



Dear parents and carers,

Please see below this week's Chesterton blog. We hope you enjoy reading the updates from departments and teams across the school.



Thank you so much to all our staff and students for their ongoing hard work.

The team at Chesterton are always keen to hear from parents who'd like to get involved with school life: please don't hesitate to get in touch if this is true for you.

All the best for a restful weekend.

Rolf Purvis
Executive Headteacher

Shutter Hub Inspiration

Chesterton photography students enjoyed a trip to a local gallery last week to support their exam projects and coursework projects. Year 11, 12 and 13 photographers visited the Alison Richard Building Gallery on West Road to see their annual Shutter Hub Exhibition. This exhibition gave students a wide range of photography to be inspired by as it is a competition including work by over 100 local, national and international amateur and professional photographers with a diverse and creative imagery. This inspirational exhibition covered the corridor walls of the 4 floors in the Alison Richard Building, which is on the Sidgwick Site of The University of Cambridge. This was a fantastic opportunity for our year 11's who have each chosen their Externally Set Assignment theme from the range given by the exam board; our year 12 photographers who are working on their independently developed themes for their personal investigations; and year 13's who are soon to start their Externally Set Assignment. Students then also took a photo shoot on the Sidgwick Site to develop their independent ideas further and utilise the interesting buildings and surroundings on offer.

A visit to the Fudge Kitchen

As part of Year 12 enrichment, we spent the afternoon exploring the Fudge Kitchen on King's Parade. Students were fascinated to learn how fudge is made and to see the process in action. The tour ended with the tasting of some free samples!



UKMT Challenge Success

On Tuesday, over 70 students from years 7 – 11 took part in the Intermediate UKMT maths challenge. UKMT is a national challenge where students are given 60 minute to answer 25 multiple choice questions. It is designed to encourage mathematical reasoning, precision of thought and fluency and is a great way to extend mathematical thinking and understanding. We look forward to receiving the results of the challenge and anticipate some will have qualified to take part in the next round: the pink & grey kangaroo rounds. If you would like to know more about the UKMT, please do have a look at their website. The junior UKMT is aimed at Year 8 and below, the Intermediate UKMT is aimed at Year 11 and below, and the Senior UKMT is aimed at Yr 13 and below: <https://ukmt.org.uk/>

U14 Boys Basketball team update!

The Chesterton Under-14 boys basketball team faced off against the Cottenham Under-14s. Chesterton came out strong and maintained their momentum for the full 40 minutes. The team demonstrated excellent teamwork and effectively applied the strategies and tactics they had worked on during training sessions. Their hard work and dedication were evident throughout the match. The final score was an impressive 62-20, reflecting a superb effort by the entire team.

Mr Firth, Miss Palacios and Mr Mendonca are running the TTP Cambridge Half Marathon to raise funds for our school!

Did you know that Chesterton Community College PE teachers, Mr Firth, Miss Palacios and Mr Mendonca are running the TTP Cambridge Half Marathon on Sunday the 9th of March to raise funds for our school through **Chesterton Community College PTFA Enthuse** (Parent Teacher and Friends Association).

The three teachers are already busy training and ratcheting up their pace ready for the big Cambridge event – stay tuned for some training updates.

"Chesterton PTFA continues to support the broad PE provision we offer at Chesterton by contributing funds towards securing equipment, trips, activities, and other opportunities. We would like to continue to offer our students an enriching sports experience and therefore any donations would be hugely welcomed and most appreciated. Wish us luck!" **Mr Firth, Mr Mendonca and Miss Palacios.**

You can support Mr Firth, Miss Palacios and Mr Mendonca and the PTFA (formally the PTA) by donating to the team's Enthuse page and posting your encouragement and appreciation!

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