



'CHANGE STARTS WITH US' - ANTI BULLYING WEEK 2019



To mark this year's theme for Anti Bullying Week of 'Change Starts With Us,' our team of Anti Bullying Leaders asked every student in the College to pledge to make a small change.

The pledges were made on flags echoing the colour of this year's logo and the Leaders spent a painstaking two weeks of lunchtimes collating them into a giant symbol representing our collective pledges to make a small change in acknowledging that an anti bullying culture has to be universal and whole hearted.

Pledges varied from, *'smile more often,'* to, *'consider whether remarks really are banter,'* to, *'stop stereotyping minorities,'* to, *'helping people when they seem upset.'*

All students at the College signed their pledges and the Leaders encouraged passing teachers to add their signatures to the giant logo stand expertly made by Sean Stidder from the DT department.

It remains a talking point outside the Main Hall and a symbol of our collective determination to all make that small change.



Message from the Headteacher, Caroline Barlow

This week I was asked to take part in a panel discussion at a National Educational Conference on Deep Social Justice. The panel, chaired by David Laws (*Minister of State for Schools 2012-2015*), explored what leadership was required for social justice in education. It was an opportunity to reflect on what that means in a context like ours where the obvious disadvantage found in urban areas is not so easy to see but where many young people in rural areas struggle with the inability to match the advantages of more affluent peers.

I was proud to reflect on our ethos of compassion and consideration, how our students are often the first - no matter what their background - to want to do things for others, extend kindness and encourage understanding. However, I was equally proud to reflect on the ambitions and aspirations of our young people. Despite some living in isolated locations or struggling with aspects of rural poverty, they are all unstintingly keen to come to College and achieve the best they possibly can; to take advantage of high quality teaching and to achieve the best grades they can, knowing it will open doors to their futures.

A recent peer review we conducted with colleagues from St Richards Catholic College, highlighted a number of aspects to be proud of in this respect. Firstly, how engaged and focused our students were in lessons creating a powerful learning environment and how convinced they were of the power of reading and the expectation from the College that they would read in and outside College. Secondly, how proud they were of their College. Reviewers reported that there were overwhelmingly positive about how inclusive the College is, how they feel they are treated equally irrespective of gender or background and that they really value how we challenge them to achieve their best.

We know this is effective, not just in terms of our outcomes but the amazing destinations our students reach. From top universities, to degree level apprenticeships, West End stage schools, industry rated Art Schools to international travel. The world really is their oyster as a Heathfield student and as a state funded non-selective comprehensive, for me that is social justice in action.



Lead Prefect Team

Over the last couple of weeks, both Year 10 and 11 have been working tremendously hard in their mocks. As a hiatus in that hard work, all students were presented with a long weekend, hopefully spent having plenty of rest. A huge congratulations to all who have completed their mock exams and we hope all has gone well.

Leading up to the Christmas holidays, we would like to make sure everyone is still working hard before the two weeks off that we have in store. Keep on going Heathfield - not long to go!



Alex, Tatiana, Elise, George

Engaged & Enthusiastic

GREAT GATSBY

Dressed in their finest feather boas and sharpest suits, English Literature students went up to London at the end of November to experience the Immersive Gatsby performance in Mayfair.



The performance begins the moment that the audience arrive at 'Gatsby's mansion' and begin milling around. At first, with most of the audience in costume, it's hard to tell where the spectators end and the cast begins.

With rousing songs and dramatic set pieces, the show had the students spellbound. Throughout the evening, small groups of the audience are invited into side rooms to experience additional scenes in Gatsby's library or bedroom, or the Wilsons' front room. Much of the evening is interactive, with audience members drafted in to help set tables or express their approval or disapproval of characters' costumes or behaviour.

The Great Gatsby by F Scott Fitzgerald is an enduring classic of American Literature and an A Level set text. While the adaptation took a few liberties in translation, it certainly captured the atmosphere of the roaring 1920s and the tragic longing of Gatsby for his former sweetheart Daisy Buchanan.

