

Dear Parents/Carers,

Before the publication of the next Headteacher bulletin, the Year 11 students will have left us as they depart the school on the 23rd June. I have written to the parents/carers of the Year 11 students in a separate communication home but I wanted to publicly praise the group for their conduct in the summer examinations.

As one year group leaves us to continue their education, it is now an opportunity for the Year 10 students to step up as the oldest cohort and this will be spearheaded by the selection of our new Head Students. Mrs Castrey has received many emails of application over the last few weeks and we look forward to the interviews to determine the Head Students for 2022-2023. We will also select new Student Prefects from Year 9 for the new academic year.

Over the last few Monday's the teaching staff have been working extremely hard on developing 'Active Learning' strategies and developing questioning techniques. It has been fantastic to see students engaged in higher order thinking and class discussions as the teaching staff have taken these ideas and strategies back to the classroom.

The Year 7 and 8 students represented the school at the city athletics festival on Monday (13.6.22) at Northwood Stadium. The students once more did us proud at a county wide event. Well done to Aveah (Year 8) who won the Javelin gold medal and Reece (Year 7) who won bronze in the high jump. The attitude and determination of our students was fantastic. This determination and will to win, was summed up by Caitlin (Year 10), who won a national Jujitsu competition last weekend. A remarkable achievement.

Finally, it was fantastic to see that the Year 7 and 8 students have a great time on their rearranged Cadbury's World trip recently. I have included some photos of the activities that they undertook. A big thank you to all of the staff that made this trip possible and to Mrs Castrey for organising it. The rewarding of the students achievements that work hard and demonstrate good behaviour is important to us all at KSS and something that we will do even more of into 2022-2023.

Yours faithfully
Mr S Frost



- 20.6.22 Year 10 Summer Exams Begin/Revision Hub Opens for Year 10 Students
- 21.6.22 Year 10 Head Student Interviews
- 23.6.22 Year 11's Leave KSS



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Core Values...

An exciting addition to KSS next academic year will be the development of a new set of 'Core Values'. The students will be able to develop these values through links in learning, assemblies, personal development activities and House competitions.

We look to sharing this with the students in September.



Sporting Success...

A huge congratulations to Caitlin from Year 10, who won Gold at a national Jujitsu event on Saturday 11.6.22. Caitlin beat off stiff competition in her age group and we are remarkably proud of her success.

An incredible achievement that is worth celebrating!



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Sporting Success...

Year 7 and Year 8 County Athletics photographs. Thank you to Mrs Castrey and Mrs Harrison for taking the students to the event. Well done to all athletes that took part.



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Year 11 Prom...

A reminder to Year 11's about the prom that will take place on the 1st July 2022.

We look forward to seeing all invited students there, as a celebration of all of your hard work over the last twelve months.

You are nearly there Year 11's, keep working hard up to the final examination on the 23rd of June.



Digital Strategy...

Following a student survey, what became clear was that the staff and students felt that the 80% minimum iPad charge as part of the 'Digital Code of Conduct' was disproportionate to the demands of using the iPad in lessons. As a result the decision was taken to lower the minimum charge to a daily 60% charge each morning.

This is now reflected and displayed in all classrooms as a reminder of the expectations around iPad use at KSS.

Please see the poster below that outlines the wider expectations:

Digital Code of Conduct



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- iPad to be at a minimum charge of 60% during form smart start.
- iPads should only be used when instructed by the member of staff.
- Students are responsible for checking class charts and accessing their homework calendar.
- iPad cameras are used under supervision and instruction of the staff member.
- iPads are to be used for the intended educational task and as a tool to enhance learning.



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A message from Dr Ma and Mrs West...

In Science, year 7 are studying 'Geology'. They have looked at different types of rocks, the rock cycle, how fossils are made, the structure of the earth and are currently making volcanoes!
The designs so far are amazing and the use of Paper Mache is terrific.
Well done Year 7.



