



Headlines

- **GCSE results give us a Progress 8 score of +1.7**
- **Our MacMillan coffee morning raises £360**
- **Over 500 applications for Y7 in September!**

From the Headteacher's Desk

For the second year running, exams were cancelled, but this year we were able to collect more assessment evidence and submit Teacher Assessed Grades for Y11-13. We put in place a rigorous process to ensure that this was done properly and was fair to all of our students. I am pleased to say that we finally ended up with another summer of excellent examination results which students and staff can be justifiably proud of.

We have also had a very good start to the new term with students and staff adapting well to the changes we have made in our routines now that we do not have to adhere to strict social distancing, bubbles etc. We continue to adopt a cautious approach and are encouraging students to continue to sanitise and maintain good hygiene.

Over the summer, 90 of our new Y7 pupils came in to school to enjoy a one week summer school. They had a great time studying maths, science, English, PE and art and they learnt about the house system and so much more. I am delighted to say that Y7 have settled in really well and have impressed us by their politeness and their positive attitude to school.

In terms of exam results, 86% of our year 11 cohort achieved grade 4 or above in both English and maths and more than 41% of the pupils achieved more than five 9-7 grades. 40% secured the prestigious English Baccalaureate qualification which requires them to achieve passes in English, Maths, Science/Computer Science, a Modern Foreign Language and History or Geography. At A Level, we achieved 100% A*/E grades, 90% A*/C and 75% A*/B grades. Five students achieved places at Oxford/Cambridge with many others securing places at prestigious universities such as the London School of Economics and University College London.

We were really pleased to be able to hold our Open Evening this year to show case our school. Feedback from prospective parents and pupils was extremely positive and we have over 600 applications for Y7 next year. Once we have 240 pupils in our next year 7 the school will have expanded to our capacity of 1200 in the main school. This year, our NVR assessment day is on Saturday 9th October.

It has been exciting to relaunch clubs and our house system after two years of disruption. We are celebrating 10 years of our house system and each house now has their very own mascot which created a great deal of excitement in the first house assemblies of term. Please do encourage your daughter to take part in clubs/activities/house events.

Sue Pryor
Headteacher



The House System

It is the 10 year anniversary of the House System this year and we have launched this in House Assemblies with the introduction of 'Mascot Mayhem!'

Every House has their very own mascot that will feature throughout the year in a range of events. Along with House Assemblies, the mascots also made an appearance at our Staff House Badminton Tournament! A wide range of events for staff and pupils will take place throughout the year, all of which will contribute to the points for each House.



Attendance

We are delighted that our attendance is holding up well. Please do not be concerned if your child needs to self-isolate due to a positive test. They can access google classroom to complete work and their individual attendance record will not be affected.

Group	% Attendance
Year 7	98.4%
Year 8	95.6%
Year 9	94.3%
Year 10	93.8%
Year 11	96.9%
Total	95.9%

Group	% Attendance
Year 12	97.3%
Year 13	96.7%
Totals	97.0%

As we enter flu season you may also find the following symptom guidance useful. If your child is exhibiting symptoms of Covid-19, please keep them at home and book a PCR test. Please ensure that you keep the school informed at every stage.

Covid-19 Fever New continuous dry cough Loss of taste/smell	Flu Fever Dry cough Runny nose Headache Sore throat Muscle and joint pain
Cold Cough Sore throat Aches and pains Watery eyes Sneezing Runny or stuffy nose	Allergies Sneezing Coughing Itchy eyes Runny or stuffy nose.

Success in private music exams

It is wonderful to see pupils passing private music exams at such high levels, especially considering the disruption to music lessons over the last eighteen months. Please do come and see me and let me know if you have recently passed a private music exam. I would love to congratulate you and hear your performance! Congratulations to the following achievements in private music exams in the Summer Term.

