



Year 9 Term 3 Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

It's hard to believe that our year 9s are in the process of selecting their GCSE options; how can it be only 6 months until they start year 10! A reminder that all information on the process, along with subject videos, can be found on the CCS website under Curriculum/GCSE Guided Choices. Many students took part in the Sociology and Business Studies taster sessions recently and enjoyed the idea of studying a brand new subject. Could we have a future Elon Musk among us?

A large number of our students consistently demonstrate this term's values focus of "Hardworking." In one of our assemblies we emphasised the need for perseverance and resilience by looking at young sports people who have bounced back after setbacks and refused to give up. We had other assemblies on Holocaust Memorial Day, LGBT+ history month, World Religion Day and Children's Mental Health Week.

In our termly celebration assembly this week we were thrilled to celebrate:

-Students with the top 20 house points, both this year and this term, and those with the top 10 in each form.

-Forms with the top 5 house points this term. 9LDN were once again the champions and I think you could hear their cheers in the car park!

-Sporting successes of our netball, rugby and futsal teams, and the U14 girls' football team's progress in the County Cup; good luck in the semi-final girls!

-Students with an impeccable behaviour for learning record.

-Students with 97%+ attendance.

Please do encourage your child to shout about their achievements in and out of school, if they would like a mention.

I have given out well over a hundred Bronze achievement certificates and badges (150 points) so far this year, along with many Silver (250), and am now starting to hand out Gold (350). We even have one student who is only 12 points off his Platinum award (500 points) as I write; congratulations Jamal K!

You will have received a letter about our updated sanction process relating to uniform infringements. Form tutors and I are very proud that our year 9s are extremely well presented, we see very few infringements, and that Senior Leaders have commented on our high standards of uniform. We thank you for all your support with maintaining this professional appearance.

Upcoming Events

Return to school Monday 26th February WEEK B

Term 3 ends Thursday 28th March

Student Reminders

Uniform

Blazers must be worn at all times around school.

Before purchasing any uniform items, please read the uniform policy on the website.

The policy outlines the appropriate style and length of skirt. Short, tight, stretchy skirts are not permitted.

Remember that hair colours must be natural, including for braids.

No bracelets, necklaces, hoop or dangly earrings for school please.



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As always, please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance with any queries of if he/she needs any extra support.

Have a relaxing break!

Yours faithfully,

Lowri Briggs

Performance Leader of year 9