Dear Parents/Carers

Sutton Coldfield Mosque Iftar Dinner

It was a privilege to represent the school last night along with Josh Russell, School Captain and Ruby Cooper, Co-Chair of the School Council at the Iftar Dinner at Sutton Coldfield Mosque. There were lots of Veseyans there: current and former students and governors (including the Sutton Mayor, David Allan) and parents. Iftar is the evening meal where Muslims end their daily Ramadadam fast at sunset. This year in the UK this is a 19 hour fast.

German Exchange

The German Exchange has gone well this week. As usual we have had a very good welcome. During the week the students have been received at Bayreuth Town Hall and have visited Bamberg, Nuremberg, Kulmbach and some hiking in the Deutshes Eck. A big thank you to Herr Götschel and Herr Keeble for making it happen.

Senior Prefects

We are proud to welcome our new Senior Prefect and Prefect and Registrar Team from Year 10. I am confident they will set new standards of leadership for the school. A big thank you to all outgoing Year 11 Team - they have been amazing.
**Geography Trip**

Thank you to Mr Godwin, Mr Jones, Mr Yates and Miss Langham for supporting the Year 12 Geography coastal fieldwork visit to Osmington Bay. They were very lucky to have great weather.

**Spotlight on Revision**

1. Don't worry about other people. Focus on what is in your power to affect.
2. Don't waste time in ways which you may come to regret.
3. Give yourself the right space to work.
4. Plan each day (share this with your parents).

Good luck to all students and families preparing for examinations.

**Student Guidelines - Internal Examinations 2019**

Students will be told their allocated exam room before we break up for May half term. Students also register in this exam room.

Students should have in school ALL relevant equipment for each day. Including water bottles and clear plastic pencil cases.

Students will not be allowed to leave the room to fill up water bottles or go to the toilet. This should be managed by the student during the breaks.

Students should bring stationery needed for each exam and for Library Activity sessions which will take place in exam rooms, reading material for reading sessions, revision material for revision sessions, PE or Games kit for PE/Games sessions.

If an exam is due to last for 1 hour in a 2 hour slot, time will be allocated at the start of the session for revision. The exam will be timed to finish at the end of each individual session. Revision will be conducted in silence. No music players or earphones will be allowed.

All exams will finish at the same time and students are to remain in silence in their examination room until dismissed.

During each examination students should not have any form of notes or aids on their person. This includes, but is not limited to, pieces of paper in pockets, notes on calculator cases or stored in calculator memories, notes or pictures on mobile phones, information stored on smart watches, notes or diagrams written on clothes or skin.

Students should very much treat this as preparation for the real exams and in a similar vein, any attempt at cheating or gaining unfair advantage will be dealt with in a very serious manner. Sanctions could include re-sitting a paper after school, detentions, isolation or exclusion, and any score or grade could be nullified.

Catch-up day: there will be one catch-up day on Monday 10 June for all students who have missed exams due to illness or absence for Eid.
Application to study at Bishop Vesey’s from September 2020

Registration is now open for entry to Year 7 in September 2020. Please click here for details on how to register for the Grammar Schools of Birmingham entrance test. Please note our Open Evening is on Thursday 27 June 16:00 - 19:00

Alumni Music Saturday 22 June 2019

For further details of the forthcoming Alumni Music Night (left) please follow this Link. This inspirational concert is open to all Veseyans, young and old. We have the current Funky Bishops playing, but we also have the amazing OV, Young Musician of the Year Xhosa Cole. Tickets can be purchased from Mrs Foster s.foster@bishopveseys.bham.sch.uk. £10 for adults, £5 for concessions. The list of alumni and student performers is growing day by day, and it should be an excellent event!
Based on the Lewis Carroll poem from Alice through the Looking Glass, this play is a humorous fantasy romp that is lots of fun. It follows the story of Ned, who runs away from home into the forest. After many adventures, he eventually finds himself tasked with killing the Jabberwocky itself, a fearsome monster! If you would like to order tickets for the Lower School production of Jabberwocky at Bishop Vesey’s, please return the form found here, with the appropriate remittance, to Mrs Foster, School Club Office at BVGS, by Friday 21 June. Tickets can still be booked by telephone after this date.

Rowing

Good day at Worcester Regatta, some close racing through the whole squad and excellent performances by the Y9 quad to get them to the final. Well done to all our boys and girls who raced today.

Tennis

Two fantastic and close tennis fixtures against Camp Hill this week. U13s lost 8-4 U15s drew 6-6 ..and just a few tie breakers away from two wins
Parents Teachers Friends Association

The PTFA remind you of ways in which you can help raise money for the school.

