

# Year 9 Update

See page 2 for  
a snapshot  
of upcoming  
events!



**Autumn Term A 2024**

Make sure to check out our Autumn Term  
>>> Enrichment programme! <<<

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the first Year 9 newsletter of the year!

It has been a brilliant start to the year, and we are so impressed with how quickly the year group has settled in and matured – in and out of the classroom. They continue improve attendance and punctuality and be gifted a huge amount of rewards. This demonstrates their unwavering commitment to their studies.

Serviam was wonderfully demonstrated by over half the year group near the start of term, with students volunteering their time to either be tour guides or help with departments at open evening the feedback from prospective parents was fantastic. Students have also represented the school in surrey cup football, won borough netball and tried out as Wimbledon ball girls. Each form has led on a morning prayer service in the chapel and 9Francis and 9 Ursula have also student led assemblies.

We have had the return to school mass and Mass of St. Ursula this term, which the chaplaincy representatives contributed to and the choir sang beautifully at. Our Serviam passports have been full of the year groups wider contributions and living out this term's virtue of Integrity. Several students also attended the Bookfest trip to the Prizewinners' Event at Wimbledon theatre and had great time, asking some challenging questions.

We have lots to look forward to in the Autumn B term including the school's production of 'Shrek' and the Christmas Carol Service at Sacred Heart Church. We look forward to welcoming the students back to school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November for Autumn B. Please see overleaf for a list of upcoming events.

Wishing you and your families a restful half term holiday.

Yours faithfully,

**Ms Torode**

**Head of Year 9**

## Students' Achievements

**Year 8 Total Rewards: 2895**

### 1 - Most Rewards:

1. Saffiyah C 9F
2. Sapphire D 9U
3. Elisa S 9F

Congratulations to **9T** who achieved the most rewards this year with **491**.

### 2 – Highest Attendance:

There have been **100** students in Year 9 who have **100%** attendance for the year. Well done!

Congratulations to **9U** who have had the best attendance this year with **97.1%**.

### 3 – External Success:

Well done to **Oliva M** (9B) who received her Jack Petchey award for continued, relentless fundraising. She is an example to us all.

*If your daughter participates in sport or other activities outside of school do encourage her to let us know.*

## Autumn A Highlights

- Open evening
- St Francis Assembly
- Academic Review Days
- Black History Month
- World Mental Health Day
- The Feast of St Ursula Mass

**Feast of  
St Ursula  
Mass**



**Wimbledon  
Bookfest  
Prizewinners  
Event**



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## Upcoming Events

### November:

- 28<sup>th</sup> October- 1<sup>st</sup> November: Half Term
- 4<sup>th</sup> November – INSET Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> November – Start of Autumn B Term
- 8<sup>th</sup> November: Doughnut Day
- 11<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Day
- 11<sup>th</sup> November – Anti- Bullying Week
- 25<sup>th</sup> November- Christmas Gift Appeal begins
- 28<sup>th</sup> November – School Production: Shrek (6.30-9.00pm), School Hall; Ticketed Event (Tickets available from finance)
- 29<sup>th</sup> November – School Production: Shrek (6.30-9.00pm), School Hall; Ticketed Event (Tickets available from finance)

### December:

- 6<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Tree Service, 2.00-3.00pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> December – Human Rights Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Carol Service (6.00-7.00pm), Sacred Heart Church Edge Hill
- 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Assembly and Last Day of Term, school closes at 12.50pm

### Looking Ahead:

6<sup>th</sup> January – Start of Spring A Term

6<sup>th</sup> February – Mid-Year Serviam Assembly; Online.

*\*Please note this is not a complete event list and is intended to provide a snapshot only. Events may be subject to change.*

**First  
Student  
Council  
Meeting**



**Merton  
Borough  
Netball  
Champions**



## Wellbeing

South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS trust are running a number of free wellbeing workshops for parents / carers of secondary school aged children.

See below for more information and to book:

**Education Wellbeing Service**  
South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS trust

**Upcoming Events For Secondary Parents**  
Autumn Term 2024  
Supporting your teenager's mental health webinars

- 17TH OR 19TH SEPT** Mental Health During The Teenage Years: An Introduction And Overview
- 24TH OR 26TH SEPT** Getting Into School - Common Challenges & Supporting School Avoidance
- 14TH OR 18TH OCT** "I Wish I Looked Like Them" Helping Teens Navigate Body Image Issues
- 5TH OR 6TH NOV** Understanding and Supporting Teen Sleep & Self-Care
- 11TH NOV** Parenting A Teenager With Autism

To view further event details and descriptions, and to book on to any of the webinars, please scan the QR Code or follow the link to our Eventbrite collection. [Click here](#)

We also provide free 1:1 early support programmes for young people to support with their anxiety or low mood. Speak to your school to find out more.

## Secondary/College Parents - Wellbeing Workshops | Eventbrite

## Laptops

Just a polite reminder that the school laptop is for school related work only, please remind your daughters that it is not for downloading or playing games on.

**Shrek  
Rehearsals**

