

Friday 28th June 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Last night saw our gorgeous Year 11 celebrating the end of their GCSEs with Prom. It was a spectacular occasion on the banks of the Thames over in Battersea. Our students looked so stylish and smart. We look forward to seeing Year 11 in August when they come to collect their results.

Courageous Advocacy day - Friday 5th July 2024

An exciting first for us; students in Years 7-9 will be spending the day thinking about important social justice issues and raising money for our Academy charity: Save the Children. It will also be a non uniform day and students will be asked to donate £2 towards Save the Children's famine appeal.

Late detentions - trial

From the 9th July we will be trialling a daily Late detention of 60 minutes for any student who is late to the Academy. We have a really noticed lates creeping up and we need to ensure that students understand arriving late to the Academy - and ultimately to future jobs - is not okay. Please support your child to leave home on time so that they arrive punctually. We all know how challenging the traffic and congestion is in West London and students should therefore leave with enough time to factor in delays. Thanks in advance for your support.

Family First Magazine

We've been asked to share the latest Family First magazine, a free magazine which aims to empower parents and schools with the necessary resources to improve the well-being of children and young adults across the UK. The latest edition, and archive editions, can be found on their website [here](#).

Chaplain's Message

*Imagine yourself as a caterpillar for a moment. You're comfortable and familiar with your routine of crawling along the ground. But then, something amazing happens. You spin a chrysalis, which is a catalyst of change. Inside the chrysalis, you transform completely, emerging not as a crawling creature, but as a butterfly; full of colour and beauty. This is the kind of transformation **2 Corinthians 5:17** describes. When we connect with something bigger than ourselves, we begin to shed our old ways and embrace a new version of ourselves. It could be letting go of negativity, developing a hidden talent, or seeing the world with fresh eyes. However, real transformation isn't always easy. Just like a caterpillar wouldn't choose the confines of a chrysalis, stepping outside of our comfort zones can be quite daunting. But the result? The chance to take flight, and to become the best version of ourselves; just in the way God intended it to be. May the Peace of Christ be with you all this week.*

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,



Mariella Ardron
Principal

Upcoming dates to note: