



Theme of the Week: Stability

Our theme this week has been about having stability through faith. Our assemblies have focussed on the idea of having strong foundations through faith to weather the storms that life inevitably brings. A key analogy we see in scripture is of the idea of building on rock and firm foundations because God is our rock who keeps us grounded and stable in our lives. 'The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my strength, in whom I will trust' (Psalm: 18)

Kate Pereira

Executive Headteacher

Preparation for Your Future

This week we launched the first Preparation for Your Future Fortnight with Year 11. Each student has been given a folder with resources to get them started in their revision for this important year. In lessons, revision strategies have been taught as well as students experiencing a taster session for the subject at post-16. Yesterday, we held our first Aspire, Aim, Achieve Day with students following a bespoke timetable where they wrote their CVs, prepared for interviews,



planned a pathway to the most popular 5 careers and planned their individual revision study schedule. The day started with motivational speaker Kamal from Aim A Little Higher who was an inspiration to them all. There is still lots of events in the coming week starting with a busy Careers Fair today with 36 exhibitors,

mock interviews with external employers next week and an assembly led by PRC. Thanks to all involved in making this fortnight a huge success.

Natasha Wilmore, Head of School

Light is Full of Symbolism



Life, energy, warmth, love, security, peace, goodness and truth. Ultimately, God is all of these and we can shine that light out to everyone.

On Tuesday we celebrated our Year 7 Welcome Liturgy with the theme of Light, with readings and prayers reminding us that we each are given the spirit of light by God. As part of the entrance procession, the students brought forward their small candles,



representing their light, which joined our large school candle. As part of the preparation for the Liturgy, our students wrote their talents onto candle bookmarks for them to keep as a reminder of the day. During the liturgy, beautiful prayers were read, as Mrs Pearson played the guitar. With thanks to our Student

Leadership team for reading and for everyone joining in the uplifting Hymn 'Shine, Jesus Shine'!

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain

Academic Tutoring

Year 11

16 - 27 September 2024

Upcoming Events	
24 September	Year 7 Tutor Parents Evening 4pm-5.30pm
1 October	Open Evening 6pm-8pm



'A year of reading ... a lifetime of memories.'





School Information – EduLink One

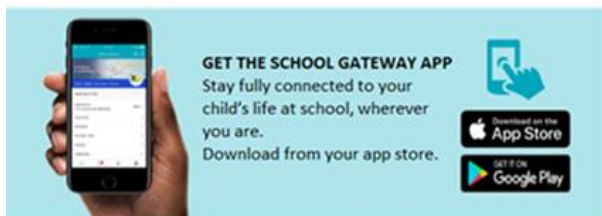
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Guidance on SchoolGateway can be found on Pages 14-15 of the Information for Parents booklet.

Year 7 Tutor Parents Evening

Booking system went live this week to make your appointments for Year 7 Tutor Parents Evening, please login via EduLink One then click on the Parents Evening Tab to make your booking. Booking closes at 8am Tuesday Morning.

St John Fisher Careers Fair

Students from Year 9 – Year 13 had the opportunity to visit our careers fair today. There was exhibitors from different sectors. Students had the opportunity to find out information about Post 16 and Post 18 options, employment, apprenticeship and volunteering. Students are able to log onto their Unifrog accounts and read about the companies and educational providers that attended our careers fair.



Free School Meals

Is your child eligible for free school meals? We are keen to make sure they get the support they need, both short term with meals / vouchers but longer term in terms of schools support via the pupils premium. If you think you may be eligible please complete the form online at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals. Claiming Free School Meals not only provides your child/children with a meal allowance each day of £2.70 but also brings in valuable additional funding to the school.

Your child is entitled to Free School Meals if you are in receipt of one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit – your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get). To apply for Free School Meals complete the Free School Meal Application Form on the website below www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals