



Principals' Letter – Summer Term 2021 Week Ending 28th May 2021

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

After one of the most challenging half terms in our memories we have thoroughly enjoyed the last couple of days celebrating their time at Passmores with year 11. From signing shirts yesterday to sharing memories - and embarrassing pictures of Mersea - today.

It is a strange day with lots of laughter and joy tinged with sadness. We have no doubt that this 'Zoom generation' of young people will go on to change the world and hopefully for the better!

Straight after half term we have the last couple of year 11 exams, quickly followed by year 10 exams then sports day etc. We hope to offer more and more extra-curricular opportunities after the (hopefully) easing of lockdown measures on the 21st so please encourage your young person to get involved.

It was obvious from talking to year 11 today that those that took the chance to play for a team or be in a production or become a prefect, and so on, got so much from school. Those that threw themselves into Passmores life have left with amazing memories, despite the difficult last 18 months, so please continue to encourage your young person to get involved.

We hope you have a happy, safe and sunny half term

Quadcopter Competition: The Regional Final of Raytheon's 2021 Quadcopter competition happened on Thursday 27th May with scientists and drone experts **Joe Savage, Timmy George and George Moldon (Year 9)**. It was an excellent day of science and creativity where seven schools from Essex presented their design ideas and modifications for a Quadcopter to fly on Mars. The competition was extremely high and with only two points behind, the Terrestrial Trio came 2nd in the Regional Final! Well done!



Rising Futures Update: The following Year 9 & 10 students attended their final 'Rising Futures' coaching session on Monday 24th May: **Selin Bokurt, Joshua Brown, Rega Canaj, Sophie Gibbs, Lily Daly, Markus Dignan, Bryony Gibb, Will Grant, Albie Hibbert, Kaisha Hayward, Lewis Martin, Kayleigh McDonnell, Rebecca Nicholls, Shelby Paterson, Francesca Pickering, Shane Shaw, Jedd Taylor, Kevin Traci and Freddie Thornton.**

They began their session by remembering what coaching is and the four Talent areas they have worked on with 'Rising Futures' lead Sharon Armfield - Confidence, Communication, Resilience and Self-awareness. They then moved on to the activity of 'Journey Planning'. This activity helps students to learn the skill of backwards planning, by setting a long-term future goal (for example "to go to University") and work backwards to today, to understand all the steps needed to get there.

Then students reflected on their own skills and how those skills link to being a good employee and a good boss in their futures. This activity led to some interesting conversations on how some skills or personality traits can be a good/positive thing but also possible bad/negative – such as being honest or fun.

The students then continued with their self-reflection focusing on 'Moving Forward Independently'. We reflected on the progress that students have made so far and the skills they have developed throughout the programme. This led onto introducing the pupils to 'Self-Coaching', their 'Self-coaching Toolbox' and setting their first self-coaching goals.

On 29th June the group of pupils will attend an 'Into the Wild Day Experience Day'. More details to follow but I'm sure they will have a brilliant day and gain so much from it.

Tassomai Champions for week ending 23/05/21 -

Year 11 (for the last time!!!!)

Bobby Kay	1 hour 12
Kieran Leagas	1 hour
Thomas Higgins	54 mins

Year 10

Ryan Horn	1 hour 39
Kyran Ackerman-Mond	1 hour 14
Noah Dickinson	48 mins

Year 9

Kevin Traci	1 hour 56
Faye O'Reilly	1 hour 50
Sophia Atkinson	1 hour 20

Well done all of you and I have awarded you each six achievement points. Miss Betts

Duke of Edinburgh: Our 14 Year 10 students were able to finally complete their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition at the weekend. The students spent their Saturday and Sunday walking across the Chelmsford countryside in mostly dry weather! They spent each day walking around 10km – a real achievement with their backpacks full of all their belongings for the trip. At

camp, students were able to relax and cook their evening meals. All students showed tremendous respect for the countryside code and their navigation skills were excellent. We as staff, are extremely proud of all of them and wish them the best of luck for their assessment expedition in September!

