

End of Term 6
Thursday 21st July

GCE Results Day
Thursday 18th August
Collect from 8.00am
(In 6th Form centre)

GCSE Results Day
Thursday 25th August
Collect from 9.00am
Followed by Sixth Form Enrolment
(All in 6th Form Centre)

Staff Training Days
Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd
September 2022

Start of Term 1 (2022/23)
Monday 5th September 8.30am
for Year 7.
10.10am for Years 8, 9, 10, 11.

Tuesday 6th September
8.40am for Years 12 and 13

Staff Training Day
Friday 30th September

Open Days
Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th
October

**Year 13 Progress Review
Evening**
Thursday 20th October

End of Term 1
Friday 21st October

Start of Term 2
Monday 31st October

**Sixth Form Open Evening (for
Year 11s)**
Thursday 3rd November

**Year 9 Progress Review
Evening**
Tuesday, 15th November

Presentation Evening
Friday, 25th November

Staff Training Day
Monday 28th November

Winter Concert
Thursday 1st December

Carol Concert
Wednesday 14th December

End of Term 2
Wednesday 16th December

Start of Term 3
Tuesday 3rd January 2023

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BLUE AND YELLOW FUNDRAISER TO SHOW SUPPORT

Students were invited to wear the colours of the Ukrainian Flag on Friday 1st April to show their support for the people living through these horrendous times. Wearing yellow and blue, they donated a fantastic total of £1301.22 which will now be sent to the official Just Giving page of Igor Kovalenko, a Ukrainian citizen living in Folkestone. Schools around the county have been using this page to collect their monetary donations.

Mike Waters, Chair of Kent Area Headteachers, has also been co-ordinating the donations and Fulston has, at the time of print, taken 3 minibus loads to the collection site in Folkestone stuffed to the brim with clothes, medicine, baby items and food etc.



The Just Giving page is: [https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/igor-kovalenko-1?](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/igor-kovalenko-1?utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=socpledgemobile&utm_content=igor-kovalenko-1&utm_campaign=post-pledge-mobile&utm_term=vxG2pyjD7)
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**Exam results—all exams — collect from 6th Form Centre —
use 6th Form pedestrian gate or cars to use tennis courts.**



KATHERINE RETURNS FROM CAMBRIDGE TO PASS ON HER WISDOM



On Friday 25th March, 4 undergraduate students from Queens College, Cambridge University came to speak to Year 11 and 12 students from Fulston Manor School about their life at Cambridge. It was particularly exciting as one of these students was Katherine Halsall who was part of the Fulston family for 7 years and only 4 years ago was sitting in Fulston's Millennium Hall listening to a previous roadshow run by Queens which had inspired her to apply to Cambridge. Katherine is now thoroughly enjoying studying Geography in her 2nd year at Cambridge University.

Fulston students heard about life at Cambridge – how studying is organised, where students live and the huge range of extra-curricular activities on offer. The range of opportunities available to Cambridge students was astounding although it was 'The Lettuce Eating Club' that particularly intrigued the students! Katherine said "As a Kentish citizen, the roadshow

is a great opportunity to uncover just how accessible and achievable Cambridge University can be for hard-working, state school pupils. The best part of the roadshow, however, was being able to visit my old secondary school to present the same talk I had heard from 3 Queens' students 4 years ago! It was like time had never passed. Despite the nervous, excited butterflies in my stomach, I was warmly welcomed and enthusiastically greeted by all of my old A-Level and GCSE teachers, as we took a trip down memory lane to reminisce my academic successes through photographs on corridor display boards. Familiar faces asked me if it 'felt weird to be back' but this was not the case; I felt a sense of comfort and pride, as Fulston provided me with the most supportive and joyful teenage years anyone could have wished for. Once I had finally given the 'applying to Cambridge' presentation with my fellow Queens peers, I received many engaging questions from the audience. Many students stayed behind after the talk to chat to me about my time in Fulston and ask for advice. It was an incredibly warming experience full of nostalgia, making it extremely hard to leave afterwards and not head back into my Year 13 timetabled routine. I look forward to welcoming all the new Queens' freshers into college in October and hopefully inspire many more candidates in our 2023 roadshow.

Katherine was as equally pleased to be back as Fulston staff were to see her. Mrs Palmer, Events and Publicity Manager, said "It was wonderful to see how Katherine is growing as a person and to hear about her successes so far at Cambridge. Katherine was an exceptional Red Tie Prefect at Fulston and a force to be reckoned with during her time in the 6th Form, picking up many subject prizes at the end of her A Level Course. She hasn't changed one bit and is still the sweet, friendly young woman we remember with such fondness".

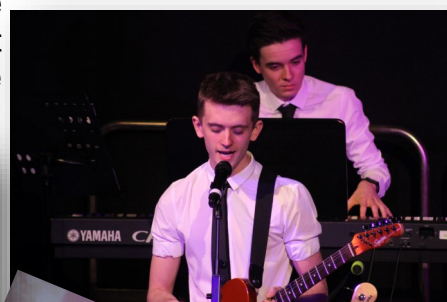


A GOOD BYE TO THE SPRING TERM

On Wednesday 30th March the Performing Arts Department organised yet another amazing production by our students from every year group. The Millennium Hall was buzzing with audience appreciation and the talent on show was second to none. Being part of the audience allowed us to sit back and just enjoy the music, singing and dancing, all of which these students worked so hard to perfect. And perfect they did! The Night At The Musicals show was the best platform to show off, and perform, music from Hamilton, Mamma Mia, We Will Rock You and much more.

Joining the Year 13 band was Miss Hadok-Quadrio who belted out some great vocals alongside Owen Hollands. Having sung in bands for many years, Miss H-Q said she was more nervous than she had ever been before. We reckon she did a fantastic job and didn't let the boys down.