Unfortunately, a technical hitch at the theatre meant a late start to the performance, which in turn meant we had to leave just before the final tragedy unfolded in order to make the train home. Nonetheless, students loved the show and enjoyed their walk back through the Christmas lights of Mayfair and Piccadilly.

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ECO REP TEAM UPDATE

A massive thank you to all the students, parents and staff who donated to our Bag2School appeal.

Lucie Miller and the ECO Rep team have worked really hard on this project and are pleased to have raised money for the College. The final amount will be in the final Heathfield Headlines of 2019.

Also included in the final issue will be new recycling initiatives that the ECO Reps will be launching in 2020.

Thank you for all your support!



YEAR 13 INTERVIEW DAY



The 5th annual Year 13 Interview Day was a great success on Thursday 28 November. Over 20 employers put Year 13 through their paces. The students spent PSHEe lessons preparing for the structured interview which for some lasted as long as 20 minutes. Challengingly, the interview focus was not on a theoretical job, but about the students' own experiences and employability. We were delighted to have so many volunteers from a wide range of sources including: our school governors, our Enterprise Adviser, Wealden District Council, the NHS, Kay and Pascoe solicitors, East Sussex's 'Give an Hour' campaign: <https://www.careersandenterprise.co.uk/give-an-hour>, Wealden Works, Transport for London, Alumni (one who left in the late 80s), Freedom Leisure and Baker Jenness Financial Management.

The event is always timely as a number of students are on the cusp of interviews at university for Architecture or Oxbridge and in the new year Art Foundation students will benefit from the practice when they are called to interview to talk about their portfolios. As usual, we are also pleased to support those A Level students who have made the informed choice to progress into employment with training or apprenticeships, this coming summer, for whom all interview practice is invaluable.

The Sixth Form Team is always happy to expand our pool of supporters for future events including our successful Alumni Day in the summer. For those interested in supporting future careers events please email: alumni@heathfieldcc.co.uk

TEAM KABUBBU 2020's FUND RAISING CONTINUES



On Saturday 30 November and Thursday 5 December, Team Kabubbu 2020, including Mrs Abbott, Miss Coggin, Miss Gillespie and Mrs Millyard, were at the Heathfield Fun Day and late night shopping events.

They had a great time at both events and raised a further £378 towards the target of £14,000 which goes directly to the Quicken Trust. Students have already paid for their own travel, accommodation, vaccinations and visas.

If you would like to help us reach our target and give to the work of the Quicken Trust please make a donation to Team Kabubbu 2020 please go to:

<https://wonderful.org/fundraiser/heathfieldcommunitycollegekabubbu2020-003c8bfc>

Our next event is: **Heathfield Late Night Shopping on 12 December.** Please drop by to see us.

More details can be found by clicking [here](#).

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SUCCESS IN THE ANNUAL MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD FOR HEATHFIELD GIRLS!



Our students received amazing results from the Mathematical Olympiad for Girls back in October. Eloise Matthews, Leila Warren and Eleanor Dawson received certificates of Distinction and Hannah Haffenden, Phoebe Bigwood and Rachel Sparrow received certificates of participation.

The aim of the Mathematical Olympiad for Girls is to improve the participation and achievement of girls in maths and give an introduction to university level maths. The competition lasted for two and a half hours and consisted of five challenging problems aimed at girls and young women across the UK.

Each problem required a full, written solution. Problems were of the highest degree of difficulty and marks were given for the clearest and most complete solutions.

We are very proud of their success.
Mr Regan



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NOROVIRUS AWARENESS

At this time of year there are lots of bugs and viruses around. Please remind your children to wash their hands thoroughly when using the toilets and throughout the day to avoid spreading germs and viruses to other people. Please see below advice to reduce the spread and treat symptoms.

Diarrhoea & vomiting in children

There is no specific cure for stomach bug such as Norovirus. There are some tips to reduce the spread and treat symptoms



If your child already has a serious illness or symptoms last longer than a few days, contact your GP to seek advice.
Visit: [nhs.uk/norovirus](https://www.nhs.uk/norovirus)

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DID YOU SIT YOUR GCSE EXAMS LAST YEAR?

