



From the Headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good week.

Harvest Festival

We celebrated Harvest this week in our Monday Whole School Assembly. Thank you so much for your very kind donations. They have been much appreciated and enabled us to drop some 122kg of produce to Steve at Bromley Foodbank warehouse on Tuesday of this week (picture below).



There is a growing need for support and we have been delighted to see further donations continuing to come in, which will help those on the fringes of society. If you wish to donate further, then we will be happy to pass onto the Foodbank however big or small our collective contribution.

Mark Wallace – Headteacher
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From the Headteacher...

Open Morning

A huge thank you to the whole Bishop Challoner community for your support last Saturday on a very busy Open Morning. We had wonderful feedback from parents with regard to how they were looked after by our tour guides and how engaging pupils were when visiting departments.

One parent wrote to me *'Just wanted to say a massive thank you to the students that gave us a tour of the school at Open Day on Saturday. Yasmeen, Isabella and Taye are an asset to your school. They were incredibly polite and helpful. It was such a pleasure to speak with them and hear their perspectives of the school. It really gave my son a great idea of what it would be like to attend Bishop Challoner.'*

Headteacher's Breaktime Hot Chocolate and Cake

I hosted my first Headteacher's Breaktime Hot Chocolate and Cake for pupils who have 'gone above and beyond' at school or outside school with regard to their attitude and achievements.

I will be running this twice per half term, usually three weeks into the half term and the next the week leading up to a half term/end of term.

It was lovely to share break time with Ana (Year 4), Susan, Maya and Adam (all Year 6) from the Preparatory School on Tuesday. They were nominated by their teachers for their contributions to Open Morning. It was the turn of the senior pupils on Wednesday with Ebun, Adam (both Year 13), George (Year 7) and Annabelle (Year 8) all being recognised for the part they played in Open Morning.



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From the Headteacher...

Week Ahead

Next Wednesday 5 October is our Sixth Form Taster Day. This is the opportunity for our current Year 11 to experience subjects and content that are offered in our Sixth Form. Pupils can wear their own clothes on this day, however, it must be smart office/business wear. School uniform is also fine, if they prefer.

Subjects available for their taster experience are Maths, Latin, Art, History, Extended Project, English Language, English Literature, Chemistry, Philosophy & Ethics, Classics, Economics, French, Spanish, Geography, Business Studies, PE, Computer Science, Physics and Biology.

Pupils will choose four subjects to visit and will then have their normal Games lesson in the afternoon.

On the evening of Thursday 6 October, it is our Sixth Form Open Evening. We look forward to seeing you there to hear about our Sixth Form and speak with our teachers regarding the subjects your sons and daughters are interested in at A-Level. The event runs from 5.30 – 7.00pm. *Please register your interest via this link [Sixth Form Open Evening](#)*

Parents' Evening

There are a couple of Parents' Evenings to make you aware of before half term. Pre-Preparatory and Preparatory Parents' Evenings will take place on Monday 10 October (4.30 – 6.30pm) and Wednesday 12 October (3.30 – 5.30pm). Year 13 Parents' Evening is on Tuesday 11 October from 5.00 -7.00pm.

Finally, thank you for all your support for our *Macmillan Coffee Morning* earlier today. It is very much appreciated.

I hope you have a pleasant and enjoyable weekend.

With best wishes

Mark Wallace – Headteacher
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Pre-Prep and Prep School News

Thank you to all the children who helped with Open Morning. It is always a pleasure to hear visitors commenting on the politeness and confidence of the children showing them around the school and demonstrating lessons in classrooms. The children are always wonderful ambassadors and we are very proud of them.

Thank you to Year 5 for an inspiring assembly this week. It was lovely to see so many parents and friends joining us. We are looking forward to the Year 4 assembly next week.

Stars of the Week

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| Reception | Uras for his excellent effort in phonics, especially his handwriting. |
| Year 1 | Ela for always bringing a positive attitude to school. |
| Year 2 | Marlo for an excellent approach to learning and showing mature thinking. |
| Year 3 | Luca for fantastic learning and good listening. |
| Year 4 | Georgina for giving some excellent answers to class questions. |
| Year 5 | Pru for showing such commitment to the school during Open Morning (on her birthday!) |
| Year 6 | Acacia for her mature approach and always being ready to learn. |

Congratulations to all our Stars!

