



Principals' Letter – Spring Term 2020 Week Ending 24th January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

This week we were all treated to the English Dept production of An Inspector Calls; as you can see further down this page. This is third production of this type and completes the three books/plays that our students' study at GCSE. The fact that all of KS4 have now seen a live production performed by their peers should hopefully stick in their memories to support their performance in their exams. The bravery of the students involved, to perform in front of over 600 of their peers, should not be underestimated.

This week a report was released by the World Health Organisation in to how the behaviour choices being made by our young people effects their health. The report includes the quality and quantity of sleep teenagers are getting, the choices being made about exercise and the impact of diet. If you haven't read it, this is the link to the BBC report - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-51207415>. It is well worth a read and even a discussion with your child about it.

Word of the Week (beginning 27th January) – ECONOMIC

Economy

The money of a country or region, including the value of what it has or makes.

Economic

When we talk about things that affect the economy, we use the word economic.

"Spending too much on the Olympics would be an economic disaster."

"We must go to the meeting, for economic reasons."

English Production: The English Department's version of An Inspector Calls was shown to KS4 this week. Students from Year 9, 10 and 11 have worked incredibly hard since September and this production will be invaluable to the learning of all KS4 students. There were three matinees this week and an evening performance on Thursday 23rd January for parents/carers and supporters of the school. Thank you to all who attended and supported the cast and crew. Feedback has been incredibly positive.

Pridersity Club: Passmores Academy have a LGBT+ and diversity club called Pridersity that meet every Tuesday after school to help celebrate and support LGBT+ students and students of different backgrounds and abilities. We want to raise awareness about the issues these students face and promote an inclusive and welcoming environment at Passmores. For further information please contact Ms Seon in the Science department. j.seon@passmoresacademy.com . New members are most welcome.

THE 600 CLUB: This week we are celebrating those students who have tipped over the 600 point mark for Passmores Points this year. There are very few students above this mark, so they are all within a good shout of winning their house and year's competitions if they can keep it up!

Niamh Warman L2 ABM	693	Year 7	Lion
Mitch Ward G6 JKG	692	Year 7	Griffin
Daisy Burbeck L5 ROH	690	Year 7	Lion
Sian Kearney D3 JSO	685	Year 10	Dragon
Karys Bailey U8 SWT	681	Year 7	Unicorn

Maddie Kimble D9 TBT	680	Year 7	Dragon
Aaron Bhunjun D3 JSO	676	Year 8	Dragon
Lucy Clay G1 MTR	673	Year 8	Griffin
Callum Burch G7 PWN	673	Year 7	Griffin
Louise Matlock-Jeffery G3 SHO	666	Year 7	Griffin
Freya Nash D6 HTR	665	Year 7	Dragon
Amy Kenway G5 KFS	664	Year 7	Griffin
Erin Murphy L2 ABM	659	Year 7	Lion
Josh Sanderson U8 SWT	658	Year 8	Unicorn
Emaan Baig U1 ARO	651	Year 8	Unicorn
Gemma McAusland L5 ROH	651	Year 7	Lion
Misty Eren D7 ALL	648	Year 8	Dragon
Marcus De Freitas Sousa L2 ABM	648	Year 8	Lion
Huey Lai U8 SWT	645	Year 7	Unicorn
Joe Savage D4 BPS	643	Year 8	Dragon
Alyssa Crandle U4 AHN	642	Year 7	Unicorn
Daisy Hooker G3 SHO	639	Year 9	Griffin
Harry New D1 MHT	637	Year 7	Dragon
Evie Matthews D9 TBT	637	Year 10	Dragon
Dixie Hughes U5 ASA	636	Year 8	Unicorn
Jeyla Onac D8 MBY	632	Year 7	Dragon
Tristan Thira G7 PWN	626	Year 7	Griffin
David Griffiths L3 RAD	624	Year 8	Lion
Joel Defor D9 TBT	624	Year 7	Dragon
Kallie Jackson D3 JSO	623	Year 7	Dragon
Toby Palmer L4 KJR	618	Year 8	Lion
Blaze Hibbert U8 SWT	618	Year 7	Unicorn
Lacey Dedman D4 BPS	617	Year 7	Dragon
Shalom - Elise Defor D9 TBT	615	Year 8	Dragon
Eloisa Bellamy D4 BPS	614	Year 7	Dragon
Oliver Matthews G4 VNS	611	Year 7	Griffin
Reece Fenton D5 EJN	607	Year 7	Dragon
Lola Clark D9 TBT	607	Year 7	Dragon
Ashlea Gates D9 TBT	605	Year 7	Dragon
Archie May-Denton L6 JSD	602	Year 7	Lion
Ryley O'Grady G3 SHO	601	Year 9	Griffin
Josh Goodbun U1 ARO	600	Year 8	Unicorn
Alex Pickering D9 TBT	600	Year 7	Dragon
Gracie Morris L1 SGR	600	Year 7	Lion

Year 10 Information:

Last week a letter went out on parent mail about the mock interview day. If you need a paper copy of this letter, please see Mrs Kay in the LRC. Also, see Mrs Kay for help with CVs.

