

THAMESMEAD TALK

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Headteacher's Award

Below are the names of the students who are this week's winners of the Headteacher's Award. They have received a Certificate and 100 Vivo points credited to their Vivo account:

Year 10: Jessica Cox (10P2), Amelia Gomez (10C1), Alexandra Kerr (10C2), Catryn Penney (10P1) and Lewis Smith (10C2).

Year 11 Progress Review Afternoon

The Year 11 Progress Review Meetings are on Monday 14th September, 3.30pm – 6.30pm.

Choices at 16+ Event Monday 14th September 3.00pm - 6.00pm Room 4A

Representatives from local colleges will be available to answer your questions and provide information and prospectuses. Individual careers interviews will also be available with an adviser. If your appointments are from 5.00pm, please come to the exhibition BEFORE your meetings as the College Representatives will be leaving at 6.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there. Mrs Morris

Colleges

Now is the time our Year 11s should be thinking about their 16+ choices. Please see the attached What's Coming Up in Year 11 college open events schedule.

Merrist Wood College has various open events scheduled for this term and students must register to attend. www.merristwood.ac.uk

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Key Dates:

Monday 14th September

3.30-6.30pm

Yr11 Progress Review

Mtgs

Wednesday 16th

September

Yr7 & Yr11 School Photos

Thursday 17th September

7pm

Yr10 Parent Information

Evening

Tuesday 22nd September

7pm

Yr9 Parent Information

Evening

Thursday 24th September

3.30-6.30pm

Yr7 Parent Information

Evening & Meet the

Tutor

Thursday 1st October

Parent Information Evenings

These are taking place over the next four weeks in the Jubilee Centre at 7pm.

Year 10 – Thursday 17th September

Year 9 – Tuesday 22nd September

Year 8 – Thursday 1st October



There will be a whole school play in December – 'At the Station'. Everyone is welcome to audition and the schedule is:

Year 7 & 8 – Tuesday 15th September, 2.30pm – 3.30pm in the Jubilee Centre

Year 9 & 10 – Wednesday 16th September, 2.30pm – 3.30pm in the Jubilee Centre.

I look forward to seeing lots of students at the auditions! Miss Hall

The Autumn Acoustic Concert will take place on Wednesday October 21st at 6.30pm. If your son/daughter wishes to take part, please ask them to see Ms Armstrong a.s.a.p.

Sam Learning

All students can now access Sam Learning at www.samlearning.com Please see the attached flyer for details of how to log on.

Macmillan Coffee Mornings

Year 8 tutor groups will be selling cakes at break times during the week of Monday 21st September. Please support them and this great cause by donating cakes throughout the week and encouraging students to bring in money to purchase the yummy offerings.



The Thamesmead Plus programme for September – October 2015 is attached.

7pm

Yr8 Parent Information
Evening

Thursday 8th October
6.30-9pm

Open Evening for New
Students

School Closes at 12 Noon

Friday 9th October
Inset Day

Monday 26th – Friday
30th October

Half Term

Friday 20th November
7pm

PTA Fashion Show

ATTACHMENTS:

Sam Learning

What's Coming Up?

Thamesmead Plus
Programme

SCITT Recruitment

PTA News

Welcome back to the autumn term with Christmas well and truly on the horizon and the excitement building!!

We're still buzzing from the success of the summer fayre and all the amazing parents who helped support us with their time and incredible baking. Thanks to their efforts, the PTA raised over £2000.00. A huge "THANK YOU" again to everyone involved.

We're now firmly focussed on the next event in the calendar. Back by popular demand, and following the fabulous success of last year, "**The Thamesmead Fashion show**", featuring boutique affordable clothing by Zebra - jewellery, bags and prosecco!!!

Great bargains, stunning clothes! Bag yourself a fabulous Christmas frock. Friday 20th November, save the date. For those parents who are new to the school, this is a great opportunity to meet other new parents and be a part of the school community.

The next PTA meeting is on Wednesday 23rd September 2015, 7.00pm at The Holiday Inn in Shepperton. Just ask for us at reception. If you have a skill to offer, a raffle prize to donate or just want to come and touch base to see if there's something you might be able help with, the meeting usually lasts for about an hour. Come and say hello, we're an easy going friendly bunch and we'd love to meet you.

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The Royal Institution of Great Britain - Christmas Lectures

The Royal Institution of Great Britain has been running their Christmas Lectures for children in the Christmas school holidays since 1825.

Tickets to the Christmas Lectures are only available to young people aged 11-17 and all adults must be accompanied by at least one young person. The ballot for tickets is now open.

Please note the 2015 Christmas Lectures will consist of three hour long lectures filmed in front of a live audience at the Royal Institution over three evenings on Thursday 17th, Saturday 19th and Tuesday 22nd December. They will be broadcast on BBC Four over the festival period.

For further details and a link to the online ballot, please visit:
<http://www.rigb.org/christmas-lectures/how-to-survive-in-space/tickets>

Presentation Evening

The presentation evening of GCSE certificates for our recent leavers will now be on Thursday 12th November and not 5th November as previously communicated. If you are a parent who had a child in this year group, please make a note of this date. Invitations will be sent out soon.

