

# NEWSLETTER

19 SEPTEMBER 2025

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

We have thoroughly enjoyed our first full week of term and we know that our students have too! They are settling in to the rhythm of life at SuMS beautifully and it is wonderful to see how much Year 12 and Year 13 students are interacting. This week we'd mostly like to share some 'housekeeping' reminders with you:

### Year 12

- Remember: you have until midnight tonight to submit your application to be a parent governor
- This week your MCAS (My Child At School) account has been activated - you have received an email with your password. If you have not yet activated your account please email us on [office@surreymathsschool.co.uk](mailto:office@surreymathsschool.co.uk). MCAS is an important communication tool for you as a SuMS parent/carer, enabling you to see your child's timetable, attendance and trips
- Thank you to everyone who joined our online "Meet the Y12 tutors" session. If you'd like to watch a recording of the session you will [find it here](#)
- Please check that your child has returned any outdoor kit that they borrowed for the Cuffley trip; we are still missing a few items!
- If your child would like to use a locker at school, please direct them to see Mrs Stapledon during any break or lunchtime and she will allocate them one (they are free of charge)

### Year 13

- Thank you to everyone that joined our online "Parents & Carers Information" session; we will send out a link to the recording of it very soon
- If your young person is joining the Thorpe Park trip, you can now pay their £23 contribution in MCAS - please aim to pay this early next week if possible

### Whole school

- Please note that ALL absences must be reported/requested using the [attendance@surreymathsschool.co.uk](mailto:attendance@surreymathsschool.co.uk) inbox, including instances where your child needs to leave during the school day. We take registers throughout the day, to ensure that each student is safe and in the right place: and if we don't know where a young person is this presents a safeguarding risk. It also potentially places a member of staff at risk (e.g. if we have a fire evacuation).

## PASTORAL UPDATE

On Monday, all students will attend an assembly about being an Active Bystander. This will be led by an organisation called "Talk Consent", who also visited Year 13 last year to deliver a workshop around consent. The assembly is designed to empower students to feel confident challenging attitudes and expressions like misogyny, harmful stereotypes and objectification. The session will cover:

- Why it is important to challenge negative behaviour and sexual violence.
- What needs to be challenged and how certain beliefs and attitudes can enable sexual violence.
- How to feel confident challenging someone in a way that ensures you stay safe.

We are aware that these themes may be difficult for particular students, and have asked them to contact us if they have any concerns about the assembly. If you would like more information about the content then please also get in touch.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- 22 Sep - Y12 & Y13 Talk Consent workshops
- 24-26 Sep - Y13 Progress Check 4
- 30 Sep - Y12 & Y13 Thorpe Park trip
- 8 Oct - Y12 & Y13 Welcome event for parents/carers
- 20 & 21 Oct - Y13 parents evenings

**Planned absence:** please request via [attendance@surreymathsschool.co.uk](mailto:attendance@surreymathsschool.co.uk) - min. 48 hours notice

**Unplanned absence:** please report via [attendance@surreymathsschool.co.uk](mailto:attendance@surreymathsschool.co.uk) - by 8.30am - every day of absence

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# STUDENT VOICE

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## WELCOME BACK!

We hope everyone had a really relaxing and enjoyable summer before the workload of year 13 catches up to us and that incoming year 12 students have enjoyed their GCSE summer. You guys deserved it! Some of the upcoming things for year 13 students include progress checks, UCAS deadlines, personal statements and admissions tests. Just a reminder these are some of those approaching tests and their deadlines (early admission) just in case you haven't signed up already.

## IMPORTANT DATES

**TMUA - 13TH OR 14TH OCTOBER**

**MAT - 22ND OR 23RD OCTOBER**

**PAT - 22ND OR 23RD OCTOBER**

**TSA - OCTOBER 21ST TO OCTOBER 27TH**

**ESAT - 9TH OR 10TH OCTOBER**



## TIPS FOR THE FIRST WEEKS

Our first couple of weeks back at school have been hectic – it almost feels as though we haven't been off at all. We got stuck straight back into work, with 'university' and 'entrance exams' being the most used terms. However, we are being supported through this process thoroughly and are excited to proceed to the next stages! If there are concerns at any point, make sure you let someone know!

## CUFFLEY

School felt quite empty without the year 12 students, who last week enjoyed their time at Cuffley. We were so pleased that they had a great time, and didn't get too wet, as the year 13s had been last year! We thought it would be lovely to reminisce about our time at Cuffley last year – we can't believe it's been a whole year since we went! We have put some pictures of the year 13 experience at Cuffley, for us to look back on, and for the year 12 students to compare their own trip to!

