



THE FULHAM BOYS SCHOOL

A Church of England School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

I hope you have had a good week.

Diary Dates

- 13th to 28th October: Half Term
- 29th October: Boys return to school
- 30th October: Brilliant Club University Trip
- 5th November: Year 11 Parents Afternoon
- 6th November: Parent Prayer Group
Year 9 'The Woman in Black' Theatre Trip
- 7th November: Headmaster's Coffee Morning
- 8th November: Year 10 Personal Enterprise Afternoon
- 9th November: Remembrance Service
- 10th November: Christian Union trip
- 15th November: Google Showcase Event
- 20th November: Parent Prayer Meeting
- 21st November: Year 9 Careers Aspiration Afternoon
- 27th November: Year 11 Art and Product Design Trip to Kew
Online Safety Evening
- 29th November: GCSE 'Romeo and Juliet' Trip
Year 10 Careers Networking at Lord's
- 4th December: Parent Prayer Meeting
- 10th December: FBS Carol Service at Holy Trinity, Brompton
- 11th December: French GCSE HAP Trip to Institut Francais
- 14th December: Last day of term
- 7th January: Boys return to school

Please check the FBS School Calendar regularly for information on upcoming events.

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Headmaster's Commendation

Headmaster's commendation goes to Ryan King, Year 11, Brunel House, for showing kindness to younger pupils.

Home School Agreements (HSA)

There are still a number of boys who have not returned their signed copy of the Home School Agreement (HSA). Please ensure your son returns his signed HSA to his form tutor when he returns to school on Monday 29th October. If the form is not returned boys will receive a detention. You will find a copy of the HSA attached to this email.

Year 7 Headmaster's Coffee Morning

Thank you to the year 7 parents who attended my coffee morning on Wednesday. It was good to see so many of you there.

At FBS we value and take on board parent feedback. Below are a few questions which arose during the morning and answers.

Is there a ParentPay app?

ParentPay do not currently have an app but this is something they are looking into.

Is there a summary of how to access google classrooms as google guardian and who to contact for access as google guardian?

Please find attached Google Classroom Guide for parents.

Is it possible to have training sessions for parents on google classroom?

Mr Hogg will be arranging google classroom training sessions next half term and will also be putting together short training videos which will be available on the school's website.

Could teachers do random checks on chromebooks' browsing history to discourage inappropriate use?

Form Tutors will be doing random checks going forward.

Can trips information be made available to parents on the school's website and/or notified to parents by ParentPay - supplementing boys' letters home?

Trip letters will be added to the parents section of the website. The finance department will ensure parents are notified on ParentPay when offers for payment of trips go live.

Could all staff list ownwork on google classroom calendar and ensure there is consistency in amounts set within and between subjects?

All staff set ownwork on google classroom. Departments will work to improve consistency in amounts set.

Can consent forms be completed by parents online rather than paper?

The school plans to use CHQ for online consent forms and hopes to launch this soon.

Lockers

As you may be aware, there has been a delay with delivery of school lockers. The manufacturer has informed us lockers are now due to arrive during the half term holiday. Form tutors will therefore be issuing locker keys to boys who have purchased one week beginning 29th October. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.

If you have not yet purchased a locker key for your son, but would like to, they are available to buy on [ParentPay](#).

GCSE Drama Workshop at The Lyric

On Wednesday 31st October the Lyric Theatre are coming in to work with our GCSE Drama students on a workshop from 9am to 12.40pm. The GCSE students are then going to the Lyric Theatre to see the production Othello: Macbeth. The trip will depart at 12.45pm from Gibbs Green reception and boys will return to school at 4pm. For more information please email Ms Mazur h.mazur@fulhamboyschool.org.uk.

FBS Choir and Orchestra

Music is a wonderful way to celebrate the core ethos' of FBS and there are excellent opportunities:

If your son learns an instrument either in or outside of school, he can join the orchestra! All instrumentalists welcome. Rehearsals take place on Monday afternoons in co-curricular and during Thursday lunchtimes. If your son is interested get in touch with Mr Burns, s.burns@fulhamboyschool.org.uk or Mr Bader, f.bader@fulhamboyschool.org.uk.

If your son enjoys singing, he can join FBS Voices! This choir is open to all year groups and all voices. A wide variety of music is covered! Rehearsals take place on Wednesday afternoons in co-curricular and during Wednesday lunchtimes. If your son is interested get in touch with Mr Burns or Mr Bader as above.

Online Safety Evening - 27th November

At 5.15pm on 27th November we will be hosting Jake Butterworth, local authority Prevent Manager, who will be here to outline the school's responsibility around the safeguarding area of Prevent. A

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significant focus of the talk will be on online safety, where Jake will highlight some key tips to keep your children safe when online. More information will be sent out next half term.

Parent Prayer Meetings

Parent prayer meetings next half term will be held on:

- 6th November
- 20th November
- 4th December

The meetings start at 9.15 am at the Beaumont Avenue site. All parents are welcome to attend. For those interested the email address is stayconnectedFBS@gmail.com and the mailing list subscribe link: <http://eepurl.com/dBqvin>.

Useful Links

For information on school events and term dates please check the [FBS School Calendar](#)

For the latest on sport at FBS please go to the [FBS Sport Blog](#)

For payments to school please pay online via [ParentPay](#)

To purchase school uniform visit [Sogans Uniform Shop](#)

To purchase sports kit visit [Tylers Sportswear](#)

To access the school's Parent Portal please visit [Parent Portal](#)

For information from the Friends of FBS please visit the [Friends of FBS website](#)

For information on the FBS Foundation please visit the [FBS Foundation website](#)

Wishing you all a good half term break.

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Headmaster