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COLLEGE NEWS

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A Christmas Carol Production

It's the season to be jolly and Parkside students enjoyed Ginificent Production's rendition of A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens which was presented as a whole college event on 29th November 2022. Students have been studying the book as part of their AQA English Literature examination, and were enthused as they watched the actor's bring it to life, this aided students' understanding of the text and served as a reminder especially for year 11s as they begin preparation for their next round of mock examinations.

Students reported that the production allowed them to anticipate further exploration of the book and look forward to development in lessons. It was a tremendous learning experience for everyone.

End of Term

Please note that Friday 16th December will be the last day of term. The College will be closed from Monday 19th December through to Tuesday 3rd January for the Christmas holiday. Please note that Tuesday 3rd January and Wednesday 4th January are staff training days. College recommences for students at the normal time of 8:45am on Thursday 5th January 2023. Thank you.

Academic Tutoring Appointments

Academic Tutoring for students in Key Stage 4 will take place on Wednesday 4th January 2023, appointments are currently being organised and a separate communication to confirm these appointments will be sent out to parents, guardians and carers in due course.

New Websites Launching Soon!

We are excited to announce the launch of our new, fully-featured websites which are due to go live over the Christmas break! Complete with education-specific functionality, our new websites will improve accessibility to our content and will feature a consistent and intuitive design to make navigation simple. Some key features include: Responsive Design to ensure desktop/ mobile optimisation, making it easier to use on all browsers and portable devices, User Friendly Buttons to enable you to navigate the site seamlessly, Emergency Pop Ups to alert you to crucial information which require urgent attention, Powerful Communication Software to improve communication, and much more. Our streamlined website will provide a more interactive experience, enabling you to locate information quicker and easier and will keep you informed of the latest news. Keep an eye out on our social channels to be the first to hear when our new websites have launched!

Available Support Services

Maintaining good mental health is crucial to overall wellbeing. Fortunately, there are many support services available for children and young people.

SSS Learning has produced a free resource designed to offer advice on how families can safeguard their children's mental health and promote their wellbeing. For 10 top tips on practical ways to positively promote your child's mental health, please visit [https://ssscpd.co.uk/education/parentsandguardians/child-mental-health-10-tips-for-parents/-/pj==].

Kooth is a support service that provides ideas for relaxation and mindful activities to help reduce stress and anxiety, as well as offering emotional and mental health support; [https://www.kooth.com/]. Additionally, YoungMinds is a national charity championing the emotional wellbeing and mental health of young people by offering support, advice and guidance to ensure they can access the right help; [https://youngminds.org.uk/].

Week Commencing: *Monday 2nd January*

MENU 3

THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Cajun Chicken in a Ciabatta Roll with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	**Halal**
Meal Choice 2	Cajun Chicken in a Ciabatta Roll with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	**Non Halal**
Meal Choice 3	Roast Mediterranean Vegatables in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	**Vegetarian**
Meal Choice 4	Cajun Chicken with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	**Gluten/ Dairy Free**
Vegetables	Baby Carrots and Peas	
Dessert Choice	*Vanilla Sponge with a Pineapple Ring and a Cherry*	*Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts*
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	
Meal Choice 2	Salmon and Dill Fishcakes with Potato Wedges	
Meal Choice 3	Chicken Fillet with Potato Wedges	**Halal**
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	**Gluten/ Dairy Free**
Vegetables	Broccoli and Mushy Peas	
Dessert Choice	*Chocolate Brownie Tray Bake*	*Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts*

Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day. Homemade Soup of the Day and Baked Jacket Potato with Filling, are available daily

Mobile Telephones

Whilst the College accepts that some parents, guardians and carers wish their child to carry a mobile telephone for reasons of personal safety as they travel to and from college, they must remain switched off and kept out of sight during the College day. It is the policy of the College for all Key Stage 3 students to hand their mobile telephones to their form tutors at the beginning of each day. The telephones are then securely stored until the end of the day when they are returned to the students. Please note that the College will not accept liability for the safe keeping of a mobile phone; it will remain the responsibility of the student at all times. Use of a mobile phone during college hours will lead to sanctions being imposed, up to and including confiscation.

December 2022 to February 2023

DECEMBER	
Friday 16th	Term Ends - all students will be dismissed at 12:15pm
JANUARY	
Monday 2nd	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3rd	Staff Training Day
Wednesday 4th	Academic Tutoring Day
Thursday 5th	Term Begins
FEBRUARY	
Monday 7th to Friday 10th	Enrichment Week