



Grey Court e-Bulletin

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Head's Line

Dear All,

The Year 11 prom takes place at Cobham rugby club on Tuesday evening if any parents can help prepare the clubhouse in the afternoon please contact Kath Smith on ksmith@greycourt.org.uk.

I would like to thank all the Year 10 parents who came to parents evening it was very productive and I think a number of students now appreciate the amount of work they need to do. We have four weeks until the end of term and they need to ensure that all coursework is up to date before they leave for the Sumer break. All Year 10 have Maths and/or Science modules next week. If anyone has any questions or would just like to speak to someone please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Year 9 have started work towards their GCSEs and it is important that they develop the skills they need for KS4 which are really quite different and rely on students develop-

ing their independent learning skills.

We are looking at trip for Year 8s as they are the Year group who seem to have missed out on an activity day.

The Year 7 trips to London zoo have been excellent and I would like to thank Ms Woods (Head of Science) and her team for organising them.

We intend to start car boot sales at Grey Court next term and I know the PTA will be asking for as much help as possible to ensure these run smoothly.

If you would like to make an appointment to see me please contact my P.A. Remember I will always take time to see parents and solve issues where I can. Thursday night is the surgery night but I am happy to accommodate parents when ever it is convenient.

Kind regards
Maggie Bailey



Maggie Bailey | HEADTEACHER

[Key Dates](#)

Summer Term Dates

22/04/08 | Term Begins

05/05/08 | Bank Holiday

Sat 24/05/08—Sun 1/06/08

Academic Tutoring Day—
17/07/08

18/07/08 | Term Ends

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Latest News

Oyster Card Problems

Real problems are arising with students who have not sorted out their bus passes (Oyster cards) in good time. If students do not have an Oyster card they need to get an alternative bus pass or pay £2. Some are trying to board buses with just an excuse of 'it's in the post' and significant problems with the drivers are arising. Further details on page 2.

COMPETITIONS NOTICE-BOARD

Be a winner!!

There will be a competition notice board on the top corridor outside the English Office. This will be updated regularly with competition we receive as a school , in subject areas and suitable for students to enter .The teachers are passing information to me , but you can to if you know

of a competition others in the school could enter and have the posters.

The board will be displaying out first set of competition from MONDAY. Don't forget to check it regularly.

See page 3 for our current competitions



Year 7

Head of Year 7
Mr. Andy Low

Year 7 Trips to St Omer

The annual Grey Court visits to St Omer will be taking place on the 3rd & 10th of July. In preparation for this, we will be running workshops on June 24th, A band periods 1 & 2, B band periods 3 & 4. These will hopefully be fun sessions which

will help get the students ready for the trip. Final details will be circulated nearer the time & reminders sent to those students who need to bring their own passports on the day.



From June 2008, all children aged 11+ will need to have Oyster cards with a photo if they wish to use the bus without being charged. If they do not show the card, they will have to pay £2 or they will not be allowed on the bus.

Further details and application forms are available from the school reception or from the [Transport for London](#) website.

Year 8

Acting Head of Year 8
Mr Dave Winch

Big Congratulations!

The following year 8 students have achieved certificates in the UK Maths challenge:

Gold:

Lara Hyson

Silver:

Luke Geraghty
Kevin Tozer
Alireza Shokoohi

Antonia Nelhmas
Peter Barman
Joe Nellis
Shawkat Al Baghdadi

Bronze:

Joshua Harris
Louis Mercier
Matthew Bolton
Joe Ward
Samantha Litherland
Peter Wellham

This is a national competition and this year there were 240 000 entrants.

Year 8 Trip to Thorpe Park

Mr Winch the Head of Year 8 is hoping to book a trip to Thorpe Park. This will be dependent on whether there are still places available. A letter regarding the trip will be sent out this week. If the trip goes ahead, the cost will be £25.

