

## PARENT BULLETIN

**Week Ending: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

### **Note from the Headteacher, Ms A Sharma:**

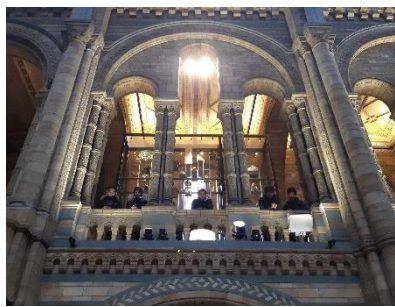
It was great to so many of our Year 7 parents at "Meet the tutor" evening. This was an ideal opportunity for the parents to find out from the tutors how their son/daughter has settled in to their new secondary school environment. We are delighted with the high levels of focus, enthusiasm and confidence that Year 7 students have displayed from the outset. I am also delighted to report that Villiers came first in the Ealing Borough's Healthy Schools Points scheme out of all the secondary schools. We encourage all our students to develop a healthy lifestyle, which includes adopting good eating habits, taking regular exercise and getting enough quality sleep. All growing young people require between 8 to 10 hours of sound sleep to refresh and replenish all parts of their body, including the brain. Please do everything you can to support your son or daughter to choose healthy eating options and do not allow them to bring fizzy drinks, crisps or sugary snacks in their packed lunches. Also, please ensure that they go to bed at an appropriate time and do not have access to any electronic devices in their bedrooms. This will help them to get the right number of hours of quality sleep. Thank you for your ongoing support.

### **Year 7 Trip to the Isle of Wight:**



On Thursday last week, a number of Year 7 students spent two nights at the 'Little Canada Adventure Centre' on the Isle of Wight for the Year 7s annual induction trip. This was a great opportunity for your sons / daughters to participate in teambuilding activities, confidence building exercises and making new friends. The students were really well behaved and it was a joy to spend time with them outside of school.

### **Year 11 trip to National History Museum:**



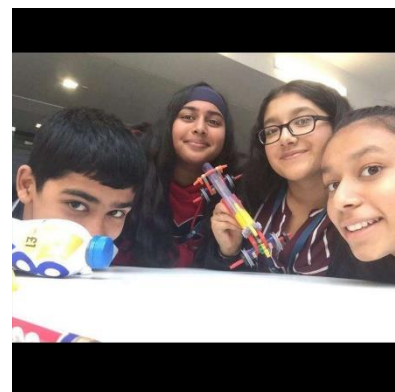
On Saturday, Year 11 Art and Photography students went to the National History Museum. They studied rare fossils, gems and other exhibitions, providing them with amazing resources for their GCSEs.

### **Year 13 BTEC Applied Science Visit to Laboratory of Government Chemistry (LGC):**



This week, Y13 BTEC Applied Science students visited one of the biggest group of Laboratories in the world - LGC located in Teddington. The laboratory carries out analytical tests of samples from all over the world. Students attended a lecture on the history and the main functions of the LGC Laboratory. They had a tour of the real analytical laboratories with top of the range equipment. Students found the day really informative and helpful for their studies.

### **Brunel University Engineering Masterclass programme:**



Four Year 9 pupils were enrolled on the Brunel University Engineering Masterclass programme. It is a series of workshops taking place each Saturday for the next four weeks. This week the students had to create rockets, which were lightweight and travelled a long distance.

### **Science Club:**



Every Thursday during lunchtime eager young scientists come together to look at Nature and deepen their understanding of how Nature works. This week

students investigated the size of the seed and compared it to the size of their fruit. Students have enjoyed the varied science club activities held every week in N21. Please encourage your son / daughter to come and join us.

### **Speaker Series:**



This week's speaker was Stephen Jenkins, Entrepreneur and founder of Too Many Dreams. Yr 12 enjoyed his inspiring talk about how Passion, Patience & Power have been guiding principles on his career path. The Villiers students had many questions for him and were keen on his advice.

### **Parental Concerns:**

If you have any concerns or issues regarding your child, please contact your Head of Year / Deputy Head of Year in the first instance to raise these concerns. They are:

HOY 11	Mr Williams
DHOY11	Miss Murphy
HOY10	Mr Singh
DHOY10	Miss Farah
HOY9	Miss Lallian
DHOY9	Mr Tonge
HOY8	Miss Panesar
DHOY8	Mr Wilson
HOY7	Mr Nandi
DHOY7	Ms Schito
H of 6 <sup>th</sup> Form	Mr Cootes
DH of 6 <sup>th</sup> Form	Mr Sekhon

### **Uniform:**

Please ensure that your son / daughter complies with the School's uniform policy which includes no makeup or nail varnish as well as no 'extreme' haircuts i.e.

nothing below Grade 2, no patterned haircuts and no large jewellery.

### **Dates for your diary**

**11/11/19:** Year 11 & Year 13 Mock Exams begin

**15/11/19:** Year 9 V&A Visit

**19/11/19:** Y9 Art Trip to Wallace Collection

**20/11/19:** STEM Rocket cars workshops

**28/11/19:** Y10 Anti-Bullying workshop

**28/10/19:** Y10 trip to Ernst & Young