

Important Notices and Upcoming Events

Attendance

Late Detentions on Friday's after School. A reminder to all parents that these are for lateness to school registration and lessons:-

- Student late twice in one week 40 minutes
- Three lates in one week - 1 hour
- Four lates in one week – 1 hour and 20 mins
- Five lates or more in one week – 1 hour and 40 mins
- Gentle reminder please report your child's absence on a daily basis.

How to Report Student Absence

Please remember that ANY **student absence** needs to be reported on a **daily basis** by

- ⇒ telephoning 020 8695 2100 - Option 1 or extension 105
- ⇒ emailing attendance@bp.lewisham.sch.uk or cordreys@bp.lewisham.sch.uk
- ⇒ Or text (by replying to a text we have sent you previously)

Please ensure that you speak clearly, leave the student's name, form and the reason the student will be absent. You must also remember to send a letter with the student on their first day back explaining the absence for the records.

2017/2018 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4 September to Friday 20 October
(Half Term is from 23 to 27 October)

Monday 30 October to Monday 18th December
(Christmas Holiday is from

Tuesday 19th December to Monday 1st January)

Spring Term 2018

Tuesday 2nd January - Friday 9th February
(Half Term is from Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February)

Monday 19th February - Thursday 29th March
(Easter Holidays is from Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April)

Summer Term 2018

Monday 16th April - Friday 25th May
(Half Term is from Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June)

Monday 4th June - Friday 20th July

Upcoming Events:

January 2018

31st - More Feast Day Trip
31st - Year 10 WEX Parents' Meeting

February

12th - 16th - HALF TERM
22nd - Year 8 Curriculum Choices Evening
26th - Year 8 Curriculum Choices Deadline

March

1st - World Book Day
14th - Maths Pi Day
20th Clitherow Feast Day
22nd - Year 9 Parents' Evening
23rd - 26th - GCSE Geog. Lake District Trip
27th - Inter house KS3 Rugby
28th - Inter house Netball
29th - Inter house Egg Hunt
30th - EASTER HOLIDAYS

April

16th - Summer Term Begins



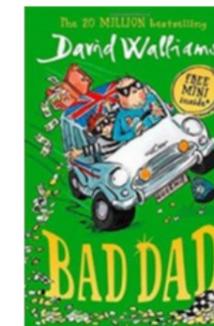
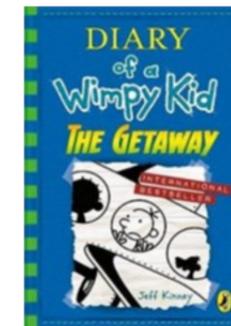
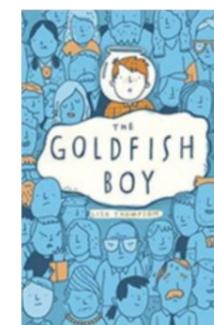
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Head of School News

World Book Day- Thursday 1st March

There will be a special assembly to celebrate World Book Day for Year 7 on the 1st March. Students can dress up as their favourite book character and there will be prizes for the best characters -judged in Houses.



Year 7 Netball

Well done to the following students who played against Harris Orpington on Wednesday and won 6-0!

Rosanna Campbell, Rowena Campbell, Breana Henry, Rhianna Archibald, Obi Offiah, Romina Onyumba, Victoria Okereafor, Jayda Mitchell, Karhyse Garraway-Mitchell, and Michaella Massaquoi



Science trip to the Natural History Museum

Well done to the Year 10 Science students who were selected to take part in a trip to the Natural History Museum on the 19th January as a reward for their hard work in lessons. Thank you to Mrs Mooney and Mr Betts for taking the trip.

Mr J Ronan
Head of School

Attendance & Punctuality

Attendance

Please see inside the back page for information on how to report your child absent.