School Mobile Phone Policy for Students

A reminder to everyone that students are allowed to bring mobile phones/iPods etc to school but they must be switched off and out of sight throughout the school day, including detentions. There are times when it is urgent that parents and students make contact during school hours and this can always be done through our main school office. Thank you for understanding and supporting the school's position on this. Students can avoid any problems by cooperating with our expectations. The consequence for not doing so is that the phone/iPod is confiscated and can only be collected at the end of school on Friday afternoon. We would be really grateful if parents could reinforce this message with their children.

Sporting News

We had a very strong start to the netball season on Thursday with our Year 11 team beating Sunbury Manor 11 – 5. They also played Bishop Wand, battled well but the final result was 6 – 2 to BW. Great performances girls! Mrs Robins-Kent

Samlearning

Samlearning is an on-line revision programme which can be used independently by the students or to complete tasks set by teachers.

The web address is <https://www.samlearning.com/>



The Centre ID is TW17TS – all upper case

The username and password are the same; that is the date of birth of the student and their initials eg. David Smith-Jones born 1st June 2000 would have a user name and password of 010600DS – again upper case.

Students can change their passwords on entry. If a password is forgotten he/she can request a password reset which will automatically revert to the default of date of birth and initials. For more Samlearning support please e-mail ICThelpdesk@thamesmeadschool.com making the subject Samlearning help.

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Thurs 24th Sept 5.00-6.00 p.m. Thamesmead School, Shepperton TW17 9EE
Sat 17th Oct 10.00-1.00 p.m. Weydon School, Farnham, GU9 8UG
Sat 7th Nov 9.00-12.00 p.m. Thamesmead School, Shepperton TW17 9EE
Thurs 26th Nov 5.00-6.00 p.m. Thamesmead School, Shepperton TW17 9EE

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AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMME

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2015

| MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI |
|---|---|--|---|--|
| FITNESS GYM YEARS 7-10 £4 FEE APPLIES | TEXTILES MISS COLEMAN YEAR 10 (NOT ONLY GCSE) ROOM 10A 2.30-3.30 | CREATIVE WRITING MS TESTA ALL YEARS ROOM 18B 2.45-3.45 | FITNESS GYM YEARS 7-10 £4 FEE APPLIES | FOOTBALL TRAINING MR REEVES/MR MOULTON ALL YEARS 2.30-3.30 |
| JAZZ CLUB MR WOODS MUSIC ROOM (by invitation only) 2.30-ONWARDS | NETBALL PRACTISE MISS PHILLIPS/MRS ROBINS-KENT ALL YEARS 2.30-3.30 | GIRLS FOOTBALL PRACTISE MISS RICHARDS ALL YEARS 2.30-3.30 | BASKETBALL MR JONES KS3 2.30-3.30 | RUGBY TRAINING MR REEVES/MR MOULTON ALL YEARS 2.30-3.30 |
| | ASKING THE BIG QUESTIONS MR BARRETT/MISS FORDE RELIGION/PHILOSOPHY 12B 2.30-3.30 | BOOK CLUB MRS GARRAWAY LEARNING CENTRE | GCSE FOOD TECH MISS COLEMAN Year 11 2.30-3.30 | GUITAR (GRADED) MR BARRETT MR2 2.30-3.30 |
| | FILM CLUB MRS MAZHAR & JORDAO RANSHAW ROOM 13B 2.30-3.30 | KNITTING CLUB MRS MORRIS/MRS JOHNSTON 2.30-3.30 | DEBATE CLUB MR BARRETT YEAR 9 & 10 ROOM 17B 2.30-3.30 | |
| | ENTERPRISE CLUB MISS BIESTY ROOM 9A 2.30-3.30 | TEXTILES MISS HAYES ALL KS3 2.30-3.30 | BLOG MISS KETT ALL YEARS 2.30-3.30 | |
| | MATHS CLUB MR REPS 2.30-3.30 | Rubik's and Intelligence/Strategic Games Club MISS CAMPBELL/MISS WILLANS 2.30-3.30 | | |
| | STEM CLUB SCIENCE 2.30-3.30 | | | |
| | URBAN DANCE MRS ROBINS-KENT 2.45-3.45 £5 per session | | | |
| STUDY ROOM YEAR 11 16B | STUDY ROOM YEAR 11 16B | STUDY ROOM YEAR 11 16B | STUDY ROOM YEAR 11 16B | STUDY ROOM YEAR 11 16B |
| HOMEWORK CLUB 2:45 - 3:45 LRC | HOMEWORK CLUB 2:45 - 3:45 6A/7A | HOMEWORK CLUB 2:45 - 3:45 LRC | HOMEWORK CLUB 2:45 - 3:45 LRC | HOMEWORK CLUB 2:45 - 3:45 LRC |

Parents will be informed of any changes to the published schedule as soon as possible.

Clubs and activities will only take place during normal full school days (not ½ days) and not on the last day of term.