



# Feversham College

## Our February Newsletter 2017



### Feversham Education Trust

As the second half term draws to a close I write to update you on some of our achievements and news headlines.

I am very proud to announce Feversham College was rated the top scorer in the district for 'Progress 8' with a score of 0.65. Progress 8 is a new measure of rating schools based on the progress students make. Our progress measures for 2016 mean we are one of the highest achieving schools in the country. Students have achieved well deserved results in an ever changing educational landscape. This demonstrates the continued dedication, support and commitment of Governors, staff, parents and students to do well.

I have attached the holiday schedule for 2017/2018.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support and wish you a peaceful and restful break.

Miss Clare Skelding  
Headteacher

As you are aware Feversham College is one of the schools of Feversham Education Trust. The other school is Queensbury with whom we work extremely closely to raise educational standards for their learners. Bradford Girls Academy will be joining the Trust hopefully in September 2018. We are working closely with the Department for Education and Education Funding Agency to secure a Bradford location. Of course when we have news to share we will keep you updated. We are hoping the school will open its doors to year 7 students in September 2018 so please do spread the word and keep checking the website for further updates.

### Year 9 and 11 Progression evenings

Thank you to all of you that attended these evenings. As always it was lovely to see so many parents and daughters to discuss current achievement and next steps. Year 9 students are excited about their GCSE subjects and year 11 about their aspirations for post 16 studies. As always we had many external students attending the post 16 options evening. Many of whom will be joining us in September.

### Mock Exams

Year 11, 12 and 13 will be having their final mock examinations in March. Please encourage your daughters to revise in preparation.

### Student Services team – 2016/17

Miss Robertshaw – Safa Community Leader

Mrs Lang – Marwa Community Leader

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Please note the email addresses for your daughter's House Leader, should you need to get in touch.

### Dates for your diary

- Friday 17 February – School closes for half term
- Monday 27 February – School reopens
- W/C 27 February – Year 10 – 2 way learning conversations
- Thursday 2 March – World Book Day
- W/C 6 March – Year 12 and 13 Mock Exams
- W/C 13 March – Year 11 Mock Exams
- W/C 13 March – Science Week
- Thursday 16 March – Year 8 Consultation Evening
- W/C 20 March – Year 7 – 3way learning conversations with parents
- W/C 3 April – Year 11 Mentoring
- Tuesday 4 April – Year 8 HPV vaccinations
- Friday 7 April – Transition Sports Festival – Afternoon
- Friday 7 April – School closes for Spring Holidays
- Monday 24 April – School reopens

### Charity Fundraising

Students have been working hard this week to raise funds for their chosen charities. I am always heartened by the spirit and generosity of our young women to help support the many great causes.

## Safety Awareness

Can I please ask that you be extra vigilant at the end of the school day. Unfortunately there was an accident last week with parents of two cars at the bottom of the drive. Police and Ambulance were in attendance and fortunately no lasting damage to either parent. We have 7 buses and over 700 students leaving at the end of the day. Wherever possible please ask your daughter to meet you at a pre-arranged location. It is impossible for everyone to get to the school grounds at the same time and this continues to be a 'high risk' time for accidents.

## After School

It has been brought to my attention that some students are telling parents they are staying behind for after school activities when this is not the case. If your daughter is staying behind she will have received a letter. If she does not have the letter, she is not staying behind but likely to be 'wandering the park' until being picked up. The only exception to this is for instant after school detention for which you will have received a phone call. Please help us to keep your daughters safe.

## My Ed

### Communication App



We now have a free parent app called My Ed which gives a number of communication and information features to stay in touch with what's going on at school. The app is free to download and easy to install. You get direct access to your daughters attendance, absence records etc. You will receive a notification if we send you a message and there is no charge for the messages you send to us. Further information and download instructions are on the website.

On the note of communication, could you please ensure we have your current mobile telephone number.

## E-Safety Day 2017



E-Safety Day 2017 took place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February. The theme for this year was 'Posting pictures and videos online'. This theme encourages young people to think about what pictures/videos they are posting, who can see them and the consequences of their actions.

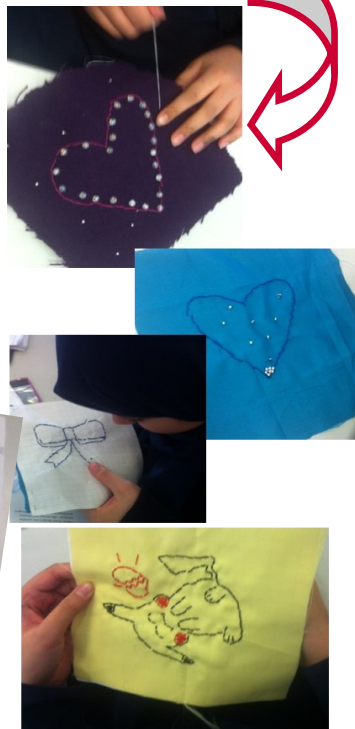
Two whole school activities were planned over GST. We focused on the dangers of sexting and consequences for everyone involved. Students also learned what the Law says about sexting and the recent change in legislation for young people.

Please talk to your daughter/s and ask them to think BEFORE they share any picture/video online

There is more information on our website including the two presentations shown to students during GST.

For further information on E-Safety please visit the ThinkUKnow website which is aimed at keeping young people safe whilst online.

In the Design and Technology Department the Year 7 students have been learning about design and different types of embroidery stitches, which they are now using to make into a cushion.



Year 10's have been learning the skill of observational drawing using tonal shading.



### Feversham Expectations

As you are aware we pride ourselves on providing outstanding education. We have had some incidents recently that have resulted in Police Intervention. These incidents nearly always involve mobile technology and a misuse of social media.

We will be reinforcing our expectations to students and staff via assemblies. Any student in breach will be isolated and you will be informed. Can I please ask you reinforce our expectations at home and help us to help students concentrate on their education, not other distractions.

#### **Expectations**

- Hijabs worn correctly
- No coats, cardigans or other non-uniform items to be worn inside the building
- No jewellery (including nose studs) or make up
- All students to have a planner
- Students to be punctual to lessons
- No mobile phones to be brought to school
- No chewing gum
- Be prepared for lessons with correct equipment
- No filling of water bottles during lesson times
- Follow instructions first time, every time

I think you will agree these simple things followed make for a good learning environment for all.

### Lego Festival

The top 5 point achievers in Year 7 recently spent an afternoon at the Lego Festival. The girls had a lovely afternoon and took part in a number of activities.

- Built a working catapult with Lego
- Built a bridge with Lego to hold three cans
- Step by step guide to a building a Lego fan
- Programming on laptops to move mechanical equipment built with Lego

The students had a time limit to complete each activity.

The girls thoroughly enjoyed the competitive atmosphere and challenges they were given.



### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE 2017/2018**

<b>Summer (including Eid-ul-Adha)</b>	Closed	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
	Open for all students	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
<b>Half Term</b>	Closed	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2017
	Re-open	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2017
<b>Winter Holidays</b>	Closed	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2017
	Re-open	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2018
<b>Half Term</b>	Closed	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
	Re-open	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
<b>Spring</b>	Closed	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
	Re-open	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
<b>May Day</b>	Closed	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
<b>Half Term</b>	Closed	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
	Re-open	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
<b>Eid-ul-Fitr</b>	Closed (Please note the college will remain open for those students taking exams)	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
	Re-open	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2018
<b>Summer</b>	Closed	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2018