



Secondary Spotlight

15th February 2019
Term 2, Edition 5

Secondary Notices

Monday 18 th February	Parent Teacher Conference, Year 8 and above (15:30-18:30) (Cooper Hall)
Tuesday 19 th February	Parent Teacher Conference, Year 8 and above (16:00-19:00) (Cooper Hall) DCIS Careers Fair, Years 10-13 (8:45-10:30) (Cooper Hall)
Thursday 21 st February	Parent Workshop – Careers and University Guidance (8.45-9.30) (Juilliard Music Room)
20 th February – 24 th February	FOBISIA U13 Games in Phuket
21 st February	Run for Fun Morning club cancelled

TTT Deadlines: w/c 18th February

Year 7 – French/ Mandarin
Year 8 – Visual Arts/Design Technology, Geography, and Science
Year 9 – Visual Arts/Design Technology and History

Student Wellbeing

“What do you want to be when you grow up” is an ageless question often asked of students by parents, family and friends. Although meant well, it can present a lot of stress for teenagers in particular. Although there is merit in having a goal or purpose of having a good job, it is more about the journey rather than the end point. Exploring career options, considering your interests, values and skills will be a useful starting point in deciding on an appropriate career path. Talking to people in various employment areas will help clarify what is happening in the job scene at the moment. Of course the impact of technology would have to be one of the most significant influences on jobs in the future. In helping students start and/or continue this career exploration journey the school will be hosting a Career Fair. Please continue the discussion at home about this event and keep an open mind about the options your child is considering.

Our subject in the Spotlight this week is.... History

Year 7: Year 7 have worked on interpretations of the Roman empire and have moved onto the causes of the conflict in 1066. We looked at the social, political and economic changes to Britain after the Romans and are considering the concept of Kingship and power. There were lively “who should be king” discussions in class and some fantastic Tic Tac Toe homework that has been handed in.

Year 8: Year 8 have just finished their work on the Industrial Revolution. They have moved onto the topic of The British Empire and are considering the causes and impact of the British Empire using primary and secondary evidence to support analysis of key issues.

Year 9: Year 9 have completed their assessment on interpretations of World War One and considering whether the Treaty of Versailles was a fair treaty. They are moving onto the causes of World War Two and understanding how different ideologies such as Communism and Fascism helped cause conflict.

Year 10: Year 10 have completed their Germany Paper 1 topic. They finished the topic with a practise exam question. They are starting their new topic of China this week.

Year 11: Year 11 are currently reviewing their mock exams and completing a reflection, which will target elements from each unit that they need to focus on in their revision. On Wednesday they will be completing a paper 2 style test on China: Conflict, Crisis and Change, 1900-89.

Update from IB Coordinator: This week our IB students were treated to a talk about working in the field of law - something several of our students have expressed an interest in. Our year 13 students have had further university offers, including King's College, London, and University of Utrecht in the Netherlands.