



## Headteacher's Update

11<sup>th</sup> March 2022

I thought that I would share a brief update with parents and carers this week on some of the activities that have taken place over the past seven days as well as a look ahead to activities in the coming week.

### Comic Relief Red Nose Day

I am sure that many parents and carers are aware that Comic Relief Red Nose Day will take place on this coming Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> March. Members of the school community will be undertaking a number of fundraising activities in support of the Comic Relief charities during next week. However, I also want to make parents aware that we are planning for a non-uniform day to take place on the last day of term, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April. Voluntary contributions will be £2, with a pound going to Comic Relief and the other pound going to charities that are supporting the people of Ukraine. Children will be encouraged to wear red to support Comic Relief and/or yellow and blue to support the charitable efforts in Ukraine. If parents or carers did feel that they were unable to support either of these charitable efforts for any reason we would fully understand. Thank you in advance for your support.

### World Book Day

Thank you to Samantha Connolly (12H) who has penned a lovely literary summary for the World Book Day activities that took place on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. A link to this article can be found [\[here\]](#).

### LAMDA Examinations

I would like to congratulate the 17 students who received their London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts ([LAMDA](#)) examination results in the past week. The students all took performance qualifications in Acting at different levels and we were delighted to learn that all students achieved grades at merit or distinction. I would again like to thank the Drama department for engaging in this initiative as well as the external tutor, Andrew Wright for his excellent work in supporting our students.

### Food Preparation & Nutrition Assessment

Our Year 11 Food Preparation & Nutrition students completed their final practical assessment last week. Tasked with completing a challenging two-course meal within a three hour time limit, the students worked extremely hard to prepare, cook and present a huge range of complex, high quality dishes. Following their own plans and making all the components from scratch, the standard was extremely high. This year's cohort have made fantastic progress and it was delightful to see their efforts culminate in an impressive array of elegant dishes.

Very well done to all!



### Parents Evenings

Thank you to all parents and carers of students in Year 8 for their engagement in the parental consultation evening yesterday. The evaluation survey will be shared with parents shortly and I would appreciate any feedback to help us to continue to improve our systems. The next consultation evening will be for parents and carers of students in Year 10 on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March. Ms Ashe will be writing home to parents about the evening shortly. However, she has asked me to alert parents to the fact that progress checks for this cohort will be going home next week.

## Hairspray

Finally this week, I would like to share an image of the cast of *Hairspray* that was taken at the conclusion of the final performance last Friday. Congratulations once again to all involved, but I would like to say a special thank you to our three cast members from the Year 13 cohort, David Bowker (13F), Dhruv Gajjar (13G) and Sophie Manners (13W) who took to the Vyners stage for the very last time. Each student has demonstrated fantastic commitment to the performing arts at the school over the past seven years. We all wish them the very best in their future endeavours.

Have a lovely weekend!

**Gary Mullings**  
**Headteacher**

## Headteacher Commendations

### Work Related Learning

Emily Anderson	8J
Isabelle Campbell	8J
Siena Chaggar	8J
Selina Dattani	8J
Kena Domike	8J
Charles Din Ebongue	8J

