

NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing: Monday 6 January 2020

FULLBROOK UNIFORM SHOP

This term the Fullbrook Uniform Shop opening hours will be as follows. Should there be any changes to these times, then we will provide updates to you via the newsletter and social media.

Wednesdays

3:15pm – 4:15pm

Saturday

10:00am – 12:00pm

If you require items from the new blue/black uniform & PE kit, then please visit the School Uniform Direct shop in West Byfleet.

Click [here](#) for details of the store opening times, a full uniform list, and to order online.



HAPPY NEW YEAR & WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to everyone at the start of this new term, year and decade. It is a wonderful opportunity to perhaps learn a new skill or enhance an existing one, or even take on a new challenge. We hope this year will be a great success for all our students and their parents/carers.

“You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.” C.S. Lewis

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

Fullbrook is unusual for a large school in not having had the ability to raise funds for strategic projects from our network of parents, former pupils and local businesses. Last year we decided to do something about that and in the early summer we were very lucky to have a parent respond to our ad who could lead designing what that capability might look like and how it might work. He made excellent progress with setting up a range of mechanisms and plans but has unfortunately needed to step away from contributing further. We need someone to pick up where he left off (lots of handover notes and details ready to work from) and continue to design and drive this capability for us.

The school has always been very good at identifying and securing grants from government agencies and charities. The Fullbrook Parent Voice does excellent work with informing and engaging with parents, but is not designed to be a significant fund-raising body. For various historical reasons, Fullbrook doesn't have a traditional 'PTA' that may have fulfilled this fundraising function.

The school is financially very well run, has ambitious plans, and a supportive network across the GEP multi-academy trust. However, the financial pressures on schools are likely to worsen further in the coming years and we need to make sure the Fullbrook community is doing everything it can to support strategic new projects that will benefit our students.

If you have fundraising experience, or think you could help, then please contact Mrs Moore's PA, who will put you in touch with me.

Many thanks, Paul Ballard, Chair of Governors


FULLBROOK HOUSE COMPETITION

The annual Fullbrook House Competition is always a fiercely contested tournament with the students.

There's lots of opportunity for students to earn house points across the school year through a variety of activities, which means the standings change frequently.

Moving forward, we will be sharing the standings with you every half term so you can see how things are playing out.

At the end of last term, Phoenix had snatched the lead from Pegasus, but it's still all to play for with 6 months of the school year left!

HOUSE TOURNAMENT 2019/20 CURRENT POINTS	
	
1725	1858
	
1658	1620

WORD OF THE CYCLE

Our next Word of the Cycle, which we will be incorporating into discussions during lessons and tutor time with students, is below. We would be grateful if you could continue to support this by using the word in conversation at home.

APPOSITE (adjective): appropriate in the circumstance.

Example: His observations are **apposite** to the present discussion.

EIKON GARDEN - UPDATE

Last school year saw the launch of Hopes & Dreams: The Eikon Young People's Garden project which incorporate our students winning design from the South East RHS Green Plan It Challenge. Since it's opening in June, the garden has been featured in the Woking News & Mail when the Mayor of Woking visited, and this month it is mentioned on page 14 of the latest edition of the RHS magazine 'The Garden'.

We have included a scan of the magazine on page 5 of the newsletter for you to read.

LES MISÉRABLES REHEARSALS W/C 13 JANUARY

Please see page 4 of the newsletter for next week's rehearsal schedule and any important notices from Miss Lawrence.

TRAIN TEACH WITH TEACH SOUTH EAST

Please see pages 6 & 7 of this week's newsletter for details of the upcoming information events being run by Teach South East in our area over the next few months.

YEAR 7 GIRLS – CHRISTMAS NETBALL TOURNAMENT

Before the Christmas break, some of our Year 7 girls held a High 5 Fancy Dress netball tournament at Fullbrook. Lots of fun was had by everyone who took part, and the outfits were brilliant, with Grace T being awarded 'Best Dressed'.



STUDENT SUCCESS



Ice Hockey: We are delighted to share that Adam Erskine has been selected to represent his country again this year to play at Europe's biggest junior Ice Hockey Tournament in Turku (Finland) as part of the England team. This is the 3rd year running he has been successful in this elite athletics program run by Team GB. He will now be eligible for selection for Team GB U16/18's squad next year to play at the World Championships.

