

TERM 1 NEWSLETTER



House Update!

The house point totals are as follows:

4th Austen on 34,032

3rd Redgrave on 34,780

2nd Sibley on 42,814

1st Turner on 46,071

There have been lots of inter-house events going on throughout the term where the results will be shared in the whole school assembly!

Enrichment Days!

We have had two enrichment days so far this year, both of which have been a great success!

On the first enrichment day in September, our Year 7 students bonded over some team building at Stoke Park and Ninja Warrior, whilst our Year 8 students built upon their CSI skills, Year 9 students were put through their paces by the army, the Year 10 students delved into their futures with their careers days, whilst our Year 11 students enjoyed a retreat in Wintershall, preparing them for the busy term ahead.



Year 11s at Wintershall enjoying the company of the donkeys!



Enrichment day two saw our Year 7 students head to The Tudor House in Southampton where they had different workshops, including exploring mystery items from Tudor times, whilst our year 8 students embarked on their walk to different churches around Guildford. In school, our year 9 students had a carousel of different activities around sex and relationship education, whilst the Year 10 students completed some First Aid training, and finally our Year 11 students received some support from the Guildford Shakespeare Company who led the year group through revision on "An Inspector Calls". Finally, all 3 year groups in school had the privilege of listening to Martin Cosser who talked about his son Charlie who tragically lost his life as a victim of knife crime. He delivered such an important message to our young people about the dangers of making that choice to carry a knife. We have already looked to raise money through our MUFTI days to contribute to this amazing charity <https://www.charliespromise.org/>.

Lots of sporting success!

There have been lots of things to celebrate across the PE department in this first term. Our boys handball teams have had successes in various tournaments such as their first win 20–9 against Amery Hill.

Our girl's football teams have had successes this term with our Under 16s defeating the Priory School and our Under 13s beating St Peter's School. Our biggest successes this term have come from our netball teams, especially our Year 7s who have had a great start to life at Christ's College with wins over Broadwater and George Abbot.

We are so proud of all of our sports teams and look forward to more wins in the next term. Please look out for the extra-curricular list to see what clubs are on next term.





Carols at the Cathedral!

Our whole school walked up to the Cathedral to enjoy our annual carol service. We enjoyed singing carols such as Once in Royal David's City alongside other fantastic drama and dance performances. We are so thankful for the opportunity to celebrate this time of year in such a special venue.

Key information:

- **Year 9**- the options process will be starting in the new term so students can consider their GCSE options!
- **Year 10:** Deadline for the work experience Google form is Monday 15th January 2025. Year 10 will have a "Working Wonders workshop on Tuesday 14th January 2025.
- **Year 11:** Our 2nd set of mocks start on 3rd February for the last 2 weeks of the half term. **Hoodies and Yearbooks** can be bought using the following link: <https://shop.fizz-group.co.uk/> using the Unique ID: 25147YR11, this needs to be done by Monday 10th March 2025 at the latest.

We will be recruiting student reporters who will be contributing to future newsletters, so if any students are interested please let their Progress Leader know!



General: Percy Jackson tickets are selling out fast. Buy yours before they go! Opening night is Wednesday 29th January 2025!

We would like to wish all Parents and Carers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!