

Friday, 4 April 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

I hope this letter finds you all well. As we reach the end of another busy and productive Spring term, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the many achievements and events that have made this term so memorable.

Music & Dance Excellence!

This term our students have taken part in inter school competitions. Our dancers received overwhelming praise for their stunning routine at the Swale Academies Trust Dance Fever event, held at the Turing School in Eastbourne. The judges were blown away by both their performance and their professionalism. Well done to Keeley C, Lola H, Ruby M, Elsie U, Paige W, Scarlett W, Danielle W, Maksims F, Ola-T A, Emily C, Theo S, Annabel A, Abi H, Lilly W and Lily H. You made us very proud.

I am thrilled to announce that this term our school band won the Battle of the Bands at Canterbury Christ Church University. Their performance was absolutely outstanding and they demonstrated incredible talent and flair worthy of a festival headlining act. A huge congratulations to Amy T (bass), Callum E (drums) and Will A (vocals/guitar) for their stellar performances and thank you Mr. Atkins and all the staff who helped the students on their way.

Mock Exams and Exam Preparation

We've reached that time in the year when GCSE, A Level and BTEC exams loom large. To support their preparation, our students in Years 10-13 have recently completed their mock examinations. We were especially impressed by the dedication and hard work shown by our Year 11 and 13 students as they prepare for their crucial final exams in just a few weeks time. The commitment shown by so many of them is impressive and I know it will pay dividends when the final exams come around next month. I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to our exceptional teaching staff. Their tireless efforts, including giving up their time after school, on weekends and during the holidays, have been invaluable in supporting our students' revision. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a dedicated team here at The Sittingbourne School.

A Magical Performance

One of my personal highlights this term was the school production of "Alice in Wonderland". It was a resounding success. The creative staging, the imaginative costumes and the superb performances from our students were truly captivating. I know everyone and anyone who saw it would agree. Well done to all the students who were involved both on stage and behind it. I also would like to thank Miss Jones, Mr Neumann, Mrs Agyemang, Miss Turner, Mr Atkins, Mr Dighton and all the Site Team staff who contributed to a wonderful show.

Positive Feedback from Visitors

We have had a number of visitors to the school this term, and I am delighted to share that they have consistently commented on the smart appearance of our students, the calm and focused atmosphere within the school and the polite and respectful behaviour of our young people. This positive feedback reflects the hard work of our students and staff in creating a positive and productive learning environment.

Attendance and Non-Uniform Day

Today we are having a non-uniform day for all the students who have achieved excellent attendance this term. As I say a lot, good attendance is crucial for academic success, and we are committed to supporting our students in achieving this. We encourage all parents and carers to work with us in ensuring regular attendance. Please do not hesitate to contact our attendance team if you require any support or guidance.

Parking Considerations

I am sad to say that recently we have received several reports from our neighbours of inconsiderate parking during student collection times. Please remember to park safely and responsibly, avoiding blocking pathways, driveways and roads. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a happy Easter and a restful break. We look forward to welcoming our students back refreshed and ready for the Summer term on Tuesday, 22 April 2025.

Warmest regards



Mr N Smith
Headteacher