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Adam is one of only 3 players in England that have been selected 3 years running. The goal of this specially designed programme is to ultimately be selected as part of Team GB Ice Hockey Squad for the Winter Olympics in Beijing 2022.

Congratulations to Adam on this brilliant sporting achievement!

SOCIAL MEDIA

Click the symbols to view the Fullbrook Facebook & Twitter pages.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 15 January

Tuesday 21 January

Thursday 23 January

Thursday 30 January

Thursday 6 February

Year 12 Progress Interviews

Deep Learning Day 3

Year 11 Parents Evening (by appointment)

Year 11 Post 16 Careers Interviews

Year 7 Parents Evening (by appointment)

M. Les Misérables



REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Mon 13th – Fri 17th January 2020

DAY / DATE AND ROOM	SCENE TO BE REHEARSED	CHARACTERS NEEDED	REHEARSAL CONTENT
Monday 13 th Jan (Day 1): Main Hall	Eponine's Death – Pg 66-71	Cart Crash Ensemble, Gavroche, Gavroche's Gang, Eponine, Enjolras, Marius, ABC Café Students, Lead Ensemble, Revolutionaries, Javert	Characterisation, blocking and choreography
Monday 13 th Jan (Day 1): E16/E14	Pgs 4 - 7	Valjean, Bishop of Digne, Nuns, Labourers, Farmer	Characterisation, blocking and choreography
Tuesday 14 th Jan (Day 2): E16/E14	Pg 76-77 'Bring him home'	Valjean	Characterisation, blocking and choreography – Miss Scott
Wednesday 15 th Jan (Day 3): E10	Eponine's Death – Pg 66-76	Cart Crash Ensemble, Gavroche, Gavroche's Gang, Eponine, Enjolras, Marius, ABC Café Students, Lead Ensemble, Revolutionaries, Javert, Valjean	Singing Rehearsal
Friday 17 th Jan (Day 5): MAIN HALL	Run 66-77	Cart Crash Ensemble, Gavroche, Gavroche's Gang, Eponine, Enjolras, Marius, ABC Café Students, Lead Ensemble, Revolutionaries, Javert, Valjean	All disciplines

Important Notices:

Please note – we will now be running double rehearsals on Mondays and Tuesdays – Miss Scott polishing Act One Scenes, Miss Lawrence Blocking Act Two

Show Dates

Monday 9th March- Dress and Tech all day
 Tuesday 10th March- Dress and Tech / Primary Schools Matinee
 Wednesday 11th March- Primary Schools Matinee
Thursday 12th March- 7pm Performance
Friday 13th March- 7pm Performance
Saturday 14th March- 7pm Performance

RHS January

News, highlights and events from around the RHS this month

Nurturing gardeners for our future



With growing awareness about the negative impact of plastic waste in our oceans, coupled with many other key environmental issues, many young people are rightly concerned about the changing climate and the future of our planet. Ways to empower

them to make a positive change could be to plant a tree at home, or with a school gardening project, perhaps a strip of wildflowers to support pollinators, or using recycled materials to make a container veg garden.

The inspirational RHS Campaign for School Gardening supports schools and teachers to provide children with opportunities to garden. Not only is it vital for our environment that they learn about growing plants and caring for the natural world, it's crucial that more young people are encouraged to proudly pursue careers in horticulture if we're to resolve the current green skills shortage (see p11).

Turning ideas into real change

We are working with partners in the industry to promote horticulture as the skilled and fulfilling career it can be. One important element of this is our Green Plan It initiative, which challenges secondary-school students to design and create a model of a garden for their school or community. The competition encourages them to learn about plants and rethink green spaces. Students also gain an insight into the diversity of jobs available in horticulture, from scientist to designer, from gardener to landscaper.

So that these students' creativity and hard work has a longer-lasting legacy, we encourage schools to go one stage further and create the gardens they designed.



The RHS Green Plan It initiative encourages secondary-school students to learn about the importance of plants and green spaces.

Funding and practical support from RHS advisors is available to help them.

Among the fantastic gardens that have been created is one at Fullbrook School in Surrey. Called Our Walk to Light (OWL), the student's design has a strong health and wellbeing message, with planting and features that represent the journey from difficult times to better times by being able to discuss your problems. The garden is being used for a weekly gardening club, and as a space for one-to-one sessions with students who need support.

