

Year 8 Newsletter Friday 28th May

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is hard to believe we have reached the end of the penultimate half-term of this academic year! This half-term has been a busy one for Year 8 as they've made their all-important options choices and will be hearing from Mr Elstone today, via email, whether they've been allocated their first choice preferences or not. Students have also started to prepare at home for their Year 8 exams using the revision booklet materials uploaded to the school website last week

(<https://www.chsg.org.uk/site/data/files/students/exams/9A61E9149688F16D72DD58FE4E693A63.pdf>) please ensure your daughter has made a start on her revision and is utilising some of her time in half-term to continue preparing for these exams.



We have been so incredibly proud of our Year 8 students this year, and this half-term hasn't been an exception; students across the year group are polite, focused, working hard in lessons and motivated to achieve their absolute best. Staff have been celebrating Year 8 students through the half-termly 'Every Day Star' awards and it has been a pleasure for the Year 8 Team to read through all of the teacher comments left for Year 8 students. Well done to all our students who have consistently worked hard this half-term and endeavoured to do their best in all their lessons.

All that hard-work has definitely earned Year 8 a break and we hope that they, and you, enjoy some down time over the coming half-term week- and perhaps even some sunshine if we're very lucky!

With best wishes from,

Ms Kelly-Smith, Mrs Oladokun, Mrs Newman and the Year 8 Team.

Golden Ticket:

Congratulations to the following students for achieving the most Golden Tickets in the year group over the last fortnight:

Yumna H 8PK1

Elise P 8PK2

Hattie M 8HL2



Very well done to all of you and keep up your hard work!

Congratulations also to all of our Year 8 students who achieved one or more Golden Tickets in the last fortnight- we are very proud of you!

Uniform information- school bags:

As part of our changes to the school uniform policy at the start of this academic year we insisted that all students must have a sturdy, practical rucksack that was to be plain black, with no visible logos. Student compliance with this has been exceptional and we thank you for your support in this matter. In addition to this, we stated that it was our intention to phase in a compulsory school bag, with embroidered school logo. From September 2020 this was compulsory for all students in Year 7 and optional for those in Years 8 and 9.



Next academic year this phased introduction will continue. From September 2021, all students in Years 7-10 will need the embroidered school bag and must purchase this from our uniform supplier Trutex at a cost of £25. This rucksack has been chosen for its low price, practicality and comfort. The bag has lumbar support built in to the design, reflective stripes and compartments for your daughter's water bottle, booklets and school equipment.

We are reminding you of this now so that you have sufficient time to purchase the bag ready for this September coming. Trutex currently have enough rucksacks in stock for families to begin purchasing the bag now, if they so wish.

School Bag

All students must have a sturdy, practical **rucksack** to be able to keep their books and equipment safe as they travel to, from and around the school site.

These rucksacks should be plain black only (no visible logos). In addition, students must use their blue drawstring PE bag to bring their PE kit into school. No other types of bag are permitted.

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