



Secondary Spotlight

Secondary Notices

Monday 25 th June	Final deadline for deposit payments for trips next year; Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh taster day
Tuesday 26 th June	DCIS Proms dress rehearsal
Wednesday 27 th June	DCIS Proms
Friday 29 th June	Non-uniform day; end of year awards assembly; end of term 3 – lockers must be cleared

TTT homework due in w/c 25th June

Year 7 – Geography and Pathway 3 science; Year 8 – French and science; Year 9 – Mandarin, art and music

Student Wellbeing

Too much screen time damaged the brain. Research has found that too much time spent online is related to difficulties with attention, problem solving, mood, behaviour and sleep. For more information see psychologytoday.com. It is a good idea to have family “charging time” when all electronic devices are put away to allow sit-down family interaction; make eye contact, not iContact.

Sports Report

The sports seasons have finished and it's time for a well-earned break. We look forward to lots of students participating in sports next year!

Our subjects in the Spotlight this week are... Mandarin and French.

Year 7: In Mandarin, we are continuing the topics of ‘Weather & Holidays’. Various speaking, reading and writing activities will be carried out in the classroom to consolidate the learnt topics. In French, Year 7 have been focusing on expanding their grammatical horizons by adding the near future tense to their repertoire. They have also been completing their speaking assessments and have impressed with how much they are now able to say!

Year 8: In Mandarin, we are continuing the topics of ‘School routine - Part 2’. Various speaking, reading and writing activities will be carried out in the classroom to consolidate the learnt topics. In French, Year 8 have been rounding off the topic of technology, discussing the positives and negatives of the internet and social media. They completed an assessment this week and will be consolidating the vocabulary and grammar learnt this year as the term comes to an end.

Year 9: In Mandarin, we are revising different topics language and cultural activities. Various reading and writing activities will be carried out in the classroom to consolidate the learnt topics. In French, Year 9 have been working hard on their iGCSE-style speaking exams. The pupils have approached this exam with a fantastic work ethic and a determination to succeed. That next step to IGCSE is just around the corner!

Year 10: In Mandarin, we are practising the picture oral conversation. Various speaking, reading and writing activities will be carried out in the classroom to consolidate the learnt topics. In French, Year 10 have been preparing for their end of term iGCSE assessments and have been focusing on the speaking element of these this week. The pupils have worked hard on this and should be congratulated on their efforts.

Update from IB Coordinator: The students completed their mock exams this week, and will have gained a lot from the experience. They have also been writing their student reflections for their end of year reports. There will only be a small amount of rest time over the summer as they continue to work on all their subjects to ensure they start IB Diploma year 2 on the front foot.