



## Principals' Letter - Autumn Term 2019

### Week ending 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Last week we had one of our regular Parent Council meetings and we'd like to thank the parents/carers that attended for their feedback; much of which we've been able to act on already. For any parent/carer that feels they can positively contribute ideas and opinions to help us 'improve upon our best' Miss Cunningham would be delighted to see you at the next meeting, which will be advertised in a future letter.

One of the ideas that was raised was for us to let parents/carers know the timetable for our after-school examination booster classes. This will be with you next week and hopefully you will be able to help your child to take advantage of the extensive opportunities on offer.

This week Mr King was full of enthusiasm about the summer projects completed by Year 7. We think we have a record number of great pieces of work with over 70 being seen as excellent by the staff assessing them. This is a great way for Year 7 to show us just how hard working they are and the quality of work they can produce. Well done for making such a positive first impression Year 7.

Finally, we'd like to thank you for engaging with Show My Homework as the feedback from staff this week is that there has been a noticeable improvement in homework completion and quality. This is a really positive change as the work being completed will make a significant difference to student success when they get their results in external exams and help them to learn the invaluable message that 'if you work hard, success follows'. Thank you.

**Drama News:** Year 10 GCSE Drama attended a workshop at the Playhouse on Tuesday in preparation for their performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream as part of The Shakespeare Schools Festival on the 7th November. The cast performed an extract of their performance to the Stewards cast of Hamlet and they both took part in a director's workshop run by an SSF professional director.

Despite their nerves at being on such a big stage, the students were professional and enthusiastic, earning them some lovely feedback. After getting a taste of the main stage, the cast are now excited and ready to get back into the rehearsal room. You can see their performance, alongside those of Stewards Academy and Roydon Primary, at the Harlow Playhouse on the 7th November at 7pm. Tickets can be purchased through The Playhouse box office. The night is selling out fast so be sure to get your tickets quick.

**Friends of Passmores:** The Friends of Passmores (PTA) Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday 21st Oct 6pm. All are welcome.

**Staff Fitness Challenge.** Over the last few weeks, staff have been taking part in several disciplines to earn points for their house. The results are as follows:

<b>Dragon</b>	--- 23 entries	69 points
<b>Lion</b>	--- 18 entries	54 points
<b>Unicorn</b>	--- 26 entries	78 points
<b>Griffin</b>	--- 22 entries	66 points

#### Running machine 3k

##### Women

Miss S Banks	11:29	Lion
Miss S Sales	13:16	Dragon
Miss N Christie	16:01	Griffin

##### Men

Mr A Crook	12:24	Unicorn
Mr A Lovell	12:33	Dragon
Mr J Webber	14:02	Unicorn

#### Rowing Machine 2000m

##### Women

Miss M Flamont	8:26	Lion
Ms J Connolly	9:42	Lion
Miss K Wancken	9:43	Lion

##### Men

Mr M Hunt	8:10	Dragon
Mr T Townsend	8:19	Lion
Mr C Benham	8:35	Unicorn

#### Assault Bike 50 Calories

##### Women

Mrs E Elven	2:43	Griffin
Mrs S Payne	4:14	Dragon
Mrs A Elston	5:12	Unicorn

##### Men

Mr J King	1:28	Griffin
Mr D Shine	3:41	Dragon
Mr N Gladwin	4:13	Dragon

#### Final Scores:

<b>1st place</b>	-	<b>Unicorn</b>	<b>148 points</b>
<b>2nd place</b>	-	<b>Dragon</b>	<b>139 points</b>
<b>3rd place</b>	-	<b>Griffin</b>	<b>111 points</b>
<b>4th Place</b>	-	<b>Lion</b>	<b>109 points</b>

#### **Sports Fixture News:**

- Year 8 Boys football Tuesday 15th October 2.30pm - home game
- Year 8 Boys football Thursday 17th October - away to KEGS (Chelmsford)
- Year 7 Girls Netball Tuesday 15th October - away to St Marks
- All Years girls Netball Wednesday 16th October - away to St Nics
- Year 7 Netball 17th October - away to Epping St Johns
- Year 7 and 8 Boys Rugby 17th October - at Harlow Rugby Club

**Bang on Form:** While some may be swift starters and others may be strong finishers, we would like to take a second to show some respect for those students with the endurance to keep picking up the Passmores Points once the school year has begun to settle into its rhythm. Here are this week's top 25-point scorers.

Dylan Hunt	60	Misty Eren	46
Isabelle Carey-Young	58	George Murray	44
Edward Turner	53	Kaisha Hayward	43
Chloe Daniels	52	Lucy Dolling	43
Ellie Callaghan	51	Eik Tong Goh	42
Kaiyah Hunt	51	Freddie Howell	42
Adam Filipek	49	Ocean Steel	42
Grace Kearns	49	Chloe Kimble	41
Lili-Mae Ambrose	49	Melanie Magalhaes	41
Cora Murphy	48	Ruby Cowan	41
Thaiaasia Boakye	48	Tia Stevens	41
Ellie Barnard	47	Tyler Begley	41
Jason Webb	46		

**Post 16 Opportunities:** Please see the end of this letter for further information on the Harlow College and Stansted Airport College Open Events. The main open events coming up are:

- Cambridge Regional College Saturday 12th October 9.30am-12.30pm
- Capel Manor College Saturday 12th October 10am-3pm
- Chelmsford College Monday 14th October 6pm-8.30pm
- Harlow College Tuesday 15th October 5.30pm-7.30pm
- Stansted Airport College Saturday 19th October 10am-2pm

**Maths Problem of the Week:**

	Maximum angle of elevation	Maximum length of the ladder
LADDER A	70°	4 m
LADDER B	67°	4.2 m

Which ladder can reach the highest up a vertical wall?  
What is the difference in the heights reached (in cm)?

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## Maths Solution for last week:

Five integers have

- a median of 17
- a mode of 12
- a range of 8
- a mean of 16

If the smallest number is 12, what are the other numbers?

**12, 12, 17, 19, 20**

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## Forthcoming Events

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| Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October                   | - | Post 16 Careers Evening at the Park Inn 4pm - 7pm     |
| Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October                   | - | Awards Ceremony 6.30pm for a 7pm start                |
| Monday 21st October at 6pm                           | - | The Friends of Passmores (PTA) Annual General Meeting |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> October to 1 <sup>st</sup> November | - | Half term   |

Natalie Christie & Vic Goddard

**Co-Principals of Passmores Academy**



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# OPEN EVENT

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 10am - 2pm**  
at Stansted Airport College

**Year 9 & 10 are also welcome!**

Entry is by pre-booked ticket only.  
Book your ticket/s at: [www.stanstedairportcollege.ac.uk](http://www.stanstedairportcollege.ac.uk)



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# OPEN EVENING

Vocational Courses, Apprenticeships, A Levels,  
HNC/Ds, Level 4 Courses & Part Time Courses

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Tues 15 Oct  
5 - 8pm  
Harlow College

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# JOINT POST 16 CAREERS EVENT



**WHO**  
**YEARS 10 & 11**

**WHEN**  
**Wednesday**  
**23rd October**  
**4pm - 6.30pm**

**WHERE**  
**The Harlow**  
**Hotel**  
**Southern Way,**  
**Harlow,**  
**CM18 7BA**



**FEATURING • Harlow College • Herts & Essex • Aim Apprenticeships • Leventhorpe • Stansted Airport • Hertford Regional College • TBSHS • Birchwood • Hairdressing Academy • St Mark's • Hockerill • HTS • Anglia Ruskin • Epping St Johns • PAH • Presdales • Armed Forces • Epping Forest College and loads more..**