

parent/carers News Bulletin

Friday 27 January 2023

Principal's Blog

Dear Parents/Carers

I start my blog this week with a massive well done to those who have been involved in our extra-curricular activities. The list of opportunities is genuinely too long to list so I have included a link to it [here](#). The list of PE extra-curricular events can be found [here](#). Over 80 Year 11 students attended our English lecture on 'A Christmas Carol' last week. Speaking to the students, I know there is the appetite for more of these events; watch this space.

The past two weeks has seen the Academy appoint two Science teachers and a new Head of Spanish. At a time when staff recruitment is challenging, these excellent appointments are extremely positive. They will be joining us from Easter onwards.

If you would like to check what your child(ren) is/are learning in lessons, please visit the '[What are we learning](#)' section on our website.

Best wishes
Simon Frazer

Dates to Remember:

- 30 January** 6th Form Interviews begin
- 8 February** Life Skills - Health & Well-being
- 9 February** YEAR 10 PARENTS' EVENING
- 10 February** HALF TERM

Educational Visits coming up

- 7 February** Year 11 English Trip to Poetry Live! @ Royal & Derngate, Northampton

Assemblies - Term 3

- 30 January** Holocaust Memorial Day
- 06 February** Safer Internet Day

Reports / Assessments

- w/c 30 January
- Year 11 Reports
- Year 9 Reports



TRAIN TO TEACH
VIRTUAL
OPEN
EVENT

GRAND
UNION
Teacher Training Partnership

Thursday 23rd February 2023,
5pm - 7pm.

Please follow the [LINK](#) for further details.



We have a new phone system
ALL calls to be made to
01604 740641
Thank you!

w/c 30 January is
WEEK 1

On behalf of the Eco-committee, students are invited to attend school in non-uniform on Friday 10 February. Please wear something green, this could be socks, a hairband, jumper or even green trousers!

Let's think about being global citizens and caring for our local and global community. £1 donation for the eco-schools projects and charity. Thank you.

ECO-COMMITTEE

**WEAR
GREEN
DAY**

£1

every £ raised
goes towards
making our school
more GREEN

**FRIDAY 10TH
FEBRUARY**

Wear a green item of clothing for non-uniform day.

I Think You Should Know

Ithinkyoushouldknow@guilbsborough.northants.sch.uk

This email address has been established to encourage students to report incidents and issues they may feel uncomfortable raising face-to-face. The emails are only accessed by Mr Woolridge who then liaises with key staff to take appropriate action to address the concerns raised.

GCSE - Maths Revision

GCSE
MATHS

Not sure where to start with

GCSE Maths revision?

- Weekly questions released on Mathswatch for students to answer. Videos available should they struggle on a topic or they can ask for help by using the 'feedback' option.
- Past paper questions and mark schemes available [here](#)
- Use the formulae sheets for the Summer 2023 exams to help you with your revision – [Foundation](#) and [Higher](#)
- Other resources you may find help with studying and exam practice: [CorbettMaths](#), [Onmaths](#), [Mathsgenie](#)

Please click [HERE](#) to find out more about Guilbsborough Academy Rugby Camp



2023 RUGBY CAMPS
February Half Term

Sports Fixtures for Term 3

Date	Fixture	Venue
31.1.23	U16 Girls Football v Malcolm Arnold Academy	Malcolm Arnold Academy
31.1.23	Year 7/8 Basketball v Abbeyfield School	Guilbsborough Academy
02.2.23	Year 7/8 Girls Hockey v Bishop Stopford	Bishop Stopford

Sporting News

Congratulations to the cross country team who competed at the county championships at Abington Park, Saturday 21 January. 15 Guilbsborough students qualified for the competition which is fantastic, all runners were superb on the extremely cold morning. Special mention to the runners who have qualified for the regional round on the 4 February at Abington Park, we wish you lots of luck!



Thank you also goes to the parents who help support this competition.

Those qualifying for the regional round:-

Stirling Green
Jemima Lambert
Arthur Tilt
Benjamin Westmoreland- Alexander

Miss S Boyer
Head of Physical Education



Year 7 Boys Sportshall at Magdalen College School

Thank you to everyone for heading over to Magdalen on 18 January for the Year 7 Boys Sportshall and thanks to Jack and the Sports Leaders for hosting.

We had a tie for 3rd place, the results as follows:

- 1) Moulton 341pts
- 2) Sponne 310pts
- 3) Parker 263pts (H2H – 336pts)
- 4) Magdalen 263pts (H2H – 332pts)
- 5) Campion 263pts (H2H – 330pts)
- 6) Guilbsborough 257pts
- 7) CCS 249pts
- 8) EWS South 216pts
- 9) DSLV 205pts
- 10) Chenderit 197pts
- 11) EWS North 181pts

Congratulations to Moulton and Sponne who progress through to the County Finals.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY Practical Exams

Electronics Products Monday 30 January & Tuesday 31 January

Product Design Wednesday 1 February & Friday 3 February

Students will be off timetable making their coursework outcome for two days. Any students that are absent for one of their days – we will try to fit you in later in the week, however we cannot extend to days beyond this week.

[CLICK ON THE- POSTER TO FIND OUT MORE](#)



Can you help?

We need volunteers to give an hour a week to share a cuppa with a lonely elderly person.



For more information about the project and to see how you can help please contact:

Chris Harvey
Project worker
Tel: 01327 300614 — Email: chrish@DaventryVolunteers.org.uk

Household Support Fund

Working on a low wage

There has been a recent update to the Household Support Fund (HSF3) £250 for people on a low income.

West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) have changed the criteria. Instead of £300 a week, they changed the threshold to £400.

Therefore anyone on low wages or self employed who earns under £400 a week may be entitled to the £250 from WNC.

Please follow the [LINK](#) to find out more.



UCAS

We are pleased to report that 100% of our Y13 students' university applications were submitted by the Equal Consideration deadline yesterday.

Thank you to all our tutors for their support to our students in perfecting their personal statements, and compiling excellent references.

A massive well done to Miss Hunt for maintaining her perfect streak, ably supported by Mr Ditchburn and Mrs Stewart. Here are some statistics:

85 internal applications sent

9 former students supported and references sent

Which means Miss Hunt has proofread (approximately):

250+ Personal Statement Drafts

80+ References (made up of **250+** subject references)

- that's more than **200,000** words!

As well as organising or conducting practice interviews and helping students figure out what and where they want to apply to.

Thank you Miss!

We look forward to celebrating with our students as their offers continue to roll in, and supporting them to make their final choices while working hard to achieve the grades they need and deserve.

Students who wish to apply for apprenticeships or jobs will continue to receive information, advice and guidance from the sixth form team and our independent careers adviser.

Want to know more about sleep?

ASK US THE QUESTIONS YOU WANT ANSWERS TO... or follow [LINK](#) to find out more

03303 530 541

Sunday - Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Wednesday 9am - 11am

National Concert Band Festival

Two pupils from Guilsborough who currently perform in the Northampton County Youth Concert Band took part in in the regional heats of the National Concert Band Festival on Sunday, 15 January at Northampton School for Boys. The band played some incredibly challenging music to an exceptionally good level, receiving a Platinum award, the highest award offered in the heats.

This means that they are now due to perform in the next round in Manchester later on in the year.

Huge congratulations to: Emily Richardson & Holly Godley

Mrs Holmes, Head of Music