

# NEWSLETTER



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## Dear Students, Parents and Carers

This week I was struck by just how strong our ethos of being a Technology College has become. Over the past few years we have continued to set challenges for ourselves and to find creative ways of meeting and even exceeding these challenges.

Over the half term break I wrote to all families in years 7 through to 10. In the letter I explained how we were really proud to be able to announce that from the start of this term we would be beginning our new academic year. In particular this would mean that our Year 8 students would be returning to school and starting courses which would lead to their first 5 GCSEs. Of course this work has been steadily developed over the past few years which has meant that we now have students in our new Year 11 (so in Year 10 before the break) who have now finished a number of their GCSEs and are simply waiting for their grades. This has now left us with the wonderful challenge of what these students will be doing with all of this extra time. I simply wanted to reassure these students and their parents that of course these plans are in place and we will shortly be contacting all of the students and their families who are in this position and explaining the variety of exciting options now open to them and involving them in making decisions which are best suited to their needs and future ambitions.

Mario Citro  
Headteacher

## GCSE SCIENCE REVISION FOR YEAR 9 & YEAR 10 STUDENTS

For Year 9 and Year 10 students taking their GCSE Science exams on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June, the following revision sessions will be offered next week.

### Year 9 students

All Year 9 students will be sitting 2 GCSE exams for science - Chemistry 1 and Physics 1

#### Chemistry Revision

T10 on Wed. 17<sup>th</sup> June from 3.30 to 4.30pm.

#### Physics Revision

T13 on Thurs. 18<sup>th</sup> June from 3.30 to 4.30pm.

### Year 10 students

(Doing a mixture of exams - please refer to exam entries that should have arrived home in the post, or check with teacher if unsure)

#### Biology Revision

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> June in T15 from 3.30 to 4.30pm.

#### Chemistry Revision

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> June in T10 from 3.30 to 4.30pm.

#### Physics Revision

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June in T13 from 3.30 to 4.30pm.

## KENT FREEDOM PASSES

These are **not** renewed automatically.

Anyone wanting to have a Kent Freedom Pass for September will need to send in their applications by 17<sup>th</sup> July. After that date applications will be accepted but there can be no guarantee that they will be ready for the beginning of September.

Application forms are available from the Finance Office.

## SUGARCRAFT

Would you like to create edible cake decorations?

Sign up to our 5 week courses

Weds. 10<sup>th</sup> June to Weds. 8<sup>th</sup> July

The course instructor is a qualified Sugar Craft specialist.

These courses are very popular, so book early by contacting

Maria Griffiths on 01303 277161 ext 2253 or e-mail

[maria.griffiths@pent-valley.kent.sch.uk](mailto:maria.griffiths@pent-valley.kent.sch.uk)



## SPANISH TONGUE TWISTER

Can you learn the following tongue twister and repeat it to Mrs Moreira or Miss Diaz?

“Erre con erre cigarro;  
Erre con erre barril.  
Rapido corren los carros,  
Cargados de azucar al ferrocarril.”

If you manage to pronounce it correctly , you can earn 10 merits.

Give it a try!

## LRC BOOK OF THE WEEK 21st Century Lives: Teen Movie Stars by Debbie Foy



Have you ever wondered how Zac Efron broke into films, or how Daniel Radcliffe and Emma Watson found fame?

Discover the secrets behind the teen movie stars' success in this collection of biographies. 21st Century Lives: Teen Movie Stars contains biographies of the most successful teenage movie stars including Freddie Highmore, Hilary Duff and Lindsay Lohan.

This book gives an insight into the backgrounds, acting styles and interests of the teen movie stars we watch on the big screen.

This book is now available in the LRC at the Dewey Decimal number 920—Famous People

## WORD OF THE WEEK

This week's word is: lying  
Every time you correctly use the word of the week you will receive a merit. You must underline the word in your book and tell your teacher.



## Family Programmes

with Kent Adult Education Service

## Draw and Explore

A free four week course for families to explore a variety of techniques and styles including:

- Pastels
- Chinese Brush painting
- Wax Batiking
- Charcoal
- Still Life

The Folkestone School  
for Girls

Fridays, 3.30pm to  
5.30pm

From 19th June to 10th  
July 2009



## NATIONAL AUSTISTIC SOCIETY

### Diary dates for June

**Saturday 13th June—NAS Family Fun Club**

Salvation Army Hall, Canterbury Road, Folkestone. From 10.30am—12.30pm £1.00 per child.  
Activities include toys, games, dressing up, airflow centre, table football, laptop computers, refreshments.

**Monday 15th June—Father's Club**

St Luke Church Hall, Canterbury Road, Hawkinge, CT18 7BP From 7.30pm - tel: 01634 405168 for further information.



# SHEPWAY SECONDARY LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

## SATURDAY SCHOOL PROGRAMME

SUMMER 2009

STOP PRESS.....