Adams, Freddie
Barron, Rhys
Butler, Kacey
Forde, James
Hooker, Daisy
Johnson, Charlie
McConnell, Kayleigh
O'Callaghan, Lauren
Pickering, Francesca
Simpkins, Zak
Vessey, Ben
Kearns, Grace
Burgess, Ethan
Morgan, Faith

The Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award scheme will be available to Year 9 and 10 students from December 2021.

Maths News:

Maths homework Club

Maths4 Everyone
Enjoy • Improve • Succeed

hegartymaths

Time : Every Thursday 3:15pm

Location : Fishbowl

info : Mr. Boamah
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Month	Shoes	Hats
Jan	20	40
Feb	15	35
Mar	10	30
Apr	15	35
May	10	30
Jun	15	35

Careers: Have you ever wanted to work in finance? CIMA are offering virtual work experience to young people interested in learning more about accountancy. All you need to do is complete the survey on this link to apply:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CIMA-Work-Experience>

ON COURSE

HRC Resources for Schools Newsletter

May 2021

JOIN US FOR OUR DIGITAL OPEN EVENT ON 7-9 JUNE

Online Digital Open Event

Monday 7th, Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th June 9am – 5pm

Do you want to find out more about all the courses we have on offer at HRC? To see how this works, follow the link <https://www.hrc.ac.uk/digital-open-event> to access our digital events video portal.

As you navigate this webpage you will see additional links that will direct you to each curriculum area of interest. Here you will find an abundance of useful information for students, parents, carers and school careers advisors with an insight to 'Life as a Student at HRC.'

Although our online services and digital events prove to be popular as a useful source of information, some may prefer tangible resources. Please follow the link provided and complete the online form to request and obtain a prospectus bundle by post: <https://www.hrc.ac.uk/prospectus>

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OUR COMMUNITY SCHOOLS LIAISON OFFICER AMANDA MOSS

Amanda is available to attend external careers events both in the community and in schools. She can provide impartial information, advice and guidance to students and their parents about courses that the college offers.

You can contact Amanda on 01992 411966 or amoss@hrc.ac.uk

VIEW OUR LATEST COVID-19 PARENT AND STUDENT UPDATE



<https://www.hrc.ac.uk/covid-19-guidance>



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Co-Principals of Passmores Academy

Forthcoming Events:

17th May – 8th June
31st May – 4th June
7th June – 18th June
Wednesday 23rd June
Friday 25th June

Year 11 Internal Examinations
Half Term
Year 10 Mocks
Year 9 Parents'/Carers' Evening 4pm-7pm
Sports Day

Thursday 1 st July	Year 6 Transition Day
Friday 2 nd July	Inset Day
Tuesday 6 th July	Year 11 Prom
Wednesday 7 th July	Year 10 Parents'/Carers' Evening 4pm-7pm
Friday 9 th July	Year 10 Vaccinations Dip, Tet, Polio and Meningitis (two vaccines)
Friday 9 th July	Year 8 Vaccinations HPV 1
Saturday 10 th July	Passmores Summer Fete
Tuesday 13 th July	Year 10 Vaccinations Dip, Tet, Polio and Meningitis (two vaccines)
Tuesday 13 th July	Year 8 Vaccinations HPV 1
Wednesday 14 th July	Year 6,7 & 8 BBQ & Rounders followed by a Disco
Thursday 15 th July	Non Uniform Day for the Winning House
Friday 16 th July	Early Closure for Students (1.25pm) END OF TERM.
Friday 30 th July	Summer Reports to Parents/Carers

**PASSMORES
SUMMER FETE**

SATURDAY 10TH JULY 2021
1 - 4 PM

◆HOMEMADE GIFTS◆BOUNCY CASTLE◆BOOKS◆
◆CLOTHES◆CAKES, COOKIES, SWEETS◆
◆AND MUCH MORE◆

Entrance Fees:
Adult: £1
Under 16: 50p
Over 60: 50p
Under 5: Free

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