



24.05.2019

The Link Charles Darwin School

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HEADLINES

Break with Cake

On Tuesday I had the pleasure of spending my break with eleven Year 7 students who had been chosen for having the 'perfect profile' of all 1's for classwork effort, homework effort and behaviour for their CAPP 2 report. They were a very articulate bunch and although many of them were quite shy at first, it was lovely to talk to them and listen to their views on life at secondary school.

DoE Bronze Practice Expedition

My congratulations to all who took part in last weekend's Bronze practice expedition. The students had two days walking and camped overnight at Downe Scout Camp where there was an excellent atmosphere, aided by the good weather. I understand they all did fantastically well, with only a few groups taking the odd detour, and thankfully they all made it back to school on Sunday safe and sound.

Half Term

This half term seems to have gone by quickly and we are well into the summer examination season. Next half term will see exams for all our students and whilst I am sure they will be using the break to put in some extra revision time, I do hope that everyone gets a chance to relax and enjoy the holiday.

Sunil Chotai

History Star of the Week

James Kennell, Year 9

James has just achieved an excellent grade in his end of topic exam on the Cold War. James works very hard in History, and explains his answers in detail showing thorough understanding of the key topics. He makes lots of valuable contributions in class discussions. Keep up the good work James.

Mrs Ruth

Year 11 GCSEs

Well done to all our Year 11 students who have been taking their GCSE exams. They are nearly half way through now and we have been very impressed with how well they have been preparing for their exams and coping with managing their study leave. Thanks as well to the parents of Year 11 students who have been supporting us in ensuring students are in school in plenty of time, attending revision breakfasts and timetabled revision lessons and continuing to wear correct school uniform and shoes. All of the arrangements will continue for the 3 remaining weeks of exams after half term so your continuing support with this would be very welcome.

Thank you to the staff who are coming in to do revision sessions for Year 11 students in the half term holiday. We have sessions running in Maths, Music, History, English Language and Geography.

Ms Kelly and Mrs Tsang



Is your son/daughter logged in to their Show My Homework account so they can easily see the revision lists for their end of year exams and homework? If they need a new PIN because they have changed the device they check it on or have had a problem with it, please contact your son/

daughter's form tutor or Ms Kelly

(Lke@cdarwin.com) so you can receive a new one. If your son/ daughter does not manage their homework well and often misses deadlines, you may find it helpful to have your own login for Show My Homework, which is also available from Ms Kelly.

Mr Daws Magic Show

This June, Charles Darwin School are hosting a one off performance by Associate of the Inner Magic Circle, Mr Daws!

To help raise funds for the school, witness the mind-melting spectacle in which he will influence your decisions and read your subconscious clues to find out what you are thinking! How could someone use your body language to win at cards? How about playing the ultimate game of hangman? Discover a fictional crime that someone in the audience will commit and see how they are going to get out of it! Then have everything you thought you knew turned upside down as you realise, there is more to see than meets the eye!

"WOW! THAT WAS INCREDIBLE!" - Johnathan Ross (ITV)

"I HAVE NO IDEA HOW YOU DID IT!" - Penn & Teller (ITV Fool Us)

**19TH JUNE 2019 | ADULTS: £8.50
CHILDREN: (18 & UNDER) £4.50
TICKETS AVAILABLE ON PARENT-PAY
MAIN HALL - STARTS AT 6.30PM**



Events, Fixtures and Educational Visits

Forthcoming events Summer Term 2019

JUNE

6 and 7 June - Bronze Duke of Edinburgh qualifying expedition
11 June - GCSE Art and Textiles Private View
12 June - Year 6 into 7 Induction Evening
13 June - Year 6 into 7 Induction Interviews
18 June - Year 6 into 7 Induction Interviews
18 June - A Level Art and Textiles Private View
21 June - Year 8 HPV1 Vaccinations
21 June - Sixth Form Ball
23 to 25 June - Silver Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition
26 June - Year 12 Driven by Consequences
27 June - Year 12 Ecology Field trip to Westerham
28 June - Year 11 Ball

JULY

1 July - Year 12 Taster Day
1 to 5 July - Year 7 Penny - Collection
3 July - Sports Awards
5 July - Sports Day
8 to 10 July - Silver Duke of Edinburgh qualifying expedition
17 and 18 July - Enrichment days
18 July - Year 10 Mock interviews
19 July - Year 12 trip to Zanzibar
19 July - Celebration of Success Assemblies
19 July - End of Term
22 July - INSET Day - School closed to students
23 July - INSET Day - School closed to students

Equipment Checking over the Holiday

Could all students please check their pencil cases over Easter and re-stock the essentials they need for lessons so they can come back to school in the summer term really well-organised.

Students should have the following:

- Several pens they can write neatly with-black or blue
- Sharp pencil for drawing-more than one is ideal in case one breaks or is mislaid
- Ruler
- Coloured pencils
- Eraser
- Pencil sharpener
- Calculator
- A highlighter pen and a glue stick are also very useful

Students taking public examinations, e.g. GCSE or A levels will need all of the above equipment and a clear pencil case.

Ms Kelly

Pupils for Praise
Duty pupils of the week ending
24.05.19

Daisy Pluck and Emily Squires, 8LBa

Mrs Mills, Reception

50/50 Club

The winners of the March & April draws were:

March - Victoria O'Brian No. 156
 April - Matthew Woods No. 123

Summer Term Clubs

Boys Cricket (all years)

Monday 15.00 - 16.15
 Mr Burtonshaw/Mr Simpson/Mr Bidwell/
 Mr Eckersall

Girls Cricket (all years)

Wednesday 15.00 - 16.15
 Miss Dobney/Miss Case

Girls Rounders, Years 7, 8

Tuesday 15.00 - 16.15
 Mrs Wray/Mrs Wheeler

Girls Rounders, Years 9, 10

Thursday 15.00 - 16.15
 Miss Dobney/Miss Case

Trampoline Club

Thursday 15.00 - 16.00 - KS3
 Thursday 16.00 - 17.00 - KS4

This is a paid club held in the Small Gym.

Students will need to speak to Mrs Wray to get a letter to join.



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.