

Head of School

Friday 13th May 2022

UPDATE

Dear parents/carers and students,

There are only two more weeks to go before we start our May half term - I cannot quite believe how this term has flown by.

This week we have seen Year 7 students experience DEAR Time - Drop Everything And Read - which has seen students stop in their lessons to read or encompass some focused reading tasks into their planned lessons. This is a great way to have a regular opportunity for students to focus to improve their reading skills and enjoy reading activities.

The PE department have been sporting many varied fixtures this week however I must draw your attention to the incredible opportunity that Giles students have received. Funded by the National Golf Foundation and Boston West Golf Club students have been given the exciting opportunity to participate in a weekly golf club held at the Boston West course. Mrs Cooper, PE teacher commented "A huge well done to all the students involved, it was fantastic to see their enthusiasm for such an exciting new opportunity."

On Monday this week, our Year 10 Art students travelled to Hunstanton to collect primary materials for their art projects, they also visited the Sea Life centre and the Town Hall Art Gallery. During the trip I received a fantastic email from a member of staff at the gallery that commended all of our students on the trip commenting "how well behaved and well mannered" the students were - "an absolute pleasure to meet". It is fantastic to receive emails from members of the public that validate the excellent behaviour displayed by our young people during out of school activities!

The Year 11 summer examination series is about to officially start next week – students and staff have worked incredibly hard throughout the intervention period so all students are best prepared. Students have individual resources, revision guidance and timetables to hand. Please can I remind parents and carers that full attendance is of the highest priority during this examination season. You will also be pleased to know we are currently organising May half term revision sessions for those examination subjects which will still be required to be completed.

Finally, next week we see the 'Giles Bake Off' where Heads of Houses compete in an inter-house competition in the Food rooms. I am particularly looking forward to observing this as I have been waiting for a very long time now to pass on the wooden spoon which I won during the last staff competition - (unfortunately I am not known for my culinary skills)! I hope to be reporting on the winner next week!

Kindest regards,



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