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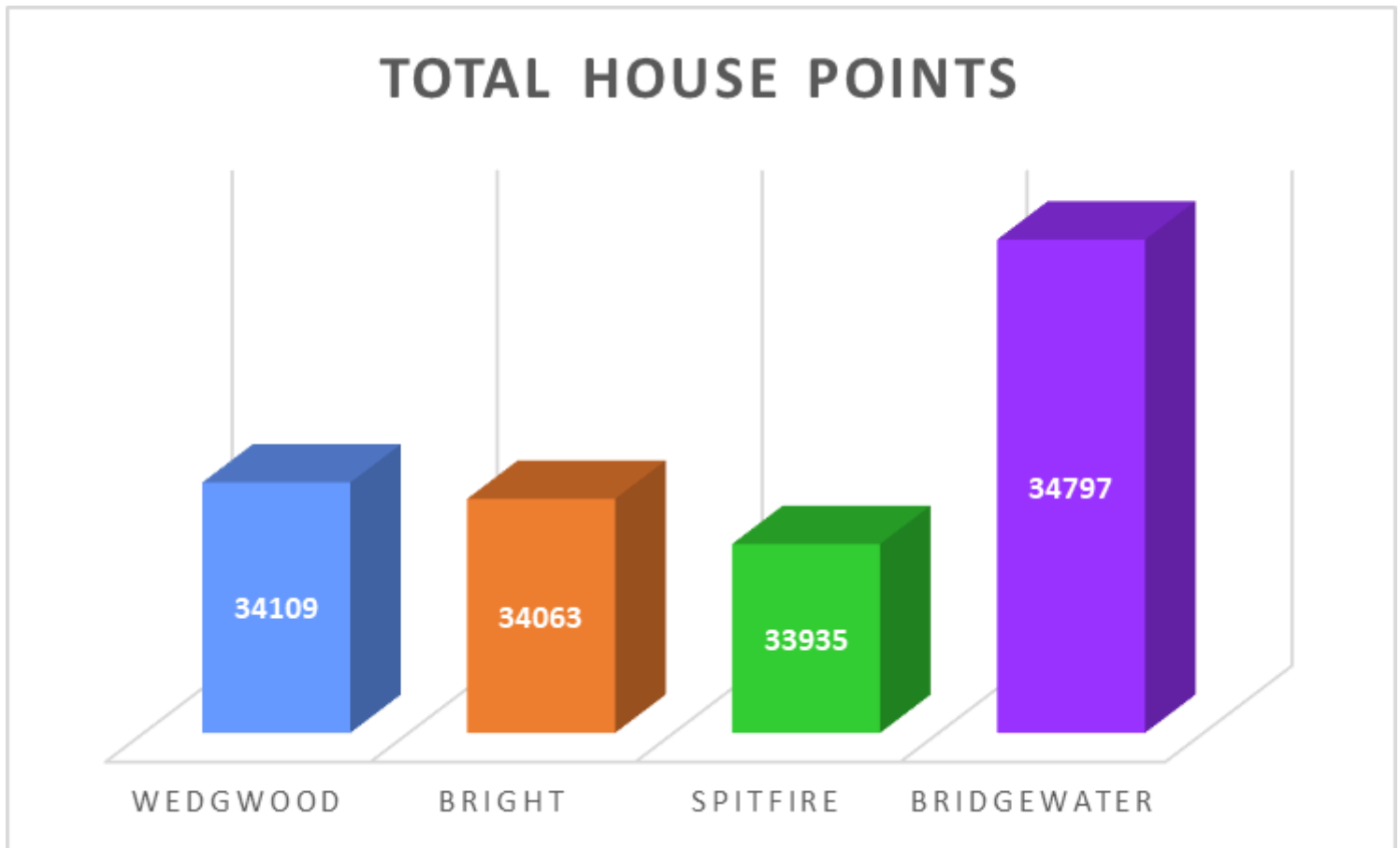
House Points Update...

The House competition is ramping up as we draw close to the end of the academic year.

There are only 600 points separating 1st and 4th place.

The Sports Day on the 28th of June will be designed around the Houses which will add even more spice to the competition.

Good luck to all students competing in the track and field events.



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Sports Day...

Sports Day was launched through assemblies this week, with Mrs Castrey sharing a 'Tin Roll' challenge that has gone viral on TikTok recently. The House 'Sports Day' competition was well and truly started with students receiving points depending on where they were able to get a can to stop along the scoring chart.

Thanks to Mrs Castrey for the assembly and the brilliant idea.



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Year 7 and Year Reward Trip...

The Year 7 and 8 students thoroughly enjoyed their reward trip to Cadbury's World. The disappointment of missing the trip due to extreme weather back in February was soon forgotten as students took part in some excellent activities. Please see below a few highlights of the day!



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