

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

The start of term letter last week provided a lot of information so just a brief few comments from me in this, the first newsletter of the year.

### A Very Positive Start!

The students have made a very positive start to the new academic year. They all look extremely smart, with a high level of uniform compliance, and most students are displaying a very positive attitude towards their studies. It is very evident from the feedback from staff and our Senior Leadership visits to lessons that there is some brilliant work going on!

The new Year 7 students have really settled quickly; they are navigating the campus really well and are 'buzzing' with secondary school life! Thanks to all the parents of Year 7 students who attended the Curriculum Evening last night - I hope you found the evening enjoyable and informative. Attendance figures for the first week have also been very promising with 95% student attendance - our message in all year group assemblies has been that the data from the summer exams clearly show that if students attend regularly, they will get outstanding results!

### County Buses

A sincere thanks to all parents and carers for their understanding and support on the issues we have encountered this week with the County bus system and particularly the late pick-up times for the E302 which have occurred. We have been in constant contact with the Passenger Transport regarding this route. I am pleased to report that from Thursday 14 September students travelling on the E302 will be collected at the normal time at the end of the day at 3.10pm.

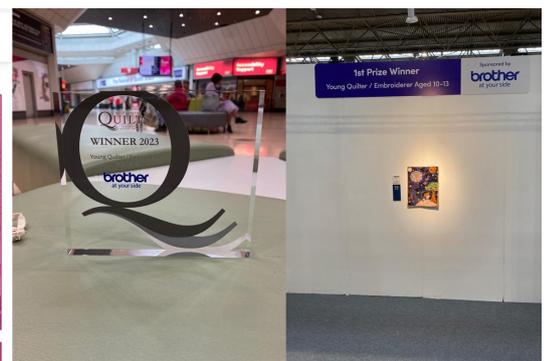
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## YEAR 9 STUDENT TAKES FIRST PRIZE IN QUILTING

We are delighted to inform you that Dasha Hetun (9H) took First Prize at the Birmingham Quilt show 2023 with her Quilt 'What if...!' in the Age 10-13 Category.



It is the biggest event in Europe and we are very proud of her achievements.



Her quilt is going to be exhibited at the London Quilting and Stitching Festival in October.

Dasha's parents are extremely grateful to Miss Conniford for her support and inspiration.

Many congratulations Dasha!!

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

- Thursday 14 September:** Year 7 Individual Photos, 8.30pm until 2.30pm, Kingston Theatre  
Barcelona Trip Parents' Meeting, 6.00pm until 7.00pm,  
Kingston Theatre
- Tuesday 19 September:** Italy Trip Parents' Meeting, 6.00pm until 7.00pm, Kingston Theatre
- Wednesday 20 September:** Year 9 DofE Bronze Parents' Information Evening (and Years 10/11  
Silver Direct Entrants), 6.30pm until 7.30pm, Kingston Theatre
- Thursday 21 September:** Year 12 Meet the Tutor Evening, 7.00pm until 8.00pm, Sixth Form  
Common Room

## EUROPEAN DAY OF WORLD LANGUAGES CELEBRATIONS - MONDAY 25 TO FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

The Languages Department has organised a range of exciting activities for all students to enjoy to celebrate the variety of Languages spoken in the world and what it means to speak a foreign language.

These activities include poetry writing with Year 7, tongue twister competition, form time quiz, bake-off and plenty more in lesson time!

Look out for more information sent via email soon!



*The Languages Department*

# NEWS

## 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.

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### A Reminder of the College and Sixth Form Open Evenings

Thursday 5 October 2022 - Main Open Evening – Early Closure, finishing at 12.30pm  
Thursday 12 October 2022 – 6th Form Open Evening – Early Closure, finishing at 2.00pm

### Academic Review Day Closure

The College will finish at 2.00pm on Wednesday 27 September for Academic Review Day. A letter has been issued today giving details of the day.

Buses and coaches have been scheduled to pick up students at this time.

### Personal

You will be aware that I have been absent from College for some time dealing with a very challenging family situation which is still ongoing. I am now attempting a phased return to College when initially I will deal with more of the administrative tasks of my role. This will allow me some flexibility in my working hours.

An Acting SLT structure will remain in place for the time being, with Miss Watling continuing to deputise for me as Acting Principal.

I am grateful to the Governing Board for their support of my situation and to my Senior Leadership Team for taking on additional workload.

I hope to be able to return to full duties in the not-too-distant future and to be more visible around College and able to meet parents in-person at some of our many College events.

