

NEWSLETTER

13 MAY 2024



DEAR STUDENT

We are mindful that you are heading into the thick of GCSE season, so we are reducing your reading a little, by not including an article about one of our inspiring namesakes. Look out for the next one on 3 June!

Please remember that we are here to support you, and our “Ask a Teacher” sessions start this week. The details that you will need to dial in are:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)
Meeting ID: 384 039 576 425
Passcode: GSo5sp

Please do join us - we'd love to see you!

STAFF NEWS

We are really looking forward to working with your SuMS teachers - and we know you will be excited to get to know them too. Have you checked out their profiles on our website? [Click here](#) to find out what they have been doing before joining SuMS and what they are interested in apart from maths and STEM!

TASTER DAYS

Thank you for signing up. You should have already received an email confirming your booking, and telling you which date you will be joining us at Wild Wood. We will be sending out more detailed information soon, but in the meantime please reach out if you have any questions; you can always email us on info@surreymathsschool.co.uk.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

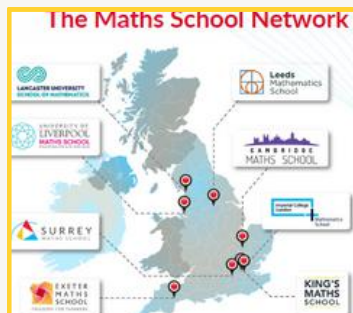
As a SuMS offer holder you are invited to join a series of valuable events over the coming weeks:

- **Online “Ask a Teacher” GCSE support sessions (drop-in sessions with Mrs Shillabeer & Ms Kettleborough in which you can ask any last-minute questions before your exams):**
 - Maths - 15 May 16.30 - 17.30
 - Physics - 21 May 16.30 - 17.30
 - Maths - 2 June 16.30 - 17.30
 - Maths - 9 June 16.30 - 17.30
 - Physics - 13 June 16.30 - 17.30
- **Online “Meet the Teachers” session: 20 June 17.00 - 17.30**
- **Offer holders taster days: 1-3 July (see above)**

BEHIND THE SCENES AT SUMS

Over the last few weeks we've been working with external bodies as we prepare to welcome our first cohort. We've been preparing for our pre-opening OFSTED by writing our Education Brief and ensuring all the necessary policies and paperwork are in place and ready to go. Mrs Shillabeer and Ms Kettleborough have been busy with the key pieces of work that will define our school culture moving forward. From school trips to safeguarding, from assessment to health and safety - we've got all our policies and procedures in place and ready for scrutiny.

We also headed off to the U-Maths Governance Conference recently. U-Maths is the umbrella organisation that oversees the work of the Maths Schools. We were delighted to join our 7 (currently open) sister schools in collaborating on all sorts of exciting areas from admissions to student wellbeing. We're looking forward to working closely with all the schools in the network and hopefully enabling our students to visit and collaborate with each other too!



HOW CAN WE HELP?

We want to make sure that our newsletter is accessible to everyone; easy to read, friendly and informative. If there is anything that we can do to make it more accessible, or if there is content that you'd love us to include, please get in touch.

You can call us on 01483 974211 or email us on admissions@surreymathsschool.co.uk.

If you have any concerns, please let us know either by email or by submitting a response to this [anonymous form](#), which will go through directly to our Co-Headteachers.

We're always glad to hear from you!

"Mathematics is the most beautiful and most powerful creation of the human spirit" - Stefan Banach



Recently we visited Holy Trinity Pewley Down school to join a group of children from several local primary schools, as part of the Royal Institution Masterclass series. Our session was titled "Where is the moon?" and involved lots of hands-on activities, in which the pupils used their maths and physics knowledge to create a scale model of the earth-moon system. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed the session and told us that they had learned a lot from it. We really enjoyed meeting them too!