GCSE CERTIFICATES 2019

If you sat your GCSE exams last summer, your certificates are now ready for collection from Reception.

If you are not collecting them yourself, the person collecting them for you will need to bring a letter of authority from you well as some photo ID (eg driving licence, passport).

Please pass this message on to your friends who have not yet collected their certificates.

A chance to reclaim lost property.

Lost property will be on display for students/parents/carers to come and have a look on Monday 9 December 3.15pm - 5.00pm.

Any items remaining after 13 December will be donated to charity.

If you wish to have a look but cannot make this time please contact Olau Millyard at omillyard@heathfieldcc.co.uk or telephone 01435 866066 Ext 1248.

A timely reminder at this point: we know that sometimes young people can be forgetful with their belongs, we do try to reunite them where we can if items have been left behind. It is MUCH easier to do this if all items are named.

Please use the holidays to check all items and ensure they are named clearly to avoid them being lost.



Words of the Term

Each term, meaning full term and not half-term, every tutor will be introducing new words to students. Across all subjects in the curriculum, teachers will be using these terms and encouraging student use of them.

We know how important having a varied vocabulary is for students both to help communicate ideas within the classroom and achieve academic success but also being effective communicators outside of school when wanting to show the best of themselves in an interview.

It will help make a difference if you are able to work with the College in encouraging students to build their vocabulary so, in Heathfield Headlines, we will share with you one of the Words of the Term each fortnight with a very brief activity idea to help consolidate the word within your child's vocabulary.

Accumulation (*Noun*)

When something is gradually gathered, or built up, over a period of time

Synonyms: acquisition, amassing, collection

Activity:

Humans spend their lives accumulating material objects. First, we will accumulate money and then we might spend that money on lots of clothes or computer games or whatever our interest is. Have a discussion with your child about whether it is a good thing to accumulate a mass of material objects or not.

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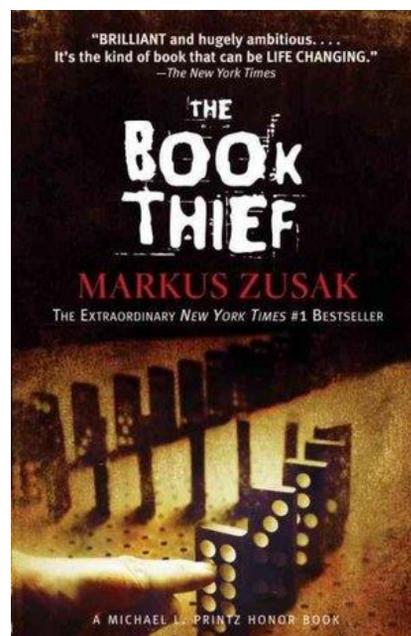
READING RECOMMENDATIONS

Set in Germany during World War 2, *The Book Thief* is a touching tale of the lives experienced by the innocent children in Nazi Germany.

Leisel is a young girl living with foster parents who do not agree with the Nazi regime. Leisel's passion is books - even though she can't read them to begin with. She steals books because she knows they are important and is taught to read by her foster father, Hans.

They help a young man called Max, who is Jewish, by hiding him from the Nazis. As the Nazis are marching Jewish people down the street, Hans helps a Jewish man who is struggling to keep up and so he is whipped and decides that it is no longer safe for them to hide Max.

A moving friendship is struck between Leisel and a boy in the neighbourhood, Rudy. Unfortunately, the relationship doesn't have a happy ending.



Cultural Calendar

TUTOR TIME AND ASSEMBLY ACTIVITIES FOR TERM 2

By sharing the topics that your son/daughter will be studying as part of their wider curriculum, we hope this will stimulate conversations about the ideas and issues raised.

Assembly themes during term 2:

- Remembrance
- Internal Men's day
- Anti-bullying week
- Wellbeing
- International Volunteer Day
- Declaration of Human Rights
- Christmas Celebration

Students also follow themes during tutor time to enable them to explore issues further and engage in meaningful discussion. Term 2 covers the following topics:

- Resilience
- Revision Techniques and planning (Years 10/11)
- Anti-bullying week
- Wellbeing
- Advent
- Christmas

ON-LINE SAFETY

WHAT IS AN INTERNET TROLL?