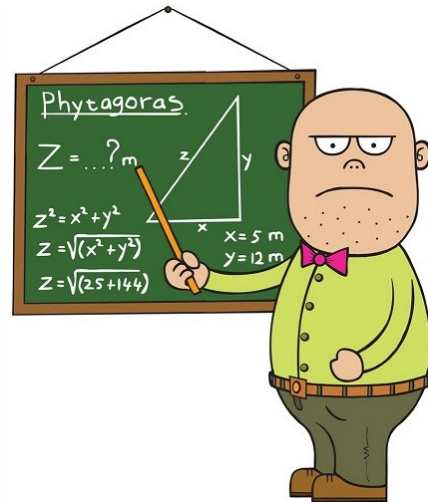
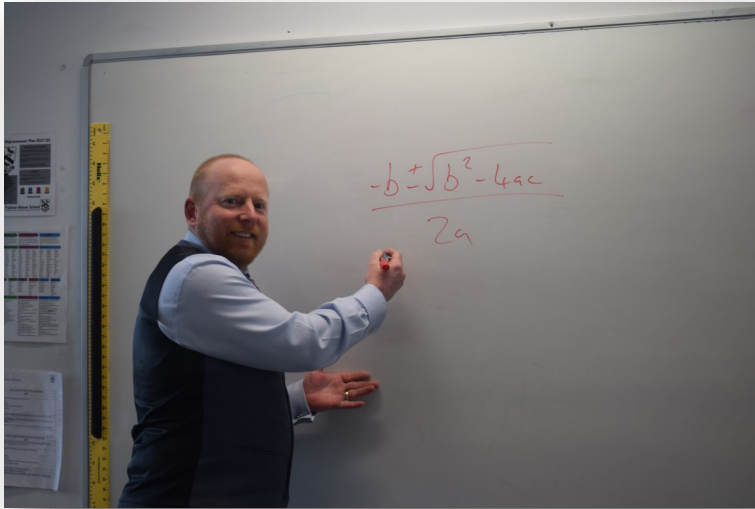
Mrs Palmer said "We would love to thank all of the staff involved in making the show such a success, the parents and grandparents for attending and, last but not least, each and every student who put their heart and soul into making the evening wonderful".



TEACHER PROFILES: WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?

Every month we will be producing a staff profile on different members of staff within the school to find out more about them. Our first member of staff is the ever popular Mr Hadler who, for those of you who don't know, teaches Maths.

Questions were written and asked by Ioannis Gayle, Year 10.



Q1. Was teaching your first career choice or did you have a previous career?

I was a bricklayer working with a gang of 6, sub-contracting for a major house building company. In this industry it's pretty much working with your best mates every day!

During the credit crunch of 2008 this sector ground to a halt and I realised how vulnerable my own finances were if I continued in this field. I already had a degree (Aerospace Engineering) and decided that it was time to actually start using it. (You may wonder why I was bricklaying.....£250 a day was the biggest draw!) I contacted a local school who were advertising the GTP scheme and they snapped me up. The rest.....is history ☐

Ioannis commented "Later on, Mr Hadler found himself working at Fulston Manor School alongside many talented adults who teach students to a great standard. He currently teaches maths to many students, one being myself, how lucky I am!"

Q2. When you're not teaching what do you do in your spare time to look after your well-being?

Watching football on weekends and going for runs with friends. I will always speak highly of my football team 'Tottenham Hotspur' even though they haven't won a trophy in a very long time. But, looking at their recent games is it their lucky year? *Ioannis said "He also mentioned that he likes running; he completes 5 – 10k runs weekly but that's only if he can be bothered to use those legs and stop watching football".*

Q3. What do you love about Fulston?

Even though having many answers to this question, his top ones are; it's a sense of community and it is diverse. *Ioannis agreed "I totally agree with this answer that everyone is welcomed in our School. As our motto says "Everybody matters, everybody succeeds, everybody helps". This comes under community and diversity and many other topics".*

Q4. What's your biggest achievement?

A simple answer - being a father to my 3 wonderful children.

Q5. What has been your favourite Fulston memory so far?

Singing to Mr Brooks on his last day as headteacher. The song was 'My Way' by Frank Sinatra. *Ioannis was gutted not to have seen this performance "Sadly, I wasn't there to witness the awful vocals from sir, I would have been laughing too much. The song goes "And now the end is near, and so I face the final curtain. My friend, I'll say it clear..."*



Where Are They Now?

Followers of this newsletter will know that we have, in the past, written articles about the career paths our students have taken since leaving Fulston.

It was a wonderful surprise, therefore, to find a photograph of Cameron Ralph staring back at me from the pages of the Kent Messenger, Sittingbourne Extra this week.



Cameron, now 21, currently works at Kent Cycle Hire in Whitstable, but in his spare time he enjoys appearing on the small and big screens.

Cameron is presently appearing in the BBC programme, Life After Life. In episode three Cameron is seen sitting around a campfire as a singing German. He was chosen, not only for his apparent acting skills, but because of his height and blond hair as he was the perfect choice to portray a member the Hitler Youth. He said "My scene is a happy one which shows that the youth of the day really didn't know what was going on – at this point the Hitler Youth was almost like the Scouts in a way".

Cameron has been acting since he was 6 and joined an academy in London learning acting, comedy, TV and film.

Cameron has worked, or shared a stage, alongside Ian McKellen, Christopher Eccleston and Ethan Hawke so far.

Staff at Fulston remember Cameron with great fondness and wish him all the very best in his acting career.

Mrs Palmer said "I'm pretty sure that if Cameron becomes a household name I will have to go through an agent to beg him to come back as our Guest of Honour at Presentation Evening! We really are so proud of him".

Conway Is Bowled Over With An Opportunity To Play With Sri Lanka



Morrison student Fergie Conway is well on the way to becoming a professional cricketer.. He has recently been chosen by Kent Cricket to be part of an emerging player group, which is fundamentally an u18 pre contract cricket group who the talent pathway feel should be pushing for paid adult county cricket. Because of this Fergie was then lucky enough to be given the opportunity to bowl for the Sri Lanka Development touring squad on Thursday 5th May at the Canterbury County Spitfire ground. Mum, Jen, said "He had an absolutely incredible daynot only did he get to bowl for the men's Sri Lanka touring side, he also got to train with the Men's Kent 1st team beforehand!!! I am just bursting with pride".

Fergie has been playing cricket since he was 12 and is a bowling all-rounder. During the winter his other passion is hockey so he never rests from training throughout the year. Fergie said " I am really excited for the future. Cricket is my absolute passion and I really hope I succeed in my dreams to become a professional and play for Kent".



WAY TO GO FOR DANIELLA

Fulston is right to be proud of Year 11 student, Daniella Way, who has recently been offered a two year playing and education programme with the Arsenal Women FC Adademy (U21's). Daniella will compete within the FA WSL Academy League and Cups for Arsenal's U21's.

The sporty 16 year old has followed her father, Travis, and brother, Elijah, in her football prowess and has been playing since she was 5 years old. Travis is the chairman of Swale Football Club and has encouraged his daughter to do the best she can. Daniella trains 3 times a week and plays left wing back. She said "I am so excited and determined to succeed. I think Dad was more excited than anyone else when he heard I had been offered a place. I really want to be a professional footballer so am well on my way to achieving my goal".

