students to take part in - including reviewing a short story, listening to 20 minutes of an Ebook, recommending a podcast and creating an Instagram reel to show the world who we are and what we do.

Students should email Mrs Owsley, our librarian to take part. More details are available during tutor time and on the library page on Frog. NOwsley@fromecollege.org

The reading challenge closes on the 30th of June - winning entrants will receive Amazon vouchers and library goody bags and all entrants will be invited to our librarian's lunch.

Good luck!

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Emma Reynolds
Principal

