

"Minds are like flowers, they want to grow"



## W/C Monday 13th October – Week A

**Y12 – Freedom Day -** Unless you have had an email telling you otherwise, you now have the freedom to choose where to spend your study periods.

#### Remember that:

- You must attend and be on time for all compulsory sessions – including lessons, tutor time, assemblies, enrichment and morning mindset meetings
- You must work quietly if in E4 and silently in the common room
- Failure to do so may result in you losing the privilege of studying at home.



## Well done guys!!

£3479.13 was raised in the Charity Run.
Thanks to all who ran/walked and those who marshalled.

Do not forget to use you ID card to log in and out at the main reception door each time you enter/exit the building. This creates a list of students on site which is necessary for fire evacuation lists and is also for Safeguarding. This is extremely important.





#### **Next Charity meeting:**

<u>Children In Need</u> Wednesday 15 October 12:30 - E3



Don't forget to check your emails regularly (make sure that your notifications are switched on) as this is how most staff will communicate with you outside of lessons.

## Listen to grumpy baby and look after our toilets!



I have to pee and poo in my nappy, and grownups are always wiping my face with wet wipes.

I am grumpy because some VIForm students do not respect the toilets – they are loud, share cubicles and leave a mess.

They are old enough to know better!

#### **Printing**

6<sup>th</sup> form students are entitled to print their school work out on school printers. When choosing a printer, please click on 'Holding Queue Mono on Papercut' (b&w) or 'Holding Queue Colour on Papercut' (colour). You can then access any of the printers around school, the closest being by the English staffroom and in the Art Block. Your ID card should activate it (place on the panel), if not, you can use your computer log-in details to activate.



At the start of each school year, each student is allocated an allowance of £5 for the whole year. If for any reason you go over this balance and are no longer able to print, please come and speak to us. Remember, if printing in colour, this is more expensive.



Please remember to keep all external doors shut.
It's that time of year again, it's starting to get cold.

Reminder: If you are going to be absent from school (illness or medical appointment), although great to receive the information from students, we do need to speak to parents/carers and this will be followed up. <u>DO NOT</u> just take yourself home during the day without informing Miss Marriott.



#### To:

Daniel Cole – 15<sup>th</sup> October Sam Blount – 17<sup>th</sup> October Josh Collins – 17<sup>th</sup> October

Personal Development topics – Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	
Year 12	Year 13
Common room - Assembly	To be confirmed

If you have forgotten/lost your lanyard (and waiting for the replacement from IT which you will email them to obtain, h.desk@kimberleyschool.co.uk), please sign in on the screen by the main reception desk.

Please be patient with the younger students as you are moving around the site. Set a good example



## Dates for your diary:

Monday 13 OctoberYear 7 Halloween DiscoThursday 16 OctoberBreak up for half term

Friday 17 October Inset Day
Monday 3 November Back to school

Sunday 9 NovemberRemembrance SundayFriday 14 NovemberChildren in Need

Wednesday 19 November Year 12/13 Consultation Evening

Friday 19 December Break up for Christmas

Monday 5 January Back to school

Mon 9 – Fri 13 February Year 12/13 mock exams Friday 13 February Break up for half term

Monday 23 FebruaryBack to schoolFriday 27 MarchBreak up for EasterMonday 13 AprilBack to schoolMonday 4 MayBank holiday

Monday 11 MayExam season startsFriday 22 MayBreak up for half term

Monday 1 June Back to school

Monday 22 June Year 12 mock exams
Friday 26 June Exam season finishes
Monday 29 June – Friday 3 July
Year 12 mock exams

Exam season finishes
Year 12 work experience

Friday 3 July Inset day

Friday 24 July Break up for Summer

#### Joke of the day:

With all this wind I'm worried about the caravan in our garden!

We didn't have one yesterday.

#### Weird things we say and why: Marinara sauce

**Definition:** A sauce traditionally made from tomatoes, garlic, olive oil and herbs.

**Origins:** The term "marinara" is derived from the Italian word "marina," meaning "of the sea" or "coastal." This refers to the sauce's origins in the coastal regions of Italy, where it was initially prepared by sailors and fishermen, known as "marinari." These marinari would cook the sauce on board their ships, using ingredients readily available to them, such as tomatoes, garlic, and olive oil. Over time, the name "marinara" became synonymous with the sauce, reflecting its connection to the sea and the people who first created it.

# The Sixth form common room is open for students use up until 5pm each week night



Thought for the week:

Please make sure your finger print has been taken for your dinner account and make sure that your account has been topped up. Speak to Andrea if you have any queries. If you wish to pre-order food for lunch, please speak to her at break and she can arrange this for you.



