

PARENT INFORMATION BULLETIN



Message from Head Teacher

This weeks poem was "Still I rise" by Maya Angelou.

You may write me down in history
With your bitter, twisted lies,
You may trod me in the very dirt
But still, like dust, I'll rise.

Does my sassiness upset you?
Why are you beset with gloom?
'Cause I walk like I've got oil wells
Pumping in my living room.

Just like moons and like suns,
With the certainty of tides,
Just like hopes springing high,
Still I'll rise.

Did you want to see me broken?
Bowed head and lowered eyes?
Shoulders falling down like teardrops,
Weakened by my soulful cries?

Does my haughtiness offend you?
Don't you take it awful hard
'Cause I laugh like I've got gold mines
Diggin' in my own backyard.

You may shoot me with your words,
You may cut me with your eyes,
You may kill me with your hatefulness,
But still, like air, I'll rise.

Does my sexiness upset you?
Does it come as a surprise
That I dance like I've got diamonds
At the meeting of my thighs?

Out of the huts of history's shame
I rise
Up from a past that's rooted in pain
I rise
I'm a black ocean, leaping and wide,
Welling and swelling I bear in the tide.

Leaving behind nights of terror and fear
I rise
Into a daybreak that's wondrously clear
I rise
Bringing the gifts that my ancestors gave,
I am the dream and the hope of the slave.



This was followed by an assembly marking the start of a month of celebrations for Black History Month. This weeks assembly focused on our Blue Plaque History competition being run by the History department. Please encourage your daughter to enter!

Have a lovely weekend

Ms Gumbrell

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

Week B

Monday 5th October - School closes at 2.20pm

Monday 5th October - Year 6 Open evening 5-7.30pm

Monday 5th October - Year 11 Geography field trip

Tuesday 6th October - School opens at 10am

Thursday 8th October - School closes at 2.20pm

Friday 9th October - Year 12/13 textiles trip to Alexandra Palace

Useful Links

Vacancies and Opportunities at ECSfG - [Click Here](#)

Useful Websites for Students - [Click Here](#)

Student SEND - [Click Here](#)

Wellbeing and Safeguarding Signposting for Young People - [Click Here](#)



General Notices

Year 7 Information evening

On Thursday 15th October we will be welcoming all our new year 7 parents to our Rosemary Avenue site for an information evening. This event will provide you with an overview of the curriculum at Key Stage 3, an opportunity to meet your daughter's form tutor as well as a short safety talk by the Met Police and information on support organisations in Enfield. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Uniform

Thank you for your support in ensuring your daughters attend school in full school uniform.

This is not optional and the relevant information can be referenced on our school website. In addition:

1. No hoodies are to be worn in school. If a student is seen in a hoodie it will be confiscated and returned at the end of the week.
2. No false lashes or acrylic nails allowed.
3. Blazers need to be worn at all times and not carried.
4. No other piercings apart from a single nose stud.

Social Media

Please continue to monitor your daughters use of social media.

The visual below reminds you of the age restrictions on various sites popular with young people.





Previous Notices

BHM

Next week marks the start of our celebration of Black History Month. We have lots of events and assemblies planned to celebrate this month with all our students.



Parent Support

There are lots of groups in the local community offering parental support. Please also remember that you can contact school if you require any support and we will always help you.





Previous Notices

KS3 Reading

If your daughter is in KS3, your English teacher will be handing out recommended reading lists. Please ask your daughter about these and encourage her to read age appropriate texts--thanks. Andrew Rose (Head of English)

Gcsepod

Every student in the school has a login for Gcsepod. Please encourage your daughter to login and use the resources. There's lots of great resources to support all subjects in Key Stage 3 and 4.

IS YOUR CHILD USING GCSEPOD TO REVISE?

gcsepod
education on demand

We've subscribed to the award-winning, learning and revision resource, GCSEPod

GCSEPod is designed to support your child through their GCSEs and it's never too late for them to start using it!

Top tip: Use My Courses to create a timetable with your child

"Wow! Emma actually asked if GCSEPod counted as revision as she can't believe it! I can't believe it either!"
Parent

- ✓ Check & Challenge to allow your child to independently check their own knowledge of a topic
- ✓ 3-5 minute expert-written videos (Pods) covering all the key knowledge needed for 28+ GCSE subjects
- ✓ Exam specific playlists (My Courses) provide ready-made revision
- ✓ Watch Pods together and use the identified keywords to create flashcards, memory posters and mind maps

Access your child's account at
Your child should already be aware of their login details

podup
Podcasts, Music, More

gcsepod.com | info@gcsepod.com | 0191 338 7830



Previous Notices

School Street - Lower Site

A reminder for parents that there is a School Street zone in place at our lower site. The zone includes Rosemary Avenue, Primrose Avenue, Lavender Road and a small section of Hawthorn Grove. To avoid a penalty notice please do not use these roads between 8am and 9am and 3pm and 3.45 pm. If you have a Blue Badge or qualify for an exemption, please contact the school so that we can register your details.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep our pupils safe and reduce congestion around the school.