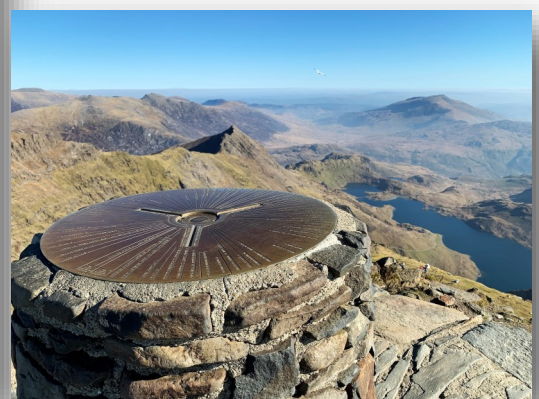


Mr Patey said "We are absolutely delighted for Daniella and immensely proud to learn that she has been selected for the education programme at Arsenal FC. This is an incredible achievement, and something that we know Daniella has worked extremely hard for and dedicated many hours to. We are looking forward to following her journey in the world of football - she clearly has a very exciting career ahead of her".

Daniella also represented Fulston and Kent Schools in the National County Schools Final at the Britannia Stadium, Stoke City FC where the game will also be streamed on You Tube.



MAX MAKES A MOUNTAIN OUT OF A MOLEHILL



Year 12 student, Max Broster, has recently joined a group of other intrepid walkers and conquered Mount Snowdon, the highest mountain in Wales. Donning his best walking shoes Max spent three and a half hours ascending the path only to have to wait in line before he could say he had reached the summit. The generous, and exhausted, group of 42 raised a total of £3500 in memory of a friend and colleague of Mr Broster's, who sadly lost his life to bowel cancer. Max said "It was mixed emotions for everyone. We were thrilled to get to the top and the views were amazing. It was such a challenge but we raised so much, it was worth it. It was, however, incredibly sad that Dad and his fellow workers had lost a friend to such a horrid disease. The money raised will go to a bowel cancer charity."



NOTHING VENTURED, NOTHING GAINED.



Few words could more worthily summarise the experiences of 12 Fulston Manor students this spring as they embarked to the Baltic states of Lithuania and Estonia as our international project "Preserving European Craftsmanship Using ICT" came to a close. After 3 years of interruptions and hindrances caused by Brexit, Covid and the Ukraine invasion, it often seemed these journeys were just wistful fantasy, that the endless re-scheduling was all in vain.

But fate has a curious way of rearing its head; a strict summer project deadline meant within 4 weeks two lucky groups took to the skies for European adventures that would grant life long memories and friendships in visits to the capitals, Vilnius and Tallinn.

With a focus on traditional crafts, students were provided insights into the folkloric traditions of the Baltic: from sky-gardens to ceramics, nuptial textiles to woodwork, our partner hosts gave students a rare opportunity to sample a range of creative workshops and learning experiences; a flurry of cutting, moulding, filing, sawing, whisking and sewing that would produce handicrafts of surprising originality and scope.

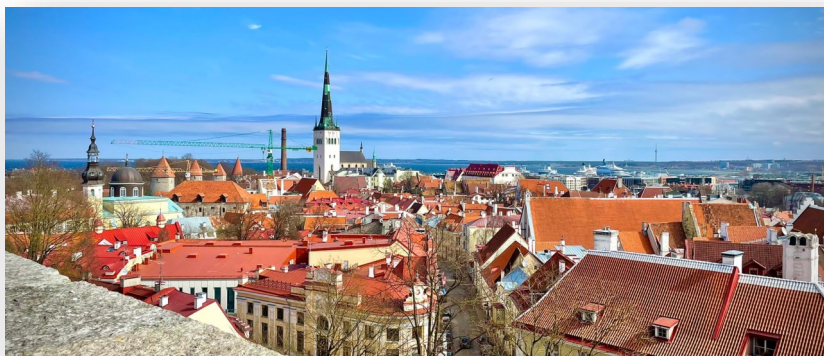
Erasmus always laces learning with exploration and so our Lithuanian partners provided city tours taking in the various cultural delights of Vilnius' beautiful old-town, as well as ascents of its powerful symbol of Post-Soviet freedom, the magnificent Television tower of Karolina Park. Topped with a revolving restaurant, our students were provided with ever-changing views of Lithuania's cities, forests and rivers as the spring sunshine competed with the biting easterlies of a fading winter. Comforting coffees and sweet delicacies punctuated brisk excursions to the fairytale castle of Trakai, and the little-visited salt-rich wellness resort of Druskininkai, a place where natural springs produce salt worth more by weight than gold.

Not to be outdone, our Estonian partners strove to capture the spirit of a nation proudly characterised by hospitality and humour. Tallinn's medieval cobbled streets were the starting-point for many an adventure: from Baltic Sea sunsets and Medieval banquets to unspoilt forest ambles under glorious blue skies, the group were able to sample a diverse program of cultural experiences never afforded to the casual traveller. At every step of the way students were offered chances to create; improvised hot-air balloons, candles, traditional wedding decorations; even ice cream, in a trip whose calorific intake is better left unspoken.

Yet however full each program, when the young and adventurous are brought together from across Europe, evenings are rarely time for rest. Adopting the spirit of amity promoted by Erasmus, students went all-out to make up for the social drought imposed by Covid's 2-year spell. Bowling sessions and late-night take-outs, fine dining in Vilnius's hippest eateries and shore-side e-scooter adventures along Tallinn's coastal promenades: Fulston's students spread their wings, challenged their tastebuds and spread the art of friendship in two weeks of fellowship that eclipsed the long months of waiting and uncertainty.



And if there is one thing for sure, nothing stirs the soul like an Erasmus closing ceremony... Punctuated by accordion virtuosity and glorious songs, our Lithuanian hosts wrapped up a week of adventure and discovery with beautiful gifts and affectionate goodbyes. And with the project entering its twilight phase, it seemed almost surreal that just 3 weeks later, in the palatial surroundings of Saku Gymnasium our Estonian partners would face the challenge of bringing the entire project to an end, nearly 3 years after the planning meetings in southern Spain.



