



## A Message from Mr Tucker

Exam season is now well underway and Year 11 have made a fantastic start to their GCSE's. We are so proud of what they have achieved this year being the first group to sit public exams in 3 years. Our students have dealt with the pressure with maturity and determination, and we wish them the very best of luck for the remainder of their exams after half term.

The lower years are also starting their exams, and this always raises the subject of attendance. Students who are in school every day make the best progress and every lesson missed is a key piece of knowledge that has to be made up. Whilst we have one of the highest attendance rates in the City of Portsmouth, there are still too many students who are allowed an "odd day off" and this will always have an impact. We have sadly had to refer more cases to the Local Authority and whilst this is fewer than last year, they have still issued over £3000 worth of fines to parents for poor attendance. With the cost of living rising, we are committed to reducing this figure further but this can only happen when good attendance is secured. If you have concerns about your child's attendance, please make sure you contact either myself, your child's Head of Year or our Attendance Officer Mr Fewings. Understanding what you can do as a parent to create a culture of good attendance at home is something we can help with. We are able to offer support and guidance on creating routines and boundaries at home that will support the position that "every day is a school day".

The academy have recently been allocated a Neuro Diversity Co-ordinator who is keen to set up a parent support group. Her name is Flo Ayeyemi and she has a lot of experience in this area having set up a support group in another part of the city. She has sent a questionnaire for parents to complete with a prize draw of a £20 Amazon voucher. Everyone who completes the questionnaire will be entered for the draw and Flo will notify the winner by the end of June. A link to the introductory letter from Flo and the questionnaire can be found on our website as well as on our social media page.

The half term is a good opportunity to have a rest after a short but challenging term and reset ready for the final 7 weeks of the academy year.

## Round-Up Highlights

***Student Crowned Boxing National Champion!***

***Summer Arts Showcase Save the Date!***

## Student Crowned National Boxing Champion



Earlier this month, Alfie, was crowned National Champion at the England Boxing National Schools Championships held in Banbury.

The Championships have been running for a century and gives young boxers their first taste of competitive action on the national stage. The competition is open to male and female boxers aged 12, 13 or 14 in weight categories ranging from Under 28kg to Over 90kg (males) and Under 28kg to Under 72kg (females).

To prepare for the prestigious competition, our dedicated young boxer trained five to six days a week at local club Heart of Portsmouth Boxing Academy. Having won his semi-final on Saturday 14th May, Alfie progressed to the final the following day where he took home the crown for the 43-44.5kg weight category.

Testament to his talent, Alfie has also been selected for the England Boxing Talent Pathway, a scheme run by England's boxing coaches. As part of this, Alfie will attend Schools Academy days at the GB boxing gym in Sheffield. Whilst there, he will get the chance to hone in and showcase his boxing abilities to be in with a chance of selection for international competitions, including the European Championships in Turkey this August.

## Scholar's Club Graduation

Eleven students were invited to a graduation event at St Anne's College Oxford. This was to celebrate them successfully completing the Scholar's Programme. Students were taken on a tour of the College.

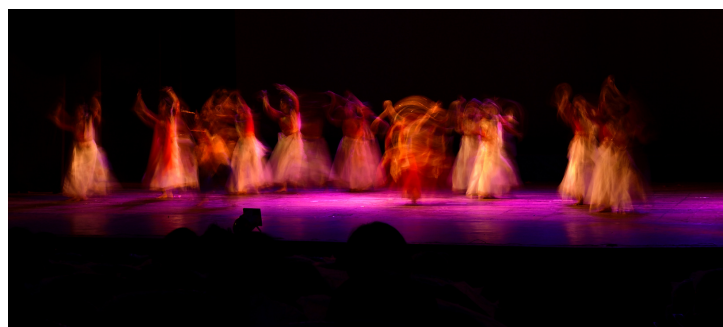
Before they received their certificates, Lily, Lola, Bryony and Kaci volunteered to speak about their experiences with the Programme. All 11 students graduated and received their certificates on stage.



## Summer Art Showcase

Summer Arts Showcase which will be held on Tuesday, 12th July 2022 at 7pm in the Main Hall. To purchase your tickets, please pay your money at the main office and take your receipt to Miss Nutland who will give you the tickets.

The Summer Showcase will be a celebration of Dance, Music and Drama from KS4 exams and KS3 clubs throughout the year.



