

17 October 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

As Week 7 comes to a close, there is plenty to reflect on. Year 11s have been absolutely brilliant in their first week of PPEs - the focus that they have shown bodes well for next week's PPEs and beyond. We are also pleased to hear that many of our Year 11 students will be coming in over the half-term break for additional sessions for some of their subjects - further details of this to follow. In our lower school, students have been working hard across their subjects and we are delighted to see our field in full use as cross country season begins in P.E.

In the lower school, our Key Stage 3 students continue to exhibit outstanding behaviour during our Morning Greeting. It is such an important way for our school community to start the day ready to learn, ensuring that staff can check in with our students, support them with any equipment or uniform issues they might have, receive key messages from Heads of Year, and then go together as a form group to our tutor time reading programme or assembly.

We would also like to congratulate our Year 9 rugby team for their victory over Gloucester Academy - a local derby of sorts, but really well played. Thanks to Mr Bevan and the team for organising.

Our subject spotlight this week comes from one of our most popular subjects: Food!

As we head towards half term Y10 have settled well in GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition, with deboning chickens and then cooking the various sections in different ways followed last week by filleting beautiful English caught fresh mackerel, everyone had a go. This week we are building on that fish and protein knowledge to make delicious tuna fish cakes, all that omega 3 from that fish will be brilliant for their brains!

Y11 are preparing for their first Non Examined Assessment investigating raising agents and planning their practical investigations as well as revising ready for their PPEs this week.

This year we are teaching key stage three once a fortnight, so Y7 have been starting with basic knife skills to make vegetable creatures which are always really fun. Y8 have been refining their knife and chopping skills and considering food styling to make vegan sushi with Y9 making stunning rainbow salads packed with their 5 a day and all the vitamins you get from using a wide range of vegetables.

Next week one of our Y10 GCSE students will start a two week halloween cupcake decorating club for Y7 to get spooky.

Year 7
100% attendance prize: Lily Haviland
Star of the week: Erin Simpson

Name	Positive Points (previous week)
Nibish Jeyachandran	11
Braeden Perry	8
Logan Best	8
Raelli Buckley	8
Zayan Butt	8

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Year 8 100% attendance prize: Andre Meadows Star of the week: Mohammed Attar

Name	Positive Points (previous week)
Oshai Smith	10
Remy Thomas	10
Harvey Gibbons	9
Tiwa Onabanjo	9
Jack Smith	9

Year 9

100% attendance prize: William Swarbrick
Star of the week: Ashwin Aby

Name	Positive Points (previous week)
Lilly Bee	9
Josh Bird	9
Riley Andrews	9
Nika Naserian	8
Evan Pritchard	8

Year 10

100% attendance prize: Nicole Drapacova
Star of the week: Alex Mclean

Name	Positive Points (previous week)
Kiana Liggett	14
Isla Wood	13
James Holland	11
Georgie Norris	11
Jack Corcoran	11

<u>Year 11</u>

100% attendance prize: Betsy Jones
Star of the week: Theo Goddard

Name	Positive Points (previous week)
Mamadou Diallo	7
Oscar Mowbray	7
Charlie Symonds	6
Jaytreyee Asipu	6
Atshya Theiventhirarasa	6

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Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely

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