

DCCA Parent Bulletin

Friday 1st October 2021

MESSAGE FROM MRS TOMKINS

As an Academy we continue to drive standards of Teaching and Learning. Many of you are familiar with our STAR Culture for Learning Framework that provides the outline for all lessons in our classrooms. Students are now very familiar with the process of learning, the coding and the understanding of tasks within a lesson. In order to further develop these strands, and for students to become more independent in their learning we have introduced our Key Stage 3 Planner – for years 7, 8 and 9.

The STRANDS in Lessons

- Settle and Start
- Think Hard, Try Hard all
- Aim and Achieve
- Recap and Reflect



UPCOMING EVENTS

4th – 15th October
Year 11 Mocks

Thursday 14th October
Post 16 Open Evening

16th – 31st October
Half Term holiday

The planner supports the process for students to identify their **Learning AIMS in the lesson** and to self-assess **their progress and ACHIEVEMENT** against the AIMS. This will allow students to **RECAP and REFLECT** from the lesson and implement independent study tasks from their lessons when they are at home. Therefore, parental engagement with homework can be as simple as discussing with your son or daughter what they have been learning in school and ask them to explain their learning – perhaps with some help from the planner!

Additionally, we are working hard to implement homework that is a meaningful extension of their learning and contributes to the RECAP and REFLECT strand of the STAR Framework. It is imperative that we embed students' understanding of the curriculum and engage them in the sequence of their learning. The planner begins this process for our younger students, and our older students continue to implement good study habits.

We are now able to point you to the Curriculum Gateway where students and parents can access their intended curriculum from the One Drive. Parents and students can then access termly overviews, schemes of work, homework objectives, personalised learning checklists (PLCs) and other learning support resources for subject areas. [Dover Christ Church Academy: Academy Subjects Gateway \(dcccacademy.org.uk\)](http://dcccacademy.org.uk).

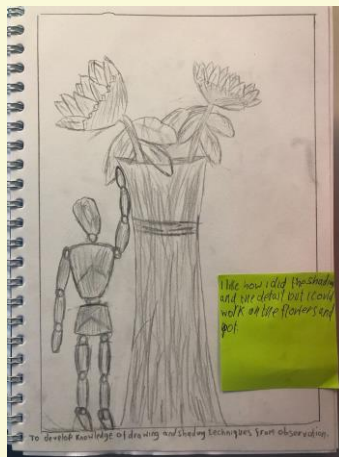
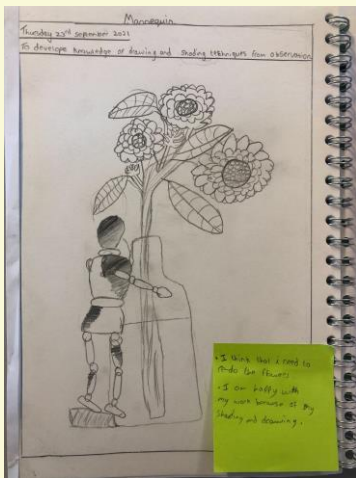
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ART

Year 7 brightened the mood in the art department this week with some beautiful drawings of real yellow sunflowers paired with mannequins! Students had an Aim & Achieve challenge to draw this mini still life and reflect and apply techniques based on prior learning in their curriculum sequence. The result..... well here are a few examples and they are simply wonderful!

Mrs Parris
Head of Creative Arts



PE KIT

With the cold weather drawing in please ensure extra layers are worn, underneath PE tops. Boots are required for all football lessons. Students should be wearing full and correct PE kit on the days they have PE. Non school uniform items are not allowed.

Over the next 2 weeks, due to the Year 11 and 13 mocks, the PE department do not have any practical teaching in indoor areas, and therefore lessons will be outside (if weather permits). With this in mind please ensure your child is prepared for outdoor lessons (additional layers).

Mr Durrant
Head of PE



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FOOTBALL FIXTURES

Congratulations to all the students who represented the academy last week. Your efforts and attitude have made us all proud. An outstanding set of results across our year groups.

- Year 7s won vs Goodwin Academy 12-2!!
- Year 8s won vs Goodwin Academy 4-0!
- Year 9s lost vs Goodwin 0-2
- Year 10s won vs Goodwin 6-0
- Post 16 won 2-1 vs Archbishops

This week's football district league results:

- Year 7s vs DGSB Lost 4-1
- Year 8s vs DGSB won 9-1
- Year 9s vs DGSB lost 9-0
- Year 10s vs DGSB draw 1-1

Friendly game:

Post 16 vs Year 11- post 16 won 9-1!

Cup results:

Year 7s vs Kent Ethelberts school. Won 4-0. Amazing result, seeing Year 7s go through to the next round of the Kent cup. Well done Year 7s 🙌

Next weeks football fixtures:

Monday 4th October:

Year 10s play Sandwich Tech (H)

Wednesday 6th October:

Under 13 girls play Charles Dickens (A)

Post 16 play Ashford College (A)

Thursday 7th October:

Year 11s play Charles Dickens (A)

All other year groups have a rest week from competitive fixtures, however optional Football training will still be on, on Wednesday.



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Head of PE



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UNIVERSITY AND APPRENTICESHIP FAIR

Last Friday all of the Year 13 students went up to Tottenham Hotspur stadium for a university & apprenticeship fair in which they were able to walk round and talk to the different universities and representatives to assist them choose where to apply. They provided students with advice and guidance so they can make informed choices about their futures.

Miss Wallis



Y5 AND 6 OPEN EVENING

Many thanks to some of our new Year 12 students, showing what it means to be part of our school and the local community. What a transformation, gaining the confidence to work with our visitors on our recent open evening. Giving their time to show the best of DCCA.





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Options Evening Post 16

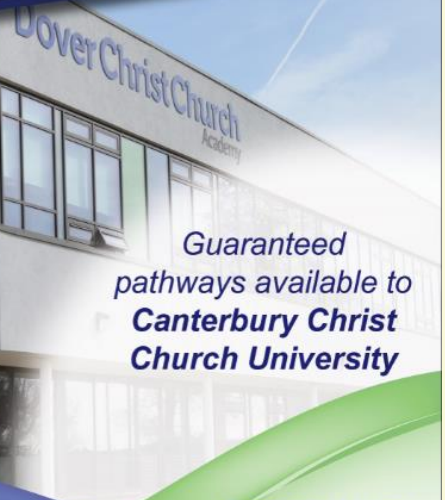
Thursday 14th October 2021
5:00 - 7:00pm



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ALL STUDENTS WELCOME

Dover Christ Church Academy 

LUNCHTIME
MONDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY

POST 16 FOOTBALL LUNCH CLUB



FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

YEAR 7 & 8: SPORTS HALL
YEAR 9: OLD GYM
YEAR 10 & 11: MUGGA



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Want to see if you have what it takes to pursue a career in sport?



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Starting at Dover Christ Church Academy in September 2022 (year 11 leavers 2022).

For more details speak to: Mr Bing, Mr Durrant or Mr Cooper.