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The Link Charles Darwin School

Aspire—Endeavour—Achieve

HEADLINES

Welcome Back

A very warm welcome back to all students. I hope that all students and their families enjoyed an excellent Christmas break; it was certainly much needed after the long autumn term.

This term is vitally important for us in terms of the work that we have to undertake to secure good GCSE and 'A' level results this summer. It will inevitably thus be busy and demanding. As a school overall our main focus must be to ensure that our Year 11, 12 and 13 students begin to increase their work rate and develop good momentum as they approach their examinations.

Legally Blonde

The production of Legally Blonde at the end of last term was absolutely outstanding. As those parents who attended will no doubt agree, the quality of performance that the group of students and their teachers produced was once again most impressive and a real credit to our school. The singing, the orchestra's playing, the dancing, the staging, the sound, the lighting, everything was superb. The production made what is a very tricky musical, with lots of complicated music, dance and set-up seem remarkably straightforward. My congratulations to all involved, you were amazing.

Sunil Chotai



YOUR CHOICE, YOUR VOICE 2020

On Tuesday 14th January and Wednesday 15th January, Year 9 students will take part in a specialised programme delivered by Bromley Healthcare's Sexual Health Team and Bromley Changes (Bromley Young Persons Alcohol and Substance Service). If your son or daughter is in Year 9 they will be involved in this programme on either Tuesday or Wednesday (please see timetable below for further clarification). Students will be in normal lessons 1 and 2 and the sessions will begin from lesson 3 onwards.

The overall aim of the YCYV (Your Choice, Your Voice) programme is to increase Year 9 pupils' (13-14 year olds) knowledge and awareness of sex and relationship issues; to help them develop the skills necessary to assess risks and understand potential consequences, allowing an informed choice.

The programme comprises four main sessions:

- Bodies and sexuality
- Sexual health
- Relationships
- Substance misuse and risky behaviour

Tuesday 14th January

	Lesson 3	Lesson 4	LUNCH	Lesson 5	Lesson 6
Relationships	9SHO	9NDY		9ADO/GJO	9EOL
Sexual Health	9EOL	9SHO		9NDY	9ADO/GJO
Bodies and Sexuality	9ADO/GJO	9EOL		9SHO	9NDY
Drugs and Alcohol	9NDY	9ADO/GJO		9EOL	9SHO

Wednesday 15th January

	Lesson 3	Lesson 4	LUNCH	Lesson 5	Lesson 6
Relationships	9JST (STi covering)	9MHU		9PDo	9PWA (LW r)
Sexual Health	9PWA (LW r)	9JST (STi covering)		9MHU	9PDo
Bodies and Sexuality	9PDo	9PWA (LW r)		9JST (STi covering)	9MHU
Drugs and Alcohol	9MHU	9PDo		9PWA (LW r)	9JST (STi covering)

Bromley Healthcare
better together



Changes
Young People's Drug
and Alcohol Service
Bromley

Pupil absence line: 01959 574043, option 1:
Parents/carers must phone before 08:30 with a full reason on every day of their child's absence.

Monday 13th - Friday 17th January 2020

Monday 13th January

No Assembly
Year 7 Attendance reward trip
Year 11 Theatre trip (matinee)

Tuesday 14th January

Year 7 Attendance reward trip
Year 11 Theatre trip (matinee)
8.30am Year 7 Assembly

Wednesday 15th January

Year 7 Attendance reward trip
Year 11 Theatre trip (matinee)
8.30am Year 11 Assembly

Thursday 16th January

Year 7 Attendance reward trip
Year 10 reward trip
Year 11 Theatre trip (matinee)
8.30am Year 12/13 Assembly

Friday 17th January

Year 7 Attendance reward trip
Year 8 reward trip
Year 11 Theatre trip (matinee)
8.30am Year 8 Assembly

Forthcoming Events

JANUARY 2020

Thursday 23 January - Year 11 Parents' Evening (2)
Monday 27 January - Thrive Dance Company, Bromley Showcase
Thursday 30 January - Dance Competition Semi-Final
Friday 31 January - INSET DAY - School closed to all pupils

FEBRUARY 2020

Wednesday 05 February - Year 12/13 Art & Textiles trip
Thursday 06 February - Year 8 Parents' Evening
Monday 10 February - Dance Competition Final (Main Hall)
Thursday 13 February - Sixth Form trip to Beijing departs
Thursday 13 February - Early finish for all students (end of P5: 2.10pm)
Friday 14 February - End of term
Saturday 15 February - Sixth Form trip to Berlin departs
Monday 17 - Friday 21 February - Half Term

MARCH 2020

Wednesday 04 March - Year 9 Parents' Evening
Monday 09 March - Head Prefect Application closing date
Thursday 12 March - Year 8 Options Evening
Wednesday 25 March - Year 12/13 Parents' Evening

APRIL 2020

Friday 03 April - Ski trip to Austria departs
Friday 03 April - End of Term
Monday 20 April - Summer Term starts
Wednesday 29 April - Year 10 Parents' Evening

Duty Pupils for Praise Week ending 10th January 2020

Many thanks to Reece Meloy, Grace Ikri, Aaron Aslan and Lourdes Williams, Year 8.

Miss Payne
Reception

Parents Evenings 2020

Year 11: 23 January 2020 (2)
Year 8: 6 February 2020
Year 9: 4 March 2020
Year 12: 25 March 2020 (2)
Year 13: 25 March 2020 (2)
Year 10: 29 April 2020
Year 7: 7 May 2020



RE M I N D E R YEAR 11 PARENTS' EVENING AND REPORT COLLECTION (2)

Thursday, 23 January 2020
3.15pm - 6.15 pm

This is an opportunity for pupils and their families to come and speak to staff about their progress.

Governors will also be present on the evening.

Refreshments Available
(courtesy of the Friends of Charles Darwin School).