Another wonderful example of a Green Plan It garden coming to life is at Dene Academy in Co. Durham, where an area of wasteland in the school grounds was revitalised for the benefit of an extremely rare subspecies of butterfly – the Durham brown argus. The site has been transformed with a large pond,

wildflower meadow, pollinator-friendly borders, seating for relaxation and a large grassed area for outdoor teaching. The project engaged many of the students and got them interested in the benefit of plants.

I am so inspired and moved to hear about projects such as these that inspire young people to work together to bring about such a positive change. My heartfelt thanks to the teachers, parents, mentors and volunteers who encourage them, and also to you as members whose support helps us continue our vital work to inspire the gardeners and horticulturists of the future.



Sue Biggs
RHS Director General

January 2020

Dear Parents

Re: Thinking of teaching? Did you know you could train to teach with us?

As many of you will know, Fullbrook is proud to be one of the partner schools in the Teach SouthEast partnership. Teach SouthEast provides Initial Teacher Training (ITT), and in the last 6 years they have trained over 300 teachers, most of whom are now employed in the partnership of schools. In its recent Ofsted inspection, Teach SouthEast was graded as outstanding in all categories. Teach SouthEast is a growing partnership of 20 secondary schools and 11 primary schools and together we are passionate about providing high quality, school-based Initial Teacher Training for both primary and secondary school teachers.

More and more people are considering a career in teaching. If you would like to find out more about how you might train for this rewarding career, Teach SouthEast will be running Taster Days throughout the year. Taster Days will include the following:

- A presentation covering the different routes into Initial Teacher Training (ITT), what Teach SouthEast offers and how they differ from other providers followed by a question and answer session
- A presentation on how to prepare for an interview lesson
- A tour of the school where you will be taken into classrooms to see lessons underway. For many people this is the first time they have been in a classroom since they left school and is a good starting point to see if teaching is the right career
- The chance to observe lessons (which will be very valuable both when completing your UCAS application and for preparing for interview).

The dates and times of forthcoming Taster Days are in the table below

Secondary School Taster Days:		
Date	Venue	Time
22 nd January 2020	St Peter's School, Horseshoe Lane East, Guildford. GU1 2TN	8.30 – 13.00
5 th February 2020	Chertsey High School, Chertsey Road, Addlestone KT15 2EN	8.30 – 13.00
26 th February 2020	SJB School, Elmbridge Lane, Woking, GU22 9AL	8.30 – 13.00
11 th March 2020	Salesian School, Guildford Road, Chertsey. KT16 9LU	8.30 – 12.55
6 th May 2020	St Paul's School, St Paul's Catholic College, Manor Lane, Sunbury On Thames, TW16 6JE	9.30 – 13.00
3 rd June 2020	Jubilee High School, School Lane, Addlestone KT15 1TE	8.30 – 13.00
17 th June 2020	St Peter's School, Horseshoe Lane East, Guildford. GU1 2TN	8.30 – 13.00
Primary School Taster Days:		
Date	Date	Date
17 th January 2020	The Marist Primary School, Old Woking Road, West Byfleet, Surrey KT14 6HS	8.30 – 13.00
28 th February 2020	St. Thomas Primary School, Horseshoe Lane West, Merrow, Guildford, Surrey GU1 2SX.	8.30 – 13.00
20 th March 2020	St. Anne's Primary School, Free Prae Road, Chertsey KT16 8ET	8.30 – 13.00

If you would like to sign up for one of these events, please contact Claire Brown on c.brown@sjb.surrey.sch.uk



In addition to the Taster Days, Teach SouthEast will also be at the next local Train to Teach event at G-live, London Road, Guildford, GU1 2AA on Saturday 8th February from 9.30 until 12.00.

At the event you will be able to:

- Come and talk to representatives from Teach SouthEast to find out about the courses we offer and our entry requirements. Please follow the link to the Teach SouthEast website: www.teachsoutheast.co.uk where you will be able to find out more information.
- Attend a presentation that guides you through the routes into teaching, including invaluable information on applying for training
- Speak to teaching experts and practising teachers to receive one-to-one advice on your training options and find out about teaching as a career
- Meet representatives from other ITT providers in our region

If you are interested in attending the event, please sign up by following the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/train-to-teach-information-morning-g-live-guildford-tickets-67969012145>

Please feel free to pass this letter on to any family members or friends who are considering a career in teaching.

Yours sincerely



Amy Harper
Director of Teach SouthEast