Punctuality

House Groups with highest attendance	%	House Group Attendance	%
Cli I	100% ★	Clitherow	97.36%
Fis I	98.52%	Fisher	97.89%
Cam V	97.86%	Campion	96.19%
Gwy I	99.26%	Gwyn	96.14%
Mor I	100% ★	More	98.59% ★
Bar II	98.46%	Barton	95.98%
Overall school attendance for this week			97.02%



Last Week's attendance	97.34%
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Barton	Lates	Campion	Lates	Clitherow	Lates	Fisher	Lates	Gwyn	Lates	More	Lates
Bar I	16	Cam I	5	Cli I	6	Fis I	7	Gwy I	10	Mor I	7
Bar II	13	Cam II	10	Cli II	4	Fis II	9	Gwy II	5	Mor II	8
Bar III	11	Cam III	6	Cli III	8	Fis III	13	Gwy III	8	Mor III	6
Bar IV	8	Cam IV	11	Cli IV	8	Fis IV	8	Gwy IV	4	Mor IV	11
Bar V	8	Cam V	7	Cli V	6	Fis V	7	Gwy V	8	Mor V	9
Total	56	Total	39	Total	32 ★	Total	44	Total	35	Total	41
Total Number of Student Lates: 247 (Last Week's Total: 220)											

Attendance Awards

Achieved 100% Attendance: Clitherow I and More I

Best Attendance overall: More

Punctuality Awards

Achieved 0 Lates: ~

Best Punctuality overall: Clitherow

The Year group that gets the most "Best Overall Attendance" and "Best Punctuality awards" over this term will get 5 house points for every student.

NB: Lateness to school twice in one week will account for an after school detention on the Friday of that week—see back page for more information.

Failure to attend a Friday Detention may result in a Saturday Detention being given.



Year 10 Work Experience

REMINDER:

**Year 10 Work Experience Parents meeting
Wednesday 31st January 2018 Time 6.15 pm
In Winlaton hall**

Year 11 Notices

Year 11 - Have you applied to College?

If you are unsure about anything, just ask! No question is a silly question!

REMEMBER – come and see Ms Hill any day before school or Thursday lunchtimes for help!

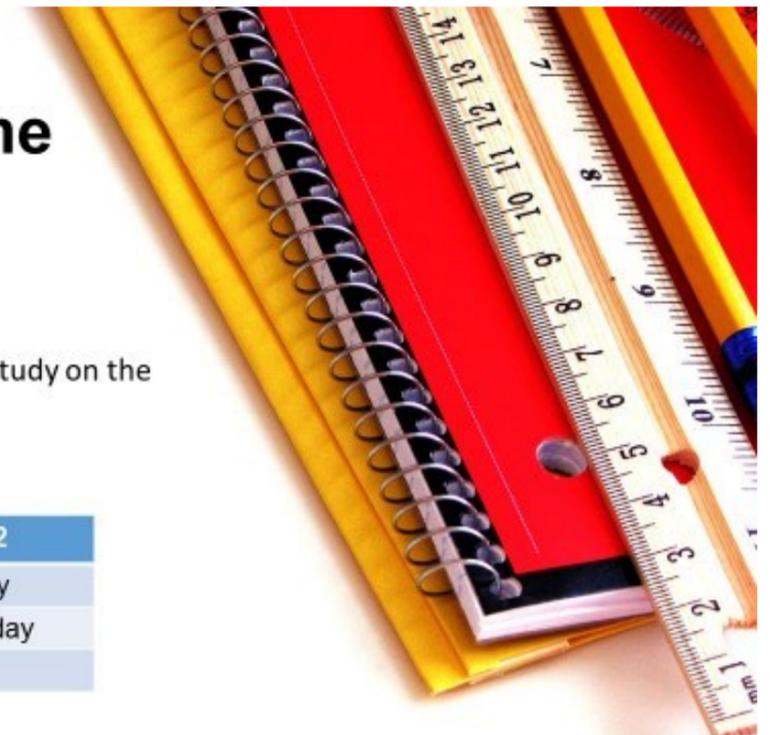
Upcoming College Application Deadlines

January 2018	
Monday 8 th January 2018	Dartford Grammar School
Friday 19 th January 2018	Newstead Wood School The Prendergast School
Friday 26 th January 2018	Bishop Justus School
Wednesday 31 st January 2018	Haberdashers' Aske's Knights Academy
February 2018	
Friday 9 th February 2018	Langley Park School for Girls The Sydenham and Forest Hill Sixth Form
March 2018	
Thursday 29 th March 2018	Harris Academy
Open Deadlines	
City of Westminster College	
Haberdashers' Askes Hatcham College	
Corelli College	
Bromley College (London South East Colleges)	

Year 11 Lunchtime Study Space

WS08 is open at lunchtime for quiet study on the following days:

Week 1	Week 2
Tuesday	Monday
Thursday	Wednesday
Friday	



House News

Well done Gwyn House!

