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Dear Parents/Carers

WEEKLY UPDATE

There was a massive buzz around the College today as we welcomed three visitors from different universities to judge our Science Fair. As this letter is going to press, our young scientists Elizabeth Finley (Y7), Archie Wells (Y7), Devaun Young (Y8), Mohammed Kakay (Y8), Hayden Bishop (Y8), Alexander Akinnukawe (Y9), Archie Kyle (Y9), Zac Silvester (Y7), Kieran Silvester (Y10), Scott Labram (Y10), Tiago Da Costa Conceicao (Y10), Matthew O'Brien (Y10) and Madalin-lonut Ivan (Y11) are impressing the judges with their projects to win Amazon Vouchers.

For Y10 and Y11 students, Bromley Wellbeing are offering free webinars for students who are experiencing exam stress or worry. This is a fabulous opportunity for students to attend these sessions in order to address feelings of anxiousness and/or anxiety with regard to upcoming exams. Attached to this letter are further details on these sessions and as always all this information is available on our website under "Wellbeing" tab.

We had the pleasure of London Ambulance Service representatives attending the College yesterday to speak with our Y10 and Y11 students about possible career path with them and a frank discussion on what paramedics and all employees have to deal with. I know a number of students left with an interest of pursuing a career down that path.

Next week sees the continuation of Mock Exams for our Y11 students. Students have been conducting themselves in a mature and diligent way. It is impressive to see how serious they have taken their mocks and know that all their hard work now will pay off in the summer. English Intervention continues on a Saturday morning with Ms Wride and Mr McCalla with Ms Herbert now offering History Intervention after the English session has finished. Students are aware how they need to access her sessions. Again I ask parents that you encourage your son to attend these sessions as they are proving instrumental in the recapping and retrieval of information.

One of our key priorities in lessons is retrieval exercises and students will know that many teachers begin lessons with summarising information from previous lessons. In order for parents to become involved and triangulate what is going on in lessons, we strongly encourage parents to ask your child the following questions in order to keep their minds retrieving previous knowledge and more importantly to retain it. These questions are also a great way of finding out more about your child's learning journey.

1. What lessons did you have today?
2. What three new things did you learn today?
3. What did you read about today?
4. Can you remember 1 thing from last week?
5. What is the most important thing you learnt today?
6. What could you do to improve tomorrow?
7. Did you do anything nice/helpful? – (to contribute to your Kemnal Heart)
8. What piece of knowledge can you remember from last term? - (to contribute to your Kemnal Mind)
9. Over the last month, what is something you learnt in school that you have been able to use outside of school?
10. What topics are you learning about next?
11. What is your biggest success so far this year?

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Mr Warren, Director of Inclusion, has implemented and established a number of great workshops in our Inclusion Centre (ICe). Students are thoroughly enjoying these sessions and are gaining the support that they need.



Covid vaccinations will take place in the College for students aged between 12 - 15 years old on Wednesday 17 November 2021 only if parental consent has been given.

This week saw our Y9's hold a number of fundraising activities in order to support local charities. There has been football matches and cake sales to name a few. You will remember that Y9's are involved in a First Give programme which inspires and empowers young people to take action to make a positive change in society. It is remarkable to see how involved our students are and how passionate they are about fundraising for their chosen charities. I look forward to sharing more positive news about this programme in the coming weeks.

To remind parents that if you need any more LFT's, please contact the school. We ask that parents continue to test regularly in order to keep our school community safe.

As always, thank you for your support, keep safe, keep well and have a great weekend!

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C Cavanagh".

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