



2 July 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

**WEEKLY UPDATE**

As life starts to begin to get back to normal (fingers crossed) some of our Y11 students will be completing their practice Duke of Edinburgh expedition. This involves them working as a team to navigate through unknown terrain over the Kent Downs, as well as demonstrating their camping and cooking skills. I know from previous treks that this is really hard work and for some it's their first experience of cooking so I look forward to reporting how they get on. They will need all these new skills for their assessed expedition the following week. Thankfully, this weekend, the weather seems to be on their side and of course, we wish them all the best of luck!

On Wednesday 30 June 2021, staff and students celebrated the end of Pride month where everyone was invited to wear an accessory of colour. Pride month is about acceptance, equality and celebrating the work of LGBTQ+ people, education in LGBTQ+ history and raising awareness of issues affecting the LGBTQ+ community. Pride is a celebration of people coming together in love and friendship and to show how far LGBTQ+ rights have come. Thank you to everyone who celebrated Pride month at College and Summer Davies in Y8, was one of the many amazing examples who added a bit of colour to their uniform.



On Thursday 8 July 2021, there will be an additional parents evening for Year 11 parents to meet and greet your son's Form Tutor. This is a great opportunity for parents and pupils to speak to their Form Tutor regarding any concerns or worries they have regarding their upcoming GCSE year ahead.

Over the next weeks all year groups will be involved in Sports Day:

14 July Year 10

15 July Year 11

16 July Year 8

20 July Year 9

These will all take place during the morning. Again, we welcome the return of this very popular event as we know how much students enjoy the opportunity to participate against other form groups and most importantly to have fun!

An early reminder that the College will be closed to students on Monday 12 July 2021. This is our final INSET day for this academic year.

All that remains is to wish you a lovely weekend and keep safe.

Yours faithfully

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