



UPDATE



Thomas Bennett
Community College

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DIARY UPDATE

Mon 15 – Fri 19 February :	Half Term
Tuesday 23 rd February :	Year 9 detimetabled PI-4 for Careers
Thursday 25 th February :	Year 8 detimetabled all day for PSD
Thursday 25 th February :	Y8 Twilight Activities
Tuesday 2 nd March :	Y9 Parents Evening re: Option Choices for Y10 6 p.m.
Wed 3 rd – Fri 5 th March :	Year 10 Mock Exams
Thursday 4 th March :	Y7 Twilight Activities.
Wednesday 10 th March :	Y8 Twilight Activities.
Thursday 11 th March :	Y8 Parents Evening with Subject Teachers 2 – 7 p.m. Normal lessons end at 1.10 p.m.
Friday 19 th March :	Sports Relief Day.

Dear Parents and Carers,

YEAR 9 OPTIONS EVENING
FOR PARENTS/CARERS AND STUDENTS
TUESDAY 2nd MARCH 2010
6 – 8 P.M.
IN THE MAIN HALL

Just a reminder to all Year 9 parents/carers and students that the Year 9 Option Choice Evening is happening and we would love to see you all there. It is the beginning of an important decision-making process.

Teachers and students will be available to explain what courses are on offer.

We look forward to seeing you!

FAME ~ THE PERFORMANCES!

“A great show” “brilliant” “A must for the West End!”



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More pictures coming soon on the Website.

EMAIL COPY OF 'UPDATE'

To make sure parents/carers do receive a copy of UPDATE, we would prefer to email you a copy of UPDATE each time that it comes out. This will make sure you get a copy, that it is in colour and will save the school money at the same time! If you would like to receive your own email copy, please email:
mpriestley@wsgfl.org.uk



YEAR 9 CAREERS MORNING

On Tuesday 23rd February our Year 9 students will participate in a de-timetabled Careers morning. The aim of this event is to help students prepare for their forthcoming Option choices and raise their awareness of the career paths available to them. They will also explore how first impressions influence people's decisions.

Mr Randall

YEAR 10 MOCK EXAMINATIONS – Wednesday 3 March to Friday 5th March 2010.

Year 10 students will be taking mock exams at this time and will be on study leave when not taking exams. You should have received details this week. Please contact Mr Sheridan if you did not receive details or have any questions.

PSD DETIMETABLED DAYS

As part of the college's ongoing provision for students' Personal and Social Development two year groups will be involved in separate de-timetabled events after half term. Parents and carers of students involved in these events will receive a letter explaining the content of the day in more detail nearer the time. Below is a brief overview of both days:

Y8 Healthy Choices and Safer Lives Day, Thursday 25th February. The students will take part in a circus of workshops all themed around personal health and safety. The workshops will range from Healthy Eating, Basic First Aid, Healthy Bodies to Cyber Safety. Students will be with their tutors all day with expert inputs from specialised staff and older students.

Y10 It's Your Life Day

Wednesday 17th March. The students will take part in a variety of sessions that revolve around the themes of personal relationships, personal safety and wellbeing, teenage health issues, reviewing work experience and exploring future aspirations.

We look forward to two productive days which will offer students the opportunity to explore a wide range of important and relevant issues.

Carole Lawless
PSD Subject Leader

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Year 4 and 5 Bench Ball Festival

On Thursday the 28th January a group of Key Stage 4 students organised a bench ball festival for 90 local primary school students. The day involved coaching the young people new skills and running a tournament. Children came from Seymour, Hilltop and Desmond Anderson. The day was a huge success and this is all thanks to the hard work of the Thomas Bennett students.

Thanks to: Billy Hatcher, Nathan Farmer, Abbey Morris, Albert Meadows, Ertu Azak, Micheal Redoble, Chelsea Clarke, Jake Singleton, Lauren Sargeant, Scott Weller, Micheal Jones, Lamin Mekere, Tommy Milazar, Paige Shepperd, Reece Johnson, Dannielle Botting, Leighanne Culverwell, Brandon Harrison, Ricky Evans, Micheal Mathews.

READING WEEK 1st – 5th MARCH

Every Picture Tells A Story



As you probably know it is World Book Day on Thursday March 4th but we are having a week of reading related events, which include:-a workshop given by Knife and Packer, an author and

illustrator, whose work is featured in Private Eye and The Guardian, and a visit from Andy Briggs, author of the series Hero.com and Villain.net.

The announcement of the winner of the competition “Every Picture Tells a Story” will be made on March 1st (this competition closes on Monday February 22nd.)

There will also be other competitions and Drop Everything and Read sessions.

The Library’s new Graphic Novels corner, with comfy seating and new books, will be opened this week too!

It will be a busy but hopefully enjoyable week for everyone in the College.

VACANCIES

We have the following vacancies. Please contact Elaine Lovegrove for more details.

Teaching Assistant (English as Another Language). 28.5 hours per week term time only.

£11,708 - £12,223 inc. Crawley Allowance.
Closing date: 26th February 2010.

Resource Assistant (Food Studies). 16 hours per week term time only.
(8.50 am – 11.20 am Monday –Thursday, 8.50 am – 3.20 pm Friday).

£4,912 - £5,158 p.a. inc. Crawley Allowance.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCIES

We have vacancies for Parent Governors. If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor at TBCC, please contact Ann Denton for a nomination form.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT 'SNOW DAYS' WRITING COMPETITION WINNER:



"The winner is Gustaw Jarecki 8HBA. Many congratulations to GuStaw for producing an excellent piece of work that must have taken many hours. It is vibrant, colourful and funny."

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Ms Y S Maskatiya

Ms Y S Maskatiya
Headteacher

ATTENDANCE

If you wish to inform us about the absence of a student in Y7, 8, 9, 10 or 11, please call 01293 866817. This has a twenty four hour answer phone available.

Please also remember to send in a note with your child when they return to the college.

The note should cover the total length of absence.

If you wish to inform us about the absence of a Sixth Form student please call 01293 866815.

