



Tuesday 8th July 2019

Dear Parents,

FootGolf Challenge - Friday 12th July 2019

We have for several years challenged our students to complete the sponsored walk in an attempt to raise the awareness of current issues and empower them to realise that they have the ability to make a difference. This year we have decided to take a different approach. On Friday 12th July 2019 students will be given one lesson in the day to complete the 'FootGolf Challenge' within their allocated lesson time. It will be a fun, social and a physically active challenge for all!

During the challenge, or round, each year group will be split into groups of approximately five students to play an eighteen-hole round of FootGolf, with the additional challenge of a quiz question at each hole. The PE Department have mapped out a demanding course on the extensive school fields; with each hole being a par 3, 4 shot hole. The students will need to work round the course completing as many holes as they can within the 1 hour and 20min time slot; ultimately finishing the course with the lowest shot ratio they can – aiming to be under par! For those that have never played FootGolf it may be worth checking out www.ukfootgolf.com.

To add an element of fundraising to the fun the students will have the chance to wear golf apparel, (*polo shirt, shorts/skirt or pants, flat cap or 'baseball' cap, trainers/astro-turf trainers and don't forget the argyle socks!*) sports clothing or their PE kit if they prefer. Through consultation with the student council, students have expressed a desire to reduce the use of 'single-use' plastics in school and believe the purchasing of a specifically designed chilled water bottle filler would be a good starting point. In return for wearing this sports kit all students are asked to donate £2 to work towards achieving this goal. Students being sponsored for their round or their correct quiz answers could raise additional money too!

At lunch time there will be several small competitions such as 'nearest the pin' for a nominal entry fee (20p); so don't forget to bring a small amount of change. The £2 donations can be made in advance using our online payment method or alternatively by students bringing £2 to school, which will be collected during their first lesson.

Friday remains a normal school day with the same high expectations of behaviour and work and as such we expect all students to dress appropriately, within the golf/sports theme, and be fully equipped for lessons.

The students will be given time during the following periods to complete their round of FootGolf:

- Year 7 - Lesson 2
- Year 8 - Lesson 3
- Year 9 - Lesson 4

It is important that pupils who are currently on medication for asthma etc. have any medication with them at all times during the day. We also recommend that students bring a cap/hat, sun cream and water bottle for their FootGolf challenge round. If the weather is inclement, the FootGolf challenge will continue unless the fields become unsafe. Please therefore have suitable outerwear for wet weather.

We are looking forward to a fun yet purposeful day this week.

Kind regards,

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Head of School

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