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## Welcome back - Mrs Vernon

It has been a fantastic first week back after half term with one of my favourite events of the year, our annual firework display. It was lovely to bring together over 1200 students, their families, and our local community to enjoy our beautiful school grounds and this exciting display. Thank you to all the team who ensured we could share such a safe and enjoyable evening.



## Dates for Next Week:

### Year 11 - Sixth Form Open Evening

Our Sixth Form Open Evening will take place on **10th November**. Doors open at 4.30pm for a 5pm start. Come along to meet the team, explore our learning spaces and find out about our courses. Our sixth form provision helps young people to secure incredible destinations, including Universities like Liverpool and Oxford, degree apprenticeships and employment.

### Year 7 - Settling In Evening

We are looking forward to welcoming our newest families for a Settling in Evening on **Thursday 11th November** 4pm – 5.30pm. Parents will hear from their child's form tutor as a group and then there is time for 5 minute catch ups individually, enjoy some refreshments and have the chance to speak to the Year 7 lead, KS3 progress lead, assistant SENCO and EAL lead.

## Highlights for this week:

### Transform our World Youth Summit

Last year's winners of the Eco-Project with Action for Conservation have this week taken part in a Transform our World youth summit. Well done to the team who spoke passionately and articulately. We are so proud of you.

### Rowing Team

Our Year 7 rowing team got to take to the water for the first time this week. A few nerves at the start but after completing confidence drills students began to get the hang of keeping their boats steady. Well done for trying this new experience.

### Poppies for Remembrance

Students have been creating clay Remembrance Poppies that will be displayed in the refectory area for Remembrance Celebrations next week.

### Debate Mate

Year 7 and 8 students attended the launch of Debate Mate 2022. Being able to share your views professionally is so important. Students watched a live show debate and heard about the importance of using your voice. Well done to Michael for asking such a brilliant question!

### Year 13 host a Primary Girls Football Tournament

An amazing opportunity this week for our Year 13 sports students to support girls football as part of their assessments. They hosted a tournament for Year 3 and 4 girls with our local primary schools. Well done to all our students who were fantastic role models and coaches to our Year 3 and 4 visitors.

### Explosive Science

Our annual fireworks night is just one aspect of a brilliant science project we run here. Students have been learning about the chemical reactions that create these wonderful displays and had the opportunity to showcase their learning at the event.

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