Make sure that you have money on your account for lunches

#### What is a Careers appointment and how can it benefit you?

A careers appointment offers you the chance to speak to a Careers Consultant one-to-one to explore your career thinking, questions and goals. It can give you the space to explore your ideas, work through your thinking and decision making, and support you along your career journey. It will be of benefit to you no matter where you are in your journey – if you are just starting out (or are not even sure where to start!), if you have some ideas or if you have a clear idea and are looking to put your plan into action. It's a chance for you to take some space and time to gather your thoughts, and identify next steps you can take.

If you would like to make an appointment, please see Miss Marriott to get this arranged. Appointments are Tuesday.

#### **Good Attendance Matters**

Do not book holidays during term time.

If you are ill and cannot come to school, please ask your parent or carer to telephone Miss Marriott (Mon-Thurs) or Mrs Pates (Fri) on extension 225 to confirm your absence.

If you have a lesson, DO NOT leave school without informing Miss Marriott. This <u>will</u> be followed up with a telephone call to parents/carers.

#### **Searching Online For Degree Apprenticeships**

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www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

https://careerfinder.ucas.com/jobs/degree/

www.amazingapprenticeships.com/vacancies/

https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2022/11/HigherDegree-Listing-NOV-2022.pdf

www.notgoingtouni.co.uk

www.prospects.ac.uk

www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk

www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk

www.findapprenticeships.co.uk

www.future-talent.com

Don't forget, some large employers who run their own Apprenticeship programmes don't always advertise their vacancies externally. So if there is a company you really want to work for, check the careers page on teir website. And check the regular jobs sites too eg Indeed or Reed, as you'll sometimes find opportunities on there that haven't been advertised elsewhere. <a href="https://www.mygreatfirstjob.com">www.mygreatfirstjob.com</a>

#### News Item of the Week:



Celebration and trepidation in Gaza and Israel following ceasefire plan agreement

News of the ceasefire agreement reached between Israel and Hamas was met with celebrations and joyous scenes in both Gaza and Israel, though residents on both sides of the devastating war expressed trepidation that a deal may still fall through.

US President Donald Trump announced that negotiators had reached an agreement in the Egyptian city of Sharm El Sheikh late Wednesday, saying Israel and Hamas had signed off on the first phase of a ceasefire framework.

The plan includes the release of all hostages held by Hamas and the withdrawal of Israeli troops to an agreed upon line, according to Trump.

A Qatari official later said the agreement will "lead to ending the war, the release of Israeli hostages and Palestinian prisoners, and the entry of aid."

However, there is a still a lack of clarity on key sticking points, including the disarmament of Hamas, the future governance of Gaza as well as what, if any, security guarantees have been made to stop hostilities from erupting once again.

Jubilant crowds gathered in Tel Aviv's Hostages Square to celebrate the agreement, with many people expressing joy that the hostages held captive by Hamas may finally come home.

Former hostages released as part of earlier ceasefire agreements, and families of those still held captive, joined the crowds who were hugging, singing and raising glasses.

"Our hearts are filled with joy, I cannot even know how to hold it in," Tel Aviv resident Hillel Mayer told CNN from the square.

Palestinians in Gaza heralded the agreement, cautiously hoping it would bring an end to Israel's devastating assault on the besieged enclave, which now lies in ruins. Crowds gathered near Nasser Hospital in Khan Younis to celebrate in the predawn darkness, clapping and cheering.

"These are moments that are considered historic moments, long awaited by Palestinian citizens after two years of killing and genocide," said Khan Younis resident Khaled Shaat, according to Reuters.

Before the sun rose in Gaza City, a young girl told a journalist how happy she was about the agreement because she would be able to return home. "We've spent two years, and now we're starting the third, living in a war. We're very tired of this life," the girl said in a video obtained by CNN.

But underlining the precarious nature of such agreements, the Israeli military said it had instructed its soldiers to "be ready for any scenario." And the military's Arabic spokesperson Avichay Adraee warned Palestinians in Gaza not to return north or approach areas where Israel Defense Forces (IDF) soldiers are stationed.

Even as celebrations broke out, journalists in Gaza told CNN that Israeli bombardments are continuing, especially in Gaza City.

#### Hostage families rejoice but remain cautiously optimistic

In Israel, the families of Israeli hostages held in Gaza, and hostages who had been previously released, celebrated the news of the agreement – with many personally thanking Trump.

"I can't believe it," said released hostage Ohad Ben Ami in a video on Instagram.

"You're coming back home," said Liran Berman, whose twin brothers Gali and Ziv are still being held in Gaza after being abducted from Kfar Aza kibbutz in southern Israel. "My Gali and Zivi I love you so much."

