

CAMPION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



April/May 2023

Aspire - Engage - Achieve

Promoting Problem Solving



In February 2023 a group of Year 9 pupils entered the Intermediate Mathematical Challenge. This is a nationwide 60minute, multiple-choice Challenge aimed at pupils in Years 9 and 10. It focuses on logical thinking in Maths.



The challenge encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought and fluency in using basic mathematical techniques to solve interesting problems. It's also great fun. The problems on the Intermediate Mathematical Challenge are designed to make students think. Most are accessible, yet still challenge those with more experience. Well done to our Bronze achievers, pictured top right, our silver achievers, pictured left and congratulations to Alex, pictured top left, who was our highest scorer.

Liz Bramble who began her job in 1998 as a lunchtime supervisor has seen Campion school go from strength to strength. Now the Reprographics Manager and Senior lunchtime supervisor, Liz is an essential part of the Campion team.

Liz has seen many staff come and go, including four Headteachers. She has seen a lot of improvements not just in terms of the fabric of the buildings, but also in terms of behaviour and learning. For Liz, one thing that has remained, despite the growth, is a real sense of belonging. I consider myself lucky to work here. Campion is a place where you are listened to and looked after - it's a community. That's why Pictured above: Liz Bramble next to our new photocopier. I'm still here.' Thanks Liz, for your hard work.

25 Years at **Campion School**



Liz has worked at Campion for 25 years.

YEAR 8 **PARENTS' EVENING**

Thursday, 11 May

YEAR 7 **PARENTS' EVENING**

Thursday, 13 July

GCSE EXAMS

Monday, 15 May - Tuesday, 20 June

Year 7 - 10 Exams

Weds, 21 June - Friday, 30 June

YEAR II PROM

Friday, 23 June

YEAR 13 PROM

Thursday, 29 June

SOCIAL MEDIA

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Half - Term

Monday, 29 May - Friday, 2 June

OUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Just like Pi, you have infinite potential. May your creativity be endless, your kindness unbounded and your exploration limitless" Lifestyle Blogger

FOCUS ON MATHEMATICS - PI

What is Pi?

Pi, which is written as a Greek letter π , is a mathematical ratio between the diameter of any circle and the circumference of that circle, the value of the ratio is 3.1415926... This number continues in a random way and the calculation is constant (it never changes), no matter how large or small the size of the circle. Pi is an irrational number (there is an infinite number of digits after the decimal point) and is a vital mathematical principle.

Pi Problem Poser

How far have you walked, if you walk around a circle which has a diameter of 100 m? **Answer**: 314 Metres

Distance is 100m (circumference) and Pi is 3.1415926 (diameter): $100 \text{ m} \times 3.1415926 = 314.159m \text{ or } 314m$, to the nearest metre.

Five Facts about Pi

- 1. There are no zeros in the first thirty-one digits of Pi.
- 2. Pi has 6.4 billion known digits it would take a person approximately 133 years to recite all of them without stopping
- 3. Position 763 (Feynman point) has six nines in a row
- 4. Pi day is also Albert Einstein's birthday
- 5. Pi has been studied for over 4000 years

Pi Day - March 2023

At Campion there were a number of events throughout the day, including; a Pi song in music, a library displayand a Pi baking activity in catering, as well as a homework challenge and lunchtime events in Art lessons.





In music lessons students heard the Pi song (see above) and discovered that it was created by applying the digits of Pi (3.1415926) to a note on the A harmonic scale (played on the right hand) and adding harmonies with the left.

At lunch, pupils chalked the eight parts of a circle and earned a round treat – an Oreo cookie (see above) and in Art lessons were creative with their Pi drawings - one student created the picture, Pi In the Eye, (see picture right).



MRS ALI HEAD OF MATHEMATICS

In the Maths Department we have been working hard to encourage all students to become effective problem solvers through competitions and enrichment activities.

We have regular maths puzzles open to all across the maths classrooms. In this challenge students solve the puzzle, and pop their solution in a designated box. A student with the correct answer is then selected at random and is awarded a prize.

Some of our Year 9 students have also been involved in the UK Maths Challenge inspiring the love of problem solving with many receiving bronze and silver awards. Later in the year, we will be conducting our own internal maths challenge with years 7 and 8.

Once a fortnight, years 9 and 10 have had dedicated lesson time to help improve revision and tackle problem-solving questions and practice essential skills to prepare them for their assessments. With year 11 exams around the corner, students have been working hard in our extra sessions offered after school, on our Super Saturday School, during the half term and the Easter break. With all this hard work taking place we are looking forward to some happy, smiling students come August.

The Pi challenge

At Campion, the 2023 winner of the annual Pi challenge was Ananya, see below, who beat last year's winner by eight digits, memorising an amazing 80 digits in total – fantastic.

Suresh Sharma from India holds the current World Record for the memorisation of Pi to

70,030 digits. It took him 17 hrs and 14 min to read out the digits from memory.

How good is your memory?

How many digits of Pi can you memorise?

Are you willing to be put your skills to the test?