*Mr Tanner - Principal*

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## YOUTUBE CHANNEL TO SUPPORT STUDENTS' SCIENCE KNOWLEDGE

Is your child struggling to engage or revise for their Science Assessment in Years 7 and 8 (KS3) or in Years 9-11 (GCSE)?

Do you think they have gaps in knowledge? - then they would benefit from **SUBSCRIBING** to **YOUTUBE channel PURE SCIENCE EDUCATION** to support them.

The channel has been created for Collingwood students for the above purpose and students using the site regularly are increasing their grades. They will also automatically receive 1 **FREE video** a week, if they subscribe.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYDeVqnWJJimN6BtbnPkqdCQ>

*Mrs Pari - Science Department*

# COLLINGWOOD'S FUN DAY RETURNS WITH GREAT SUCCESS

At the end of the last academic year, on Tuesday 11 July 2023, the Sixth Form Senior Prefect Team was delighted to bring back Collingwood's annual Fun Day event, after a four-year gap due to the COVID pandemic.

Fun Day is entirely student-organised and run, with each form group running its own activity stall; we saw some amazing and creative stalls across all year groups, from Archery to Chilli eating competitions, and of course the ever-popular 'sponge the teacher' (a special thank you to all the staff who bravely volunteered for that!). Congratulations to the following forms who raised the most money in their year group:

- Year 7: 7J
- Year 8: 8H
- Year 9: 9F, 9H, 9I
- Year 10: 10H



Along with over 40 stalls, students also enjoyed cakes and drinks donated by our College catering company Innovate, and ice-cream vans from Sir Whippy, who generously donated some of their profits from the day, which was clearly very popular as the queues did not stop even when we had a rain shower!

Most importantly, we were honoured to be joined by The Hope Hub Surrey, who were our chosen charity for the event. They engaged with our students to help spread awareness about the important work that the charity does for the most vulnerable people in our community, and picked up the generous food bank donations that students provided, so that they can be given to the

people in most need. If you are interested, you can find out more about the charity and how you can support it here: <https://thehopehub.org.uk/>.

The feedback we received from students was very positive, and it was great to see the College community together again. We are happy to announce that the grand total raised from the event was: **£1687!**

A huge thank you to all of the students, staff, and parents who helped make this event a success and bring back Fun Day with a bang - we hope it continues in the upcoming years!

If you are interested to see what the team will be getting up to this year, you can follow us on Instagram: @collingwoodsixth. Our Tuck Shop will be continuing every Friday at the Barossa Bus Stop from 3:00-3:30, and we are beginning the rehearsal process for our annual Sixth Form Revue which will be performed in October.

Senior Prefect Team 2023-2024:

- Ellie Bean - Head Prefect
- Libby Evans - Head of Sixth Form
- Naomi McCarron - Head of Charities and Communities and College Council
- Seren Clayton - Head of Culture
- Zaynah Imambaccass - Head of Sport and Wellbeing.

*Ellie Bean - Head Prefect*



# STATUS RACING NEWS ...

With just four days to prepare, the team pulled out all the stops to ensure that Quo and Quattro were mechanically ready for the Dunsfold Heat on Sunday 10 September. Quattro had two front wheel axles and steering repaired after an incident at Dunton.



A big shout out to Jack, Sam, Enzo and Toby for the extra hours put in last week.

The cars and drivers performed well in practice in the heat of the day. Quo had a more successful day than Quattro with a position 2 finish in Race 1 and position 4 in Race 2, missing a podium finish by the narrowest of margins. Our battery gremlins once again returned. Hopefully, one of our new sponsors will be helping us purchase brand new batteries for the finals.

Both cars put down some quick lap times in the early laps which is very encouraging and with new fully juiced batteries, who knows what performance improvements we will see.



Status Racing did not travel back to Collingwood empty-handed though, winning the supplementary award for 'Best Portfolio' - this is a new award for us - our first portfolio since 2014. The judges commented on how well the portfolio charted the journey that the team had been on and the development of the cars. A great deal of hard work went into producing the portfolio and, rightly so, Ella and Mrs Alley-Mohindra are proud that her efforts have been recognised.



It was great to showcase our first sponsor logo on the cars too!

We now wait to see if Quattro is awarded a wild card entry to the Goodwood International finals, so it can join Quo. Fingers-crossed.

