

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing: Monday 5 September 2022

FULLBROOK & FULLBROOK 6 OPEN EVENTS

Main School: Our Open Evening will take place on Thursday 15
September, with pre-bookable talks at 5:30pm, 6:15pm and 7:00pm followed by a tour of the Fullbrook site with some of our student ambassadors. Open Mornings will have tours running at 9:15am and 10:15am on Tuesday 27
September, Wednesday 5 and Thursday 13 October.

My Fullbrook 6 Experience: Our student led open event for prospective A Level students will be held on Thursday 22 September from 6:00-8:00pm. Visitors will be able to pre-book a talk slot, and then use the rest of the 2 hours to explore the other aspects of the event at their own pace.

Parking: We are unable offer parking for these events. You are welcome to use the surrounding roads but please be courteous to our the residents who live near the school. Alternatively there is a public car park on Woodlands Avenue in West Byfleet which is a short walk from the school (a small charge may apply before 6pm).

VISIT OUR <u>EVENTBRITE</u> PAGE TO BOOK YOUR SPACE AT ONE OF THESE EVENTS It gives me great pleasure to write to you to formally welcome everyone into the new school year. As you will be aware, the new year sees two new faces at the helm, following Mrs Moore's departure at the end of the last academic year.

I have joined as Executive Principal, and will share my time between Fullbrook and Kings College in Guildford, where I have been Principal for 6 years. Fortunately, I was able to spend some time at Fullbrook at the back of last academic year, so the transition should be a smooth one. I have previously worked here on secondment as Vice Principal some time ago, so know many of the staff and much of the tradition of the school.

Head of School Anna Wallis will have responsibility for day-to-day operational control. I am delighted that she has joined me here. She is an excellent leader, an expert on pedagogy and learning as well as highly experienced leading within schools. Prior to her time at Kings, she was at Fullbrook for 14 years.

WHAT'S DIFFERENT?

It is early days, but it really has been a fantastic start to the term, with a buzz about the place, both inside and outside of lessons. The ban on phones has been smooth and a number of students have commented to me how much they prefer it. It's great to see students chatting and playing with friends at break and lunch times, rather than staring transfixed upon a screen. The benefits to student wellbeing will be felt very quickly.

In classes we have a slightly different approach to lesson planning, with a real focus on helping students remember important information with retrieval tasks. This is something backed up by strong research and we are confident that it will help all students to thrive academically. We have also asked students to take real pride in their exercise books — with clear guidelines on presentation. This is not just an aesthetic exercise, but will help ensure that student books are a well-organised reference resource for students when they come to revision time.

Lessons will generally follow a learning cycle of: Remember, talk, model, do, review. Again, this model is based around research and staff have been very positive about the clarity here.



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HOMEWORK CLUB

To book your child a space at Homework Club, please click **here**.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Click the symbols below to view the Fullbrook Facebook & Twitter pages or the Fullbrook 6 Instagram account.







A REMINDER ABOUT PICKING STUDENTS UP

Following a hot, dry summer we have seen rather a lot of rain over the last 48 hours. I know that we have had more parents than usual come to collect their children as a result.

Could we ask that as much as possible, parents try and follow a one-way system, coming up Selsdon Road, and then out down Keston Avenue and Farleigh Road. This really helps the flow of traffic.

Similarly, please do avoid parking across driveways or on grass verges. We want to make sure that as a school we are good neighbours to local residents and these simple things really help here.

LATE START ON FRIDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

The day after our Open Evening, we will have a late start for students as per the times below.

	Register in tutor room	P2 Lesson
Year 7	10:00-10:20	10:20-11:20
Year 8	10:00-10:20	10:20-11:20
Year 9	09:40-10:00	10:00-11:00
Year IO	09:40-10:00	10:00-11:00
Year II	10:00-10:20	10:20-11:20
Year 12& 3		10:00-11:00

KEEPING UP TO DATE

I will be writing a newsletter twice per half term. Please do ensure you follow our social media to see what we're up to here. We can be found on Facebook and on Twitter @FullbrookSchool (see links in left hand

Finally, my thanks to you all for the welcome we have had to the school. A number of people have come and said hello or written me a message – this has really helped me feel at home very quickly.

It is going to be a fantastic year ahead of us - we're thrilled to be here.



Mr. McKenzie



Miss Wallis





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY		
Thursday 15 September	Fullbrook Open Evening	
Friday 16 September	Late start for students (see page 2 for details)	
Thursday 22 September	Fullbrook 6 Open Evening	
Tuesday 27 September	Fullbrook Open Morning	
Thursday 29 September	Year 13 UCAS Information Evening (letter to follow)	
Wednesday 5 October	Fullbrook Open Morning	
Thursday 13 October	Fullbrook Open Morning	
Friday 14 October	Early close for students (more info to follow)	
Thursday 20 October	School closes for half term break (normal finish time)	
Friday 21 October	INSET Day (school closed to students)	
Monday 31 October	INSET Day (school closed to students)	
Tuesday I November	School reopens (all students in school)	



Fullbrook Voluntary One Way System for Drop off & Pick up Times





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Open **Evening**

Thursday 15 September 5:30-8:30pm

Talks by the Principal at 5:30, 6:15 & 7:00pm



Open Mornings

Tuesday 27 September, Wednesday 5 and Thursday 13 October

Tours will run at 9:15 & 10:15am

See Fullbrook website for details of how to book

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