Charity Events

This week we were very pleased to welcome a former student of Sir Thomas Boughey who now works for the Donna Louise Hospice back into school. Following the success of the Christmas Jumper day we presented the hospice with a cheque for £467.00. Thank you to all the students and parents for helping Sir Thomas Boughey support such a good cause.

Year 8 Progress Evening

Letters will be sent home with pupils this week detailing how to book appointments for the Year 8 Progress Evening, to be held on Thursday 6th February. You will be able to book 5 appointments initially. Once everyone has had a chance to book, extra appointments can be added if there is availability. If you have any issues logging on to the system, please call or email Mrs Bailey on the main school number 01782 729400 or n.bailey@stb.academy

Madula Drumming

We are delighted to announce that this year we will be offering the very popular Samba/African drumming sessions. These are delivered by Joe and Mr Will from Madula.

Sessions will run after school every Tuesday starting in February, these will cost £4.00 per week. If you are interested in being part of this project, please send an email to Miss Miller, our music teacher on l.miller@stb.academy before the 27th January.

All the training delivered in these sessions will culminate in a fantastic showcase at the Stoke Repertory Theatre in July where if you join, you will have the opportunity to play alongside other schools.

Homework

In February we will be moving away from the Show my Homework site to Microsoft Teams. We will be sending home more information about this.

Year 11 PPE Results Day

On Thursday 13th February, Year 11 students will receive their PPE results. This event gives students a feel for the actual GCSE Results Day and allows them to see all results on one page. We would like to congratulate our Year 11 students on the way they have conducted themselves during the PPEs – we believe they are capable of great outcomes in the Summer. Well done!
MOCK INTERVIEW EVENING

On the evening of Thursday 13th February, Y11 have the fantastic opportunity to attend our annual Mock Interviews event. They have a 30 minute interview to discuss their documents (CV, Personal statement, letter and application form) and to practise interview questions and technique. They then receive both verbal and written feedback. It is incredibly worthwhile preparation for the future and we hope to see as many Year 11 students as possible.

STAFFING UPDATE

Following Miss Carter’s move to the role of Trust Careers Advisor, we are pleased to confirm that Mrs Bailey will be staying in the role of House Leader permanently.

Mrs Holloway is also returning from her maternity leave at the beginning of February.

We would like to wish Miss Gilbert all the best on the next stage of her Teaching Assistant apprenticeship as she will be leaving us on the 13th February and thank her for all her hard work over the past year with the students.

We have a new Teaching assistant apprentice who will be starting in February Miss Holt, I am sure she will receive a warm welcome.

OSTED PARENT QUESTIONNAIRES

Please can we ask that you take 5 minutes to complete the new parent view questionnaires that are on the Ofsted website. The link to the questionnaire is below.

https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give‐your‐views

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 6th February – Year 8 Progress Evening
Thursday 13th February – Year 11 PPE Results Day
Thursday 13th February – Year 11 Mock Interview Evening
Friday 14th February – School is closed for a training day