We are very proud of you.

Ms Barker - Head of KS1 & KS2





Pre-Prep and Prep School News

Year Two



We have been learning about the work of Giuseppe Arcimboldo. The children had lots of fun using a range of fruit and vegetables to create self-portraits inspired by his work. We then went on a walk around the school to collect some natural resources to add to our creations.

In Geography we have been learning about life in Ecuador. The children have enjoyed learning about the volcanoes in Ecuador and had great fun with our science experiment this week!

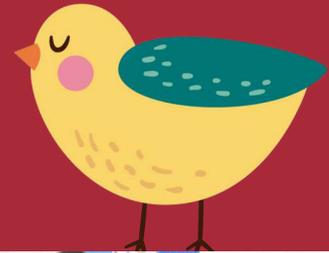
A brilliant start to Year 2. Well done everyone!



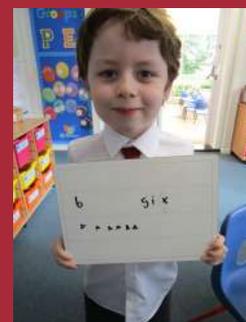


Pre-Prep and Prep School News

Year One



The children in Year One have made a great start to the year and have been really enjoying consolidating their understanding of numbers in practical ways. They have used practical apparatus for counting and comparing numbers, we have made our own book of numbers, represented numbers using objects, pictures and words and we have made our own rockets to practise counting down for blast off! We are now beginning to compare numbers using inequality symbols $<$ $=$ $>$ and the children have been making their own, using pencils and working very hard.



Well done, Year One! Great work.

Mrs Bateman—Year 1 Teacher



Pre-Prep and Prep School News

Reception



The children have been looking at the work of Tony Cragg and Seydou Keïta. They have created a blend of the artist styles and their work has made a colourful display in the corridors.



The children enjoyed making jam people sandwiches in cookery.



Well done, Nursery. Brilliant work!

Mrs Burn - EYFS Practitioner





Pre-Prep and Prep School News

Pre-Prep

This week ,Nursery have had a fun and immersive experience creating beautiful artwork of themselves for the 'Marvellous Me' theme.





Pre-Prep and Prep School News

Spotlight



We're very proud of Martha and Pru, who passed their Grade 1 Singing Exams in July. Both girls sang beautifully and passed with distinctions. Congratulations!



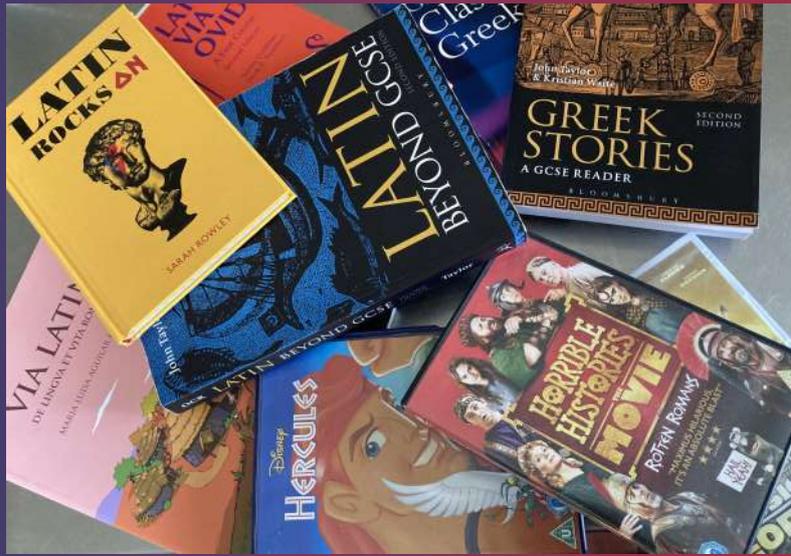
Sula in Year 4 won a national competition to design a character in a magazine - here she is with her winning entry which will feature in the magazine Unicorn Universe from now on.





