

Thought for the week: 'The real secret to success is enthusiasm.' Walter Chrysler

### Quickfire Week

#### The week in bullet points

- ◇ Year 12 Parent Consultation Evening took place.
- ◇ Our Athletics teams took part in the Medway SSG Athletics Competition at the Howard School.
- ◇ The Holcombe Student Shop opened. See below for more information.

#### Next Week

- ◇ Monday 21st January: Holcombe hosts Teach in Kent information evening, 6-7:30pm
- ◇ Thursday 24th January: Holocaust Survivor Live Testimony Webcast, Years 9 and 10

## Holcombe Shop

The Holcombe Shop, run by our Student Services Team, opened this week. Students will now be able to use the positive behaviour points they have accumulated to purchase items such as pens and notebooks. For 275 points, students may purchase a football or a rugby ball, and for 550 points, a £10 Odeon or iTunes voucher. The shop is open to students before school every day.

## MY9 Bus

Holcombe has arranged with the Arriva bus company that they will provide a 16 seater bus to travel the MY9 route at 5pm. This has been arranged for 2 days during this term; the bus will be available Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Depending on the success of this, we will explore options to increase this service during Term 4. This is designed to enable Year 11 students to attend after school support sessions and still be able to travel home safely. Our Year 11s proposed this alongside Ms Tanti, Mr Pay and Mrs Banks. Well done to our students for bringing about this positive change.

### Trip Payment Schedules

**Japan:** First instalment of £135 due 18<sup>th</sup> January

**Norfolk Lakes Year 8:** Third instalment of £100 due 30<sup>th</sup> January. This is the final instalment.

**Normandy:** Fourth instalment of £120 due 15<sup>th</sup> January. This is the final instalment.



## Extreme Weather

Extreme weather may on rare occasion cause the closure or partial closure of the school. If the weather deteriorates, please listen to Radio Kent for regular updates and check the school website. Please ensure you have signed and returned the adverse weather permission slips, which will allow your child to be released in the event of early closure.

**Notices All Year 10 Art and Design students:** Permission slips for the trip to the London Galleries need to be handed in to Mrs Mourino as soon as possible. Any problems, please contact her.

# Important Dates Until Easter

<b>Monday 21st January</b>	Holcombe Grammar School hosts Teach in Kent information evening, 6-7:30pm
<b>Monday 28th January</b>	Croatia Trip presentation for Year 11 and 12 scientists, and students interested in biodiversity, ecology and conservation, 6pm in B12
<b>W/C 4th February</b>	Year 11 Prelims
<b>Wednesday 6th-9th February</b>	Rochester Grammar School hosts movie-themed charity dance show Flair. Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start. For tickets, please contact 01634843049
<b>Wednesday 6th February</b>	Year 12 versus Year 13 rugby match
<b>Wednesday 13th February</b>	Brooke Theatre Trip to see 'Chelsey's Story' at The Brook Theatre in Chatham. Please return your slips by Wednesday 30th January.
<b>Friday 15th February</b>	Tate Galleries Trip for Year 10 Art and Design Students
<b>Monday 18th February-Friday 22nd February</b>	<b>February Break</b>
<b>Monday 25th February</b>	<b>Term 4 starts</b>
<b>W/C Monday 25th February and Monday 4th March</b>	Year 13 Prelims
<b>Thursday 28th February</b>	Year 7 Parents Consultation Evening 4.30-7.30pm
<b>Thursday 7th March</b>	Year 10 Parents Consultation Evening 4:30-7:30pm
<b>Thursday 21st March</b>	Year 11 Exam Support Evening 5pm-7pm
<b>Thursday 28th March</b>	Year 8 Parent Consultation and Options Evening 4:30pm-7:30pm
<b>Monday 8th April-Monday 22nd April</b>	<b>Spring Break</b>
<b>Tuesday 23rd April</b>	<b>Term 5 starts</b>

## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

	<b>BEFORE SCHOOL</b> (7.30-8.30AM)	<b>LUNCHTIME</b> (1.20-1.50PM)	<b>AFTER SCHOOL</b> (3.05-4.15PM)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>GYM</b> <b>BADMINTON</b>	<b>KS3 CHOIR</b> <b>GRAPHIC NOVEL CLUB (B12)</b>	<b>TABLE TENNIS</b> <b>GCSE PE PRACTICAL SUPPORT</b> <b>DUKE OF EDINBURGH (B12)</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>GYM</b> <b>BADMINTON</b>	<b>YR 7 BASKETBALL</b> <b>BOOK THIEVES (A10)</b> <b>SPANISH/FRENCH FILM CLUB (S16)</b> <b>RIDDLE CLUB</b>	<b>A LEVEL PE SUPPORT</b> <b>GCSE PE PRACTICAL SUPPORT</b> <b>HOMEWORK ON TIME</b> <b>HGS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA</b> <b>CODING CLUB (H11)</b> <b>ART CLUB (D20)</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>GYM</b> <b>BADMINTON</b>	<b>GCSE PE SUPPORT</b> <b>ARTICULATE (M14)</b> <b>CHESS CLUB (E12)</b>	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> XI FOOTBALL FIXTURES</b> <b>YR 7&amp;8 BADMINTON</b> <b>HOMEWORK ON TIME</b> <b>HGS VOCAL GROUP</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>GYM</b> <b>BADMINTON</b>	<b>GCSE PE EXTENSION</b>	<b>YR 7&amp;8 RUGBY</b> <b>YR 9-13 BADMINTON</b> <b>HOMEWORK ON TIME</b> <b>COMPOSING &amp; MUSIC THEORY GROUP</b> <b>ART CLUB (D20)</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>GYM</b> <b>BADMINTON</b>	<b>YR 8 BASKETBALL</b> <b>DEBATING SOCIETY (B12)</b> <b>CODING CLUB AND COMPUTING ETHICS GROUP (H11)</b> <b>KS3 FILM CLUB (H15)</b>	<b>GYM</b> <b>GCSE PE PRACTICAL SUPPORT</b> <b>YEAR 7 FOOTBALL</b> <b>MUSIC PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP</b> <b>LEGO CLUB (B12)</b>