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## PARENT BULLETIN

### Week Ending: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

**Note from the Headteacher, Ms A Sharma:** It is good to be back after a restful break. I was delighted to see all the children looking very smart and happy as they chatted along the corridors and in the canteen about their holiday. A vast majority of the students I spoke to were really glad to be back at school. We want students to enjoy coming to school and love learning. Our Motto "For life, not school, we learn" is really important to remember. Whilst getting the right qualifications is absolutely vital, it is equally important to develop those skills, qualities and knowledge that enrich our lives in general. Such skills as working in a team, leading a team, presenting ideas, explaining to others, discussing and debating etc. as well as being kind, polite and respectful are also paramount for being successful in life. We encourage students to get involved in as many enrichment activities as possible to develop all their skills, talents and abilities. Please encourage your child to do so this term.



#### Speaker Series:

On Wednesday, Lucie Spicer, from 'Shout Out UK' gave a talk to Year 12s on Political Literacy. The session consisted of an introduction to our political system. Lucie spoke about elections and looked over parliamentary debating and some students had a go at debating themselves. They also gained further insight into Brexit and its current status.



#### Debate Mate:

Two teams of Year 9 and Year 10 students participated in The 'Debate Mate' cup on Wednesday this week at London Metropolitan University. Well done to the teams for winning the majority of debates and addressing issues ranging from crime to carbon tax.

#### Tomorrow's Men:

Some of our Year 9 boys worked with professional dance coaches this week. They worked on a creative dance routine as part of

the 'Tomorrow's Men' project. The project enables young boys to develop confidence skills through dance and creative expression.

#### Exam Information:

**Summer 2019 timetables**  
**Contingency day: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

***All students sitting external examinations in Summer 2019 must be available up until and including Wednesday 26th June 2019 in the event that a local or national emergency occurs and an examination needs to be moved (special consideration will not be applicable if you are unavailable).***

**Summer 2019 exams contact:**  
 If your son / daughter has any queries or issues on the day of an exam, they must make contact with Ms Ahmed, Examinations Officer for advice. She can be contacted in her office opposite O6 and O7 or via email at:

[hamed@villiers.ealing.sch.uk](mailto:hamed@villiers.ealing.sch.uk)

#### Cashless School:

Cash will no longer be accepted for replacement lanyards, ID holders or ID cards. Any replacement items must be purchased via ParentPay. Once payment has been reconciled, students will report to the school office and follow the same process to collect any replacement items.

#### Uniform:

Please ensure that your son / daughter complies with the School's uniform policy which includes no makeup or nail varnish

as well as no 'extreme' haircuts i.e. nothing below Grade 2.

#### Villiers High School Newsletter:

To subscribe to our newsletter via email, you will first need to go to <https://www.villiers.ealing.sch.uk/our-parents/our-newsletters>

Then, scroll down to the Newsletter Subscription form.

Finally enter your Name and Email Address click on the tick box and hit submit.

#### Sports Clubs:

Please encourage your son / daughter to participate in any of sports clubs which are on offer.

#### Lunchtime Clubs (12:30 – 13:05)

<b>Monday</b>	KS3 Cricket Club
<b>Tuesday</b>	Table Tennis Club
<b>Wednesday</b>	KS3 Badminton Club
<b>Thursday</b>	KS4 Badminton Club
<b>Friday</b>	Girls Football Club

#### After School Clubs (15:10 – 16:30)

<b>Monday</b>	Y8,9,10 Cricket Club Y7 Rounders
<b>Tuesday</b>	Athletics Club Y8 Rounders
<b>Wednesday</b>	Y9,10 Rounders
<b>Thursday</b>	Tennis Club
<b>Friday</b>	Cricket Club London Tigers

#### Dates for your diary

**29<sup>th</sup> April:** Year 10 Mock Exams begin

**30<sup>th</sup> April:** Junior Maths Challenge

**7<sup>th</sup> May:** GCSE and A Level

External Exams begin

**8<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 10 'Skills for Life' workshop

Dear Parent / Guardian

## Would you like to help your Son/Daughter make well-informed choices about their future study and careers?

Let's work together to inspire the next generation of Scientists, Engineers and world changers.

The [Engineering Development Trust](#) (EDT) has arranged an insightful local course over the May half term [28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>], collaborating with; **Uxbridge College**, **University of Westminster** and **Bechtel** to deliver their [Routes into STEM](#) programme.

### What is Routes into STEM?

Routes is an innovative 3-day course which provides young people aged 13 to 15 (Yr 9 & 10) with an understanding of the amazing opportunities offered by **STEM** based careers (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths).

The course allows your child to engage with a **college**, a **university** and a **company** who have put together an interesting agenda to showcase STEM courses, apprenticeships, degrees and careers, giving your child the best chance to make informed decisions and to meet role models.

**Day 1:** [Uxbridge College](#) – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2019

**Day 2:** [University of Westminster](#) – 29<sup>th</sup> May 2019

**Day 3:** [Bechtel](#) - 30<sup>th</sup> May 2019

### Benefits include:

- Engages all students no matter their academic level
- Practical taster sessions of STEM courses at College and University helping with decision making
- Visualisation of future STEM career opportunities and how to access them through apprenticeship & graduate schemes
- Gaining a bronze industry-led accreditation from [Industrial Cadets](#). (Inspired by HRH The Prince of Wales)
- Meet role models

**Course fee, bursaries & other support:** The course costs **£135** for all 3 days including the Industrial Cadets accreditation fee. No payment is required until the place has been offered.

**Pupil Premium (free school meal) students** should speak to their teachers for any opportunities for school support available.

\***Bursary places** may be available for this course, to check your entitlement please click on the link on the Application Form and then simply tick the relevant box.

**For More Information Contact EDT:** [routesintostem@etrust.org.uk](mailto:routesintostem@etrust.org.uk) or 01707 386 151

**Lunch & Travel Arrangements:** Students are responsible for their own travel; we encourage car sharing to fit around your work schedules. Lunch is sometimes provided for the course and this will be confirmed along with all other details in the Course Joining Instructions.

**Apply Online:** <https://membersarea.etrust.org.uk/content/routes-stem-student-online-application>  
(Applications will close 07/05/2019)