Falconer School

Achieving the extraordinary together

Headteacher's Weekly Blog Friday 19th March

Dear Parents and Carers,

With Easter approaching, I wanted to inform parents of a forthcoming change to the timetables that will commence after the Easter break. We are changing from 50 minute lessons to 40 minute lessons as we have recognised that 50 minutes is generally too long for most subject areas. There will be some practical subjects which will have double lessons to allow the time needed and Motor Vehicles will run all day. The students will get their timetables next week to start familiarising them with the new day layout – there is no change currently to the start and finish times. The structure of the day will be as follows:

Monday-Thursday	
8:40	Tutor time/Assembly
8:55	Period 1
9:35	Period 2
10:15	Period 3
10:55	**Break**
11:10	Period 4
11:50	Period 5
12:30	Period 6
13:10	**Lunch**
13:40	Period 7
14:20	Period 8
15:00	End of School

Friday	
8:40	Tutor time/Assembly
8:55	Period 1
9:35	Period 2
10:15	Period 3
10:55	**Brunch**
11:25	Period 4
12:15	End of School

The words of the day this week were all linked to emotions. Next week different subject areas across the school have chosen the words as follows:

Monday - estimate
Tuesday – tolerance
Wednesday - symbolic
Thursday - bias
Friday – economy

As ever, it has been lovely to see the learning taking place in lessons, here is a small snapshot of some of the fantastic lessons this week.







Mrs Seed, Associate Leader and Head of English, delivered the assemblies this week on the theme of Aspiration. The boys enjoyed trying to match the teachers to their childhood career dreams. Many staff had the aspiration to be a vet – most managed to guess that it was Mr Hancock who hoped to be Prime Minister – never say never!



The highlight of the week was definitely today with the celebration of Red Nose Day.
We raised almost £100 with the various activities taking place – the boys enjoyed competing against the staff but the most moment of the day was the throwing wet sponges at the staff! More photos to come next week but here is a taste of the activities today:














It was a fantastic day with a lovely community spirit – a huge well done to the boys who joined in so well and to all the staff for their hard work in organising the events.

As a reminder, Monday 12th April is a Development Day with students working from home on the day. Some Year 11 students will be invited into school that day to do some portfolio work and evidence gathering for their assessments. School will be start at the usual time of 8:40 on Tuesday 13th April for all Year groups.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Ash

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