

# NEWSLETTER

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

9 MAY 2025

This has been another busy, happy week here at SuMS!

We are very pleased with the commitment being shown by our Year 12s to preparing well for their **end of year exams**, and the thought that they are now demonstrably putting into their **next steps beyond SuMS**. We recognise that this can be a stressful time for some students, with lots going on, and we are using tutor time and our house system to proactively ensure that everyone is able to access any help that they might need. If you feel that your young person would benefit from any extra support, please do encourage them to speak to their tutor.

Last Friday we hosted a fantastic outreach event for Year 8 & 9 pupils at the University of Surrey - our **Maths Team Challenge**. All of the pupils showed a real passion for Maths and a great competitive spirit!

After 4 rounds, the top 3 placed teams were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> - George Abbot School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Broadwater School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Kings College, Guildford



## COMING SOON!

This week our students all received their end of year exam timetables, so please ask to see them. On the 13 May we will host an **online UCAS information session** for parents/carers, to enable you to support them with their applications. The session will run from 18.45-19.30, and you don't need to book in advance to attend; just [click this link](#) to join the session.

On Thursday 15 May we are running a **consent workshop** for our students, facilitated by [TalkConsent](#), a well-respected training organisation working in this field. As with all of our RSE subjects, the topic will be handled sensitively and all of our students will be supported to reflect upon what they learn.

Mrs Stapledon has emailed all of the students doing their **DofE Practice Expeditions** to remind them about the coach transport for their journeys to and from Wales on Monday 2 & Wednesday 4 June. Critically, on Monday the coach will be **departing from Guildford train station at 6am** - please could you check that your young person is planning to be there in good time? She also reminded them to make sure that they have their kit ready so if you think your student might need some help with that, please do check in with them!

We have now **finalised our space** at Kings College Guildford for the start of the academic year 2025 - 2026, and are pleased to have secured more classrooms and social spaces as well as increased access to the outside space. We can't wait to welcome the new year group and see how the students make this expanded space their own. We have also extended our contract with the coach company and can confirm that we will have three runs each morning from Guildford train station, to ensure that students are able to be at school on time.

**Look out for some exciting staffing announcements very soon!**

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- UCAS online info session - 13 May
- End of year exams - w/c 19 May
- Half-term - w/c 26 May
- DofE practice expeditions - 2-4 June
- Mock SPQ presentations - 10 Jun
- SPQ presentations - 19 Jun
- Helen Sharman lecture - 23 June