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Final half term

I hope that everyone had an enjoyable break last week. It fell in the middle of exams for many but provided a welcome rest even though the weather wasn't brilliant. This final half term is always very busy with many events fitted into the remaining weeks. I thought it would be useful to repeat some of the key dates:

Mon 18 June	Year 11 Leavers' Liturgy (9.00am) and
	Key Stage 3 Pre-Public Exams begin
Tue 19 June	The Great Get-Together (lunchtime)
Wed 20 June	Sixth Form Induction Day and
	Cambridge University Law Day
Fri 22 June	Year II Prom (7.00pm)
Tue 26 June	Celebration of Achievement (7.30pm)
27 & 28 June	School Production of Grease (evening)
Mon 2 July	Visit by Chinese exchange students
Wed 4 July	Induction day for new Year 7
Tue 10 July	SIF Student Leadership Conference
16 & 17 July	Focus Days
Wed 18 July	Activity Day
Thu 19 July	Sports Day
Fri 20 July	St John Fisher Feast Day

Blue Day

Thank you to everyone who took part in Cambridge House's Blue Day just before half term. The final figure raised was £709.15. At the end of term we will announce



the total amount raised by students throughout the year.

Year II Leavers Day

Because of the way GCSE exams are scheduled this year we are having the Leavers' Liturgy on a different day to the Prom. As mentioned above, it is on Monday 18 June. Students should register as usual and then go to the hall for period I. We will then have the Liturgy and make some other presentations and issue your Year Books. We are again asking for donations of uniform, especially blazers and ties, to help us build a stock that we can issue to other students.

Students should wear uniform as for a normal school day. You may wish to bring a second shirt for friends to sign but will be required to change back into a clean one for the liturgy. There are no exams on this day so students will be dismissed at break time.

Sean Hayes

Thank You

A message from Alan Haine, son of Feda Haine, our former Head of Languages:

Shortly after mum retired and left England to return to France, she was diagnosed with colon cancer. After a long and courageous battle she passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by family, on 29th March 2018. I have a photograph of mum marching along with her students from St John Fisher on what looks like a Sports Day, looking very happy – I'll always cherish this photo as it shows her doing what she loved most. One of mum's greatest sources of pride came from her students; I particularly remember her delight after each results day and her being overjoyed at the achievements of those she taught.

After many cycles of unsuccessful chemotherapy, mum decided to refuse any further treatment and live out her life exactly as she wanted. We had a great time, walking along the beach, enjoying nice meals and spending time together.

Thank you to all the staff and students of St John Fisher who made my mum's time there as great as it was.



Hospital Work experience

During the school half term, Glenver Miranda and Mohammed Dhanji completed their work experience at Peterborough City Hospital. They successfully competed against students from across Peterborough and Stamford to gain this opportunity, which will benefit their career prospects. Glenver described the experience as "extremely interesting and worthwhile". The lucky students were allocated to separate wards, where they observed and participated in daily routines of the hospital ward such as Whiteboard meetings and Ward rounds with a Consultant and Trust doctor. Throughout the week they had sessions on Infection control, Manual handling, Basic life support training and they even had tours into the Critical Care unit and the premature emergency unit, led by the multi-disciplinary team of the hospital. Mohammed eagerly said that he would sincerely recommend the experience to anyone wanting to enter a healthcare related job because "it was a real eye opener". Finally, we would like to congratulate the two students for taking the initiative and embarking on this valuable work experience. We hope it inspires any budding doctor, nurse or paramedic.



Art Trip to Hunstanton Sealife Centre



On Thursday 24 May, Year 10 artists went to Hunstanton Sealife Centre to gather photos and shells to be used in their coast projects. Though the sun was warm and tempting, the wind was freezing and blustery. Everyone had a chance to stroke a starfish and a velvet crab in the centre and there were some very squeamish people! They then went around the busy centre along with two schools of year 5 students and saw the cutest little otters being fed and chicks and penguins basking in the sun. Students were awed by the gigantic sea turtle swimming overhead and thrilled to find both Dory and Nemo. After lunch they played on the wind-swept beach to gather more images. Congratulations to Eromu who ended up in the sea and to Meida, who has never before been so excited by fish and shells. Everyone enjoyed their day out.

Mrs G-W and Mrs Littleton



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The Five Rs - Resilience

This week and next we are looking to reward students with merits for showing **resilience** in and out of lessons. To help you do this consider these few tips:



- I stay on task and ignore distractions
- I overcome problems
- I learn from my mistakes
- I remain positive no matter what happens at home or school
- I am not afraid to get things wrong in order to succeed

Cambridge News

Before half term Cambridge held their Blue Day which had all the fun of the fair! It was a non-uniform day and as a house we are proud to say we raised **£709.15** for our chosen charity. So a big thanks to the student volunteers and the Cambridge form tutors for all their hard work. Bismillah Allam – C3

Year 9 Visit to Anglia Ruskin University

Just a reminder that on Tuesday 12 June, all year 9 students will be visiting Anglia Ruskin University. Students need to register in the Hall at 8.40am and we will return to school by 3.15pm. All students should wear school uniform and also bring a packed lunch with them. If students have free school meals, a packed lunch will be provided for them.



The Great Get Together

The Great Get Together, inspired by Jo Cox MP, is happening on the 19 June 2018, at lunchtime in the courtyard. To develop this idea, we have decided to spice up the event by including International Week, in order to celebrate and appreciate the diversity within the school. Food will be shared from different cultures, and music will also be played. We encourage as many students as possible to come and be part of this great event. Glenver Miranda and Vanessa Abankwa

Does your child have Special Education Needs and/or disabilities?

Do want to find out more about what the school does and how Family Voice can support you in accessing services?

If so, then you are invited to our

St John Fisher School Parent Coffee Morning

Monday 18 June 2018 9am to 10.30am Please sign in at Reception

We will also be asking you for feedback on our SEND information report. Please look at the website for more details:

http://www.stjohnfisherschool.org.uk/parentscarers/sen-policies/