Prep and Senior News

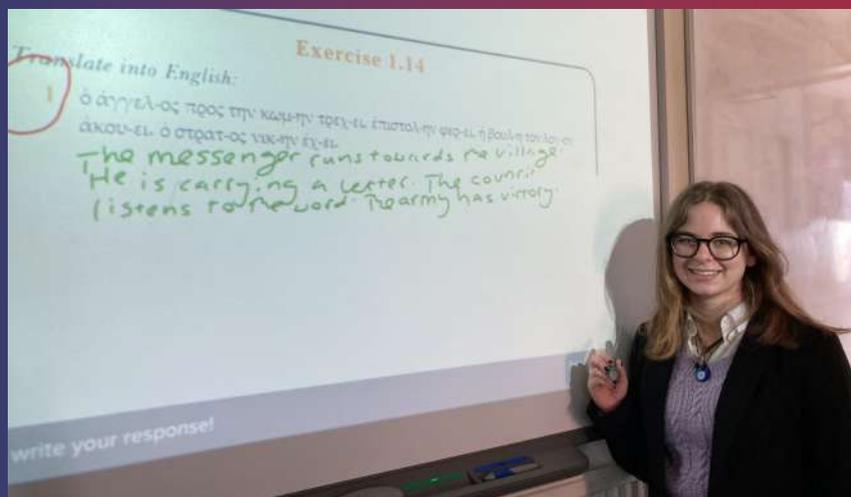
Classics Department



We welcome all our students to the classical world!

This academic year we have launched A level Latin and GCSE Ancient Greek as well as exciting brand new courses for Years 5 & 6 in the Prep School and brilliant new content for our courses in Years 7, 8 and 11 in the Senior School, as new textbooks have been introduced. We look forward to sharing student work from our activities.

Classics Movie Club is up and running - senior students are encouraged to come along to join in ancient adventures.



Magistra Newbould - Classics Teacher

Magister Walsh - Classics Teacher



Alumni News

Alumni

Massive congratulations to one of our 2022 leavers Thomas Edozie, who has recently been signed by Wolverhampton Wanderers on a two-year contract.

Here he is pictured at the club's home ground of Molineux Stadium, alongside older brother Sam Edozie who is a regular for Southampton in the Premier League. Tom is an inspiration to our pupils, an example of never giving up and always following your dreams.

I thought I would share with you his pathway in recent years:

2017- Trials at Millwall but not offered anything

2021- Playing for Bromley FC and Kent county

2021- Trials at Crystal Palace but not offered anything

2021- Joins XYZ Academy as an U16

2021- Scores on debut versus Charlton Athletic

2022- Trials with Huddersfield, Sheffield United and Wolves

2022- Sheffield United and Wolves offer scholarships

2022- Signs for Wolverhampton Wanderers FC

A determined young man who has had setbacks but always believed in his ability and through his resilience has begun his professional football career. All the best for the future, Tom (please don't score against Chelsea)!!



Mr Oliver - Director of Sport

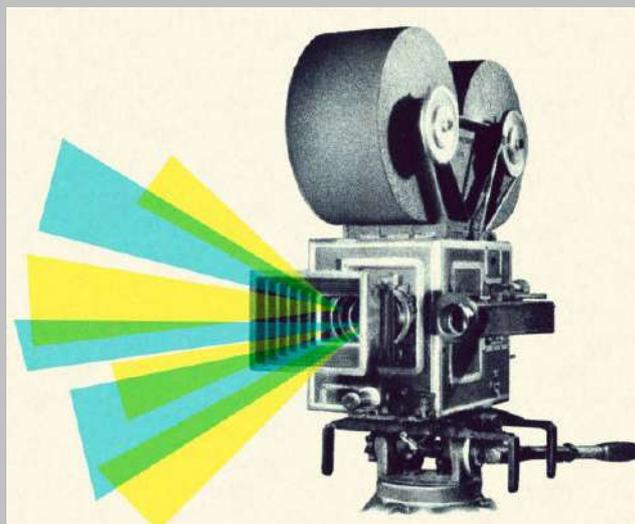


Sixth Form News

On Tuesday, the Year 13 French group attended a webinar on *La Haine* (the film studied for the A level) run by the BFI. It focused on cinematographic techniques used within the film, and the language and slang used by the main characters.