*Mrs Alley-Mohindra - Design and Technology Department*



## Performing Arts at Collingwood

AMBITIOUS BOLD Collaborative

### Extra-Curricular

Year 7 & 8 Drama Club - Wednesday After school  
- Miss Hardicre

Choir (for all years) - Thursday after school - Miss  
Truglio

Year 7 Dance Club - Thursday break time -  
Barossa Studio - Miss Ingram

## Word of the Week

### Still Image

This is a frozen picture which communicates meaning. It can provide insight into character relationships with a clear focus upon use of space, levels, body language and facial expression.

## Welcome Back from the Performing Arts Department

The Performing Arts Department are certainly pleased to be back to college. This year, we are thrilled to offer our KS3 students four Performing Arts lessons a cycle. Students in Year 7 will be introduced to three performance disciplines: Drama, Music & Dance and Year 8 will be taking Drama & Music. Our team this year is Mrs Valu, Mr Green, Miss Hardicre, Miss Ingram and Miss Truglio. During this first half term, Year 7 will be introduced to each discipline whilst Year 8 will be exploring the History of Theatre and Piano Skills

### Performing Arts Team



Mrs Valu  
Head of Department



Mr Green



Miss Hardicre



Miss Ingram



Miss Truglio

## High School Musical Audition Dates

11th September 2023

Principal Cast  
Barossa Studio

18th September 2023

Ensemble/Dancers  
First Rehearsal  
Kingston Theatre

Open to all year groups

### Assembly Music



## LAURYN THUE-TUN

Lauryn was very kind to play the piano for the Y7 assembly this week.

If you would like to play for the Year 7's please let the team know.

# Bake Off



29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**Part of European Day of  
Languages Celebrations**

**Bake a cake which  
represents a country  
of your choice**



**Amazing prizes**

**Open to all students**

**Speak to your languages teacher for more information**



# Duke of Edinburgh's Award Information Evening

**WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023**

**6.30pm - 7.30pm**

**KINGSTON THEATRE**

**All Year 9 students and their parents welcome!**

(Also for any Year 10/11 students who plan to take up the Silver Award as direct entrants)

**Adventure ■ Lots of fun ■ New friendships ■ Opportunities**  
**Life skills ■ Achievement ■ Community involvement ■ Employability**  
**Inspiration ■ Personal development**

*...the journey begins with you!*



# **FOOTBALL**

**TOUR 2024**

**YEARS 8/9/10  
STUDENTS**

**FRI 20 OCTOBER -  
TUES 24 OCTOBER  
2024 - HOLLAND**

**ONE SPACE NOW  
AVAILABLE -  
COST £850!**



**email:**

**[j.fuller@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:j.fuller@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk)**

**for details if your child is interested.**

**DID YOU KNOW**

THAT **FREE** SANITARY  
PRODUCTS ARE AVAILABLE

TO ALL  
**STUDENTS?**

Products are available in Q and F  
block toilets, from receptions and  
Year Managers.

**Students can take  
what they need  
when they need it**

Parents may also email  
[tc@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:tc@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk) if they would like to  
arrange to collect some products.

## Year 11 English Revision Sessions Autumn Term 2023

DATE	SESSION	VENUE	TEACHER
Tues 19 Sept	'Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde'	TBC	Miss Vallario/ Dr Sinclair
	'A Christmas Carol'	Kingston Theatre	Mrs Urry
Tues 26 Sept	Lang paper 1 Section A and B	M4	Mr Roberts
Tues 3 Oct	'Macbeth'	Kingston Theatre	Dr Sinclair
Tues 10 Oct	Lang paper 2 Section A and B	Kingston Theatre	Mr Ballard
Tues 17 Oct	Unseen poetry	Q2	Mrs Jones

**HALF TERM!**



**Tuesdays - 3.10pm – 4.00pm**



# Tuition



## KS3/KS4 Mathematics

Start learning with us!  
Complete our Google Forms  
Quiz or email us for details.

Scan Here! →



### A LITTLE ABOUT ME

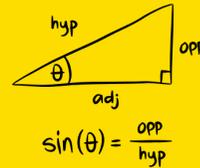
- A-Level Mathematics Student
- Grade 9 in GCSE Mathematics
- Grade A in AS Further Mathematics

### PREVIOUS STUDENT

"Leo was extremely helpful in getting me to understand the content in a very friendly yet professional manner.

He went over exam techniques in good detail by going over a past paper, he gave me good tips to use during the exam alongside teaching me the content.

Leo also made the session highly interactive so I would really recommend him for anyone who is struggling in maths or just wants to increase their grade."



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Leo

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**SURREY  
ARTS**

# CAMBERLEY YOUTH WIND ORCHESTRA



Do you already play a brass, woodwind or percussion instrument? Join one of our wind band sections for a free ensemble trial!

