



Greetings From THE HEAD OF SCHOOL.....

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you all had an enjoyable Easter break (and the weather that came with it) and would like to welcome everyone back for the summer term.

There was an extensive revision programme for our GCSE and A Level students over the holiday period to support our students with their revision. These sessions were not designed to cover every aspect of revision, but I would hope that they have been useful in addressing areas for improvement.

All Year 11 and 13 students should now have received their individual examination timetables. Well done to all our students who have been revising so much over the last few weeks and thank you to the staff who gave up their time in the holidays to come into school and work with the students. I am confident that this will pay dividends when the students sit their exams. A reminder that our Year 11 students begin study leave on Monday 13th May and Year 13 on Monday 20th May.

This week and next week many of our Year 11 students have been doing their language speaking examinations and we wish them every success with these.

Over the Easter break, there were also two trips that took place, a football tour to Valencia and a performing arts trip to Barcelona. Congratulations to all students who participated in this as they were outstanding ambassadors for the school and, once again, many thanks to the staff who gave up their time in the holidays to support these trips.

Also, a huge well done to James Russell in Year 10, who represented the school in the Jack Petchey 'Speak Out' competition this week.

Over the Easter break, a number of our students were invited to sing at the Mayor's Community Dinner, which took place at Hylands House. This was a particular privilege for the school and the students, who performed magnificently, really did us proud.

On Thursday and Friday of this week, we have been holding our annual Community Dance Show. This unique show celebrates the work of our students. Thursday night was a sell out and the show did not disappoint. Again, well done to everybody that took part and a big thanks to everyone that attended and showed their support. This event always raises a good amount of money for charity and I'm sure this year will be no exception.

We were delighted to welcome the Year 5's and their teacher from our neighbour Perryfields Junior School. They worked in the Science Faculty all Thursday afternoon and were fantastic scientists.

This weekend, our Under 16 Boys Volleyball team will be playing in the National Final. We wish them every success in this!

It's always a pleasure to celebrate some individual student achievements outside of school. Abbie Low in Year 12 managed to qualify for the national swimming championships that were held in Glasgow over the Easter holidays. To even qualify for these championships is a fantastic accomplishment when you consider how many swimmers there are in the country. Abbie competed in a number of events: 200m freestyle, 100m freestyle, 200m backstroke and the 400m freestyle. She performed best in the 200m backstroke, where she made it to the last 8 in the country.

Luca Tessadri in Year 9 was selected to represent the Under 14 England Ice Hockey team. The team flew out to Finland over the Easter break to play in a tournament against Russian, Finnish and Swedish sides. Well done to both of these students for excelling so much within their chosen disciplines.

Finally, as we approach the summer, just a reminder to encourage your child to bring plenty of water and sun cream to school, as it can get very hot out on the field at lunchtime.

Have a great weekend!

Stephen Mansell
Head of School

Upcoming events

Cambodia Parents' Information Meeting - 6pm Wednesday 1st May 2019 (Restaurant)

Year 8 Parents' Evening - 5pm Thursday 9th May 2019

Keeping up to speed

As well as our website, you can keep up to speed with everything that is happening at the school by following us on Twitter (@BoswellsSchool) or on our Facebook page (The Boswells School Official). You can also sign up to receive our press and media releases direct to your email address. This service is free of charge and can be accessed by emailing boswellsnews@gmail.com and asking to be added to the distribution list.

Notices



PLEASE NOTE there is a change to the date of the next FOBS meeting from Wednesday 12th June to Wednesday 5th June. It will be held in the school's restaurant starting at 7.30pm. New members welcome. If you would like further information about how to support FOBS or to join the committee please contact Miss Noble cne@oswells-school.com

THE 2 JOHNS

We welcome back 'The 2 Johns' on Monday 3rd June, at 7pm in the school theatre. This session is in place of the original Parents' Forum which was due to be held on the May 8th.

Between them, the '2 Johns' have a combined Police Service of over 55 years, and their presentation on the dark dangers of the modern online world showcases their expertise in working as covert officers and enlightening insights. It is a presentation that I thoroughly recommend, particularly if your child is Years 7 or 8 (but it is wholly relevant to all parents) – prepare to have your perceptions challenged! If you have any questions regarding this event, please feel free to email Mrs Jones at tlj@boswells-school.com.

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Reviews must be completed online, via the school Reading cloud. Details of how to download the app are in the library.

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Well done to these Forms for having the best attendance in their year groups for week ending 5th April 2019.



Year	Form
7	7S2
8	8S1 and 8M2
9	9M2
10	10M1
11	11S2

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Frequently asked questions (please e-mail simsparent@boswells-school.com if you have any other questions)

How do I register?

You will have been sent an e-mail with a registration code. If you the code has expired just e-mail simsparent@boswells-school.com and we'll send you a new code and registration instructions.

I do not have a suitable account (Facebook, Google, Twitter or Microsoft)

In order to register with SIMS Parent you will need an existing account with one of the above providers. If you don't have one it is possible to link an existing e-mail address (e.g Yahoo, BT etc. to a Microsoft Account by doing the following:

- Go to signup.live.com
- Enter an existing email address such as example@yahoo.co.uk and define a password
- Follow the remaining steps to complete the account setup

Once the existing email address has been linked up to a Microsoft account it can be used to login to SIMS Parent by selecting the 'Microsoft' login option.

I've registered but can't remember my username and password.

When you registered you would have chosen one of your existing accounts—either a Microsoft e-mail address (Hotmail, outlook, live etc.), a Google e-mail address (gmail, googlemail etc.), Facebook or Twitter.



At the login screen, click the icon for the account provider you chose and your username and password will be the same as for that account. For example, if you registered with Facebook, your SIMS Parent login details are the same as those you use to get on to Facebook.

The attendance and conduct figures are not what I was expecting



The attendance percentage shown is for the current term, not the current academic year. Click on the attendance tile to see detailed attendance.



The conduct figures shown are the number of entries, not the number of points. Click the Conduct tile to see details of conduct entries.

I can log in but see the message "Please contact your administrator for access to that functionality"

This usually indicates that you have tried to login with an account other than that you used to register.

Click **Sign Out** in the top right hand corner of the screen and re-login using the correct account. If you continue to have issues visit the account provider's web page (e.g. Google, Facebook, etc.) and select the 'sign out' option. Close the browser completely, open a new browser window and log into SIMS Parent using the correct account details.



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