



# THE FULHAM BOYS SCHOOL

A Church of England School

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**Friday 27th November 2020**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you all are well. Yesterday, I visited the permanent site with our Head Boy and Deputy Head Boys and found it all incredibly exciting. It now really does feel within touching distance, and I look forward to showing many of you around the site in the new year before our move in February. I am sending out two blog posts before the end of term, the first one on Monday titled 'There has never been a better time to be a Fulham Boy'. Please read these blog posts, and let me know what you think. As ever, these posts are intended to provoke discussion and debate.

I am also pleased that our current attendance across the school is between 95% and 96% and I would like to thank you so much for all your support during these difficult times. I am certain that with the famous FBS spirit we will come through these challenging times stronger than ever before!

Finally, I would like to encourage you all to get involved with the [Friends of FBS](#), they are doing fantastic work this Christmas fundraising for the gym at our permanent site. More information about this can be found in the 'Information for Parents' section of this bulletin.

Please see below for upcoming dates for your diary and information for the forthcoming week.

## Updated Covid-19 Risk Assessment

Please see the updated Covid-19 Risk Assessment, which now includes the procedures we have put in place in case of a future Partial or Full Lockdown. See the Risk Assessment [here](#), and the Future Partial/Full Lockdown procedures [here](#).

## Permanent site - changes to term dates

As mentioned last week, we have made the decision to postpone the move to the permanent site to February half term. This means that there have been some changes to scheduled INSET days. Please see specific dates below:

Friday 11th December

Last day of term

Monday 4th January

First day of term

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Friday 15th January	INSET day
Wednesday 10th February	Last day of term for pupils
Thursday 11th February	INSET day
Friday 12th - Monday 22nd February	Half term holiday
Tuesday 23rd February	INSET day
Wednesday 24th February	First day of term - at the new site!

### **Diary Dates**

Monday 30th November	Year 9 and Year 10 exam week
Thursday 3rd December	Year 12 and Year 13 Parent Consultation 5pm-7pm
Friday 4th December	9am start
Monday 7th December	Year 7 and Year 8 exam week
Friday 11th December	Last day of term
Monday 4th January	First day of term

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Internal exams - Years 7 to 10, Autumn 2020**

Please see attached timetables for internal exams of [Year 9 and Year 10](#) (30th November - 4th December) and [Year 7 and Year 8](#) (7th December - 11th December). Boys will receive individual timetables for their own exams only. When the boys do not have exams they will be expected to attend their timetabled lessons. If you have any questions, please email Ms Gai ([n.gai@fulhamboysschool.org.uk](mailto:n.gai@fulhamboysschool.org.uk)).

#### **UCAS deadlines**

For parents of Year 13 pupils applying to University, please see the relevant deadlines below. If you have any questions, please contact Ms Igbokwe ([e.igbokwe@fulhamboysschool.org.uk](mailto:e.igbokwe@fulhamboysschool.org.uk)).

<b>FBS Internal University deadline</b>	Tuesday 1st December 2020
<b>Final UCAS submission deadline</b>	Friday 15th January 2021

#### **MAYOO Christmas cake sale - Friday 4th December**

During lunch on Friday 4th December, Year 10 pupils will be hosting a cake sale to raise money for the school's charity, MAYOO, which supports girls' education and protection from FGM and child marriage in Kenya. If pupils would like to bring in some festive cakes to sell that would be greatly appreciated, please bring them to Room 29 on Friday morning. Thank you for your continued support for MAYOO.

## Information for Parents

### **London Youth Games virtual cross country**

We will be taking part in the London Youth Games virtual cross country for those who are interested at Sports Afternoons next week (Monday 30th November - Friday 4th December). The distances are:

- U11 - 1500m
- U13 - 2000m
- U15 - 3000m
- U17 - 4500m

All boys will have the opportunity to score points for Hammersmith and Fulham and can help contribute towards the final London Youth Games tally. Please contact Mr Missen if you have any questions ([j.missen@fulhamboysschool.org.uk](mailto:j.missen@fulhamboysschool.org.uk)).

### **GCSE certificates**

Congratulations to all of our Year 12 pupils for their GCSE results, please see the attached letter [here](#). We will be presenting these certificates in an assembly next term.

### **Lost or missing items at school**

If you are concerned that your son has lost, misplaced or had something go missing at school, please can you contact your son's Form Tutor as soon as possible.

### **Social Enterprise**

In the lead up to Christmas, we have put together a [Christmas Social Enterprise package](#) which is being shared within the community. If you would like to help in any way or let us know of any one who could benefit from the support outlined, please contact Emily Fryer, PA to Head of School and Executive Headmaster ([e.fryer@fulhamboysschool.org.uk](mailto:e.fryer@fulhamboysschool.org.uk)). The current activities boys are taking part in at school are outlined below:

- **Hammersmith and Fulham Foodbank** - we are running a House Competition collecting items in BA Reception, and the House that has collected the most will win 50 house points. To find out which items we will be collecting for the Foodbank please see [here](#), and to find out more about the incredible work that the Foodbank does, please see their [website](#).
- **Christmas shoeboxes** - in form time, pupils will be creating Christmas shoeboxes for members of the community filled with small gifts. If you have any spare shoeboxes at home, please ask your son to drop them off with his Form Tutor or with Miss Fryer.
- **Christmas letters/cards** - pupils are also writing letters and Christmas cards to elderly or vulnerable members of the community, which is a great way to brighten up someone's Christmas in a simple way.
- **Christmas EP** - we will be releasing a selection of Christmas songs from our staff and pupils. More information to follow on how to purchase this!