## Message for Year 7 & 8

Good luck to Year 7 and Year 8 in your upcoming Rank Order Assessments. This will be a great time to showcase all you have learned this academic year. Please ensure you make the most of this short break to rest, revise and prepare for your assessments.

If you are feeling worried about your ROAs or anything else, please let me, your tutor, your class teachers, or someone at home know. This term we have spoken a lot about mental health both in assembly and during your tutor PD sessions, and it is important now as much as ever to reach out and ask for help. Remember 'A problem shared, is a problem halved'.

I look forward to welcoming you back next term, Miss Maxwell.

## ROA Timetables & Booklets

From Monday, 23rd May our summer Rank Order Assessments will start in full swing for all students in Year 7-10.

The exams will be used for the end of year Rank Order Assessment which means students' performance will be compared to how they performed when they finished primary school, and they will also be ranked within the rest of the year group, and other students in the United Learning Trust across the country, to check they are making the progress needed to achieve an excellent set of results at GCSE. It is therefore very important that students fully prepare for these exams and spend time doing the revision needed to do their best.

Most exams will take place in the classroom this year to provide a supportive environment for students to work. Papers will then be marked and results will be released during celebration assemblies in the week of 18th July. Certificates will be issued for those students who have made great progress or performed at the highest level.

Go to [www.castleviewacademy.org.uk/information/exam-assessment-information/ks3-4-roa](http://www.castleviewacademy.org.uk/information/exam-assessment-information/ks3-4-roa) for all ROA timetables and ROA revision booklets which will provide information about each subject being assessed and general guidance about revision.

## Message for Year 9 & 10

Well done to both Year 9 and 10 for your ambition and determination this year, and as we enter the end of year assessment season. I am extremely proud of the way that Year 9 and 10 have conducted themselves across the academy in lessons and showing respect around the school. We still have a lot to look forward to as the final year assessments will run across the next half-term.

In assembly this term, Mr Tucker and I discussed responsibility and being appropriate. Students should take responsibility for ensuring they are still focused on their learning and attending school every single day as we progress into the second half of the term. Additionally, students are expected to take responsibility for the completion of homework and independent revision. As Year 11 finish their final GCSE exams, this is an opportunity for students in Year 9 and 10 to reflect on their year and make SMART goals for the next 7 weeks and beyond.

Next half-term, there will be lots of discussions around college and options available to students when they leave school and I look forward to exploring these further in the future. Year 10 will be attending open days at various colleges in the city and Year 9 will have assemblies outlining next steps as they move into KS4 and college. There are a variety of prospectuses and information in the Key Stage 4 office if anyone wants further information on this.

Finally, I wanted to highlight how many extra-curricular clubs are now available in the academy. I have really enjoyed popping into some and seeing all the fun activities. Please check the notice boards around the academy to see the times and places where these take place.

If you have any concerns or queries, please do contact Mrs Sisk, Mr Eldred or myself on the following emails:

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## Message for Year 11

I am incredibly proud at the way Year 11 have started their GCSE Examinations. A number of teachers have commented on how hard students are working whilst in the examination rooms, and it is great to see all students working right up to the last minutes of the exams. Please keep this up over the course of the exam window!

It feels like we are so close to the end, but we have not finished yet! Our race is not yet run!!!

As tempting as it is to stay at home, students should still be coming to school on the days they don't have exams on. Every lesson they are in will improve their chances of reaching their target grades. Attending one particular lesson might give them that key bit of information that will be the difference between a Grade 3 and a Grade 4. I understand it is a stressful time of year, and students have worked their socks off all year, but we are in the last stretch now. They will have the biggest summer holiday of their life once the exams are done on 23rd June, and there are periods of study leave put into students timetables in week 4 and 5 of the exam window. But prior to that, please be in. We haven't come this far to only come this far!

On 29th June , 11am-11.45am we will be having a Year 11 Leaving Assembly. All students are being invited in so we can officially say goodbye. I am also requesting that students bring in any unwanted uniform items, so we are able to recycle these with students in the future, particularly with the high increase in living costs hitting some of our families so hard. As a result, students are not required to wear school uniform to this event.



