

WEEK AHEAD

Monday 30th September – Friday 4th October 2019



Dear Parent/Carer,

We were recently asked to present a paper on the state of SEN in England and in the other parts of Europe at the conference of the European Council for International Schools in Luxembourg. We were happy to deliver the paper this past week at the conference and also to lead a question and answer session for the many delegates from around the world.

Much of our discussion involved the need for SEN and mainstream schools to establish partnerships, with each profiting from sharing experience, expertise and, indeed, the challenges that they face. Other key topics of discussion involved funding for SEN students, and, especially, the need for non-examination methods of assessment. There was significant agreement among the delegates that examination-based assessment discriminates against SEN students. Delegates agreed that the examination generally measures a student's anxiety level rather than knowledge and ability. There was therefore considerable interest in CAEA's use of the American High School Diploma, which is largely based on coursework and which has been instrumental in helping our students gain places at universities and colleges for many years.

Following our presentation, the ECIS has asked that CAEA consider offering additional papers and leading discussions at other conferences.

Best wishes,

Mrs Kim Salthouse
Head of School

Dr Duncan Rollo
Principal

Friday 18th October 2019
Harvest Festival – 12.00pm – All Parents Welcome

Friday 18th October 2019
School Finishes - 2.00 pm

Half Term:
Friday 18th October 2019 – Sunday 3rd November 2019

Monday 4th November 2019
Term Commences

Please remember that Breakfast Club begins at 8:15 each morning. Children who will be joining us for breakfast should not arrive prior to this time.



GENTLE REMINDER

This year, the residential trip (which is held during the last week of the Summer Term in Activities Week) is to The Kingswood Centre in West Runton Norfolk. If your child is in senior school and would like to attend please can you kindly ensure the deposit of £40.00 is handed to Mrs Shaul asap. Thank you



Thank you to all members of the CAEA community we raised an amazing £55.00 for Jeans for Genes this year.

NOTICES

Students Who Travel by Taxi

Please could parents ensure that their child's taxi is informed if a child is to be absent from school and does not need to be collected by the taxi. It has come to light on a number of occasions that taxis have arrived at the school at the end of the day to collect students to return home. We have had to explain that the child has been collected for medical appointments/or sent home unwell.

Thank you.

School Diaries

Please could all parents check with their children that they have their school diaries. These should have homework assignments written in. Teachers are also checking these diaries to ensure that all parents and students are aware of the demands being made on the children. The diaries are especially helpful in facilitating communication between class tutors and parents.

Sunday Boarding Arrangements

Please can Parents let Mr Thompson know in advance, either by email at athompson@centreacademy.net, or by phone or text message on 07555 416172. This is so that we have numbers for food on Sunday evening and numbers for pick up from Stowmarket train station. Boarders should either arrive at Centre Academy no earlier than 7pm if coming directly or be picked up from Stowmarket train station.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.







Boarding House Telephone Numbers:

Mr Thompson can be contacted on the following mobile number during the week, Monday from 8.00 am to Friday 3.00pm. Please can any arrangements for Sunday evening boarding be made in advance prior to 3.00pm on the Friday. The Care Staff do not stay on site at the weekend and will be out of contact during this period.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Mr Thompson - 07555 416 172

Gentle Reminders:

-  If your child requires any medication, please ensure that this is handed into the office or Mrs Beadman. Medication will need to be in its original packet along with the relevant paperwork. The item must be clearly labelled with the student's name and the instructions of administration.
-  Students must not be sent to school if they have a fever/sickness or are feeling ill. Students should be fever/sickness free for 48 hours before returning to school to protect other students from contact with potentially contagious illnesses. Parents will be contacted by the medical staff on duty if a child shows symptoms of illness while in school.
-  Could all students bring stationery in to school for their lessons, e.g. pens/pencils and crayons.
-  Please check and sign homework diaries every week; the diaries are a very important tool to communicate with teachers and parents.
-  All female students are to wear either trousers or skirts with thick tights when participating in drama lessons or drama activities after school.
-  During the summer please ensure your child has sun cream, a sun hat and appropriate glasses with them; all items should be marked with the child's name.

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