It's a film that is nearly 30 years old, based on a true story, that still hits home hard in today's society.

C'était formidable!



Mrs Robins - French Teacher



Chaplain's Corner

It was a pleasure to welcome new prospective families into the Chapel as they gathered to hear Mr Wallace's presentations on Open Day. Many expressed the comfort they found in this space, commenting on the beautiful installations of iconography which were handmade at Bethlehem Icon School in the Holy Land and blessed by the late Archbishop Peter Smith during a special service in 2017. I look forward to greeting more of you in our blessed Chapel of the Annunciation. All are welcome.



Head Teacher, Mark Wallace's Open Day speech to prospective families, in the Chapel of the Annunciation

A word of thanks to everyone for making our Harvest Festival such a success.

As further donations flow in, a small storage cage similar to ones seen at the end of supermarket checkouts will be appearing near the front door of the school next week. There is a growing need in our community, no longer limited to those living on the fringes of society. So the school's ongoing support of the local foodbank will make a real difference, however big or small our collective contribution. Thank you.

Harvest Prayer

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:

grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need
and for our own collective well-being;

We thank you for the blessings of all the wonderful contributions made in the past week,

And the work of the many volunteers at Bromley Foodbank

and foodbanks across the country

which are doing all they can to ensure everyone in the community

is cared for and feels loved and supported.

Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity

of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.



Preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation:

The deadline for registrations is Wednesday 5th October 11.59pm. If you have not already done so but still wish to register your child, please scan the QR codes today:



First Holy Communion Prep



Confirmation Prep



Notice Board

Please remember that we are a Nut Free School and some of our children have severe allergies.

Please ensure that all food sent into school is Nut Free.

Thank you to everyone who has emailed me to inform me that they are playing in the staff vs parent fixture on the 7th October. Just a reminder, if you are interested in participating in the event. Please email fharrison@bcswweb.co.uk.

Local rugby club searching for new players

Park House Rugby Club located in Hayes, is offering coaching sessions for young players of all abilities. Whether you have never played Rugby before or have enjoyed playing at school and want to continue having fun and learning more about the sport, it is a perfect opportunity to get involved. This club offers experienced coaches and family friendly fun. They currently offer Mini Rugby for ages 4-6, as well as under 8s and 9s. As well as sessions for under 14s, and under 30-18s. The rugby training is every Sunday 10:30 -12:00.

For more information please contact Richard Gough

Mobile : 07860403820

Email: richardgough81@gmail.com



If parents would like to keep up to date with the current sporting activities and fixtures which are taking place at Bishop Challoner school, please feel free to follow our new Instagram page @bcssportbromley. On this page we will post updates from results and achievements made from the students inside and outside of school to celebrate their successes.

Mr Harrison - P.E Teacher

Sixth Form Open Evening - Thursday 6 October 2022

Please join us for a Sixth Form Open Day on Thursday 6 October from 5.30-7.00pm. Mr Wallace, Headteacher, will speak at 6pm. We look forward to welcoming you to Bishop Challoner School.

Please register your interest via this link [Sixth Form Open Evening](#)



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

REDDIT

Reddit describes itself as a social news website where users connect and share stories, opinions and support; debate issues; ask questions; and chat to people with similar interests. Discussion topics are organised into communities (known as subreddits) that are created, run and populated by users, who remain anonymous throughout. Free speech is encouraged, and users – or 'redditors' – can vote posts 'up' or 'down' so they get more (or less) attention. Reddit is free to join, although signing up to Reddit Premium unlocks an advert-free version of the platform.

AGE RATING
13+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MINIMAL MODERATION

As sharing opinions on Reddit is easy (and anonymous), offensive or age-inappropriate content is frequently posted. Moderation by admins and bots does occur, but can't cover every community – so Reddit relies on users voluntarily moderating these spaces. Subreddits marked NSFW ('not safe for work') can contain anything from profanity to pornography, so are not suitable for under 18s.