Internet trolls face up to two years in jail.

The Criminal Justice and Courts Act, has provisions in it to treat internet trolling very seriously, but what is a troll? A troll is someone who stirs up drama and abuses their anonymity by purposely sowing hatred, bigotry, racism, misogyny, or just simple bickering between others. At the lighter end of the troll spectrum, trolls can be personal friends who like to goad and joke with their "friends" online. In this case, 'trolling' could be as simple as 'stop hassling me' or 'I won't invite you to my birthday party'. At the harsher end of the troll spectrum, trolls are cruel and malicious users who hide behind an anonymous name whilst abusing others or encouraging others to be abusive. Trolling is bullying or encouraging bullying.

Some people say "It's just banter isn't it?" No! If you wouldn't say it to the person's face, don't say it! If it's rude don't say under either circumstances. For an example of a case where this law has been used against a teenager see the following URL:

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/dec/15/teenager-jailed-for-trolling-footballer-andy-woodward-about-abuse>

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SIXTH FORM SKI/SNOWBOARD TRIP - 1 PLACE LEFT

Saturday 4 April 2020 to Thursday 9 April 2020

£1040 to ski

£1070 to snowboard

Price includes flights, coach travel, 5 day lift pass, 5 nights half board accommodation, ski/board tuition, equipment hire and insurance.

For the information letter please click on the following link

http://www.heathfieldcc.co.uk/?page_id=3452 or contact Mr Pedley for more information - 01435 866066 Ext 1251, email ppedley@heathfieldcc.co.uk



ARE MY CHILDREN ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Free School Meals, Pupil Premium funding and registering for Free School Meals can not only save you money but help support the College for all pupils. Please click on the following link to find out if your child is entitled:

<http://www.heathfieldcc.co.uk/parents/letters&information>

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CHRISTMAS IN HEATHFIELD



LATE NIGHT SHOPPING

THURS 5TH DECEMBER 5 - 8:30PM
THURS 12TH DECEMBER 5 - 8:30PM

FESTIVE MUSIC AND CAROLS
MARKET STALLS
FOOD & DRINK

CHRISTMASINHEATHFIELD.CO.UK

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Data Protection Privacy Notice

The College has an annual obligation under the Data Protection Act to communicate with parents/carers about the data that we hold about them and their children and how you can gain access to that data should you wish to do so. This Privacy Notice can be found on the College website on the policies page. The parent version of this document can be found by clicking the link [HERE](#)

If you have not yet responded to the request to check, confirm and submit your Data Collection Sheet, using the Parentlite app, please would you do so. Should you require support in performing this task please contact cthompson@heathfieldcc.co.uk or 01435 866066 Ext 1232.

Christmas Carol Concert



Heathfield Community College

At 7.00pm on Thursday

19th December 2019

Tickets: £2 Adult / £1 Child

Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 18 December

No need to order in advance

Pay on Gateway - £2.20

Turkey, Chipolata Sausage, Roast Potatoes,
Stuffing, Selection of Vegetables and Gravy

or

Vegan Parcel with Spicy Lentils, Butternut Squash and
Mushroom

And

Mincemeat Shortcake with Custard

or

Chocolate Rice Krispy Pudding



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TEACH
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Great teachers are never forgotten.

Teachers transform lives and make futures brighter.

Why not train to become one?

Find out more at one of our Get into Teaching information evenings. Upcoming events (all of which start at 7 pm) are:

- *Wednesday, 8 January 2020 in the Sixth Form Centre at Bennett Memorial School, TN4 9SH*
- *Tuesday, 21 January 2020 at Claremont Primary School, TN2 5EB*

Training will take place within our partnership of West Kent and East Sussex primary & secondary schools. Trained teachers gain a PGCE: the internationally recognised qualification of trained teachers. Our partnership has extensive expertise in training teachers and has a 100% employment rate. For secondary trainees a wide range of subjects is available.

