



Principals' Letter – Autumn Term 2019 Week ending 6th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our first newsletter of the year. Obviously, like all other schools, our students received their exam results and it was lovely to see them with the grades they need to move on in life. As you will know we have never been a school to just do as the government tells us if it isn't in the best interests of our young people. This year was no different with our young people being successful in the subjects that will help them to move on and not to boost any league table positions.

It has been great to welcome all of our students and the small number of new staff this week. As always there are lots of things to do at the start of the year to make sure we all make the most of it; it was great to welcome so many of the parents/carers of years 10 and 11 for an evening focussed on how we can work together to ensure our young people will be a success. The feedback on the evening has been excellent and we are glad we managed to do as we promised and give those that attended really clear information about revision and all of the support available out of school such as Hegarty Maths and Tassomai. We are confident that you can really help your child succeed by knowing what is available and using it. We look forward to welcoming the parents/carers of years 7 and 8 next week.

Please remember to look at the dates at the end of this letter for upcoming events as your involvement in your child's education is the single most important contributor to their success in the future. We look forward to another excellent year of partnership working with you and sharing your pride in what your child achieves.

Shakespeare's School Festival: From the 9th September, tickets are on sale for the Shakespeare's School Festival at the Harlow Playhouse. On the 7th November, Year 10 will be performing an abridged version of A Midsummer Night's Dream alongside performances from other Harlow secondary schools. Please come along and support the students who are working hard and are both extremely excited and nervous! Tickets can be purchased from The Playhouse box office.

Post 16 Information: Writtle College has their Open Day on Saturday 7th September 10am-1pm.

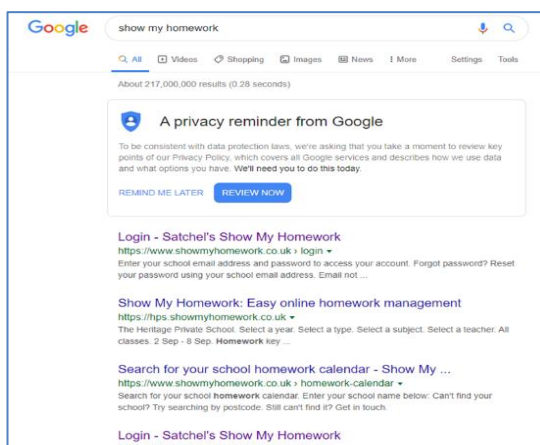
Passmores Points News: The following students have made a seriously professional start to the new school year – clocking up over seven Passmores Points per day for their Houses. Their Heads of Houses are thrilled!

Alyssa Crandle	U4 AHN	37	Year 7	Unicorn
Amy Bryson	L4 KJR	35	Year 7	Lion
Grace Stevens	U1 ARO	34	Year 7	Unicorn
Freddie Seow	L5 ROH	34	Year 7	Lion
Ruby Guinness	G6 JKG	34	Year 7	Griffin
Rocky Vinter	D8 MBY	33	Year 7	Dragon
Lola Clark	D9 TBT	33	Year 7	Dragon
Razvan-Stefan Jipa	U8 SWT	32	Year 7	Unicorn
Oliver Enderson	D5 EJM	32	Year 7	Dragon
Blaze Hibbert	U8 SWT	29	Year 7	Unicorn
Cade Ford	U1 ARO	28	Year 9	Unicorn
Sienna Ismail	G7 PWN	28	Year 7	Griffin
Emma Connell	G4 VNS	28	Year 7	Griffin