Following speeches by several staff and Saku's mayor, it was the words of Jaroslav, a Czech student who attended the UK leg of the project in early 2020 which summarised the feelings of everyone present most perfectly:

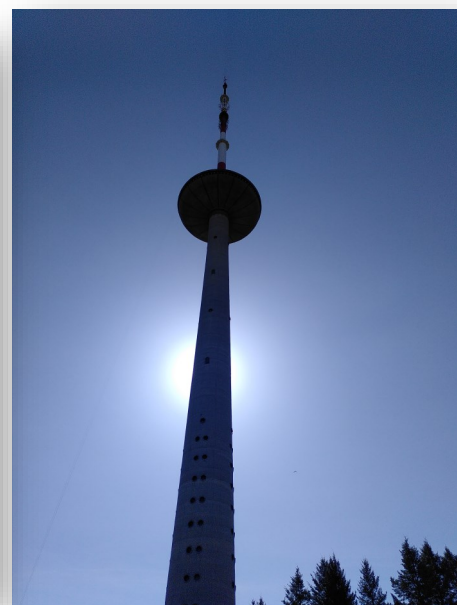
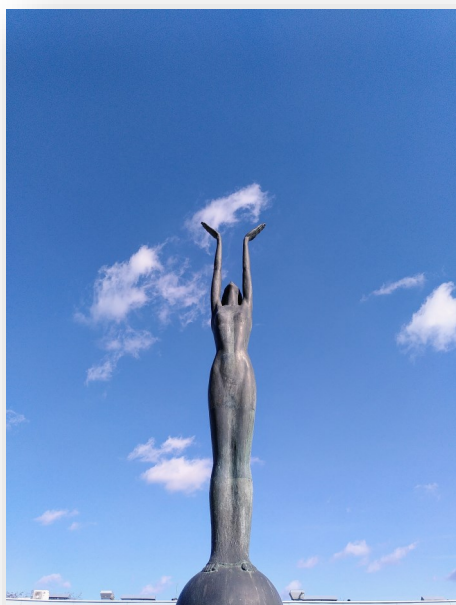
Good people make good projects and I was lucky to be in this one. I've learnt not to be scared, to always take an opportunity and that above all things, friendship finds a way to bring us closer together and lighten any darkness'.

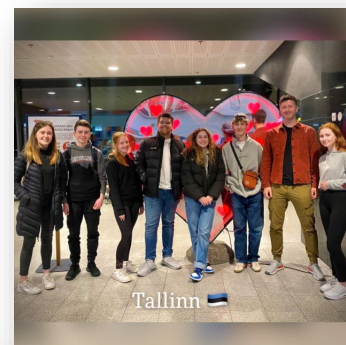
It is hard to capture the power of Erasmus for those lucky and brave enough to take a risk and broaden their horizons; in times where old stories of national identity and political rivalry dominate the headlines and result in bloodshed on European soil, perhaps we might turn to 12 wide-eyed travellers from Fulston's community for the antidote...

For them, friendship has no borders and the promise of adventure inspires more than any flag or anthem.

Heartfelt thanks and best wishes go to our partners in Lithuania, Estonia, Spain, Czech Republic and Iceland. It has been a pleasure working with you.

Written by Mr Matthews





BUENOS DIAS AMIGO'S WRITTEN BY MRS SMILLIE

Mr Box and I met with 6 excited and nervous students at Sittingbourne train station ready to embark on the next leg of the Erasmus+ mobility "Who is knocking on my door 2" on Sunday 1st May. All of the students were excited to explore the Spanish city of Valencia and, with sunglasses in hand, we made our way to the airport and boarded the plane waving goodbye to the grey skies at Gatwick.

The beautiful welcome we received when we landed in Valencia was just the tip of the Spanish hospitality iceberg. We had arrived on Workers Day, a national holiday, so explored the muted city but, even with most shops closed, it did not disappoint. We quickly found our bearings, walked along the scenic riverbed park of Jardí del Turia which became our daily route to school and stopped for dinner at a local restaurant.

Upon arrival to Colegio Pio XII school we were all so impressed with the welcome and greeting offered. The Spanish team put our nervous students at ease immediately and, following the Headmaster's welcome and tour of the school, we were into the activities that included ice breakers and dancing! Following a lunch which boasted an array of traditional Spanish foods we were off on a guided tour of the city. The students embraced the opportunity to learn from the local students and find out about their favourite places to eat as well as the historic sites.



Each day involved school based activities focused on the theme of immigration and integration, including interviewing students and feeding back their group ideas. Amongst evenings sampling local cuisine with fellow students, the FMS 6 dodged the rain (mostly) and enjoyed an array of excursions including a tour of the Mestalla football stadium, home of the mighty Valencia team. The famous Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias, the museum of Arts and Science, boasted some informative displays to bring awe and wonder to all. This was followed by a trip to the Oceanographic Aquarium which was a real highlight for the students.



Once the sun came out on Thursday we were able to explore more of traditional Valencia with a trip to El Palmar. As well as exploring the rivers and coastline by the water, we were able to sample traditionally made authentic paella. The final night together was emotional for all of the students as they shared their last meal as a group. Social media details were shared and life-time friendships forged. We waved goodbye and promised to meet again soon. The students were a credit to the school and embraced all that an Erasmus+ mobility has to offer.

AND A WRITE-UP WOULDN'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT SOME QUOTES FROM OUR STUDENTS

'Our time in Valencia was unreal. I know for definite I will carry what I've learned on with me into the future, being immersed into life in Valencia as a local rather than as a tourist and meeting people from varying cultures and learning from them about their different lifestyles has truly broadened my horizons, it is clear to me there is a wide world outside of England to be explored and I am so grateful to have the chance to learn this from experience!'. **Maya M**

'The Erasmus trip will be something that I will never forget. It has helped to open my eyes to another way of life and enriched my understanding of the world. It was such fun to have the chance to make friends and learn with students from other countries and bond with our English classmates and teachers; who gave us the perfect balance of independence and support. I am so grateful to have had this opportunity and will carry my learning forward with me forever'. **Rosanna**

'I am proud to have been part of the Erasmus 2022 trip. I feel honoured that I was able to be part of something special, learning about so many different cultures has made me realise i want to continue travelling to different countries to enjoy their culture and make some more great memories !' **Mayo**

'The Valencia trip was such an amazing and wonderful experience. Making new friends across the world and learning about different cultures. I would Love to do another Erasmus if I got the opportunity! And would most definitely encourage others to take up the chance as well. The teachers who accompanied us were amazing, they both made me feel comfortable, made sure I had a good time and got outside of my comfort zone. I had a great time and laughed so much on the Valencia trip. I am so grateful to have had this experience, which has sparked my passion for travel even more!' **Ruby**

'I loved every minute of the trip to Valencia, it was amazing to see another corner of the world for myself and gain a better insight into the other cultures of Europe. It has made me want to explore other countries to experience their cultures and inspired me to learn to cook a bit better!' **Charlie**

'I had an amazing time on the Erasmus trip and would never pass on the opportunity to attend another, exploring other cultures and meeting new people is a great experience and I have made so many new friends and memories'. **Jamie**



Working With University Of Kent - And Enjoying Every Moment!