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## Changes to Parent Consultations

As you know, at FBS we believe that parental engagement is crucial to boys' success and for this reason we have made the decision to run this term's consultations remotely to ensure they take place and that we are following the most recent government guidance. We will be conducting virtual meetings using School Cloud and bookings must be made directly on this new system. To find out more about how to book appointments via School Cloud, please find the details [here](#). All parent consultations are now open for bookings. On the day of consultations the year group in question will be dismissed at lunchtime and the rest of the school will be dismissed at 2:30pm unless their year group is taking part in other activities. Please see the dates and activities below:

Date	Parent Consultation	PSHCE afternoon	Other activities
Wednesday 3rd December 5-7pm	Year 12 & 13		Normal lessons until 5pm for everyone

## Examinations Autumn - Spring 2020-21

Year group	Exam week	Reports go live on Parent Portal
Year 7 and Year 8	7th - 11th December	Monday 18th January
Year 9 and Year 10	30th November - 4th December	Monday 18th January
Year 11 - Round 2	4th - 14th January	Friday 29th January
Year 12 and Year 13	18th - 22nd January	Thursday 11th February

## FBS Digital Magazine

We have recently launched our [Digital Magazine](#) which outlines how parental donations support the work of the school. In addition, as we prepare for our move to our new site on the Fulham Road, the magazine showcases a number of sponsorship opportunities which will enable us to buy the equipment we need to ensure that our new school offers the very best opportunities to our students. There are also a host of other ways in which interested parties can support the school in a non-financial way.

In order to realise our ambitions, we need your help to send the magazine far and wide across your personal and professional networks. If you know any individuals or organisations who may wish to support the school, please send them the link to the [magazine](#) which you can copy and paste from your web browser. The more coverage we can get, the greater the chances of success!

## Let Friends help you get ready for Christmas!

We are excited to announce the [Friends Christmas Auction](#) goes live at 4pm this Sunday (29th November)! For one week only you will have the opportunity to win a 3-night stay in a seafront railway

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carriage, a pamper day for your pooch, a reflexology session, a gorgeous Max Mara handbag, a VR headset, a Star Wars Millennium Falcon Lego Set, and a whole host of other amazing prizes. There really is something there for everyone so bid high to secure your prize.

In the [Friends Online Christmas Market](#) you will find everything you need for Christmas all in one place - cards, gift wrap, flowers and gardeners, gifts, cosmetics, skincare, clothes and even locally brewed beer and your Christmas tree! And finally, don't forget to [buy your raffle tickets](#) for the Friends Christmas Raffle, which will be drawn live by Mr Ebenezer via Zoom on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm.

Full details can be found on the Friends [website](#). All proceeds of the Friends' Christmas fundraising is going to equip the new gym at the permanent site.

### **Special mentions**

#### **Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge**

Year 10 took part in The Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge last Friday, spending the day learning public speaking and speech writing techniques. At the end of the day, they each stood in front of their class and delivered a 2 minute speech on a topic they were passionate about. As always, we were impressed by the maturity and dedication that all of the boys gave to this day and the challenges it brought. Huge congratulations to our Year 10 winners - Trishaun, Keaton, Caleb, Malachai, Jack O-H, Dimitri, Luke F, Louis S and Lasse, who will go on to compete in an assembly final to the whole of Year 10, before hopefully progressing to Regional and National finals, competing against other schools.

#### **8F Spanish**

Well done to Year 8F Spanish for their incredible progress in Spanish this term, particularly for their wonderful results in the listening assessment - a group of linguists who are a pleasure to teach! - Miss Embiricos

#### **Library awards**

Well done to Dickens House who took out the most books this week!

Congratulations to 7L and 8F who are the library class winners this week, reading 476,916 and 379,604 words respectively.

Year 7 winners this week are Ayaan who has read 224,371 words and Alexander C for excellent quizzing. Year 8 winners this week are Aaron C who has read 286,316 words and Joshua O for excellent quizzing.

#### **Head of School Commendation**

This week, Cole (D9) has been awarded the Head of School's Commendation for winning the Chelsea Premier League Inspires Programme. This will result in him being in a video that will be on the Chelsea FC website. Well done, Cole!

### **Useful Links**

[FBS Website](#)

[FBS School Calendar](#)

[Sports Fixtures Calendar](#)

[Term Dates](#)

[Contact information](#)

[FBS Platforms](#)

[Letters to Parents](#)

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### **Supporting FBS**

[Friends of FBS](#)

[FBS Foundation](#)

[Ways you can support FBS](#)

[FBS Digital Magazine](#)

[Easyfundraising - Online shopping portal - earn commission for the school at no extra cost to you.](#)

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CEO and Executive Headmaster