

COMING UP NEXT WEEK...

Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May 2024

Monday 6 May is a Bank Holiday and school is closed on that day.

Year 10 Prefects: Applications Open

The launch assembly for Year 10 Prefects has been given by Mrs Henton. Set preconceptions about the role aside, we are looking for students who are passionate about making a difference and helping to improve life in our school and local community. Application links have been emailed to students. Open to all Year 10 students. *Deadline Tuesday 7 May 9am.*

Examinations Period Timetable: From Thursday 9 May

We will be switching to our exams period timetable from Thursday:

- 08:55: **Start**
- 08:55 – 09:20: Tutor Time
- 09:20 – 10:20: Period 1
- 10:20 – 11:20: Period 2
- 11:20 – 11:45: **Break**
- 11:45 – 12:45: Period 3
- 12:45 – 13:25: **Lunch**
- 13:25 – 14:25: Period 4
- 14:25 – 15:25: Period 5
- 15:25: **Finish**

Please note that school start and finish times are unchanged as are lesson times. See the [School Day webpage](#) for more.

NOTICES

Blog Posts

Read our latest blog posts on our website and read some of our features. This week you can read about the culinary successes of our students in the food rooms – [On your Marks, Get Set... Bake!](#) Coming next week: a feature about artificial intelligence. Don't miss it!

ID Cards: Food Purchases

All students are *required* to have their ID cards with them in school and must use them to purchase food from the catering services. Students without cards causes long delays at the counter. Replacement cards can be purchased (£2.50) from IT support using [ParentPay](#).

Information for Year 11 and 13 Students

Important information to examination students on using social media and examinations/assessments. [See leaflet here.](#)

Balsall Common Lions: Prime Numbers Fundraiser 18 May 2024

The Lions are hosting a music night ([poster](#)) in support of our essential Prostate Screening event (held earlier in the day at the White Horse pub). A light Supper will be served on the night and the hall licenced bar will be. [Details...](#)

Catering Vacancy

Our catering service *AiP* are looking for a catering assistant. [See link for details.](#)

Careers: Up-coming Events

- **Years 7-9:** Careers lessons in PSHCE
- **Year 10 Work Experience:** If you haven't found a placement you must keep looking. As friends/family & local businesses
- **Year 11 Skills for Success sessions:** selected groups
- **Year 11 Careers Interviews**

Forthcoming Events

- **Year 8 Parents'/Carers' Evening:** Thursday 2 May from 16:00

Clubs and Activities

Check out the latest updated [Clubs and Activities](#) page for all sorts of activities during lunchtime and after school.

2024 Summer Term Dates

- **Half-Term:** Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May 2024
- **Term Ends:** Friday 19 July 2024. [Calendar Page](#)

From the Heart: Well-being Podcast

This week Pastoral Manager Leanne Holdgate joins us for our special series of interviews with staff members. Leanne talks about her early career and about the importance of our school values. Available on [SoundCloud](#).