



HERALD

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HEADLINES *from* TREVOR LAWN—ACTING HEADTEACHER

Dear Family

APOLOGIES

Last week's Herald stated that there will be an Inset day on 7 May 2010. This should have read 7 JUNE 2010. Apologies for any confusion.

Our staff have been visiting Year 10 students at their work placements this week, from Dairy Farms to Motorbike Workshops. Our students are enjoying the world of work and proving themselves good ambassadors for our college.

Meanwhile, elsewhere in College, the Science Department welcomed Year 6 students from Lyons Hall for their induction which coincided with Science Week.

Students took part in three practical sessions:

Making Rockets with Mr Lee; Microscope work with Miss McKinnon and Chemistry—Looking at Acids and Alkalis with Miss Fleming.

STUDENT NAME

TERM DATES

SUMMER TERM
19 April—22 July 2010
HALF TERM
31-4 May 2010
INSET DAY
7 June 2010

COLLEGE OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Visitors Reception

8.15 am - 4.15 pm Mon-Thurs
8.15 am - 3.45 pm Friday
Student Reception
8.30 am - 3.25 pm Mon-Fri

STUDENT ABSENCE HOTLINE AND E-MAIL

We would be grateful if parents reporting absence would use our new service:

Tel: 01376 559356
jackie.jackson@alehunter.essex.sch.uk
Text: 07781474810

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LINE MANAGEMENT

Please find below our line management arrangements for students. The first point of call for enquiries should be your child's tutor and then their Pastoral Leader. Our Achievement Co-ordinators focus on your child's progress in lessons. Also included are the Leadership Group responsibilities for each Curriculum Area to help parents in knowing who to approach for assistance.

YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11
Form Tutors				
Mrs Barnes Pastoral Leader	Mrs Porter Pastoral Leader	Mrs Porter Pastoral Leader	Mr Deeks Pastoral Leader	Mr Deeks Pastoral Leader
Mr Moreno Achievement Co-ordinator	Mrs Ogilvie Achievement Co-ordinator	Mrs Stringer Achievement Co-ordinator	Miss Jones Achievement Co-ordinator	Mrs Stalker Achievement Co-ordinator
Mrs Richards Assistant Headteacher – KS3 Director			Mrs Hills Assistant Headteacher – KS4 Director	

Mrs C Truscott	Pastoral Leader / AfA
Miss T Leack	Child Protection
Mrs J Jackson	Attendance Officer

Should you have a subject-related query, for example, homework, e-folio, the first port of contact should be with the class teacher. Listed below are the Heads of each Curriculum Area.

Subject	Head of Curriculum Area	Senior Leader
English	Mr Ellams	Mr Birley
Maths	Mr Govender	Mrs Hills
Science	Mrs Stevens	Miss Leack
Geography/History/RE	Mr Guilford	Mr Birley
Technology and Art	Mr Todd	Miss Leack
French/German/Spanish	Mrs Bradley	Mr Lawn
ICT	Ms Walker	Mr Birley
PE/Drama/Music	Mr Edwards	Mrs Richards
Citizenship	Mr Barber	Mr Birley
Personal Development	Mrs Artus (Co-ordinator)	Mrs Richards

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CLASSROOM CODE OF CONDUCT

ACCEPT AND INCLUDE OTHERS

UNIFORM REMINDERS

In order that we maintain our uniform standards and that we are consistent in the application of our uniform policy, please note the points below:

- Black cardigans have never been part of our uniform and may be confiscated for a day if seen. Only a plain V neck jumper is allowed. If they are hot, students should remove their jumper and **not** their blazer as they walk around the college.
- Skirts must be knee length. A student may be sent home to change if the skirt she is wearing is deemed too short and inappropriate for college wear.
- Hair accessories should be small and unobtrusive. Items which do not meet this requirement can be confiscated until the end of the week.
- A minority of students are wearing canvas shoes. Only leather / leather look proper shoes are permissible. Trainers are only allowed if supported by a doctor's note. Students may be sent home to change
- It is permitted to wear one plain stud in each ear and one plain nose stud. Any further jewellery may be confiscated if seen and placed in the college safe until the end of the week.
- Make up, including nail varnish, is not allowed. Students will be asked to remove it.