By Mrs Wisbey

On Wednesday 18th May a member of staff from the University of Kent came to run 2 sessions which were attended by approximately 55 Year 9 pupils. Students found out about what life at university would be like, both academically and socially. They found out about the different learning methods at university, the independence of study and took part in an activity where they had to manage their own time over a period of a week to ensure they had enough time to attend lectures, seminars, study as well as the other aspects of life eg. food shopping, part time work etc. They also found out about all the extra curricular societies that are run at the university and worked in groups to create their own ideal society. Students found the sessions both informative and interesting as they opened their eyes to what life at university would be like.

Then on Friday 20th May approximately 40 Year 8 students visited the University of Kent. Although the weather was gloomy, there was plenty of optimism and energy within the room and students threw themselves into the challenge that was set them. The challenge was to design a new accommodation block for university students. Students researched accommodation currently available, did a site visit, interviewed university students and looked at research to discover the requirements of students. They then worked in groups to create their design and presented it to their peers and university students and teaching staff before winners were chosen. All our students showed excellent team working skills and worked incredibly hard, being enthusiastic, creative and mature in their work. They ensured that everybody took part and created some innovative and creative designs. The final joint winners were Shania Scott, Sophie Guthrie, Demi Paston, Isla Olley and Zachary Shepherd together with another team consisting of Harry Rollins, Thomas Jolley, Miles Morris and Jude Viotto. At the end of the day one of the university ambassadors said that our students were "one of the best, if not the best, school they had every worked with." To say we were proud of them is a complete understatement.



Sam Kicks His Way To Gold

Year 7 Morrison student, Sam Horne, has certainly been hiding his light under a bushel. The youngster competed in this first ever kick boxing competition on Saturday 21st May at Woods Martial Arts against several local clubs and had 2 fights - winning both and was presented with 2 gold medals. There were three rounds of one and a half minutes each in his two matches so Sam did very well. He has only been kick boxing for a few months and his club were very proud of him and how hard he has been training. Sam said "It was a really good day and I was proud of myself. So was mum and the club". Sam's other hobby is football so his training for both sports keeps him busy in his spare time.



A RIGHT ROYAL VISIT



In celebration of her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee three members of staff decided to bring their patriotic flair to the classroom.

But who is behind the masks?

Answers on a postcard
please.....



JESS SALUTES HRH PRINCE EDWARD

One of our wonderful students, Jess, represented T. S. Kent at the Duke of Edinburgh Gala Dinner in May. She caught sight of Bill Bailey who was hosting the event but was lucky enough to have HRH Prince Edward stop and speak to her during the evening. Well done Jess—we are very proud of you.



A WICKED WIN FOR RUBY

Year 8 student, Ruby Bird, travelled to Morecambe, Lancashire during the half term holiday and participated in the Parkdean talent show. Following on from a successful win back in October, Ruby once again wowed the crowds and took the crown singing 'Defying Gravity' from the West End musical Wicked.

Ruby has been singing since she was 5 years old and is part of the Razzmatazz Theatre School based at Medway Kent College. She said "I really didn't expect to win. I was so nervous but somehow managed to win another holiday at Parkdean Resort". Mum, Lucy Bird, was very happy, saying "Ruby absolutely smashed it and made us all very proud".



Preloved School Uniform Hub—Sittingbourne Methodist Church

Shout out for the Preloved School Uniform Hub which is now run by the Methodist Church in Sittingbourne. They have had a very successful year helping out families and receiving clothing donations and are holding a three day event at the beginning of the school holidays and would love to see as many people come as possible.

Dates for the event at Sittingbourne Methodist Church are as follows:

28th July - 4-7pm

29th July - 10am - 4pm

30th July - 10am - 1pm

This is for everybody! Everything is free. Anybody who wants to recycle uniform, has a child at school, or simply needs help with the cost of uniform etc.



This is also advertised on Facebook at Free, Preloved School Uniform Hub – Sittingbourne Methodist

Fulston are happy to accept donations before, or after, these dates and would be grateful if they could be delivered to the Main School Office at which time we can forward on to the Methodist Church.





French Pen-Pals!

In French this year, our Year 7s had the opportunity to have written exchanges with Year 7 French students. It allowed them to know more about what it is like to be a French student. Our wonderful French teachers had organised this for our students and were not surprised to find our children were extremely envious of the fact that, in France, students do not have to wear school uniform! The children also wrote about their experience of the Queen's Jubilee which our French friends found extremely interesting given the fact that in France they do not have these kind of celebrations. Mr Pastor said "We cannot wait to carry on the Pen Pal project next year in Year 8! The Pen Pal project will also involve the future Year 7s of 2022-23. "



A massive thank you to all the students and teachers who helped in this project.



TEAM GEOGGERS TRIP TO STRATFORD



During Term 6 the Year 12 Geography students have been very busy completing their fieldwork components for the Edexcel A Level course. As part of this, students collected fieldwork in various places in and around the Olympic Park, even getting a chance to step inside the velodrome that saw so much cycling success in the 2012 games! Specific areas of focus were the success of the Olympic Legacy, together with looking at the varying impact that sport led regeneration has had on different stakeholders in the area. Students had the opportunity to practice a range of urban fieldwork techniques helping them to prepare for their own independent investigations that they will complete in Year 13.

Mrs Arnott said "We had a really great day in Stratford and the students came away with a much greater knowledge of the area. Well done "Team Geoggers"! "

100 MILES IN 100 HOURS!!!!

Our wonderful Year 12 student, Heather Sapsed, is preparing to take on a unique, and challenging fundraising event alongside her Mum, Laura. Following their fundraising success last year, they felt they needed to up the challenge, so when a friend of theirs suggested walking 100 miles in 100 hours Heather and Laura agreed! The intrepid two will be starting this challenge on 15th August, with a 1 mile walk, at 8am... then walk one further mile, on each hour for 100 hours! The final walk will be at 11am on 19th August and they hope to see this challenge through. The Sittingbourne News have published an article about the challenge, Laura said "We are doing this crazy challenge to raise funds and awareness for Pancreatic Cancer UK, following the loss of my Dad to this cruel disease in November 2020". Mrs Palmer said "Both Kerry, Year 9, and Heather have raised a lot of money so far and we are so proud of them. Having had personal experience of the devastation Pancreatic Cancer can cause we are fully behind promoting this challenge. If anybody wishes to donate please use this link <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Heather-Sapsed1> "

Daughter to tackle 100-mile walk in 100 hours with daughter and friend

Family take on gruelling fundraiser in memory of late dad

By Megan Carr
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A mother-daughter duo will be walking 100 miles in 100 hours to raise money for a cancer charity – a challenge a Kent man previously failed 100 years ago after pushing himself with nothing but pork pies and beer.