### OPEN REHEARSAL

Free ensemble trial!

**Saturday 16 September 2023**  
**Cordwalles School, Camberley**

To register scan the QR code or  
Email [samantha.hadingham@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:samantha.hadingham@surreycc.gov.uk)

For more information contact Surrey Arts:  
T: 01483 519303  
E: [surreyarts@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:surreyarts@surreycc.gov.uk)

[surreycc.gov.uk/music](https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/music)



# CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities.

Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in.

Links are underlined.

Remember, you can use Unifrog and Career Pilot any time to research your career options, take part in quizzes and see which jobs might suit you.

## OPPORTUNITIES



Katie Stephens, a Law Graduate, recommends her top 6 legal newsletters for students interested in studying Law to sign up to receive. She states "These emails keep me up to date with legal affairs and are a great source of information about different practice areas. I also found them really helpful for knowing about different career events."



As the Army celebrates its 100th year of offering apprenticeships this year, their special webinar aims to provide insight and guidance for people leaving school on how you can access an amazing apprenticeship and career in the British Army. Join them on 7th November at 4pm to find out more and to hear from current/past apprentices on their experiences of AFC Harrogate and how it has impacted and inspired their career so far. Book your place here.



Passionate about sports and social media? Dive into the dynamic world of sports media with our remote internship! As a Social Media Intern working on a remote basis, you'll curate engaging content, interact with sports enthusiasts, and assist in media campaigns. If you have a passion for Cricket, Kabaddi and other sports, a creative flair, and a strong social media understanding, this is your chance to shine. More information on how to apply can be found here.



Introducing a new blog 'Side Hustle Of The Week' that aims to give readers the opportunity to hear from Gen Z individuals who are currently working full time and have a side hustle. To kick-off we would like to introduce you to Keira Todd, read her blog to discover more about her side hustle, how she manages working full time and having her own business plus so much more!

## JOB OF THE WEEK



This week's video focuses on the job role of an Actuary.

An actuary is a professional with advanced mathematical skills who deals with the measurement and management of risk and uncertainty. Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, the qualifications you need & what subjects link to this career.

## LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

In April to June 2023, the number of people aged 16+ in employment was 32.93 million, and the employment rate for people aged 16-64 was 75.7%, down from 75.9% in the previous quarter.

Employment levels decreased by 66,000 in the last quarter but increased by 137,000 over the last year.

Source

If you have any questions or need support, please email [careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk)



# CAREERS NEWSLETTER

## OPPORTUNITIES

"At British Red Cross, we empower individuals to develop skills and gain invaluable experience. We are thrilled to introduce our Future Talent Programme opportunities.



This programme offers paid internships across various departments, providing a gateway to unlock your full potential. From fundraising to data analytics, we have diverse opportunities waiting for you. Join our Future Talent Programme to contribute to our impactful work and embark on a transformative journey of personal and professional growth. We nurture talent, foster creativity, and empower our interns to make a real impact in their fields." Read more about current opportunities [here](#).



Are you trying to understand the UCAS timeline for 2024 applications? [This poster](#) tells you everything you need to know.



Getting started in any career is hard; let's talk about it! Foot on the Ladder is an Early Careers Podcast speaking to those who are just getting started to those who are helping to shape career paths. [Listen here](#).



Cleary Gottlieb's week-long virtual internship will provide you with a unique insight into working in an international law firm, meeting people from across the company. The internship will run 23-27 October, 9.30am - 1:30pm. [Read more about how to apply here](#).



If you've always dreamed of becoming a pilot, we've got news for you! Introducing our brand-new pilot cadet programme: the British Airways Speedbird Pilot Academy. Providing funded training for up to 60 individuals a year, and the opportunity to secure a position as a British Airways pilot in the future, our new programme changes the game for those hoping to take to the skies. Applications open in September 2023 and you can [read more here](#).

If you have any questions or need support, please email [careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:careers@collingwood.surrey.sch.uk)

## EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT



"It's our mission to help as many people as we can in whatever way we can. Without our staff, this simply wouldn't be possible. We're always on the lookout for people with bright minds and big ideas to join the Red Cross Movement and help us use human kindness to overcome crisis."

You can read more about their careers [here](#).

## UNI SPOTLIGHT

"LSE opened its doors in 1895 with three rooms and 200 students. Today more than 11,000 students study for degrees at our central London campus. But while much has changed, one thing remains constant: our commitment to the original vision of LSE, as 'a community of people and ideas, founded to know the causes of things, for the betterment of society'."

You can read more [here](#).