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South Coast Geography Trip

In order to better understand some key features of the GCSE Physical Geography course, Year 11 geography students headed off to the South Coast. It was amazing to get so close to The White Horse which is etched into the chalk of the South Downs above the picturesque village of Alfriston, which has actually featured in recent GCSE exam papers. Then, it was on to Cuckmere to sketch the impressive meanders of the River Cuckmere before it flows out to the sea.



Shifting the focus of study to aspects of coastal management, the students then visited Birling Gap and were shocked to learn that the four remaining cottages that are right on the edge of the cliff used to be in a row of eight! Four of the cottages have already dropped into the sea as a result of erosion of the cliffs. Dropping down on to the beach below Seaford Head and with the iconic Seven Sisters in the background, students were able to see how the construction of a sea wall is protecting the much painted Coastguard Cottages, and also how groynes on the beach help to limit the amount of coastal drift.



It was a fantastic day. Not only was the weather superb, but the trip really helped the students to understand these key geographical processes.







Academic Tutoring

Academic Tutoring meetings, for all students and their parents, guardians or carers, will take place on Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September from 2:30 to 6:00pm. Letters confirming times of appointments have been sent out. Any parent, guardian or carer who has any questions or who has not received confirmation of their appointment should contact the College as soon as possible on **020 3819 3421**.

Term Dates

The 2022 to 2023 term dates are detailed on our website and can be accessed via (https://www.desalisstudiocollege.co.uk/term-dates). Please check these dates as they will be particularly helpful to parents, guardians or carers planning family holidays and activities.

Equipment Expectations

It is expected that all students attend all lessons equipped with the following:

- 2 Pens (black or dark blue ink)
- 2 Pencils
- Ruler
- Eraser
- Pencil sharpener
- Highlighter
- Calculator
- ProtractorPair of compasses
- The support of parents, guardians and carers in this matter is appreciated.

Lost Property

All lost property enquiries should be directed to the main reception of the College on **020 3819 3421**. Items that are found on the campus that are clearly marked with the student's name are returned to the student as soon as possible. All unnamed items are kept by reception for students to check.

College Uniform

It has come to our attention that a small number of students are attending college without the correct college uniform and Physical Education (PE) kit. Please note, all students within our college community are expected to wear the full and correct college uniform whilst attending college and PE kit when taking part in PE lessons or a Sports-related event, unless otherwise stated. Parents, guardians and carers will still be able to purchase the College uniform throughout the summer holidays via iPayimpact. You will need to register your details in order to proceed; this will allow you to make your selection and pay for your order online. For any orders placed, you will receive an email when it is ready for collection.



Week Commencing: Monday 29th August

SPECIAL MENU

TUESDAY				
Meal Choice 1	Macaroni Cheese and Vegetables	Vegetarian		
Meal Choice 2	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings Vegetari			
WEDNESDAY				
Meal Choice 1	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian		
The daily dessert choices will be as follows: Fresh Fruit, Yogurt, Jelly or Ice Cream pots				

Recycle, Re-Use - College Uniform

As we head towards the start of the Autumn Term, we are aware that there will be many students who will grow out of their college uniform and thus there will be many items of uniform that will no longer be worn. As a college, we continue to embed environmental awareness within our college community and kindly request that any unwanted items of uniform in wearable condition are donated to the College to support our campaign for green initiatives whilst helping our families in need of support. This will not only extend the lifespan of our uniform but also strengthen our green credentials whilst enabling us to support a recycling culture. For further details, please visit [https://www.desalisstudiocollege.co.uk/parents-guardians-and-carers/hiddenarea/re-use-re-cycle].

Free School Meals - Application Process

'Free School Meals' is a statutory means-tested benefit, which provides a child with meals at school for free. If you believe your child may be newly entitled to this benefit, or if they received it last year and you would like to reapply, please attend the College Reception and request an application form.

The College Reception will also be able to advise any parents, guardians or carers who are unfamiliar with the process for claiming 'Free School Meals'. The Free School Meals benefit does not automatically renew; it must be reapplied for each academic year. It is important to note that until your child has been confirmed as receiving the Free School Meals benefit, their school lunches must be paid for.

Quote of the Week

"Each of us deserves the freedom to pursue our own version of happiness. No one deserves to be bullied." - Barack Obama



AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER 2022

AUGUST				
Monday 29th		August Bank Holiday		
SEPTEMBER				
Thursday 1st	2:30 to 6:00pm	Key Stage 3 and Post 16 Academic Tutoring		
Friday 2nd	2:30 to 6:00pm	Key Stage 4 Academic Tutoring		
Monday 5th		Year 9 Start of Term		