Laura Sapsed, of Bell Road, Sittingbourne, her daughter Heather, who attends Palston Manor and her work colleague, Steve Rowe from Leydown, are taking on the mammoth, non-stop fundraiser in memory of Laura's dad, Clive Fisher.

The mum of two said: "Myself, my daughters, Heather and Kerry have been fundraising for Pancreatic Cancer UK since the loss of our dad and grandson on November 8, 2020."

"He was diagnosed with stage four pancreatic cancer in late July 2020. At this time he appeared fit and healthy, but the cancer took hold rapidly and he died at home aged 67."

Clive lived in Canterbury his whole life, and became a governor at Chaucer Technology when Laura and her two sisters were at secondary school.

She added: "He was a very active person right up to the end and was determined to keep active but sadly the cancer stopped him and made movement impossible."

So, in his honour Laura, a teacher at New Road Primary School in Chatham, her 17-year-old daughter, and Steve, a teaching assistant at the same school, will be taking on a huge test of endurance.

The trio will be walking 100 miles in 100 hours, starting at 8am on August 15.

To do this they will walk one mile as the clock strikes the hour, having a break once they've completed that leg and then starting off yet again as the clock strikes 12 once more.

Each mile lap will take between 10 and 20 minutes, depending on speed, and they're about half an hour to collect themselves before resuming their walk.

The fundraisers will continue this strict routine until the 100th hour, non-stop, meaning they won't have a solid night's sleep for around five days.

Steve explained how the walk is more of a psychological than physical challenge.

The 55-year-old said: "The mile isn't the challenge, keeping going is the hard part."

"I came up with the idea to do this challenge after seeing an old newspaper story on the Sheppey History Facebook group, apparently there was someone 100 years ago who attempted it on the Isle of Sheppey."

"They failed as all they fuelled themselves with was beer and pork pies, I've asked the group's members for help to find out more but that is all I know."

"But we'll learn from that, sleep when we can and eat protein bars and fruit!"

"This isn't the first gruelling fundraiser Laura will be taking part in."

Since Clive's death the 44-year-old has taken on various challenges including running the Virtual London Marathon with her sister Nicola, and the Goggin challenge, where she ran four miles every four hours for 48 hours.

She even completed a personal triathlon event, running, cycling and walking eight miles, all back to back.

Clive worked as a chartered surveyor until he retired at 60, and then was always busy helping his family, gardening, walking his dog and being involved with LANSRA – the local residents association.

Laura added: "Dad enjoyed walking and cared about the environment."

"He would never throw away something if it could be re-used. He knew how to take some old wood and turn it into something worthwhile."

Laura and Heather will be walking their one mile loops from home in Sittingbourne, while Steve, who will be doing routes to and from the nearby beach.

They will be checking in with each other to keep one another going and hope that family and friends will also be able to join them on some of the walks.

Laura said: "It may not seem like it at first, but when you start to equate the lack of sleep this challenge will involve the enormity of it hits."

"When my dad was on end-of-life care I barely slept, if I could do that then, I will be able to do this. We want to raise as much as possible."

Follow Laura, Heather and Steve's progress and donate at [tinyurl.com/LauraSapsed1](https://www.justgiving.com/LauraSapsed1) or [tinyurl.com/SteveRowe](https://www.justgiving.com/SteveRowe)

Home-schooled special education son 'falling through a councillor's net' - Chir Kelly Geoggin says

A total of 400 young people in Kent are being home-schooled while 180 have special education health care.

Dartford North councillor, K (Lab) said: "Some of the children whose child through process of special education EHCPs, I feel it's through the cracks."

It was revealed being taken by age more children at schools, rather than small concerns conference in the Cllr Sue Chir's cabinet, a graded children's robust measures taken to review being reviewed."

She said: "Part of the reason for a variety of may not wish to sons with that."

Clive Fisher, his daughter Laura and granddaughter Heather, who are walking 100 miles in 100 hours in his memory

Clive Fisher died in 2020 after a battle with pancreatic cancer

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LOOK WHO'S PLAYING FOR GILLINGHAM FC!!!!



Ex-student Taite Holtham played for the Gills first team last week-end (2nd July).

We wish Taite every success in his football career.

Go Taite!!!

HENRY SHOWS OFF HIS ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS



Year 9 Businessman, Henry Hearn is planning on making his first £1 million very soon.

Time consuming but rewarding ,Henry takes part in any event where he can sell his original manmade jewellery and is really working hard at achieving his dreams.

Dragons Den EAT YOUR HEART OUT!!!!



Lower School Awards

On a VERY hot afternoon Years 7, 8 and 9 spent an hour in the Sports Hall celebrating the achievements and hard work during the past year. Guest of Honour was Patrick Cantellow, an ex student who was recently acknowledged for his services to youth employment in Kent in the Queen's Birthday Honours. Patrick spoke of his volunteering at Fulston and his pathway to employment by working hard and wanting to succeed.

Chair of Governors, Mrs Natalie Davis, joined Heads of House, Patrick, Mrs Burden and Mr Bowden on the stage. Assisting in the smooth process of handing out so many awards was Miss Caulfeild-Browne. A total of 139 students received awards and are a credit to the school.



It may have been a hot day but the students were rightly proud of their peers achievements – as are staff and Governors.

Hip Hop Hurray For Rihanna and Jude

Rihanna Reynolds and Jude Viotta have recently had the best time competing in the Hip Hop and Electric Boogie European Championships. Rihanna was happy to share her results: Hip Hop solo 18th out of 114 girls in her category, she was the top UK solo female. Hip hop duo 34th also top UK duo. Hip Hop group 20th. Electric boogie solo 14th. Electric boogie duo 11th. Battle solo 24th and Battle crew 5th.

Jude also did well; Male solo - 12th place!!!! Popping solo - 20th place, Duo - 41st place, Group - 20th place, Battle crew - 6th place and Battle solo - 33rd place

Well done both!!!





SWALE YOUTH FORUM MEETING—JUNE

Six students representing Fulston Manor School were invited to Swale Borough Council to take part in the Swale Youth Forum. Held in the council chamber it was a fantastic experience for all six students who, never having been before, embraced the challenge of asking questions to councillors, the Mayor and Mike Scott the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Joining Mrs Palmer and Mr Prutton were Chris Lee McCall, Tahdia Tabussum, Abbie Hook, Michael Hawkins, Kathryn Herbert and Vanesa Vinckute.

