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Value for this half term: Respect

Theme for this week (09 - 12 May 2023): Respect for God's planet

Life Skills theme for the week: We are respectful and respect each other's differences

Life in All its Fullness: Mrs Burgess and Mx Henshall commended the fantastic Year 11 Art students who had their

final, formal Art examinations last week. Perseverance, focus and creativity were on show for the full four days of exams - well done to all involved!

Similarly, MFL students in Year 11 had their oral examinations; a number of students had to overcome extreme nervousness and 'mind blanks' to complete the exam - but did it! Tuesday 9 May is the final day of MFL oral exams. Small steps, Year 11, but keep crossing off each exam as it's completed.

Our Vision

The Harleston Sancroft Academy is a community that flourishes, through God's love, to live

'Life in All its Fullness'.

(JOHN 10:10 AND JOHN 13:34).

We are a foundation of **Hope**; a family of **Love**; a school of nurture guided by **Faith**; promoting a unique, personalised journey towards excellence.

This week we also have a special presentation to Year 10 students on the importance of healthy sleep. We'll share more with parents and carers about this in next week's newsletter, but here are a few reminders about getting better sleep.

Ready for school: Wearing the **correct uniform** each day has a number of positives, including encouraging students into the right frame of mind to focus on learning and helping students to minimise the risk of unnecessary conflict with staff.

The vast majority of students wear their uniform immaculately, knowing full well that they are a part of a school community that values and cares for them. However, we do have a small number of students who need additional reminders - and sanctions - in order to ensure that they raise their game and get their uniform right.

We have reminded students about our uniform expectations and also our expectations around jewellery and nails:

<u>Jewellery</u>

Students can **only** have the following

- One watch
- One set of studs





No nose studs

Direct from policy: Students are permitted to wear one small plain stud earring per ear. No hoops or large 'diamond' studs of any sort are permitted. It is recommended that students wear a watch.

Sanction:

If you are not following the guidelines above, your form tutor will confiscate the additional items; you can collect them at the end of the school day from the main office.

Nails

Students in year 7, 8 and 9 are <u>not to</u> have their nails painted. They need to be natural.

From the uniform policy:

Students in Years 10 and 11 are permitted to wear nail varnish or gel polish. Nails should reflect appropriate business dress and should be subtle in colour. Nail extensions are not permitted.

Please note: nails are to be short.

Sanction:

If your nails fail to meet the above guidelines, you will be given two days to address the issue. If this is still not corrected, then social times (break/lunch times) may be removed until the the situation is resolved. Parents / Carers will also be contacted.





Please support our young people to make good choices by having a conversation about uniform expectations at home, including jewellery and nails, as appropriate. Should your child have any questions or concerns, please encourage them to speak with form tutors in the first instance.

Attendance and Punctuality Matters:

We appreciate that all young people are likely to be absent from school at some time in their school career. However, persistent poor attendance is disruptive to the individual and to the work of the class, and may be an early warning of other difficulties.

Students who miss school frequently fall behind with their work, feel nervous about returning to school and ultimately do less well in their exams.

Please contact form tutors if you have a concern and want more information about supporting your child's good attendance at school.



Tues 9 May - final GCSE MFL oral examinations

Thurs 11 May - Sleep Presentation for Year 10 students



Thurs 11 May - Young Drivers - Assembly for Year 11 students

Mon 15 May - GCSE written examinations begin - students should have the correct equipment and be wearing normal school uniform

Tues 18 May - Year 10 Parents/Carers Evening

Thurs 29 June - Year 11 Prom

School website and Twitter:

The <u>school website</u> is a useful source of information. Please also visit the Harleston Sancroft Academy <u>Twitter</u> feed for photos and updates.

Lace up your boots for National Walking Month

May is National Walking Month, a lovely time to get outside to witness the changing seasons and take a breather from revision and homework.

We're fortunate to live in a beautiful part of the country, with over 1200 miles of footpaths, cycle paths and bridleways throughout Norfolk. We're within easy reach fen, forest and coastal walks - so try to get out there and make the most of what's on your doorstep.

Here's a reminder of just a few of the walks in our neighbourhood.

Prayer for a humble walk:

Dear Lord, you have told us what is good: to 'do justice'.

Help us to treat others as we would want them to treat us.

When someone asks us to walk a mile with them,

encourage us to walk two.

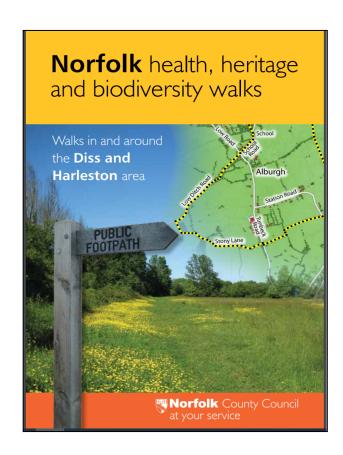
Lord, you have taught us what is necessary: 'to walk humbly with our God'.

And so, grant us, Lord, the ability to see ourselves as you see us.

Grace us to walk without pride

so that we may serve others in humility and graciousness.

Amen.



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