Year 11 information:

Hays Travel are advertising on <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> for a Level 3 Trainee Travel Consultant at the following branches: Harlow, Loughton, Epping and Bishops Stortford. Salary is £8121 pa and they prefer GCSE grades 4+.

Weston Homes, Takeley, <https://www.weston-homes.com/careers/apprenticeships/> have an open day on the 22nd February and you can book a space online. They offer higher & degree apprenticeships in architecture,

surveying, planning, business, so take students aged 18+, but year 11s can attend to find out more about the roles and entry requirements.

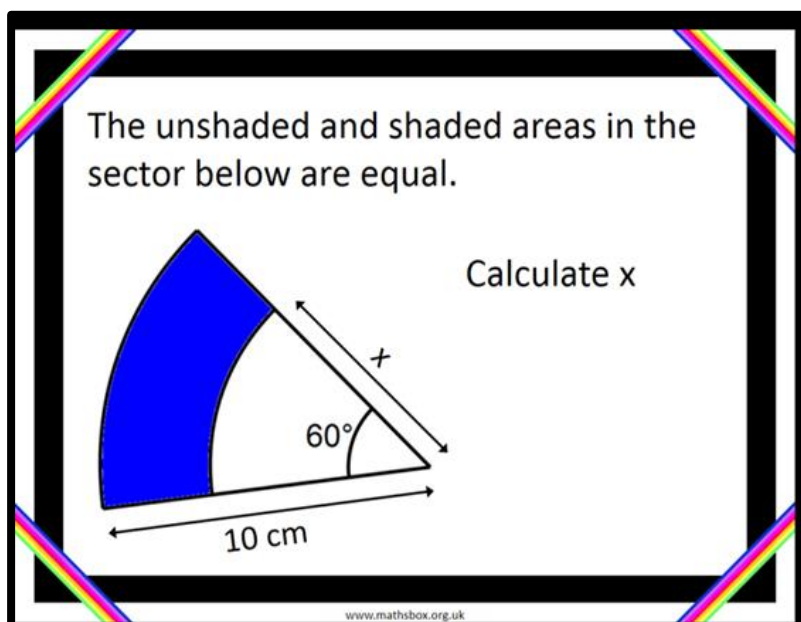
Cambridge Regional College open day is on Saturday 25th January 10am-12.30pm.

Year 11 Success: As previously reported in this letter, Year 11 student **Ross Blackshaw** entered the Future Chef competition two years in a row and became a regional finalist. This experience gave Ross a clear direction and he decided that being a Chef was a career path he was interested in pursuing. He built his experience working holidays at the Radisson Blu, London restaurants and a summer school in London's top catering college in Westminster. Ross went for an interview at Westminster Catering college last Saturday and found out this week that he has been accepted for a place to start in September. This is amazing news and we are all so proud of you Ross, well done!

Book Review of the Week: Holding up the Universe by Jennifer Niven. Reviewed by Miss Szparowska

Holding up the Universe is a young adult book that has the potential to be amusing or shocking; after all, it's a novel about America's fattest teen. But, as you read Jennifer Niven's touching story, you realise it's a story about so much more. It's a story of grief, love and ultimately the power we have inside of us to feel self-confident even in the face of adversity. A wonderful novel that has a positive message for all young people. I would recommend it to young people aged 11+

Maths Problem of the Week:



Maths Solution from last week:

A bonus of £1200 is shared by 8 people who work for a company.
30% of the bonus is shared equally between 2 managers.
The rest of the bonus is shared equally between 6 salesmen.
A salesman says, "If the bonus is shared equally between all 8 people I will get at least 15% more money."
Is the salesman correct? Show how you get your answer.

Currently the bonus would be split as follows:

Managers receive $2 \times £180$.
Salesmen receive $6 \times £140$.
 15% of $£140 = £21$.
Salesman bonus + $15\% = £161$.

If the bonus was divided equally each person would receive $£150$.
No, the salesman is not correct.

Forthcoming Events

Wednesday 29 th January	-	KS3 Celebration Evening 4.00pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 30 th January	-	Cultural Appreciation Day – News/Fake News
Friday 31 st January	-	Inset Day
Wednesday 12 th February	-	Aspire Day
17 th February – 21 st February	-	Half Term



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- Would you like to be a Primary or Secondary teacher?
- Do you have a degree?

Drop in session

Wednesday 12th February 2020

10:30am—12pm

At Passmores Academy



<https://www.teachharlow.com/>



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