Victoria Safi - Grade 5 Piano

Jaspreet Kaur - Grade 5 Piano

Tarunika Karthikeyan - Grade 3 Drums

Uma Daurka- Grade 5 Singing

Clubs, Activities & LRC use from Sept 2021

	Club and year group/s	Day and time	Venue	Staff i/c
MONDAY	Year 11 "9IT" Drama	Every Monday 12.30pm -1.00pm	003	Miss Swayne
	GCSE Art Club Yrs 9-11	Every Monday 12.30pm -1.00pm	101	Miss Hack
	GCSE Photography Club Yrs 9-11	Every Monday 12.30pm -1.00pm	116	Mr Riches
	Upper Vocal Group Years 9-13	Every Monday 12.30pm -1.00pm	010	Mrs C Dennis
	Guitar/Ukulele Club All years	Every Monday 12.30pm -1.00pm	009	Miss Y Ellis
	Bookable Dance Studio all years	Every Monday 12.30 -1.00pm Book via Miss Coking	SH3	Miss Coking
	DT coursework surgery Y9 & 10	Every Monday week A 12.30pm -1.00pm	011	Mrs Yates
	Book Club Year 7	Every Monday week A 12.40pm -1.10pm	103	Ms Jones
	EAL/Language exchange club Y8-11	Every Monday 12.30pm -1.00pm	107	Ms Huang
	English Ambassadors Years 8 - 10	Every Monday 12.40pm -1.10pm	104	Ms Ellis
	Years 7-10 netball	Every Monday 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH1	Mrs Violet
	LRC for Years 9, 10 & 11	Every Monday 12.30pm -1.10pm	LRC	Mrs Tuff
TUESDAY	Debates Club - All years 7-13	Every Tuesday 12.40pm -1.10pm	008	Mr Hepner
	GCSE Art Club Yrs 9-11	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	101	Mrs Wahid
	GCSE Photography Club Yrs 9-11	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	116	Mrs Kumar
	Key stage 3 Art Club Y7 & 8	Starts after Oct half term Tuesday 12.30 -1.00pm	102	Mrs Wahid
	Geography Film Club – All years	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	215	Miss Lyon
	Spanish - Years 7 & 8	Every Week A Tuesday 12.40pm -1.10pm	006	Mr Lynch
	British Sign Language Club	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	217	Mrs Fullam
	Languages Club Years - 7 & 8	Every Week B Tuesday 12.40pm -1.10pm	006	Miss Hosegood
	Vocal Group – all years	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	010	Mrs C Dennis
	KS4 ACT UP club GCSE Y9-11	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	003	Miss Swayne
	Year 10 Dance Club	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH3	Miss Coking
	Year 7 Drama Club	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	009	Miss Y Ellis
	Poetry by Heart All years	Every Tuesday 12.40pm -1.10pm	104	Miss M Ellis
	DT coursework surgery Y9 & 10	Every Tuesday week A 12.30pm -1.00pm	011	Mrs Yates
	Years 7 & 8 Basketball	Every Tuesday week B 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH1	Mr Davis and Ms Ocakli
	Years 9, 10 & 11 Basketball	Every Tuesday week A 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH1	
	LRC for Years 7 & 8	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.10pm	LRC	Mrs Tuff
WEDNESDAY	Geography Ambassadors Club	Every Wednesday week B 12.30pm -1.00pm	216	Miss Martin
	GCSE Art Club Yrs 9-11	Every Wednesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	101	Miss Hack
	GCSE Photography Club Yrs 9-11	Every Wednesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	116	Mr Riches
	Year 8 Centre Stage Club	Every Wednesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	003	Miss Swayne
	Year 7 Keyboard Club	Every Wednesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	010	Miss Y Ellis
	Year 9 & 11 Dance Club	Every Wednesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH2 & SH3	Miss Coking
	Year 10 Enterprise Club	Every Wednesday 12.30pm -1.00pm	118	Mrs Arnold
	Lit Soc years 12 & 13	Every Wednesday 12.40pm -1.10pm	S7	Ms Pimbert
	Years 7 & 8 Badminton Club	Every Wednesday week A 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH1	Miss Mills
	Years 9, 10 & 11 Badminton Club	Every Wednesday week B 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH1	
	LRC for Years 9, 10 & 11	Every Wednesday 12.30pm -1.10pm	LRC	Mrs Tuff
THURSDAY	Coding Club –Year 7 & 8	Thursday 12.30-12.55pm	015	Mrs Mantee
	History Film Club - Year 7 & 8	Thursday week B only 12.45pm-1.05pm	203	Miss Palgina
	Lights, Camera, Action – Y9 GCSE	Every Thursday 12.30pm -1.00pm	003	Miss Swayne
	Instrumental Group – all years	Every Thursday 12.30pm -1.00pm	010	Mrs C Dennis & Mr Lynch
	Guitar/Ukulele Club All years	Every Thursday 12.30pm -1.00pm	009	Miss Y Ellis
	Anime Club Years 8 - 10	Every Thursday 12.40pm -1.10pm	107	Miss Huang
	Speed/Handwriting Club Y10 & 11	Every Thursday 12.40pm -1.10pm	105	Ms Shah
	Year 7 and 8 Dance Club	Every Thursday 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH3	Miss Coking
	Indoor Football Year 7-10	Every Thursday 12.30pm -1.00pm	SH1	Miss Kinnane
	LRC for Years 7 & 8	Every Tuesday 12.30pm -1.10pm	LRC	Mrs Tuff
FRIDAY	LGBTQ+ Society /BAME Society	Friday week A/Friday week B 12.30pm -1.00pm	107	Mrs Hare
	Yr 10 Shakespeare Schools Festival	Every Friday 12.30pm -1.00pm	003	Miss Swayne
	Year 8 1 st Act Drama Club	Every Friday 12.30pm -1.00pm	009	Miss Y Ellis
	Year 8 Keyboard Club	Every Friday 12.30pm -1.00pm	010	Mrs C Dennis
	Bookable Dance Studio all years	Every Monday 12.30 -1.00pm Book via Miss Coking	SH3	Miss Coking
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School Production, sports fixtures and clubs including science and dance squad will all be after school and Dept will tell pupils.

All years can also use the LRC after school until 4.30pm

MacMillan Coffee Morning

£360 raised by cakes made and bought by staff!

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Year 6 Summer School



Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy on our Governing Body for a Parent Governor. Our school Governing Body is made up of Governors who come to us through a variety of routes and with a range of different backgrounds, skills and experiences, but they are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the school and are the link between the school and the community it serves. We would be interested to hear from anyone who has parental responsibility for a child at the school who has an interest in supporting the school vision and ensuring that the school works effectively to achieve that vision. If you are interested or wish to nominate someone, please email the Clerk to the Governing Body, Mrs S Seabrook at sseabrook@swakeleys.org.uk

Senators Years 8-11 2021-2022

Year 8

Aaliyah Grant 8MY
Olivia Chad 8JA

Year 9

Christiana Wema-Reeves 9EB
Rebecca Ross 9DS

Year 10

Nyah Blueprint 10MY
Ugbad Isse 10 AF

Year 11

Chloe Domhani 11EB
Ahlan Galambi 11FN

Half Term	25th - 29th October 2021
6th Form Open Afternoon/Evening	17th November 2021
Training days	25th and 26th November 2021
Y11 mock exams	1st to 17th December 2021

You can also go to our website to view a parents' calendar which summarises key dates throughout the academic year.