Well done to Flavia Mensah, Liseli Fundi, Ebony McPherson and Channel Chukwuemeka who prepared and delivered a fantastic House assembly about female empowerment last week. They spoke about how they have been inspired by Michelle Obama's "Let Girls Learn" campaign, and encouraged everyone to think about Malala Yousafzai's inspirational story too.

Well done, girls!



Art Department News



The Visual Art Department are looking for keen Art & Photography students who would like to attend a Saturday Art & Photography Club at Goldsmiths University. The Art Club is free to attend, runs term-time for the remainder of the year from 10am – 1pm.

You will have the opportunity to work with famous artists, work in London Galleries, go on organised Art Trips and exhibit your work in the Summer Exhibition at Summerset House.

This is a fantastic opportunity! Please see Mrs Raymond for a registration form in CG07

Table Tennis

Table Tennis Tables:

These are available at both sites and students may use them at break and lunchtimes. A limited supply of bats and balls are available to borrow from reception, students are required to leave something as a deposit. Students are also able to use their own bats and balls.

The tables may also be used before school until 8:20am and after school until 4:00pm. However, as this is not a recognised extra-curricular club and it cannot be guaranteed that a first aider will be on site at these times, using them is at the parents/students risk.



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Faith Matters

On 27th January, we celebrate the Feast of St. John Chrysostom.

ST. JOHN was born at Antioch in 344. In order to break with a world which admired and courted him, he in 374 retired for six years to a neighbouring mountain. Having thus acquired the art of Christian silence, he returned to Antioch, and there labored as priest, until he was ordained Bishop of Constantinople in 398. The effect of his sermons was everywhere marvellous. He was very urgent that his people should frequent the holy sacrifice, and in order to remove all excuse he abbreviated the long Liturgy until then in use. St. Nilus relates that St. John Chrysostom was wont to see, when the priest began the holy sacrifice, "many of the blessed ones coming down from heaven in shining garments, and with bare feet, eyes intent, and bowed heads, in utter stillness and silence, assisting at the consummation of the tremendous mystery." Beloved as he was in Constantinople, his denunciations of vice made him numerous enemies. In 403 these procured his banishment; and although he was almost immediately recalled, it was not more than a reprieve. In 404 he was banished to Cucusus in the deserts of Taurus. In 407 he was wearing out, but his enemies were impatient. They hurried him off to Pytius on the Euxine, a rough journey of nigh 400 miles. He was assiduously exposed to every hardship, cold, wet, and semi-starvation, but nothing could overcome his cheerfulness and his consideration for others. On the journey his sickness increased, and he was warned that his end was nigh. Thereupon, exchanging his travel-stained clothes for white garments, he received Viaticum, and with his customary words, "Glory be to God for all things. Amen," passed to Christ.



Reflection.—We should try to understand that the most productive work in the whole day, both for time and eternity, is that involved in hearing Mass. St. John Chrysostom felt this so keenly that he allowed no consideration of venerable usage to interfere with the easiness of hearing Mass

St. John Chrysostom's live inspired the Russian Composer Sergei Rachmaninov to produce one of his most magnificent unaccompanied choral Liturgies for the Russian Orthodox Church.

A Psalm for Personal Reflection

**Psalm 27**

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? ²When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. ³Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident ⁴One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple. ⁵For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock. ⁶And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD. ⁷Hear, O LORD, when I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me. ⁸When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek. ⁹Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation. ¹⁰When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up. ¹¹Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies. ¹²Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty. ¹³I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. ¹⁴Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

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