Generous bursaries & scholarships (up to £30k) are available to support you.

For further details see: www.teachkentandsussex.org.uk & twitter: @TeachKandS

Please contact Carol Hughes or Hilary Sutton by telephone on 01892 521595 for an informal discussion or email contact@teachkentandsussex.org.uk to register your interest. We can offer school experience days to support your application.

Our schools are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All trainee teacher posts are subject to a satisfactory enhanced DBS check

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CONSIDERATE PARKING AND SAFE DRIVING AROUND THE COLLEGE

We have recently received several complaints from our neighbours about the speed that cars are driving at around the College and the inconsiderate parking across driveways at the start and end of the school day. We have assured our neighbours that we regularly ask our parents and Sixth Form students to park considerately and drive safely around the College using our voluntary one way route (please see below). We have advised our neighbours to contact our local PCSOs or to supply us with the number plates of cars who are regularly being inconsiderate when parking or driving.

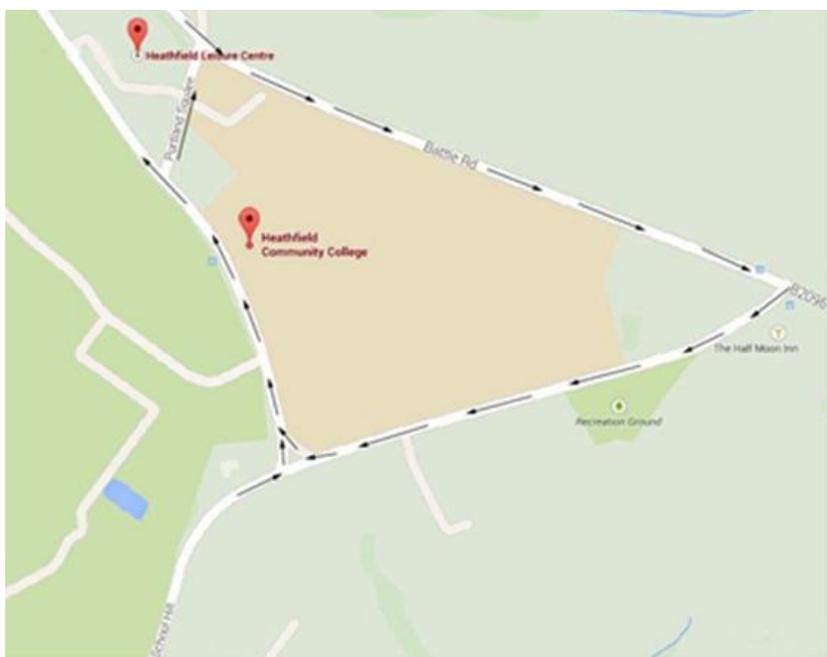
We would also like to remind you of the following:

- Please do not park, drop off or pick up in the taxi/disabled parking bays at the front of the College.
- Please do not park on the yellow zig-zag lines on the road at the front of the College.
- If you visit the College, and are planning on being here after 2pm, please park on the road or in the Leisure Centre as buses start to arrive after this time.

We do understand that parking outside and around the College is difficult and have tried to expand what is available, however, any further additions would require significant investment and planning permissions.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

VOLUNTARY ONE WAY SYSTEM



Please check that you are familiar with the voluntary one way route when dropping off and collecting your children from school at the beginning and end of the day.

Thank you.

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ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICINES

If your son or daughter needs to take any medication during the College day you should inform Mrs Millis in the Student Support Office at jmillis@heathfieldcc.co.uk or telephone 01435 866066 Ext 1203. Students should not keep the medicine with them during the school day. You will also need to complete the parental consent form that can be found on the College website at <http://www.heathfieldcc.co.uk/parents/letters&information/administrationofmedicine>.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Millis.

TOP UP EQUIPMENT, BUY CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AND HELP THE COLLEGE!

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to easyfundraising to support Heathfield Community College.

We have now raised
£1,331.16.

If you have not yet signed up, please help us raise even more free donations by signing up today using the link below!



