

CCGS ROUND-UP

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To Prime Parents of: 

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Year 7 Opal Coast Trip important information

The next payment of £70 was due by March 1st.

Your child will need their own passport to travel with us, the passport must be valid until October 10th to enter France. At present the passport office says that you should allow 10 weeks for the processing of passports. You will need to bring a photocopy of your child's passport to the parents' meeting which will take place in mid June, therefore passports will need to be applied for by the week of April 10th at the latest.

Your child will also need a GHIC card to travel with us, you will also need to bring a photocopy of this to the parents' meeting in mid-June. GHIC cards can be applied for here - [Get healthcare cover for travelling abroad - NHSBSA](#).

The GHIC card is free.

Spanish Revision

There will be Spanish revision sessions in term 4 for year 11 students, run by Miss Griffiths. The first session will focus on revising grammar and vocabulary basics, ideal for students working in the grade 4-6 range. The second will look at ways of enhancing speaking and writing, and will be aimed at students who are comfortable with the basics and are aiming for a grade 7-9. The sessions, in A4, will be:

Monday lunchtime, from 13.50 - 14.20 for grades 4-6

Monday after school, 15.15 - 16.00 for grades 7-9

National Youth Theatre Auditions

This year we hosted our first National Youth Theatre Auditions. The National Youth Theatre (NYT) is one of the most prestigious youth drama programmes in the country and is notoriously difficult to get into with an excess of 6,500 young people between the age of 14-25 applying each year. We launched the programme with students from Y10-13 and had 30 students come forward for our first round auditions. Each had to learn and perform a 2 minute monologue. The variety of pieces performed and students involved were fantastic. After some difficult decision making, Mr Smith and Mrs Myhill selected 15 students to take part in the NYT workshop and auditions proper, which took place on Thursday 23 February. During the workshop they had the chance to work with youth theatre director Richard Weinman before their one-to-one auditions at the end of the day. The atmosphere and hunger was incredible and the students were really focused and clearly enjoyed themselves.

Year 12 and 13 trips to see 'The Winter's Tale' and 'Othello'

Last week the English dept took students on two trips to see their set exam texts. We were lucky enough to see a performance of 'The Winter's Tale' which was the first play to ever be performed in both the indoor and outdoor Globe in London. This gave our students a great opportunity to see both amazing theatres. 'Othello' was closer to home with students watching a live stream of The National Theatre's production which was fantastic and really enhanced their understanding of the play.

U12 Kent Cup Football Final

You may have seen or heard that our Year 7 Football team have reached the final of the Denis O'Donovan Kent Cup. This is the first time that the school has reached this stage of the competition, so a fantastic achievement already from our boys. They will be playing against Rainham Marks Grammar School on Friday 24th March, at Ramsgate Football Club - 8pm kick off. If you would like to show your support you can purchase tickets for the final by clicking on the link below - I'm sure the team would love to see some familiar faces in the crowd cheering them on!

British Science Week

British Science Week is taking place from 10-19th March and we have some fun science activities taking place in KS3 lessons as well as competitions across KS3 and KS4. In order to prepare for this, Science needs your help! Could you please bring in any newspapers and empty 1 litre or 2 litre fizzy drink or squash bottles to either the Chatham or Clarendon receptions. Many thanks.

Consent Assembly

All students in years 9-13 received an assembly on Consent this week, well done to everyone who engaged so well and behaved excellently throughout.

World Book Day

Thursday 2nd March was **World Book Day!** The annual event signals the perfect opportunity to inspire a love of reading in all pupils and develop literacy skills, which will support them on their life-long learning journey. Advocating the joy of reading is at the heart of World Book Day and reading for pleasure is proven to be a key indicator of children's future successes and prospects. Throughout the week CCGS staff have been sharing their favourite books with the pupils in their teaching groups.