WANTED

We would like any unwanted items for our Spring Fayre; plants, household goods, toys, books, CDs, DVDs etc.

We would also like to set up a Bottle Stall, so would appreciate any full bottle. For example: Tomato Sauce, Vinegar, Shampoo, Wine, Oil, Bubble Bath etc. Anything that is in a bottle will be fine.

Please send items in to Mrs Artus via the College Office.

HERALD ONLINE

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Jessica Joiner	Year 7
Joseph Scotting	Year 8
Sam Hardy	Year 9

LISTENING CHAMPIONS

Bradley Easter	Year 7
Josh Cole	Year 8
David Arnold	Year 9

LIBRARY / MEDIA SUITE

The Media Suite is open for students every morning from 8.00 am—8.45 am and the Library is open every evening for students from 3.20 pm—5.00 pm.

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WELL DONE SHEILA!



Sheila Purkiss, a valued member of the College office team, completed her third London marathon in 5 hours 26 minutes and 26 seconds. This is a personal best for Sheila.

Sheila ran the marathon for Farleigh Hospice and raised in excess of £400.

We are all very proud of Sheila and her achievements.

Well done.



CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

Creative Writing Club

Wednesdays in L5 from 1.15-1.45

bring a pen, some paper and your imagination

Make sure that you see Ms. Adams for a club pass and get writing some ideas over the holidays ready to share.

GOVERNORS' SUGGESTION BOX

We have, in our foyer, a Governors' Suggestion Box. Governors have asked that students please use this for their suggestions and they say that they are very keen to hear students' views.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

COULD PARENTS PLEASE NOTE THAT WITH EFFECT FROM 19 APRIL 2010 TUTORIAL TIME FOR ALL STUDENTS WILL FINISH AT 3.20 PM.

CALLING ALL GARDEN ENTHUSIASTS!



ECO Crew needs more students to join the group.

If you enjoy learning new skills?
Working as part of a group?
Working outdoors?
Enjoy gardening?
Taking on responsibility for your environment?

Then this is the group is for you.

Contact Mrs Artus as soon as possible.

Attention Parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles!!

Are you green fingered?
Do you enjoy gardening?
Would you like the chance to teach students new skills?
Have you spare time, one day a week after school?
If so, you may be the person we are looking for.

Our resident ECO Crew is in need of more adults to support their gardening skills. They currently have one member of the community who leads them on this activity but need more support, to maintain our garden and the produce that we grow.

If you would like to help, please contact Mrs Artus on 01376 321813 or email lisa.artus@alechunter.essex.sch.uk

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ALEC HUNTER PD STUDENTS ARE RUNNERS UP IN NHS COMPETITION!

In January, Year 8 and 9 students were given the task of taking part in an NHS competition on Careers called 'Step into the NHS'.

The NHS had over 700 entries from 1700 students across the country and seven of our students have been awarded prizes for their entries.

To complete the assignment, students were asked to research jobs within the NHS, choose a role that they had an interest in and then produce a CV, Job Description and an advertisement campaign for their chosen role.

The NHS competition allowed students to enhance and support the work they already do in PD on Work Related Learning and this also helps towards their careers work in Year 10 PD lessons.

Rebecca Taylor, Zara Akhtar and Abigail Prior were runners-up and have received a 'Step into the NHS' memory stick each. **Roxanne Lyons, Amber Morris, Ashley Solomon and Ekaterina Shipulina** received £20 worth of Amazon vouchers, as the judges were so impressed with the students' creative, innovative and fun approach to their entry.

Well done students and PD staff for all your hard work.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following students who cashed in their merits with Mrs Jackson recently:

Chloe Baker
Sarah-Anne Austin
Ellis Haselden
Sky Devenish
Ebony Dring
Amy Hunt
Connor Barton
Brandon Black-Carroll
Melissa Bates
Jordan Cain
Eleanor Miller

Special congratulations goes to **Charlotte Slater and Isobel Chandler** who cashed in four pages of merits and collected their £5 Freeport Voucher.

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