- Easy Fundraising - see the link here showing how

### 50/50 Winners:

- April - Julia Van loon (110)
- May - Liz Brennan (113)

### Extra-Curricular Activities

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**After School Activities 15:30 - 16:30**
### Monday
- **Music Centre**: KS3 Music Tech
- **Composers Club**: Orchestra
- **Keyboard Ensemble**: Composers Club
- **Big School**: Y9/10/11 Drama until 16:45
- **Room 19**: Spanish Y11 Boot Camp/Mentor Monday
- **Room 24**: Strategy Board Games 15:30 - 17:30
- **FF9**: Mandarin 15:30 - 16:30
- **Sports Hall or Pavilion**: Year 7 Cricket
- **Powell’s Pool**: Senior and Y10 Rowing
- **Sports Hall**: Y8 Badminton 15:30

### Tuesday
- **Music Centre**: KS3 Music Tech
- **Composers Club**: Orchestra
- **Keyboard Ensemble**: Composers Club
- **Big School**: Y9/10/11 Drama until 16:45
- **Room 19**: Spanish Y11 Boot Camp/Mentor Monday
- **Room 24**: Strategy Board Games 15:30 - 17:30
- **FF9**: Mandarin 15:30 - 16:30
- **Sports Hall or Pavilion**: Year 8 Cricket
- **Powell’s Pool**: Senior and Y10 Rowing
- **Sports Hall**: Y8 Badminton 15:30

### Wednesday
- **Music Centre**: KS3 Music Tech
- **Composers Club**: Orchestra
- **Keyboard Ensemble**: Composers Club
- **Big School**: Y9/10/11 Drama until 16:45
- **Room 19**: Spanish Y11 Boot Camp/Mentor Monday
- **Room 24**: Strategy Board Games 15:30 - 17:30
- **FF9**: Mandarin 15:30 - 16:30
- **Sports Hall or Pavilion**: Year 9 Cricket
- **Powell’s Pool**: Senior and Y10 Rowing
- **Sports Hall**: Y8 and 9 Rowing 16:00 - 17:30

### Thursday
- **Music Centre**: KS3 Music Tech
- **Composers Club**: Orchestra
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- **Big School**: Y9/10/11 Drama until 16:45
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### Friday
- **Music Centre**: KS3 Music Tech
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### Astro Turf Activities

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### Governor Vacancy
Do you know anyone who can fulfil this role? Please see link [here](#).

### Top Merit Winners

Have a lovely half-term.

Dominic Robson
Headteacher
Dear students, parents/carers and friends of the school

Mrs Heer and the Art department would like to invite you to the annual BVGS KS4 & KS5 Art Exhibition. Details for the separate KS3 exhibition in September will following shortly.

The Annual BVGS KS4 & KS5 Art Exhibition is one of the highlights at the end of the BVGS academic year. Its reputation has grown over recent years and is now hosted by the Argentea Gallery in St Paul’s Square in Birmingham.

Impressive BVGS art work produced by Years 11, 12 and 13 students, as well as some staff and Alumni, will be on display. It is a golden opportunity to engage with the school community as well as network with BVGS Corporate Partners, businesses and other external guests.

A welcome drink will be served on arrival and the rest of the time is your own to mingle and meet people in a convivial environment.

Please contact Claire Bolton, Development Office on c.bolton@bishopveseys.bham.sch.uk to confirm your attendance at the event on either 4 or 5 July and whether you are bringing any additional guests.

Thank you Jaz Heer (Head of Art) & Claire Bolton (Development Office)

Quote of the Week
If you want to go quickly, go alone. If you want to go far, go together
African proverb
Letters sent this week

Lost Property May 2019

Dates for your Diary

Spring Term 2019

Friday 24 May

Staff training day

Monday 3 June

Term recommences

Friday 7 June

Golf Day

Friday 21 June

Year 7 and 8 Disco at BVGS (tbc)

Saturday 22 June

OVA Sports Reunion

Saturday 22 June

OVA Alumni Concert

Thursday 27 June

School closes at 12:15

Friday 28 June

Open Day 16:00 - 19:00

Thursday 4 July

Staff Training Day

Friday 5 July

Art Exhibition

Friday 5 - Sunday 7 July

DofE Qualifying Expedition Silver

Friday 5 July

Jabberwocky

Saturday 6 July

DofE Qualifying Expedition Bronze

Saturday 6 July

Rhineland Trip

Sunday 7 July

Monday 15 July

Wednesday 10 July -

KS3 Main School Presentation Evening 19:00 - 21:00

Friday 19 July

Break up for summer holiday