On the agenda was the Youth Climate Competition. An introduction to Swales Climate and Ecological Emergency action plan was given to the group. They were informed about the up coming plans for Great Big Green Week including the launch of the Youth Climate Competition. *Please see the leaflet on the next two pages.*

Mr Scott was invited to speak to the forum and answer questions concerning safety in Swale. A short introduction was given about his role and his plans for safety within the community. The forum was given the opportunity to ask Mr Scott questions on the spot. ..



Police and Crime Commissioner Question and Answers:

What is being done to help reduce the number of E-Scooters on the road or make them safer? :

E Scooters are currently illegal in the UK unless part of a scheme such as the one in Canterbury. If Police see young people or adults on scooters, they are able to confiscate them. In the case of young people, if an E Scooter is confiscated, they will need to a parent or carer to pick it up for them. E Scooters can be used on private land with the landowners permission.

If a homeless person was reported committing a crime, would the same punishments be in place for them?

The council are working hard to help fight homelessness within Swale. If a homeless person was reported to be committing a crime than an informed approach will be taken to help find a resolution. Each case is dealt with on an individual basis however.

What Happens if an individual is falsely accused of a crime?

It is difficult to deal with false allegations. After a crime has been reported it has to be investigated by officers. If there is some truth to the allegation then investigations will be taken further to allow for a case to be built, this is when an individual will be charged. If no evidence can be found than no charges will be made against the individual.

What have you done so far?

There are four areas we have been working around:

Prevention: This area is key. We have been working with Local Authorities helping to provide funding for schemes to help prevent crimes.

Engagement: We have been working within schools and communities to help engage residence. This includes the work which we are doing around county lines. We have recently funded a project called Catch 22 which supports young people up to 25 who are at risk of being criminally exploited.

Enforcement: There have been 800 more employed officers to help make a presence within our communities. With the increased presence we are hoping for an increase in charges.

Rehabilitation: Working closely with our partners to help rehabilitate those who have committed crimes to help change their ways and successfully reintegrate back into society.

What can we expect to see in the future?

LESS CRIME! What every police officer is working towards. Less crime within our communities. Due to Covid our statistics have become blurred. However there has been a drop in crime numbers.



YOUTH Climate

COMPETITION

How would you spend £500 to help the
environment in Swale?

THE GREAT
BIG GREEN
WEEK





How would you spend £500 to help the environment in Swale?

Have you got an idea for an environmental project in Swale? We are offering young people in Swale the opportunity to plan and pitch a project with a budget of £500 to our councillors. The winning project will be implemented in Swale with support from council officers.

Instructions:

Students must propose a project to improve the environment or raise awareness of the climate and ecological emergency in their local community.

£500 to spend | Groups of 4-6 | Year 7-11

Projects must consider:

- How the project improves the environment or encourages other people to help the environment
- What the benefits are to the local community
- The budget - how will you spend £500?
- A plan to deliver the project
- Where materials and resources will come from - are they sustainable?
- How might you market the project or campaign

Projects can be as creative as the team would like, and can include multiple medias e.g. presentation slides, word doc, video, photos etc.

Deadline:

Entries must be submitted by 5PM, 15th September:

<https://forms.microsoft.com/r/ewT9sDnnVz>



The successful projects will be required to deliver a 10 minute presentation on Thursday 29th September, 4PM in the Swale House Council Chamber to a panel of councillors.

Good luck!

If you have any ideas you wish the School Council to take forward please let us know. Mr Prutton.





SPORTS NEWS



YET AGAIN WE HAVE HAD AN AMAZING SQUAD OF ATHLETES WHO HAVE REPRESENTED FULSTON WELL OVER THE LAST TERM.

Our thanks , respect and congratulations go to:

Ruby	Adams	Francesca	Hennessey	Roxy	Scamp
Amara	Agbaegbu-Griggs	Isabelle	Hockney	Cheyenne	Scott
Ezra	Akinwale	Kyle	Hudson	Liam	Sherriff
Olivia	Benge	Heidi	Hughes	Bethany	Silcock
Annie	Biochat	Oliver	Ingram	Ayanna	Smith
Ruby	Bird	Holly	Kemsley	Tommy	Spain
Lauren	Bond	Amber	Lewis	Lucy	Steadman
Emilie	Codali	Poppy	Lincoln Carey	Emiliya	Stevens
Daisy	Conway	Amber	Lowe	Alex	Tannerhill
Isabelle	Cook	Alana	Maddox	Finn	Taylor
Iris	Cooper	Kaitlin	Mead	Ruby	Thomas
Rylee	Etchells	Shaneeka	Mohammed	Alfie	Walach
Harrison	Fisher	Kacie	Neal	Abigail	Walker
Harrison	Flat	Jack	Norris	Erin	Walmsley
Robert	Fox	Denzel	Oluwole	Maddie	Westerall
Roanna	Fox	Maisie	Ormerod	Molly	Williams
Ioannis	Gayle	Demi	Paston	Caelan	Williams
Sidney	Hall	Isaac	Pellatt	Daisy	Williams
Faith	Harris	Seb	Robertson	Hary	Youens
Rocco	Harris				

Well done!



ASPIRATIONS WEEK AND YEAR 9 CAMP

Another fun packed week for all involved where Year 7, 8 and 9s were given the opportunity to look to their future careers and become the inspiring individuals and, in the case of those at camp, to increase their confidence and build friendships. Thank you to all of the teachers involved in the organisation of this week.





OPEN DAYS 2022—PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD.

Open Days 2022

Wednesday 5th & Thursday 6th October
10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm

Come along and join us for a student-led tour and a presentation by our Executive Headteacher, where you can gain a real insight into what life is like as a member of the Fulston Family.

For more information visit: www.fulstonmanor.kent.sch.uk
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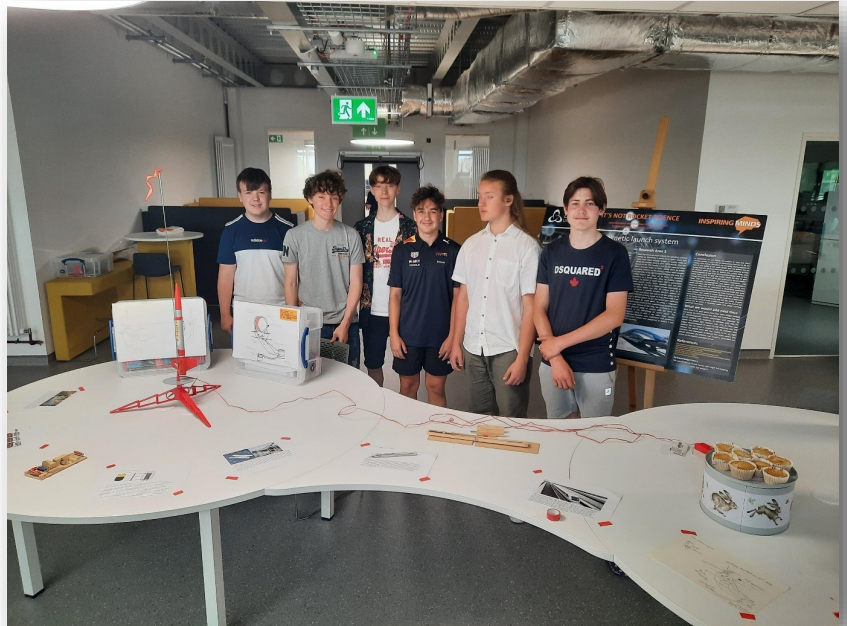
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INSPIRING STUDENTS WITH INSPIRING MINDS

