This week: Excellent starts; Open Evening; Year 11 Post-16 Evening; Great Werneth BakeOff; Safeguarding Update - County Lines

The summer seems a distant memory now, as we dive into another term of opportunities and learning. We are really pleased with the way the majority of our students have returned to school this term, and we have been recognising that this week where we can.

**782** students ( over 70% of our young people ) received a congratulatory postcard for their **excellent start to this term** during the course of this week, and we expect that number to continue to grow as we move through the school term. We are in the process of setting up a new TV screen in school to reward excellent learning as well. Congratulations to our **prize draw winners**, who were drawn in each year group from the 782 students ...

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Aaleyah Anwar	Grace Sewell	William Brooker	Max Oliphant	James Hall
Oscar Dixon	Ollie Lock	Sofia Owen	Tamzin Appiah	Molly Askwith

On Wednesday, it was our school **Open Evening** for prospective Year 6 students and their parents. It's always an opportunity for us to show off our school, and it was as usual very busy. A big thank you to the many students who gave up their time to support us in school, and particularly our senior students who received rave reviews for their guided tours with parents. It's always nice to hear positive feedback.

## YEAR 11 PARENTS AND STUDENTS - DO NOT MISS OUT!

Yr 11 Post 16 Options Evening - next Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022, 6pm - 8pm

This is a great opportunity for Parents, Carers and Students to meet Colleges and Training Providers and gather advice and information about post 16 options.

You can drop in any time between 6pm – 8pm and speak to:-

Stockport College Marple College Aquinas college

Tameside College Clarendon 6th form The Manchester College

Growth Company Aim Higher Willmott Dixon
SETA training National Apprenticeships White Rose Beauty

Mrs Crane - Head of Technology and Catering:

The Great British (Werneth) bake off on Open Evening:

Using the fantastic kitchen in Room A12 eight students took part in the challenge to bake the pastry, biscuit or cake of their choice. Thank you Macey Poole Y9, Macey Rose Y9, Jamie Bunker Y8, Rae Wynters Y8, Harvey Partington Y8, Jodie Thomas Y8 Scarlett Walsh Y9 & Ethan Wilkinson Y11. Prospective parents and students were given the



opportunity to taste the delights and there were some fantastic food samples to try.

Judging was tough with Miss Smith commenting on hygiene, safety and organisation and Mr Conroy, our own Paul Hollywood, judging overall presentation and taste.



And the Winner.....

Jamie Bunker with a soft crumbly chocolate cookie

Very close runner up was only ½ point behind was......

**Harvey Partington** with a beautiful homemade apple pie







They all worked extremely hard to produce some gorgeous dishes. It was very difficult to judge as all the cakes were delicious! Well done to everyone who participated.

Remember everyone...... Keep baking!

## Other matters ...

- Here is a link to our calendar for parents with key dates for the first half of the school year
- Congratulations to Sophie Wilkinson in year 9 who has won another **writing contest!** She has written an original script and it will be featured in The Young Writers' Annual Showcase "Future Voices". Sophie is definitely a budding JK Rowling in the making!

Finally, remember that **Monday is a Bank Holiday** for the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and we will return therefore on Tuesday next week.

Have a good weekend!

## **SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

The aim of this regularly updated information is to keep parents informed of local and national trends to keep our children safe.

Remember that - in Britain today and every day - there are children and young people who are being exploited by gangs, and involved in drug crimes. County line gangs use children and vulnerable young people to courier drugs and money.

Some of the warning signs include: Warning Signs

If you are concerned that your child may be at risk of County Lines, school can support you with this. Contact our school's Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Dee.