

Meopham School

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Dear parents/carers,

I hope you all managed to enjoy the warm weather this weekend. We have a very packed schedule at Meopham School this week with lots of exciting events and activities taking place.

Well Done

Congratulations to the following students who received Headteacher Commendations during our Pizza Lunch last Friday:

Oscar R (Y7) - Culture and Ethos - Showing tenacity.

Lacey L (Y7) - Culture and Ethos - Showing respect towards the staff and students.

Scarlett M (Y8) - Science - Always working her absolute hardest and applying her knowledge to questions.

James C (Y9) - Philosophy - Going above and beyond in Philosophy.

Khadijah M (Y9) - Philosophy - Going above and beyond in Philosophy.

Dolly D (Y9) - Philosophy - Going above and beyond in Philosophy.

Jack H (Y9) - English - A superb piece of creative writing produced for the Year 9 Trust Assessment.

Leo A (Y9) - Geography - Dedication to the subject and working to the best of his ability.

Cultural Capital

First of all, a correction from last week's newsletter. Last week, we mentioned the excellent mock interview day that was put in place for our Year 12 students. This was organised and facilitated by an excellent team of volunteers that kindly agreed to arrange the experience for our students. In last week's newsletter, we incorrectly stated that this group of volunteers consisted of members of the local Rotary Club. However, we failed to mention that the Rotary Club was joined by a team of volunteers from our parents/carers and governors. We apologise for this admission and wish to reiterate our thanks to all those who took time out of their busy schedules to support our students.

Thanks to **Ms Bishop, Mrs Huggens and Mr Whittle** who organised eight of our Year 10 students to visit North Kent College for a taster day in some post-16 vocational courses. The students completed sessions on Car Mechanics, Carpentry and Catering. The students worked brilliantly throughout the day and gained some valuable experience and life skills which should hold them in good stead when choosing their next steps after their time at Meopham.

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We'd also like to say thank you to **Mr Savory** and the PE team for organising the **Swale Sports Festival** last week. Nine secondary schools from our trust attended the day where students from Years 7-10 took part in a volleyball tournament. Despite the very warm weather, students from all schools had an excellent day and it was wonderful to see so many students from different schools making new friends and enjoying some competitive sport.

Upcoming Events This Term - a message from Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Hatch

A reminder of the events coming up in school over the next few weeks:

Tuesday 24th June - Sports Day

Wednesday 25th June - Art Exhibition Opening Evening and TRUE Awards Evening

Thursday 26th June - Year 11 Prom

Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th July - Year 6 Transition days

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Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th July - Year 5 Science Fair

Thursday 10th July - Summer Sizzler

Friday 11th July - Year 13 Leavers' Event

My Child At School App - a message from Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Davies-Lane

This week you have been sent more information on the My Child At School App, including a 'How to Guide.' We have already seen an increase in the number of parents/carers accessing this app which is positive, as it means more families are regularly receiving all the important information they need from the school.

Please continue to contact Mrs Parrott with any questions you have regarding the app as she is more than happy to help. It's vital that you have this app to track your child's detentions on a daily basis, which will also give you information on whether they attended their detention.

Art Exhibition - a message from Assistant Headteacher, Miss Hodd

This Friday, we would like to invite parents/carers and the extended community to view our Art Exhibition, entitled *Inclusivity*. The exhibition features creative pieces from both staff and students at Meopham School, showcasing our interpretations of what inclusivity means to us. We will be opening our doors between **1:30-3:30pm on Friday 27th June** for visitors to come and observe this exhibition.

If you have any questions or queries about this event, please contact Miss Hodd via email lucy.hodd@swale.at. We would love to see you there!

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Sports Day - Hot Weather

We are very much looking forward to the school's annual sports day this week and all of the exciting events that students will be able to participate in.

A gentle reminder to make sure students come into school prepared for **Sports Day**, which is taking place on **Tuesday this week**. Although we are not expecting it to be as hot as it has been in recent days, we would advise that students have plenty of water and sun cream. Students will be able to refill their water bottles throughout the day.

TRUE Awards - a message from Assistant Headteacher, Miss Hodd

We are excited to host our first **TRUE Awards event** this Wednesday **between 4:30 - 6:30pm**. This hopes to be a special event where we can recognise the fantastic achievements of students who have been nominated by their teachers for their excellent work this year. The evening will also include student performances taking place on stage near the entrance to the new building and Catering students will be making canapes and other refreshments for guests.

Students that have been nominated for an award will receive these on the night and have their photograph taken with Mr Roberts to commemorate the event. This event allows us to highlight how so many of our students have demonstrated TRUE values this year. Parents and carers of the students who have been nominated for awards have been invited to join us on site for the evening and we look forward to celebrating the excellent work of some of our students.

Moving Forward

It was a bittersweet experience on Friday to finally say farewell to our Year 11 students at their Leavers' Assembly. Whilst it is always sad to say goodbye, staff are incredibly proud of all our Year 11s have achieved and the outstanding young adults they have become. Of course, many of our Year 11s will be joining us in our Sixth Form, however for those that are not, it was a special day to relive all of their memories of their time at Meopham School, sign shirts and bid farewell. The students will also get to celebrate in true style at this Thursday's prom!

On Friday 11th July, we will also host a Leavers' Event for our Year 13 students as they begin their exciting first steps into adult life, whether that be university, an apprenticeship or indeed the beginning of their working careers.

Watching young people develop from Year 7 students - nervous at the thought of leaving primary school - into confident, articulate young adults who are ready to take on their world is without doubt the greatest joy we experience as teachers and school staff. It is a true privilege

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to help shape their young lives and set them on the path to an exciting and successful career.
We wish all students leaving us this year the very best as they look towards the future.

Have a great week,

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'E Roberts', written over a horizontal line.

Mr Roberts
Headteacher