



THE FULHAM BOYS SCHOOL

A Church of England School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Diary Dates

- 13th December: Last day of Term
- 6th January: Staff INSET day
- 7th January: All back at school

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We hope you all have a restful break from school, and look forward to a fresh new start in 2020! Mr Ebenezer will be in contact in January to update you all with some new staffing.

End of term information

All boys are asked to wear their house ties to school on Friday 13th December. Boys should be in full school uniform on the last day of term, but may wear a Christmas jumper over their shirt and under their blazer if they wish. We know everyone is excited for the holidays, but please can we remind you that boys should be checking google classroom over the 3 weeks off to see what own work and/or revision has been set.

Fundraising Thank You

A big thanks to Year 10 Team MAYOO for their support in fundraising at the FBS Christmas fair, raising £235!

Google Classroom Training Sessions

Hi All,

Due to a large number of requests from parents, we will be running training on how to use Google Classroom. To allow as many parents to attend as possible, we will be running them on two separate dates as follows:

- 5:30pm on the 15th of January
- 5:30pm on 29th of January

If you would like to attend these sessions please could you complete the Google form linked [here](#). If you have any queries about the above, please contact our IT technician Mr Kuddus via m.kuddus@fulhamboysschool.org.uk

Consultation for FBS proposal to move to Multi Academy Trust

The Fulham Boys School is undertaking a consultation to move from being a Single Academy Trust to a Multi Academy Trust. [Here](#) is a link to the consultation document together with details of how you can submit your views.

Upcoming Exams and Reports

Please be reminded that all year groups have exams at the following times. Below you will also see the dates that reports will be published on Parent Portal. Please discuss your son's revision plan with him to ensure he is fully prepared for the exams.

Year group	Exam week	Reports go live
Year 7&8	7th - 16th January	14th February
Year 9&10	2nd-6th December	17th January
Year 11	7th - 16th January	7th February
Year 12	20th - 24th January	14th February

Do you know your TikTok, Snapchat and Instagram?

If not, you're not alone! Parents are increasingly concerned about the apps that their children are using and whether they should be using them!

The NSPCC has produced the brilliant website '[Net Aware](#)' that helps provide parents with information on a huge range of apps that are popular with children at the moment. Simply go on the website and enter the name of the app you are curious about: The site will then

tell you what the app does, what the age restrictions are as well as what the perceived level of risk for young people using these applications is.

A great website and one that we would encourage all parents to spend some time looking at to gain an insight into the apps that their children are using today.

Time Out Together

The ethos of Time Out Together is essentially to help parents and carers cope with the daily stresses and pressures associated with dealing with special/specific needs in children by facilitating awareness sessions and using sporting activity as a release valve.

Since August we have taken groups of SEN (mainly autism) affected families to two big events in London's West End, where the outcomes were amazingly positive. We visited Apple's Flagship store in Covent Garden and Hamleys Toy Shop. We've also managed to set up two weekly sports sessions, and we have much more planned for 2020. All our sessions and activities are also free of charge which is why we'd like to take this opportunity to invite all the parents, carers and staff at your school.

Parents/Caregivers will need to register with us in order to attend our trips (once again all of our activities are provided free of charge and SEN sensitive). Our next trip will be a late Xmas Extravaganza in January 2020 at Hamleys in London, and following that a special Shark Adventure at the London Aquarium! Please click [here](#) for more information.

Lunch Payments

If you have not yet paid for your lunches, please could you do so before the end of term. As you are aware, the school pays for lunches so any payment we do not receive comes out of school funds.

Acer Chromebook Insurance Renewal (Year 10 - Year 12)

The following information is only relevant to students who own/use an Acer Chromebook device in school and are in Year 10, 11 and 12:

Thank you to all those parents that have renewed the insurance for their son's Acer Chromebook. For those parents that would like to renew the insurance but did not do so when the initial deadline passed, can now do so using the details outlined [here](#). **The deadline to renew will be set to the end of December at which point there will be no further opportunities to renew the insurance and all repairs will be chargeable.**

If you have any questions please get in touch with Mr Kuddus via m.kuddus@fulhamboysschool.org.uk.

Cape Town Sports Tour, 2020

In 2020, a twenty-five strong group of Fulham Boys School Year 11 pupils will be venturing to Cape Town in the Rainbow Nation of South Africa. Here they will ply their trade in four football fixtures and two rugby fixtures against some of the most competitive sporting schools in the Cape as well as competing against a local youth rugby team in the township of Langa.

Please support our cause in the build up to the tour to raise money to cover the cost of transporting sports kit and educational resources to charitable foundations supporting children in poverty in Cape Town. At the moment, Mr Goldberg is selling FBS bobble hats for £15 to pupils, £20 to parents and staff for this cause. Please donate the above amounts, stating your full name to the following link and email Mr Goldberg at j.carte-goldberg@fulhamboysschool.org.uk to confirm your interest and that you have paid.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/fulham-boys-school-year-11-cape-town-sports-tour>

Work Experience

Could you or your workplace offer one of our pupils Work Experience? If so, please could you contact Miss Fryer, Sixth Form and Enterprise Admin Assistant, e.fryer@fulhamboysschool.org.uk.

'A Christmas Carol' theatre trip, Thursday 16th January

Limited tickets remain on Parent Pay for the 'A Christmas Carol' theatre trip on Thursday 16th January. The trip is ideal for Year 10 students who will be studying the novel next term or Year 11 students as part of their revision.

MFL Support

Last academic year witnessed a fruitful partnership with native parents or other native speakers who you knew and who gave up their time to help our Year 11 students with their preparations for the French and Spanish GCSE since January. This support with the speaking component was greatly appreciated by the boys. We felt very honoured that so many volunteered, some having helped out every single week.

We would now like to put in another request out for the remainder of this academic year to support our current Year 11 students. Our French and Spanish students will be busy preparing for their GCSE Speaking exams, which will start at the end of April. If you or someone you know can support in French or in Spanish classes, please contact j.chetti@fulhamboysschool.org.uk regarding your availability.

Below are the time slots at which your help would be most needed for this year's GCSE students.

French: Monday 9:00 - 9:50 am; Monday 13:40 - 14:30; Wednesday 11:50 - 12.40; Thursday 9:00 - 9:50 am; Thursday 14:30 - 15:20; Friday 13:40 - 14:30.

Spanish: Monday 9:00 - 9:50 am; Wednesday 11:50 - 12.40; Thursday 9:00 - 9:50 am; Thursday 9:50 - 10:40; Thursday 11:00 - 11:50; Friday 11:50 - 12.40.

Preparing for GCSEs in Pembrokeshire, Sunday 5th - Wednesday 8th July 2020

We are aiming to take all boys in Year 9 to the wild west coast of Wales to prepare for the challenges ahead as they begin the next chapter of their education. Boys will be taking part in activities including coastering, kayaking and surfing as well as taking time to reflect on their achievements to date and practising study skills in preparation for Year 10. The cost of the trip is £485, with an initial deposit of £25. Letters have been given out to all Year 9 boys.

Useful Links

[FBS Website](#)

[FBS School Calendar](#)

[Sports Fixtures Calendar](#)

[Trip Letters](#)

[Term Dates](#)

[Contact Info](#)

[FBS Platforms](#)

[Letters to Parents](#)

[Sogans Uniform Shop](#)

[Tylers Sportswear](#)

[Friends of FBS website](#)

[FBS Foundation website](#)

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

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