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Principal's message

Winter Newsletter 2019

Transforming Lives

It has been a fantastic term at Fullhurst.

There has been a huge number of events, trips and workshops this term. Visits to Spain, France and Belgium have been greatly appreciated by students, along with trips to theatres, museums, universities and other events.

Just last week, Fullhurst were finalists in the Leicestershire Live Education Awards, winning the Healthy School category and Pallak Saraswat in year 10 winning the Community Champion Award!

Within school, we have had various organisations speak and run workshops for students, and it has been brilliant to see all of the successes students have had in extracurricular activities and sporting events.

Year 11 have successfully completed their first set of PPEs and we now look ahead to the next round starting 3rd February 2020. In the lead up to this, we will be running period six lessons as usual. With just five months until they sit their official exams, it has been encouraging to see so many students make full use of these opportunities, to hone their exam techniques and revise the many things they have learnt.

Other year groups have finished their first assessment cycle this term and have carried themselves excellently throughout these exams.

In the term ahead, we have much to look forward to, trips to Cambridge University, year 11 creative writing workshops, speed networking events and of course the sunlight returning.

I wish you all a happy Christmas, an enjoyable, well-earned holiday and look forward to welcoming students back on 7th January 2020, refreshed and rejuvenated for the spring term.

Mr S. Piggot, Principal

My first term at Fullhurst by Scarlet Campbell - 7LJB

I found my first term at Fullhurst very exciting. I was nervous about starting a new school but I was really welcomed! That made me feel less nervous and more confident . My teachers are all very kind and within the first two days I made lots of new friends!

A Busy Autumn Term!

Trips Abroad

It was a fun weekend of travel for students and staff going to France! They took part in cultural experiences as well as seeing many of the landmark sights in Paris and the surrounding area. They visited the picturesque village of Brie le Comte, the Chateau de Fontainebleau, the Eifal Tower, Sacré Coeur (The Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Paris), took a pleasant boat ride along the Seine and on the final day headed to Disneyland!

In the same week, another group were in Belgium to watch a brilliant rendition of the play, Journey's End. As a GCSE English text, it was an incredible chance for students to get absorbed in the story and visit the area it was set. Along with the visit to the theatre, students visited Tyne Cot Cemetery, Menin Gate and the beautiful town of Ypres. Being remembrance week, it was a moving day for everyone.

From the 11th - 16th October Fullhurst headed out to Barcelona to enjoy some sunshine and the sights. Students spent time at the beach, visited some of the cities beautiful churches and took in the views at Montjuic Castle as well as FC Barcelona's Nou Camp. It was an adventure exploring the markets and the city in general.

Interest reply slips for Barcelona or New York 2021 in by 7th Jan!

Leicestershire Live Education Awards

Fullhurst received several nominations this year: Pallak Saraswat for Community Champion, Steven Wright for Beating the Odds, Mr S Larsen for Newly Qualified Teacher of the Year, Mrs M Casimir for Support Staff of the Year and finally Fullhurst itself for the Healthy Schools category!

Attendees at the awards had a brilliant evening of food, drinks and entertainment. Congratulations to everyone nominated, especially to Pallak and to the College as a whole for winning the categories!





School Events

Yr. 11 attended the Science in Action day at Warwick University. They pondered the future of energy, the insides of a phone, the ethical dilemma of de-extinction and got their calculators signed by Greg Foot!

Student council met with a representative of Veolia UK to discuss our waste management at Fullhurst. Last year we achieved our green flag status and this year we're doing even more!

Year 7 had an exciting presentation from BAE Systems in November that encouraged the study of STEM (science, technology, engineering & maths).

Duke of Edinburgh began their practice walks for the Bronze Award in December and will be running further sessions in the New Year.

The penultimate week of term saw the staff vs. student bake off. Some tasty yule log creations were in stall for the judges with the winners being Mrs Turner.

Children in Need was a huge success this term and through the efforts of many students and staff, Fullhurst raised a total of £1407!





Anti-Bullying Week

For Anti-Bullying week students reflected on the serious and hurtful nature of bullying.

There were some great applications for Anti Bullying Ambassadors from both Years 7 & 8 and they've gone on to on to win the Diana Award! They will be here to help their fellow students in supporting them and reporting concerns of bullying.

During form time, students took part in a range of activities from designing posters to playing games, all in an effort to raise awareness.

Year 7 took part in an Anti-Bullying poster competition. 1st prize went to Nicola Nogaj, 2nd to Evelina Dickson and joint 3rd to Charlotte Bradshaw & Charlotte Barrett.

Seasonal Events

Year 7 were treated to a pantomime version of A Christmas Carol in December. They've also been busy decorating baubles and creating Christmas cards for some seasonal competitions. The winner for the card competition was Jaiya Rai and Kendal Korankye Kesse won the bauble competition!

We ran our annual Christmas hamper drive again this year. Form groups collected goodies to go out to members of our local community and in all we wrapped over 100 boxes!





The Christmas showcase was a huge success. It was a fantastic production, with the many talents of our students in the spotlight!

Students in Miss Simpkins' class made some festive gnomes this Christmas, with a little help from Mrs Tunaley. They look fantastic!

Finally, we raised a total of £122 on Christmas jumper day for Save the Children and a further £65 for Ward 27 Teenage Cancer Trust through candy cane and chocolate cone sales!

Careers Week

Students took part in a range of experiences encouraging them to consider their future careers more deeply over this week.

All of Year 10 headed out to the NEC for the WorldSkills UK Live Show. The event had a huge array of trades, apprenticeships and post 16 routes on show, where students got to try their hand at something and get a real taste for a job. Year 9 students had talks from Speedy Speakers - a nationwide network of professionals.

Year 8 students were involved in The National Enterprise Challenge 2019! Groups designed a product and developed a marketing campaign. The two winning groups will head to the ICC for the national finals in summer.

Year 7 students took part in a speed networking event with local volunteers from various professional backgrounds where students asked some fantastic questions!



Sport

Year 11 girls took part in a tournament to commemorate their 5 years of rugby at Fullhurst. In their time here they have inspired so many to take up the sport and we now have teams across all year groups. It was an incredibly successful end!

The boys teams have had some great results too. With the year 7 team winning their first ever match 11-0 against Rushey Mead! Riddick won Man of the Match for an excellent all-round performance at prop!

The year 7 boys left their recent basketball tournament with 1 loss & 1 win to their names, and year 7 girls netball secured 2 wins and a draw in their recent tournament!



Year 10 & 11 had succes at the Leicester City dodgeball tournament, finishing 3rd out of 12! They are 1st for West Leicester and will now head to the regional finals.

Fullhurst Community College re-opens

Tuesday 7th January for the Spring term.

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