Thirteen of our amazing Year 10 students have been participating in the 'Inspiring Minds' project with Canterbury Christ Church University. This project has involved the students focusing on a real-life problem and then designing and building a product to solve this issue. For six weeks, the students have attended sessions at the University which have focused on building their STEM and teamwork skills. The students gave up their Saturday mornings in order to participate in the project, a brilliant sign of their dedication to the project!

On 21st June the students got to showcase their skills at the new STEM building at Canterbury Christ Church University. They confidently presented their work to other schools and parents, detailing the real world problem they were trying to solve and the process they went through in order to do this. This included the creation of a night time safety solar light, a mechanical womb and a magnetic rocket launcher. The event culminated in the rocket launcher being used for the first time. There were some tense moments as the group prepared the rocket for take-off. Fortunately, this was incredibly successful and was an amazing end to the event.



Mr Vigeon and Mrs Mason said "We are incredibly proud of what the students have achieved in such a short period of time; the students have been extremely dedicated in their approach and have created amazing pieces of work."



CYCLING TO SCHOOL

SAFETY FIRST

We continue to receive reports from members of the public and from parents that a significant number of our students are cycling in an unsafe manner to and from school.

Complaints include riding on pavements, doing “wheelies” in the middle of the road and reckless cycling in groups with no regard for other road users. Students found to be behaving in this manner will have their cycle permits withdrawn.



We are becoming increasingly concerned for the safety of our cyclists and so from September we are going to make it a condition on issuing a cycle permit that **students must wear a cycle helmet**. Full details are below.

Please note that cycle permits are issued annually and are only valid for one academic year. All current permits must be renewed in September.

Cycle Permit Conditions

“Students may cycle to school as long as their bike is in a roadworthy condition. A cycle helmet that conforms to current regulations, is the correct size and is securely fastened must be worn. (*UK Highway Code 2017*).

Please ensure that he/she is clearly visible to other road users when riding to and from school and is reminded that bicycles may only be ridden on the road and on cycle tracks. Students must not cycle on pavements.



Failure to adhere to the above conditions will result in a cycle permit being withdrawn.

A lock must be used to secure their bike in the cycle shed at the front of the school. Whilst every effort is made to ensure the security of bikes whilst on the school premises, the school cannot accept any liability for loss or damage.

Students must obtain a Cycle Permit from their Head of House before bringing their bike to school. An application form may be found on the school website or obtained from the Head of House.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

COLLECTING STUDENTS/DROPPING OFF WITHIN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

- If arriving by **FOOT** please use **GATE A** or **B** in the mornings and leave the same way.
- If entering the site by **car** we will be operating a strict 'drop & Go system. This will be entry via **GATE C**, drop off on the red road, **exit** via **GATE D**—for all year groups



REMINDER RE UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

We pride ourselves on the appearance of students at Fulston Manor, and we expect them to be smartly dressed on their way to and from school and throughout the school day. If you require any further guidance please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of House.

Our uniform is compulsory.

Our uniform **must** be worn correctly at all times – this includes on the journey to and from school.

Students may only wear weatherproof outdoor coats in addition to their school uniform. These **must not** be worn in place of their blazer. Hoodies, sweatshirts, denim jackets, leather jackets and gilets are **not** allowed.

There is to be **NO** make-up worn, this includes painted/false nails.

There is to be **NO** jewellery worn, or piercings.

Only those hairstyles suitable for school are allowed – **NO** unnatural colours

School skirts should be grey in non-stretch fabric– choice of two styles - either straight (with small back split or kick-pleat) or box pleat. Skirts must be knee-length.

Trousers must be "Charcoal grey or black classic straight-legged tailored school trousers.

Reminder re shoes: Shoes should be black, leather, sensible and suitable for both indoor and outdoor use. Boots (defined as foot-wear that covers the ankle), trainers and canvas shoes may NOT be worn.

PE Kit: PE kit should only be worn on a day where a students is timetabled for PE or Games.

If a student should arrive in school not complying to the above he/she will be given until the next school day to rectify. (nail varnish remover is kept in house areas and girls will be asked to remove the nail varnish immediately and their community card will be signed). Failure to rectify could lead to isolation.

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR ANY FURTHER INFORMATION.

SCHOOL CLOSURE

In the event of the school having to close, due to adverse weather conditions for example, we notify parents in a variety of ways:-

- Notice on the home page of the school website
- InTouch e-mail message service (direct to your e-mail addresses) **and/or**
- InTouch text message service (direct to your mobile phones)
- KCC Website www.kentclosures.co.uk (search by school name)

The text message service direct to mobile phones has proved to be very effective and provides parents with an early notification of school closure. If you have not registered for this free InTouch service or the free InTouch e-mail service please contact Mrs Nicole Fitzjohn, on 01795 475228 or nfitzjohn@fulstonmanor.kent.sch.uk for further details.



SCHOOL FACILITIES AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

At Fulston Manor School we have a wide range of facilities available for hire that can suit any needs.

Whether you are an organisation looking to hold an event or conference, a sports team looking for a regular venue to train, or you may be just looking to hold a private function, we have facilities to offer. We also have an off-site playing field available for hire.

Our facilities are available during weekday evenings and weekends during term time and throughout the week during school holidays.

If you would like further details on the availability of our facilities please contact Kirsty Bravery in the Finance Office on 01795 412600 or kbravery@fulstonmanor.kent.sch.uk

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Important Information:

Last Day of Term 6: Thursday 21st July
Summer Holiday: Friday, 22nd July - Friday, 2nd September

Please note the Main School Office and Finance Office is open from 9.00am—1.00pm throughout the summer with the exception of the August Bank Holiday Monday

Training Days: Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September 2022
First Day of Term 1: Monday 5th September (8.30am Year 7, 10.10am Years 8—11)
Tuesday 6th September (8.40am Sixth Form)



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