THERE ARE STILL PLACES AVAILABLE

ON THE FOLLOWING COURSES.....

### **RADIO WORKSHOP at KSS RADIO STATION, PENT VALLEY**

10am – 2pm on 20<sup>th</sup> June and 4<sup>th</sup> July for Years 6 – 13

Learn the workings of a radio studio, presenting techniques and production skills... then produce your own radio show in a REAL Radio Station

### **MUSIC TECH WORKSHOP at PENT VALLEY**

10am – 2pm on 20<sup>th</sup> June and 4<sup>th</sup> July for Years 6 – 13

Whether you play an instrument or not, if you're interested in music learn the basics of Music Technology using logic pro software and produce your own piece of original music. If you play and instrument, bring it along

## **CYCLE TRAINING TO NATIONAL LEVEL 1, 2 or 3 at PENT VALLEY**

9.30am - 12.30pm on 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> July for Years 7 - 11

Cycling proficiency for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, making cycling safe, healthy and fun. Gives students the skills and confidence to cycle safely on today's roads. Bikes and helmets can be supplied if you don't have your own

## **BASIC CAMPCRAFT & COOKING SKILLS at PENT VALLEY**

One day course: 10am - 3pm on 13<sup>th</sup> June for Years 5 - 7

Learn how to put up a tent, cook on a Trangia, basic navigation and map skills.

## **TENNIS ACTIVITY DAYS at SELLINDGE TENNIS CLUB**

10am - 12noon on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July and Monday 20<sup>th</sup> - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July for pupils and students from Year 5 and upwards

Improve your skills and achieve success in tennis, learn the rules and scoring system and experience competitive play individually and in teams.

## **FIVE DAY SOCCER SCHOOLS at PENT VALLEY**

9am - 12noon Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August for Primary pupils (boys and girls)

1pm - 4pm Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August for Secondary students (girls only)

An exciting opportunity to improve your soccer skills and take part in games in these courses led by fully qualified coaches

## **CREATIVE WRITING at BROCKHILL on Wednesdays after school**

4pm - 5pm on Wednesdays 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> June, 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July for Years 5-7

If you enjoy writing stories, join in and improve your creative writing skills including how to make great characters and settings for your pirate stories

## **MUSIC EXTRAVAGANZA at BROCKHILL**

12noon - 2pm on 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> June, 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> July for Years 3 - 13. Rehearsals will also take place during September and October leading to a Show in late October.

If you're interested in High School Musical and Grease, join this Company and take part in three Musical pieces which will be performed to an audience in the autumn

## **ROBOTICS at BROCKHILL**

10am - 12noon on 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> June, 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> July for Years 5 - 11

A Robotics team will be set up to learn the concept of programming using Lego MindStream and Robolab to build and control a robotic to perform specific tasks.

### **TO APPLY.....**

Check with your parent/carer that they are happy for you to apply and that you are free to attend on the dates

Complete the application form and ask your parent/carer to complete all of their sections of the form. Email your form to [janb@nascr.net](mailto:janb@nascr.net), fax it to 01303 262708 or send it to:

Jan Brown, Brockhill Park Performing Arts College, Sandling Road, Hythe, Kent CT21 4HL

If you have any queries please contact Jan Brown on [janb@nascr.net](mailto:janb@nascr.net) or 01303 233805 (Tuesdays - Thursdays) or 07821 262817



# Shepway Secondary Learning Partnership



## SHEPWAY SECONDARY LEARNING PARTNERSHIP Saturday School 2009

I give permission for my son/daughter.....  
from.....(your School) to attend the..... course  
at.....(Venue).

I give permission for my son/daughter to participate in this event.

**Signed.....Parent/Guardian**

Should the need arise, I agree to the person(s) in charge of the course or project giving consent, on my behalf, for an anaesthetic to be administered or any urgent medical treatment to be given to my child.

**Signed.....Parent/Guardian**

Please indicate whether you give your consent to your child's photograph being taken. It may appear in the local press, on film or on the Brockhill Park Performing Arts College website.

I **give/do not give** (please delete as appropriate) permission for my child's photo to be taken during the Saturday School event and used as above.

**Signed.....Parent/Guardian**

**NOTES: if you are giving permission for your son/daughter to participate you MUST sign all three places and indicate if you give permission for their photo to be taken and used.**

### THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED

#### CONTACT DETAILS:

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

HOME PHONE NUMBER.....MOBILE NUMBER.....

SPECIAL MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS/ALLERGIES.....

**To parents/carers:** Please complete and return this form as soon as possible to :

**Jan Brown at Brockhill Park Performing Arts College, Sandling Lane, Hythe, CT21 4HL**

**If you have any queries please contact [janb@nascr.net](mailto:janb@nascr.net) or call 01303 233805 (Tues-Thurs)**