HARASSMENT AND TROLLING

If someone on Reddit doesn't agree with your child's opinion, they may feel compelled to say so – in no uncertain terms. This could lead to a public bombardment of hurtful messages. Likewise, Reddit users are highly likely to encounter trolling (where someone posts a deliberately inflammatory comment to provoke a reaction) on the platform, which can be distressing.

FAKE NEWS

Absolutely anyone can post a story on Reddit, so sub-reddits are occasionally prone to bias, misinformation and opinions being repeated as if they are facts. Fake news articles often grab users' attention with catchy or controversial headlines, and Reddit is no exception. It's important that young people are able to identify fake news – and disregard it rather than sharing it.

GIFTING AND SPENDING

Users can gift awards to the authors of posts that they like (thereby encouraging their favourite redditors to keep contributing) by spending Reddit Coins. This virtual currency can be bought on demand (with real money) or received as part of the paid-for premium package. Users sending a gift can also leave an anonymous private message, a feature which has been abused by groomers.

'SUPPORTIVE' STRANGERS

By definition, Reddit users interact with strangers in public through their community – but also have the option to do so privately. Groomers could repeatedly up-vote a child's comments or respond encouragingly to their posts to win their trust. Once they've built a rapport, the predator then begins messaging the child in private to obtain personal details or try to lure them into meeting in person.

NEVER-ENDING NOTIFICATIONS

Reddit's default is for all notifications to be on. There are a total of 26 types of notification on the platform, ranging from chat messages and comments to updates and mentions of username. This would lead to a child's device being pinged almost constantly with alerts, frequently causing them to be distracted by incoming notifications rather than being present in the moment.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SORT THE SETTINGS

Reddit's user settings can help ensure that minors don't view adult material. Under the 'Feed Settings' tab, switch the Adult Content toggle to 'off', and enable Safe Browsing Mode (this blurs out any explicit images). Also in settings, you can turn off all unnecessary notifications, to prevent your child being distracted by every post or comment on Reddit, allowing them some tech-free time.

RISE ABOVE IT

If a person says something critical or offensive to your child on Reddit, it's natural that they'll want to respond. Explain to them, however, that is exactly the reaction that trolls look for. Don't give them the satisfaction; instead, report the comment to Reddit Support for investigation. Blocking a user stops them from messaging or following your child on the platform.

ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

It can often be difficult to tell if something online is real or fake – particularly for young people. It's important to encourage your child to double-check with reputable sources if what they've read is genuine. Remind them to consider what motives might be in the message – and to watch out for scams. Chatting about this regularly helps to develop critical thinking skills and good online habits.

AVOID PRIVATE MESSAGING

Through their Reddit profile, young people can control who's able to message them privately – with options including 'no-one' and 'accounts older than 30 days'. These controls help ensure potential groomers can't talk to your child in private, and that Reddit's admins and other users will be able to moderate and report anything they spot which causes them concern.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant at 8CyberAware. She has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety workshops and policies for schools in Australia and the UK. Claire has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviours of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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The Arts Society Bromley



Bishop Challoner School

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LECTURE PROGRAMME OCTOBER '22 – JUNE '30

October 3rd (7.15 for AGM) Hilary Williams

Sansovino's Architecture and the Quintessential Venice, the Golden Age of Venetian Architecture

Former President of our Society Hilary makes a welcome return, introducing us to a lesser known Venetian master.

November 7th Margaret Wilson

Life on a Harp String

One of the busiest harpists in the Southeast, Margaret has played for Royalty, given concerts at National Trust properties, Clarence House, Glyndebourne, Covent Garden and more. She is an active member of the charity 'Music in Hospitals and Care' and gives bedside concerts for patients and mentally or physically disabled people. With her varied repertoire and often resplendent costumes, she has delighted numerous audiences throughout the UK.

December 5th Roger Askew

A Right Royal Christmas

Our royal families have celebrated Christmas throughout their long history, from William the Conqueror being crowned in Westminster Abbey on Christmas Day 1066. Present-giving always marked the season, from the extravagant – the City of London presented Richard II with a camel and a pelican – to the witty – Mrs. Thatcher sent the Queen a pair of yellow washing-up gloves having seen Her Majesty doing the dishes without any. This lecture explores these Royal traditions.