*“at Grey Court School
our core values of
achievement, innovation,
inclusion and
accountability provide
the basis for academic
excellence and future
success for all..”*



Year 9

Acting Head of Year 9
Mr Ian Poole

English

All students should have received a letter this week outlining their Original Writing Task which will be taking place under exam conditions next week. This piece of work will be graded as their first piece of coursework and

placed in their year 10 assessment files. The work they produced under test conditions will be marked as a draft and then they will have the next few weeks of term to produce a final piece for grading.

Year 9 Trip to Thorpe Park

The deadline has now passed for the return of

reply forms for the Year 9 trip to Thorpe Park on 11th July 2008. If there are any students who have missed the deadline and still wish to go, their parents need to contact Mr Poole urgently to see if places are still available as the school will have to confirm the booking this week.

Year 10

Head of Year 10
Ms Felicity Corcoran

Year 10 Maths Exam Module 3

All students have checklists and practice papers from their teachers. The exam is on Tuesday 24th June from 8:30am. There are two papers on the day. Students will need calculators for the second paper.

English Coursework

Students should by now have completed three

pieces of English Coursework: Original Writing, a Film Review and a Shakespeare Essay. They should currently be working on their prose study piece, with a draft being completed before the end of term. Any students who have not completed the first three pieces will be required to attend a catch-up detention on Monday 30th June from 3-5pm. If the work is submitted before that date then they will not be required to attend.

Year 10 Geography Field Trip to Dorset 27th June

All reply slips and money should have been brought to the finance office by now. Please refer to the first page of the letter for timings and items to be brought.



Year 11

Head of Year 11
Ms Felicity Corcoran

More Photographs from Year 11 Record of Achievement Ceremony



Other News

Groundforce 2

Following on from the success of the last gardening and decorating days (see 'Grey court Regeneration Project on our website) we are pleased to announce that 'Groundforce 2' will be taking place on Sunday 29th June from 9.30 am – 4 pm. The aim is to have lots of fun doing some gardening at the front of the school and having a BBQ

too! The local press will be there and the more parents and students who turn out, even for just an hour or so, the more we can achieve. we hope to see you there and if you can attend please Gary Bashford, on: gbashford@greycourt.org.uk

Newspaper for the Design & Technology department

Please save old and used as a building material. Photos of the finished products will be available on the school website at the end of term.

COMPETITION NOTICES

Google4Doodle - Entry through school in ICT and Art.

www.google.co.uk/doodle4google

CLOSING DATE 25th July

MiniSagas -

www.youngwriters.co.uk entry forms with Mrs Stacey H4

CLOSING DATE 25th July

Papercuts -Childline -

www.spinebreaker.co.uk

CLOSING DATE 11th August

Dare to be different - Year 9 Sustainability Challenge through Design & Technology, see Mr Seaton



Extra Curricular

SUMMER HOLIDAYS!!

[Click here to access the Summer Calendar](#)

Summer in Ham – there's something on every day this summer. If you want more information on any of the activities please contact Beth Langridge, Extended Schools Co-ordinator on 0208 9481173 x 217, 07711999679 or at blangridge@greycourt.org.uk

THEORY LESSONS

TO ALL STUDENTS STUDYING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

- Do you find reading music difficult and get frustrated when you seem to make slow progress?
- Did you realise that, if you take graded examinations from the *Royal Schools of Music*, you need to get Grade 5 theory before you can take Grade 6 in your instrument?

(If you have not studied theory before, it is advised that you allow yourself two years, at least, to achieve Grade 5)

If you take your instrument seriously, then why not start theory lessons now?

You can obtain a form from your music teacher (class or instrumental) giving all the details you require, in order to start at the beginning of next term.

Team Practices & Activities

Monday:

Volleyball Club

Tuesday:

Netball

Yr7 / Yr8 Netball Club

All new players welcome

Wednesday:

Lunchtime: Senior squad trampolining

After school: Yr9 Basketball

Tournament

Squad Netball Practice all years

Thursday

Senior squad trampolining

Friday

Trampoline Festival Yr10/11 girls

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