It is very easy to set up and we receive a free donation every time you shop online using the easyfundraising website or APP.

For each item that you purchase the College will receive a donation from the company - at no cost to yourself but a considerable bonus to the students.

So you can you up, weekly shop, book holidays or buy Christmas presents AND at no extra cost to yourself raise money for the College.



Easyfundraising.org.uk
Website

ON-LINE SAFETY: CODE OF CONTACT



Online Safety Code of Conduct

Students Will:

	Keep ALL passwords private	
	Immediately change your password if anyone finds it out	
	Respect other people's work	
	Respect other people's opinions and beliefs, even if you disagree	
	Respect the College's and other people's equipment	
	Tell a teacher or use the "report abuse" button if you are ever made to feel scared or uncomfortable	
	Always keep your own and other people's information private eg name, address, school, pets, close up photos or videos	
	Only reply to messages from people you know	
	Always give credit to the source of other people's work if you have used it in your own work	

Students will NOT:

	Tell anyone your network password	
	Reply to nasty messages. (Instead: tell an adult or use the "report abuse" button AND keep it as evidence)	
	Show other people photos or videos of yourself, friends or family OR do "live streaming" without asking an adult first	
	Agree to meet an online friend without checking with an adult first	
	Be rude, offensive, bully or harass other people eg on Instagram	
	Use a mobile / portable device in a lesson for anything other than a learning activity set by the teacher	
	Electronically publish personal details or photos or videos that identify other people eg name, address, school, pets, close up photos	
	Access, read, alter or delete the work of other people	
	Search for, create, share or view inappropriate material	
	Play non educational games over the college network	
	Attempt to install executable files, programs or viruses on the network	
	Attempt to access the operational files of the network	

Events and Notices

WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK WITH US?

We have the following vacancies at the College:

Cover Supervisor (closing date 13 December)

Science Technician (closing date 13 December)

Please see the College website for more information about these posts:

<http://jobs.heathfieldcc.co.uk/vacancies/>

STUDENT JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Year 11 Students...

Will you be looking for part-time work when you become a Sixth Form student?

If so, have you considered cleaning at the College?

College Cleaners

Working Hours:

15.15pm - 17.15pm

Frequency:

2 - 5 shifts per week,
Monday to Friday

Salary: £5.60 per hour

Main Duties:

Cleaning corridors & classrooms

No previous experience required!!

If you are interested in being put on the waiting list please contact Mrs Potter on: epotter@heathfieldcc.co.uk

If successful you will be required to work during the last two weeks of the summer holidays as well as either February or Easter holiday, this is non-negotiable.

You **MUST** be a current Sixth Form Student to work at the College.



Year 12 Students...

Are you looking for part time work?

If you are then have you considered cleaning at the College?

College Cleaners

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15.15pm - 17.15pm

Frequency:

2 - 5 shifts per week,
Monday to Friday

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Cleaning corridors & classrooms

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Heathfield Headlines

Diary Dates

Monday 9 December	Broadbridges Uniform Sale	3.15pm - 4.15pm
	Lost Property	3.15pm - 5.00pm
Thursday 12 December	Year 12 Business & Economics Trip to Sussex Uni	
	Mock Election	
	Sixth Form Christmas Quiz	5.00 - 8.00pm
	Team Kabubbu 2020 fundraising at Heathfield Late Night Shopping	5.00 - 8.00pm
Monday 16 December	Year 11 Mock Results	
	Year 12 Drama Equus Workshop	
Wednesday 18 December	School Christmas Dinner	
Thursday 19 December	Learning Support Christmas Fair	5.00pm
	Alumni Event	5.30pm
	Carol Concert	7.00pm
Friday 20 September	End of Term 2	1.20pm



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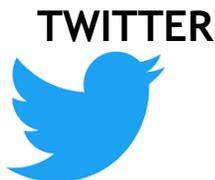
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Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner News



Quick Links



Important information about the College including bus delays and college closures as well as news and events, are also sent out via Twitter. It is a great way of keeping up to date with what's going on and sharing news.