The Arts Society Bromley

January 9th 2030

Clare Forde-Wille

Limewood Sculptures of Renaissance Germany

Too often the sculpture of Central Europe is ignored and yet some of the most important pieces of Renaissance sculpture were produced in northern cities and towns, often for small parish churches off the beaten track. The lecture will trace the development of German sculpture in stone, as it becomes independent of architecture, in particular through the medium of limewood, culminating in the work of the great and the glorious wood carving of the 17th century British sculptor, Grinling Gibbons.

February 6th

Paul Bahn

Australia's Aboriginal Rock Art, The World's Longest Unbroken Art Tradition

Rock art has been produced in Australia since at least 40,000 years ago, but continues to be produced in some regions - and major new discoveries of rock art are still being made in remote areas. The talk presents an account of some of the major regional variations in both rock paintings and rock engravings and presents a brief account of what we know of their many meanings, particularly in relation to Aboriginal creation myths and creator-ancestors.

March 6th

Karin Fernald

The Blue Hour, Painting the North

The little town of Skagen in the north of Jutland, a place of sand, storms and sky, inspires artists to paint its wild and remote landscape where the North Sea meets the Baltic. In Sweden, symbolist landscape artist Prince Eugen, finds romantic inspiration in the lakes, forests, history and vivid folk art. Both Danish and Swedish landscape paintings feature the Blue Hour, that half hour or so just after sunset and before sunrise, when the landscape is suffused with a bluish light, highly atmospheric and iconic of the North.

April 3rd

Caroline Shenton

Packing Up the Nation, Saving London's Museums and Galleries in the Second World War

Following our lecture last season by Bromley member Artantxa Sardina on Looted Art, this is the gripping and sometimes hilarious story of how a band of heroic curators and eccentric custodians saved Britain's national heritage during our Darkest Hour.



The Art Society Bromley

Men and women from London's national museums, galleries and archives forged extraordinary plans to evacuate their collections to safety. Utilising country houses from Buckinghamshire to Cumbria, tube tunnels, Welsh mines and Wiltshire quarries, a dedicated team of unlikely heroes packed up their greatest treasures in a race against time during the sweltering summer of 1939, dispatching them throughout the country on a series of secret wartime adventures.

May 8th

Jane Gardiner

The Sun King and the Court of Versailles

For all the things that have been written about the great Sun King, Louis XIV, he is best remembered for the creation of Versailles on the site of his father's old hunting lodge and which became the seat of French government, the setting for all grand court ceremonial and the envy of every other European monarch. This lecture will be an introduction to the sumptuous state apartments, the vast gardens and pleasure pavilions, the spectacular entertainments which take place both inside and out, the collections of the King and the whole etiquette of life at one of the greatest courts in Europe

June 5th

Steven Barrett

Anatomy of a Masterpiece - Bathers at Asnieres by Georges Seurat

During the two years it took to complete, Seurat developed new colour theories and a novel technique - Pointillism - to capture the shimmering effects of sunlight on water, grass and in the air itself. This lecture looks at the painting in detail, explores Seurat's vision and ambition, his bold new ideas and contribution to the history of modern art.





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SAFEGUARDING AND WELL-BEING INFORMATION

Who can you talk to in school?

If you need someone to talk to you about anything you can talk to:
- Your form tutor
- Any teacher
- Our school counsellor
- A Member of Pastoral Team

Your Pastoral Team

Mrs Brooker
Deputy Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Ms Barker
Head of KS1/KS2
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Shields
Assistant Headteacher
Head of KS5



Mr Peck
Head of EYFS



Mr Lubi
Head of KS3



Mrs Restivo
Head of KS4



Ms McCormack
School Counsellor



Or you can speak with someone from Kooth
(www.kooth.com) or childline (0800111111)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Week A

Year 11, 12 + 13 Careers Interviews

Whole School Assessment Week

Monday 3 October

- Whole School Assembly National Poetry Day
8:45pm - 9:00pm Main Hall

Wednesday 5 October

- Pre-Prep and Prep Y4 Assembly
8:45pm - 9:00pm Main Hall
- Sixth Form Taster Day
8:35pm - 3:35pm

Thursday 6 October

- Sixth Form Evening
5:30pm - 7:00pm Dining Hall