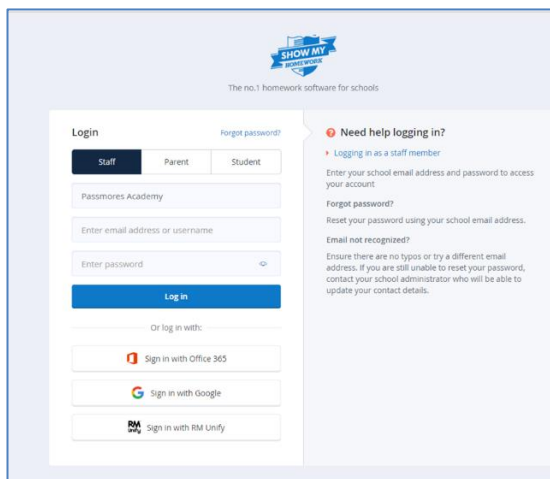
Yousef Aggouche	G5 KFS	28	Year 7	Griffin
Maria Thira	G7 PWN	27	Year 8	Griffin
Tristan Thira	G7 PWN	27	Year 7	Griffin
Archie May-Denton	L6 JSD	26	Year 7	Lion
Ben Mascal	L9 MMR	26	Year 7	Lion
Shayla Surer	D5 EJN	25	Year 7	Dragon
Evie Savin	G9 TST	25	Year 7	Griffin
Megan Ingram	D7 ALL	25	Year 7	Dragon
Joel Defor	D9 TBT	25	Year 7	Dragon
Harry Wood	G5 KFS	24	Year 7	Griffin
Selene Virga	L2 ABM	24	Year 7	Lion
Carmen Sunshine	G1 MTR	24	Year 7	Griffin
Millie Powell	D2 CLN	24	Year 7	Dragon
Freya Nash	D6 HTR	24	Year 7	Dragon
Carter Laporte	U5 ASA	24	Year 7	Unicorn
Jessica Kiddell	G2 SRS	24	Year 7	Griffin
Oakley Harrison	G5 KFS	24	Year 7	Griffin
Amber Donaldson	G1 MTR	24	Year 7	Griffin
Connor Battell	D8 MBY	24	Year 7	Dragon
Karys Bailey	U8 SWT	24	Year 7	Unicorn
Daisy Hooker	G3 SHO	23	Year 9	Griffin
Annie Long	D8 MBY	23	Year 8	Dragon
Leland Tyrrell	G1 MTR	23	Year 7	Griffin
Aimee O'Connor	L3 RAD	23	Year 7	Lion
Sonny Brooks	U1 ARO	23	Year 7	Unicorn
Jayden Almond	U2 EDR	23	Year 7	Unicorn
Bethany Akers	U5 ASA	23	Year 7	Unicorn
Scarlet Webber	L5 ROH	22	Year 9	Lion
Bailey Palmer	G7 PWN	22	Year 9	Griffin
Kiera Glover	L1 SGR	22	Year 9	Lion
Rhys Barron	U6 THR	22	Year 9	Unicorn
Brooke Pugh	D5 EJN	22	Year 7	Dragon
Caitlyn Daly	L3 RAD	22	Year 7	Lion
Scotty Payton	L3 RAD	22	Year 10	Lion

Logging onto “Showmyhomework” (SMHW): To help support parents/carers and students, we have put instructions below to help anyone who has not yet started SMHW.

You must have logged onto the Passmores Website before logging onto SMHW so you need to know your username and password. If you have forgotten your password, ask the form tutor to reset it or ask the IT office. Usernames for the school network are as follows:- Year of entry surname first initial (e.g. Molly Mae who started in 2019 would be 19maem). Once the student is onto the school system open up Google Chrome and search “Showmyhomework” and select the one with “Login” see below:-



You then must login via “Office365” ONLY, see below



You must then enter your Passmores username + @passmoresacademy.com (Eg Molly Mae 19maem@passmoresacademy.com) No password is needed

Maths Problem of the Week:

The totals of the rows and columns are shown. Find the values of a, b and c.

a	2a	b	25
2b	a	c	45
c	a	c	45
45	20	50	

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Maths Solution for the Last Letter in July:

<p>Expand $x(x+5)$</p> <p>$x^2 + 5x$</p> <p>Simplify</p> <p>$5x + x^2 + 8x + 3 + x^2$</p> <p>$2x^2 + 13x + 3$</p>	<p>Write an expression for:</p> <p>6 less than x</p> <p>$x - 6$</p> <p>half of x</p> <p>$\frac{1}{2}x$</p>	<p>Calculate the surface area of the cuboid</p> <p>$2 \times (5 \times 8 + 5 \times 3 + 8 \times 3)$</p> <p>$= 158 \text{ cm}^2$</p>
<p>A cuboid of length x, width 5 less than x and a height of half the length has a surface area of 250 cm^2.</p> <p>$2(x(x-5) + x(\frac{1}{2}x) + \frac{1}{2}x(x-5)) = 250$</p> <p>$2x^2 - 10x + x^2 + x^2 - 5x - 250 = 0$</p> <p>Show that $4x^2 - 15x - 250 = 0$</p>		

Forthcoming Events

- Wednesday 11th September 5.30pm – 6.30pm - Year 8 Parents Information Evening (PIE)
- Wednesday 11th September 6.30pm – 7.30pm - Year 7 Parents Information Evening (PIE)
- Friday 13th September - FOPSA Quiz Night 7pm.
- Thursday 19th September - Open Day/Evening

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