



WEEK 6

Can you believe that we are 75% through the first half term of the 23/24 academic year! We always seem to fit such a lot into 5 days and this week has been no different! Here is a glimpse of some of our highlights this week!

JLA OUT & ABOUT

This week our Year 12 Business and Travel & Tourism students braved the rain and were out and about at the popular resort, Alton Towers. Students were able to talk to members of staff to help understand how they give excellent customer service as well as how Alton Towers use the recruitment process in order to employ the best possible staff. The purpose of this trip is to assist students in preparing for their coursework and of course, students were also able to experience the thrill and spills of the business for themselves to ensure they were fully clued up about about the different types of experiences on offer to visitors and how Alton Towers cater for their different needs. By all accounts, a great day was had by all!



The PE department have had an even busier week than usual too, taking not 1 but 3 football teams from Years 7, 8 & 11 to St Thomas More for three inter school fixtures!

All of the teams represented our Academy with great pride and determination which Mr Taylor, Mr Allen and Mr Barron were extremely proud of. There were some fantastic individual and team performances across the three teams in very wet and difficult weather conditions. Every student who represented the Academy should be very proud of their efforts. Although the results did not go in our favour, the matches were played with great integrity and determination from every player. Well done lads!



CLASS CHARTS

Year 7 are still leading the way for positive behaviour points, well done, although, Year 11 are hot on their tails! 7NA are STILL retaining their title of form of the week too, now that is impressive!



Wow, the battle of the houses is well and truly on! Just when Orion had sneaked out on top last week, Hercules have gone and reclaimed the top spot!! Congratulations Hercules!! See your Heads of House for more information of how you can contribute to your House total. Every point counts!



If you haven't already, please can I urge all parents and carers to download the Class Charts app so you can join us in congratulating your child on the positive choices they are making during school time.





DID YOU KNOW?



Did you know that all next week is National Baking Week?

Cooking is a great way to relax and spend time with family members. So we've asked our very own Food Tech legend, Miss Iddles to share the ins and outs of one of her favourite bakes!

Be sure to share evidence of your successful bakes with us and if they don't go according to plan, Mr Kipling can come to the rescue... don't worry, it will be our secret!

SHORTBREAD

Equipment: wooden spoon, bowl, sieve, tbsp, tin, baking paper, rolling pin

1. Preheat the oven to 190C Fan.
2. Beat 125g butter and 55g sugar together until smooth.
3. Stir in 180g flour to get a smooth paste.
4. Place a piece of parchment in the base of your tin
5. Turn out your mixture onto the parchment.
6. Use a spoon to smooth the mixture and press it into the corners of the tin making sure that it is level and smooth.
7. Prick the top of your mixture with a fork and score into 8 for easy cutting.
8. Bake in the oven for 15-20 minutes, or until pale golden-brown. Set aside to cool, then cut.

Ingredients

- 125g Butter
- 55g Caster sugar
- 180g Plain flour



LOOKING AHEAD

Year 11 parents will have received notifications of the Parent Consultation Evening due to be held on Thursday 19th October. Appointments are face to face at the Academy and you can book your appointments now at www.josephleckieacademy.co.uk/pcebookings

Please note that we cannot guarantee that you will be able to meet with your child's teachers if you do not pre-book appointments. We look forward to seeing you on 19th October.



Reminder that if you are the **parent or carer of a Year 7 student**, please diarise Thursday 26th October for our Year 7 Settling In evening. We are looking forward to sharing the progress of our Year 7 students with you.

Wishing you a restful weekend! We look forward to seeing students back in school on Monday morning for another week of learning!



Learn together, lead together.