## Y11 BREAKFAST REVISION

8:00 - 8:30 AM

Date	Session
Tuesday 7th June	Maths Paper 2
Wednesday 8th June	English Literature Paper 2
Thursday 9th June	History Paper 3 - Germany
Friday 10th June	English Language Paper 2
Monday 13th June	Maths Paper 3
Tuesday 14th June	Geography Paper 3
Wednesday 15th June	Science - Biology Paper 2
Friday 17th June	Spanish Writing
Monday 20th June	Combined Sc Chemistry Paper 2
Tuesday 21st June	History Paper 2 - Cold War
Thursday 23rd June	Combined Sc Physics Paper 2

## Study Tips



Give yourself enough time



Organize your study space



Use flow charts and diagrams



Practice on old exams



Explain your answers to others



Take regular breaks

## Feeling Stressed?

Pressure to do well in exams can be overwhelming and affect your mental health. Young Minds has a helpful guide if it's all getting too much.

Click view: <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/coping-with-life/exam-stress/>

## Careers

### Year 11 Careers Meetings

Year 11 students have now all completed their Careers Meetings with our external Careers Advisor, and all students are now signed up to a college/apprenticeship provider for 2022/23. If any Year 11s still have concerns about their college placement, please do contact myself at [dan.waldren@castleviewacademy.org.uk](mailto:dan.waldren@castleviewacademy.org.uk) if you wish to discuss this.

### Year 10 Fast Track to Success

Year 10 enjoyed a really interesting day with Made Training looking at options available to students once they leave school. Students looked at the variety of pathways available and used visualisation techniques to see how they can see themselves reaching the destination they want to get to.



### Apprenticeship Bus

All of Year 10 students attended an Apprenticeship workshop where students learned about what an Apprenticeship is from a variety of Apprenticeship providers about the different options available to them. Local Apprenticeship providers who attended including PETA, Portsmouth Football Club, Royal Navy and BAE Systems.

### Year 10 College Taster Days

All students have now signed up to at least 1 of the local college taster days. It is great that for the first time in 2 years we are able to take students to see our local colleges which is a great opportunity for students to experience what it is like to be a college student. It also gives them key information on the courses on offer to them.

22nd June: Highbury College

28th June: Havant and Southdowns College

30th June: Portsmouth College

More information will be released shortly about these trips after half term.

### Year 7-10 Careers Drop In

All students are able to make appointments with Mr Waldren to discuss anything around Careers and to look into areas such as Year 9 options and possible college courses.

These sessions take place on a Monday, 10:45am-12:05pm. To make an appointment please email Mr Waldren at [dan.waldren@castleviewacademy.org.uk](mailto:dan.waldren@castleviewacademy.org.uk)



## Dates for Your Calendar

Half Term	Monday, 30th May to Sunday 5th June
Year 11 Leavers Assembly	Wednesday, 29th June (11:00 - 11:45 am)
INSET Day	Friday, 1st July
Summer Art Showcase	Tuesday, 12th July (07:00pm)
Year 11 Prom	Friday, 15th July
Awards Evening	Tuesday, 19th July
Last Day of Term	Wednesday, 20th July
INSET Days	Thursday, 21st and Friday, 22nd July

## See What We're Doing

To keep up to date with all we are doing at CVA, follow our social media pages @castleviewul



## Community Events

### Party for Paulsgrove



PAULSGROVE COMMUNITY CENTRE,  
MARSDEN ROAD, PO6 4JB

Portsmouth CITY COUNCIL

**Party for PAULSGROVE**

**SAT 28 MAY 11AM TO 2PM**

**FREE FUN COMMUNITY DROP-IN SESSION**

TELL US ABOUT PAULSGROVE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LIBRARY AND SPORTS PITCHES

ICE CREAM VAN, TEA AND COFFEE

FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON ACROSS THE CITY AND SERVICES THAT CAN HELP YOU

Join us this Saturday at Party For Paulsgrove, a free fun community drop-in session at Paulsgrove Community Centre. Enjoy free activities, entertainment, ice cream and coffee, learn more about what's going on across the city and services that can help you, and tell us how you'd like to see the community centre, library and sports pitches improved.

### Portsmouth Pride

11th June 2022



SPEAKERS CORNER / THE RED

MEET UP 10.30AM

PARADE STARTS AT 11.00AM

**PORTSMOUTH PRIDE PARADE 2022**

- GROUPS CAN REGISTER BY EMAILING COMMUNITY@PORTSMOUTHPRIDE.ORG.UK
- ROUTE - FROM SPEAKERS CORNER / THE RED (BEHIND THE BRINY) TO SOUTHSEA COMMON
- ANYONE CAN JOIN!
- THIS IS A WALKING PARADE
- WEAR BRIGHT COLOURS AND GET READY TO MAKE SOME NOISE!

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