

# E.T.C. Newsletter

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## PSHEE Day

This year, students will be having lessons in Personal Social Health and Economic Education (PSHEE) following new regulations introduced by the Government as part of reforms to the National Curriculum. Instead of Lifestyles Days, which we had in previous years, we will have a combination of regular lessons and one off days with a particular focus. This will allow us to cover all the required topics earlier in the year. There will still be some days when a year group will change their timetable to follow a more flexible day and this is what happened for the Year 7 students on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September.

They spent the day at Hampden Park with their teachers doing a variety of team building and problem solving exercises which they thoroughly enjoyed although the staff had to drag themselves back to school after such a tiring and full-on day.

I would like to thank the team who delivered this but especially Mr Roberts who threw everything into making the day a great success.

## Open Evening

Can I please give you a reminder that owing to our Open Evening, school will finish for students at 1.20 pm on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October to allow for preparations for our Open Evening? Parents are welcome to attend this event, which is aimed at the Year 6 Parents who are choosing their secondary schools. Students involved in helping on the evening must wear full uniform as they are on show to our visitors.

The Canteen will be open for students at morning break on Tuesday (10.40 until 11am) with a full range of food but it will be closed at the end of the day. Children on Free School Meals will be able to spend their allowance buying food in the morning, but they will not be able to get anything at 1.20 in school.

The Choir, Gareth Malone and ETC



Thank you,  
Keith Pailthorpe

On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September, BBC TV's Gareth returned to ETC to lead a workshop for about 40 of our students who sang their hearts out! He has already worked with his team to select a smaller group to go through to the next stage of filming to

create a choir for Knight Crew at Glyndebourne. I am grateful to Mr Wayne Jones for his organisation of this event. The students were incredibly excited, but did us all proud. Gareth was suitably impressed!

## **EXAMINATIONS**

### **EARLY ENTRY ENGLISH & MATHEMATICS GCSE - MOCK EXAMINATIONS**

Students entered for the November 2009 examinations will be sitting mock tests on the following days over Periods 1-4:

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October - English - Paper 1 Periods 1 & 2 and Paper 2 Periods 3 & 4

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October - Mathematics - Non-Calculator Periods 1 & 2 and Calculator Periods 3 & 4

Equipment:

English - black pen and a ruler

Maths - black pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, compasses, protractor



# A young person's guide to part time employment

Lots of students have been asking me how many hours they are allowed to work.

Below is a list of when and how many hours you can legally work.

- How old do young people have to be before they can work in England?

You are not legally allowed to work until you are 13.

- What times can young people work?

You can only work after 7 a.m. and before 7p.m but not during school hours. On a school day you can only work for up to 2 hours but no more than 1 hour can be before school.

<b>How many hours can a teenager (13 and 14 years old) work?</b>	
School Days	Not more than 2 hours in one day during the following periods: Morning: 7am to start of school or Evening: close of school to 7pm
Saturdays	Up to 5 hours between 7am and 7pm
Sundays	Up to 2 hours between 7am and 11am
Term Time (including weekends)	Up to a maximum of 12 hours a week (Including weekends)
School Holidays (including Weekends)	Up to a maximum of 25 hours week. 5 hours a day, between 7am - 7pm on any day except Sunday. On Sundays, 2 hours between 7am - 7pm
<b>15 and 16 year olds may work for up to 8 hours on Saturdays and up to a maximum of 35 hours during school holidays.</b>	

**For more information please call into the careers office and see Mrs Harvey-Williams**

# CLASS OF 2010 YEARBOOK

Please read the following then tick the relevant areas of interest.

**This is urgent as your yearbook could be made without you!**

Shocked? Horrified? It is true as in the past a small group have found old photos of things their year group have done, put them together and no one else has had much of an input. I have even made pages myself - but I hope you want the book to be yours?

You now have a chance to add to the choices being made - but we need to know what your interests are and how interested you are in helping. It could be a little - pointing out/providing a picture, or you could be one of the editors and have a big say in what goes in!

The idea is **everyone** gets a chance to add something; they then tell a **group of five** people selected for that area of interest; **one** of those five will be an **editor** who will select and put the pictures into the yearbook! [They get special privileges for their effort].

Right now, today, we need to know what you are interested in, so please **tick** all those you like once, really like a lot twice and state if you would like to be an editor and are prepared to meet twice a week to feed back to the group [maybe only for 10 min] and do your best to have most of the yearbook done before Christmas!

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| 1. PE/Sports/Activities/Sports Day/Sporting Clubs etc | ___ | ___ |
| 2. Arts/Drama/Acting Club etc                         | ___ | ___ |
| 3. Buddies/Prefects/Official support in school        | ___ | ___ |
| 4. Clubs generally                                    | ___ | ___ |
| 5. Venture Week/Work Experience                       | ___ | ___ |
| 6. Other? Do you have any suggestions?<br>What? _____ |     |     |

**I would like to be considered** as an editor for our Class of 2010 Yearbook especially in the area of:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ as my first choice;
2. \_\_\_\_\_ as my second choice.

MY NAME IS: \_\_\_\_\_  
MENTOR \_\_\_\_\_

Now please read back through and check you have filled in everything correctly. Please either give to your Mentor and ask them to pass onto me, Mrs Weston, or leave with Mrs. Waterhouse (not during Mentor time please) in the Resource Centre.

**Please do this today as a selection of suitable candidates has to be made and we need to begin! Any questions, see me.**

Kind regards

Mrs E Weston  
Teaching Assistant/Editor

## European Day of Languages



On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2009, E.T.C celebrated European Day of Languages in style!!!

The Renaissance cluster staff (Humanities, MFL, PSHEE) staff dressed up in specially printed t-shirts. Students also had opportunities to commemorate the day by completing an activity relating to Europe in every single lesson throughout the day.

Mr Pailthorpe even started by greeting the staff with a hello in every European language!

During lessons 4 and 5, the Modern Foreign Languages department took their year 7 and 8 classes to the hall where they took part in a variety of activities, including labelling skeleton in French, matching European monuments to the correct country, sorting cognates and rearranging a French conversation. The winning teams were given a prize and the day ended with learning a Dutch song and playing the French version of Simon Says!

This day has become part of the school calendar and activities and events will be built upon year on year.

Ms Legros, Mr Connors, Ms De Kleyn & Miss Delgado



Modern Foreign Languages  
Department



# MFL WORDS OF THE WEEK.

**SPANISH** - Week commencing 28th September, 2009



## YEAR 8

once  
dieciséis

doce  
diecisiete

trece  
dieciocho

catorce  
diecinueve

quince  
veinte

## YEAR 9

Inglaterra  
Francia

Gales  
Italia

Irlanda  
Estados Unidos

Escocia  
Alemania

España  
Portugal

# MFL WORDS OF THE WEEK.

FRENCH - Week commencing 28th September, 2009



## YEAR 7

onze  
quinze  
dix-neuf

douze  
seize  
vingt

treize  
dix-sept

quatorze  
dix-huit

## YEAR 8

Printemps  
Il y a de l'orage

Été  
Il y a du brouillard

Automne  
Il gèle

Hiver

## YEAR 9

aller  
le vélo

jouer  
avec

faire  
fatigant

la piscine  
amusant

la notation  
parce que