The twins were last seen alive by witnesses in February, when the last hostage release was held during a fragile ceasefire that later fell apart when Israel resumed its bombardment of Gaza.

Video released by the Hostages Families Forum showed Trump on the phone with hostage family members and captivity survivors in Washington, telling them their loved ones will return on Monday.

The group, some visibly emotional, can be heard shouting "thank you" and cheering.

The agreement came a day after the two-year anniversary of the Hamas-led attacks that killed at least 1,200 Israelis on October 7, 2023, and took 251 people hostage. Hamas and its allies still hold 48 hostages in Gaza. The Israeli government believes at least 20 of them are alive.

The joy of the hostages' anticipated return and emotional reunions has been tempered to some extent by a feeling of intense trepidation against a backdrop of lingering distrust and previous false hopes.

"We are still nervous if and when Itay and the other hostages on the deceased list will be found and brought back to us," Ruby Chen, father of Itay Chen, an IDF soldier whose body is held by Hamas, said in a post.

"We are happy inside, truly, the joy is deep, but we need to be realistic," said former Israeli hostage Eliya Cohen at the Hostages Square in Tel Aviv, Reuters reported.

"Until they're getting on the Red Cross vehicle, and really meeting IDF soldiers, until that moment, we must continue to pray."

#### Rare hope amid Gaza devastation

It was in the early hours of the morning in Gaza when the agreement was announced. With little internet connection in the besieged strip, many people there were still not aware of the agreement, journalists in Gaza told CNN.

A small but joyous crowd gathered in Khan Younis, singing, dancing and cheering in video obtained by Reuters.

Khan Younis resident, Wael Radwan, credited Trump with the agreement – and thanked "anyone who contributed even if verbally to stop the war and to stop the bloodshed."

Another resident Abdul Majeed Abd Rabbo said "all of the Gaza Strip is happy" about the announcement. "All the Arab people, all of the world is happy with the ceasefire and the end of bloodshed," he said, according to Reuters.

Israel's war has caused widespread destruction across Gaza, and the enclave has been gripped by escalating scenes of death and hunger.

More than 67,000 people, most of them women and children, have been killed, the Palestinian health ministry said on Wednesday, and Palestinians struggle for survival under relentless bombing, mass displacement and the spread of disease.

In September, an independent UN inquiry concluded for the first time that Israel had committed genocide against Palestinians in Gaza, a finding that echoes those of other genocide experts and human rights groups – but which the Israeli government has firmly rejected.

There will be caution and nervousness among many Gazan residents that any truce reached may not lead to a permanent end to the war, as previous agreements have shattered. Trump's announcement on social media did not mention some thorny topics that will need to be resolved, including Hamas's disarmament and the future governance of the enclave.

The Hamas-controlled Government Media Office in Gaza (GMO) warned Palestinians to "exercise the utmost caution in their movements and travel" following the announcement of the agreement, and "not to let down their guard until an official, clear, and confirmed announcement is issued by the competent Palestinian authorities."

#### **University Open Days**

York St John Queens Margaret, Edinburgh

Saturday 18 October Saturday 25 October

Saturday 15 November

Newcastle University

<u>University of Lincoln</u> Saturday 22 November

Sunday 12 October

Saturday 8 November <u>Cardiff University</u>

Saturday 29 November Saturday 18 October

## 6<sup>th</sup> Form Volunteering Opportunity

## STEM Club needs you!

Every Monday after school we have VERY enthusiastic Year 7s and 8s who just LOVE our activities!

Your help in organizing, running and helping to supervise the activities would look great on you CV.

See Dr Oates in H2!!





#### Information available if you need it...



Bullying, self-harm, exam stress, cyber bullying, depression, feeling sad, abuse... If you need to talk to someone

Calls are free and confidential 0800 1111



Sameritans works to make sure there's always someone there for anyone who needs someone. Non-judgemental, confidential, emotional support, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year

Calls are free 24/7 on 116 123



Beat provides helplines for people of all ages, offering support and information about eating disorders. If you or someone close to you has been affected there is someone to talk to.

This helpline is free from all phones 0808 801 0677



Brook offers both clinical sexual health services (pregnancy, contraception, sex & relationships, STIs) as well as education and wellbeing services for young people aged 11-25

Ask Brook on 0808 802 1234



Shout is a free, confidential, 24/7 text messaging support service for

anyone who is struggling to cope

Text 85258



Harmless is a local Nottinghamshire charity that works to address and overcome issues related to self-harm, and to promote recovery amongst individuals affected by it

Call on 0115 880 0280 or visit https://harmless.org.uk/