

<p>Key Dates</p>	<p>Monday 25 to Friday 29 October: Half-term holidays Thursday 4 November: Previous Y11 Certificate Evening - postponed Tuesday 2 to Monday 8 November & Monday 15 to Friday 19 November: Year 11 mock exams Tuesday 9 November: Covid vaccinations Thursday 18 November: Year 8 (KLM) Parents' Evening Thursday 25 November: Year 8 (RST) Parents' Evening Thursday 2 December: Conference Day 2 Thursday 9 December: Year 11 Parents' Evening Thursday 16 December: Christmas lunch for students. Christmas Concert in the evening. Friday 17 December: Early Closure at 12.30</p>
<p>Maths Anxiety: A free webinar & free courses for parents and students</p>	<p>Eedi are offering a free webinar for parents: 3 November at 7.30pm Eedi want to help parents and using both the latest research and vast experience in this area, Rachel will give practical advice on ways parents can help their children with their maths, whether they are struggling with maths anxiety or stuck on their homework. And they'll learn tips for keeping their own maths anxieties at bay too! The webinar takes place on Wednesday 3rd November at 7:30pm and can be accessed through the Eedi link</p> <p>Free course for Maths-anxious Parents In addition to the live webinar, Eedi also have a short online course called "Helping with Homework: For Maths-Anxious Parents" that is ready to access now. It guides parents through a few of the ways they can help their child without having to know too much about the maths. Why not check it out for yourself and see if you think your students' parents would benefit from it?</p> <p>Free course for Students with Maths anxiety Eedi have a free maths anxiety course for students which is available here. Eedi have had over 2000 students complete the course and some lovely praise from those who have found it really valuable.</p>
<p>Primary Outreach</p>	<div data-bbox="319 1160 922 1608" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>This week the Science Department took part in some primary outreach at Lantern Primary School in Ely. Science Lead Practitioner, Nadine Malcolm, visited the Year 3 classes to provide an excellent opportunity for practical work. The students had been studying the rock cycle and loved the challenge of applying their learning to physically identifying the rocks they had in front of them. Next week we will be visiting Willingham Primary School! #ScienceRocks!</p>
<p>Feedback from the Open Evening and the Open Mornings</p>	<p>Thank you to all the students and staff involved for a wonderful Open Evening on Thursday 7th October and the Open Mornings that have taken place this week. It is always a pleasure to welcome visitors to CVC. We had some excellent feedback about our student guides and so many of our visitors commented that the students were "polite, enthusiastic about their school and very knowledgeable". It was also lovely to hear from the Year 6 families who came to see the College in action during the day at how impressed they were with the calm and purposeful atmosphere in the classrooms they visited.</p>
<p>Covid-19 Update</p>	<p>It is very important that if your child displays any covid-19 symptoms (however mild) they must not come to school. They should have a PCR test done and self-isolate pending the result. Government guidance can be found Here. It can be difficult to distinguish between what is a common cold/cough and potentially covid-19 however, we ask that you error on the side of caution by not sending your child to school until a PCR test result is known.</p>

	<p>You may have seen articles in the news about Cambridgeshire schools and face coverings. The Local Authority are strongly recommending to students and staff in secondary schools the wearing face coverings in communal areas (not classrooms) as well as the wearing of face coverings by visitors to site.</p>
<p>Year 11 revision and support programme</p>	<p>We are delighted by the continuing attendance and engagement at our after-school sessions for Year 11. Numbers are continuing to grow and we are impressed by the commitment that Year 11 students have shown in this first half-term of the year.</p> <p>Revision sessions will continue next week as advertised.</p>
<p>Year 11 mock exams</p>	<p>A reminder that due to the Covid-19 inoculations taking place on Tuesday 9 November, the mock exam dates for Year 11 are now Tuesday 2 November until Monday 8 November (inclusive) and then resume from Monday 15 November until Friday 19 November.</p> <p>This week, Year 11 had a session focused on effective revision techniques during Conference Day. This will have been a useful reminder of how to effectively revise, alongside the subject guidance for the mock exams to support your child as they prepare for the exams after half-term.</p>
<p>Attendance</p>	<p>Thank you for your ongoing support in making sure your child attends school. However, if your child is absent, please ensure you make contact on each and every day of the absence.</p> <p>The attendance for the week beginning 4th October is:</p> <p>Whole School attendance was 92.30% Year 7 – 92.11% (Leading tutor group is 7K with 94.53%) Year 8 – 96.06% (Leading tutor group is 8K with 99.51%) Year 9 – 93.64% (Leading tutor group is 9K with 98.50%) Year 10 – 87.57% (Leading tutor group is 10M with 92.31%) Year 11 – 92.11% (Leading tutor group is 11K with 98.98%)</p> <p>Congratulations to the pupils in Year 8!</p>
<p>SHINE points and Principal's Breakfast</p>	<p>Last week's highest scoring house was Turing with a total of 336 points.</p> <p>The year group achieving the highest number of SHINE points is Year 7 with a total of 355 points.</p> <p>The top three form groups this week are:</p> <p>7R with a total of 105 points 8L with a total of 81 points 8K with a total of 64 points</p> <p>The following students are invited to attend a Principal's Breakfast on Monday 18th October with Mrs Andrews for their excellent efforts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chloe B 7K • Adam J 7L • Owen L 7M • Caius O 8L • Chrissie T 10T • Charlie W 9T • Jack H, 9M