



Feversham College

Our Autumn Newsletter

As the first half terms draws to a rapid close I write to update you on the many achievements.

As you are aware Feversham College is one of only 3 outstanding secondary schools in Bradford. This alongside our Teaching School status and National Support School is a fantastic achievement. We have also received approval from the DfE to become an Academy Sponsor. This means we will now be able to enter into formal, structural arrangements with schools that require improvement in order to ensure pupils achieve the outcomes they are capable of. As a Multi Academy Trust we are keen to work alongside schools that also have additional capacity in order to help us to accelerate achievement in schools that require it. I want to reassure you that Feversham College remains our priority and we continue to work tirelessly for our students.

I would like to thank you for your continued support and wish you a peaceful and restful break.

Miss Clare Skelding
Headteacher

Examination Results

MashaAllah this summer Feversham College achieved another set of excellent GCSE results. The results have yet to be confirmed after national data checking exercises but headline figures are;

- 63% 5 A* - C including English and Maths
- 71% A* - C in English
- 72% A* - C in Mathematics
- 84% making expected progress in English
- 74% making expected progress in Maths
- 40% making more than expected progress in English
- 37% making more than the expected progress in Maths

Eid Celebrations

During the month of Dhul-Hijjah students were made aware of the importance of the first ten days of this month and encouraged to develop their character and spirituality. This was followed by a successful Eid celebration which was full of great pearls of wisdom and at the same time very enjoyable for all.

As always charity and sympathy towards those who are less fortunate than ourselves is a key aspect of our College, the £310 raised from the non-uniform day has been put towards sponsoring orphans in Eastern Sudan where thousands of vulnerable children are without basic needs.

Bad Weather Procedures

At Feversham College, we try whenever possible to remain open in order to minimise disruption to our students' education.

We only close if the site is unsafe, lack of staff supervision or buses have stopped running.

The decision to close will be sent via text to parents by 7.00 am at the latest. Please ensure college has your correct mobile number. A message will also be posted on the website

Dates for your diary

Friday 23 October – School closes for Half Term

Monday 2 November – School reopens

Wednesday 4 November – Year 12 and 13 Consultation evening

Monday 9 November – Careers convention

Thursday 12 November – Presentation evening

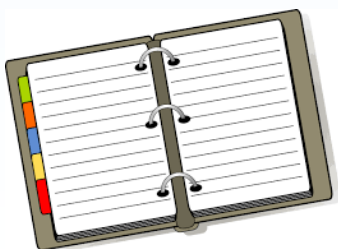
Tuesday 24 November – Year 10 Consultation evening

Monday 7 December – Year 11 Mock exams begin

Tuesday 8 December – Year 8 3-way learning conversations with parents

Friday 18 December – school closes for the Winter holidays

Monday 4 January 2016 – School reopens.



Live-n-Learn

On the 2nd October the whole of year 10 took part in highly sought after study skills training 'Mindset for Exams' with outside providers 'Live-n-Learn'. Inspirational workshops were delivered to the girls aiming to raise aspirations and achievement by motivating the young people to take personal responsibility, develop resilience and adopt the right attitude for success (Growth Mindset). They were encouraged to develop a variety of effective study methods, manage their time effectively and invest the extra hard work and energy required for success. Year 10 had a wonderful day, participated fully and were a credit to themselves and the school.

Open Evening

In September we held our annual open evening for parents of children in year 6 who are making their choices for secondary education. The evening was well attended and feedback was hugely positive.

Please can I remind you that this year anyone applying for a place for children in year 7 MUST also complete a SIF (Supplementary Information Form) these are available from the college and MUST be returned to the college. A place will not be considered unless the SIF and application form have both been completed. The deadline for applications is the 31 October 2015.

Student Services Team 2015/16

Miss Robertshaw – Safa Community Leader

Mrs Lang – Marwa Community Leader

Mrs Slater - Yaqoob email – yaqoob.house@fevershamcollege.com

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Miss Anjum - Ismail email – ismail.house@fevershamcollege.com

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Please note the email addresses for your daughter's House Leader, should you need to get in touch.

Homework Policy

We have revised our homework policy at the college. This is available to view on our website or if you would like a hard copy please ask your daughter to ask her House Leader. I have attached for you a homework schedule that indicates the amount of time your daughter should be spending on homework each week. As always if you have any feedback please convey this to your daughters Houseleader in the first instance.

Feversham College Homework Map guidelines

Approximate time per week for homework in subjects

| Year Group | English | Maths | Science | Art | DT | H & SC | Humanities | IT | MFL | PE | RS |
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| Year 7 | 30 mins | Term 1 1 hr Terms 2 & 3 | 45 mins | 30 mins | 30 mins | | 30 mins | 30 mins | 1 hr | | 1 hr |
| Year 8 | 30 mins | 1 ½ hrs | 45 mins | 30 mins | 30 mins | | 30 mins | 30 mins – 1hr | 1 hr | | 1 hr |
| Year 9 | 30 mins | 1 ½ hrs | 60 mins | 45 mins | 45 mins | | 30 mins | 1 hr | 1 hr | | 1 hr |
| Year 10 | 1 hr | 2 ½ hrs | 1 hr per teacher (double 2 hrs Triple 3 hrs) | 1 hr | 1 hr | 2 hrs | 1 hr | 2 hrs | 2 hrs | 1 hr | 2 hrs |
| Year 11 | 1 hr | 2 ½ hrs | 1 hr per teacher (double 2 hrs Triple 3 hrs) | 1 hr | 1 hr | 2 hrs | 1hr | 2 hrs | 2 hrs | 1 hr | 2 hrs |

Students in Years 12 and 13 should spend a minimum of 5 hours per subject per week on homework and additional work.