CENTRAL WARWICKSHIRE SPORTS PARTNERSHIP NEWS





Campion Girls Play Football

Twelve students, some pictured above, from, Years 7 to 9 attended the FA Girls 'Football Activators' Virtual Conference in March 2023. These girls have started their journey as Football Activators. Their role is to inspire girls to be active and healthy. They are joining a team of twenty-four Activators in total at Campion.

The conference involved hearing from some of the England Women's team and devising ways to inspire girls to be active. The activators will be running an afternoon of football for all the girls in Years 3-6 at St Anthony's Primary School soon. #LetGirlsPlay

Campion Swimming Gala

In March, we held our Annual Swimming Gala, at Newbold Comyn Leisure Centre for Years 7 to 9. It was a great competition and all our students did well. A great team of Campion leaders timed the races and helped with the running of the event. Pegasus won first place with Unicorn a close second. We are looking forward to next year's Gala.

2023 Results

Ist - PE

2nd - UN

3rd - CE

4th - GR

5th - PH

Year 7 fastest swimmer - Keryn Midwinter

Year 8 fastest swimmer - Raghav Pogade

Year 9 fastest swimmer

- Gurkirat Singh



WINDRUSH PRESENTATION



Pictured, Monica Brown giving her Windrush presentation to Sixth Formers in the school hall.

In January, Monica Brown, English Teacher, delivered a special presentation to the Campion Sixth form. As a daughter of Windrush citizens, Monica explained who the Windrush citizens are, why they came to the UK and the injustice they experienced as a result of the government classifying them as 'illegal immigrants' incorrectly. Sixth form students watched video clips of Warwickshire's Windrush citizens describe their own experiences of coming to the UK from the Caribbean.

In addition to detailing her family's Windrush campaign, Monica challenged the Sixth Form students to identify and discuss issues that concern them and to become more pro-active citizens.

Students reported that the Enrichrichment sessions were: 'Informative and inspiring', 'Made me think about big issues in the world', 'Helped me learn about how the Windrush generation was impacted' and that is was, 'Eye opening to hear about what the UK government did.' 3



Pastoral Information for **Parents & Carers**



Find out more here: online courses, events, external visits and general dates for your diary.

Campion Courses available via Zoom - May 2023

The Recovery and Wellbeing academy are offering some free online courses about how best to support children suffering with poor mental health. If you see a course below that you would like to attend, follow the link at the bottom of this section to book and to browse more courses. There is limited space so ensure you book soon!

Book here: www.recoveryandwellbeing.co.uk/enrolment

Saturday, 13 May - Understanding Low Mood in Children and Young People - 12 noon - 2pm

Saturday, 13 May - Understanding Self-esteem in Children and Young People - 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Thursday, 18 May - Understanding and Supporting Children Aged 12+ Years with Anxiety - 12:30pm -2:30pm

Wednesday, 24 May - Understanding Emotional Regulation in Schoolaged Children - 12:30pm - 2:30pm



Parent/Carer Courses 2023

Routines and Boundaries - Monday, 12 June 1pm - 3pm Kingsway Children & Family Centre



Humans are creatures of habit! When we develop healthy routines, we are able to thrive. The importance of embedding these routines as part of our daily lives from a young age is crucial. Warwickshire County Council is offering, free face-to-face and online workshops to guide parents and carers on how best to establish these routines and boundaries with their children.

These sessions will offer practical approaches that can be developed and implemented in the home to help create a calm and

Sleep - Monday, 5 June Ipm - 3pm Kingsway Children & Family Centre



Many of our students struggle with sleep. Whether it is going to bed too late or finding it tricky to sleep, we know that a large portion of our students are simply not getting enough sleep. This affects not only their performance in school, but also their mental and physical health. Moving into a very busy and stressful exam period, it is important now, more than ever, that our students develop skills to allow them

more restful sleep. Campion has taken this opportunity to raise awareness amongst its students on the importance of sleep via house assemblies and we are now pleased to inform you about a series of forthcoming courses for parents and carers, which aim to explain; the importance of sleep, the science of how it works and to offer strategies to help you support your young person in achieving those precious forty winks.

Understanding your teenager - Monday, 22 May & Monday, 19 June Ipm - 3pm Kingsway CFC



The teenage years can be challenging for both, parents and teenagers, but a teenager's behaviour does not have to be a mystery. The aim of Warwickshire County Council's 'Understanding Your Teenager' twohour workshop, is to enhance relationships between a parent, or carer, and their teenager to building on their knowledge of how teenagers develop and understanding their behaviours.

The workshop will provide information about what is happening in a teenager's body and brain development to help create positive family relationships and increase confidence in parents and carers.

Topics covered during the session include: what to expect during this phase, understanding teenages, communicating with, and empowering, teenagers.

If any of these courses interest you, follow the URL link below or scan the QR code to find the event and book your space.

Warwickshire

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/warwickshire-children-and-families-17595309993

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SUPPORT AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Boosters and exams at Campion

This time of year is intense for both students and teachers as the school begins the big push to prepare our students for their exams. Our year 10s, 11s and 13s have been handed their booster and exam timetables and can work towards planning their time effectively to achieve their target grades. Boosters at Campion can be anything from a three-hour to a five-hour session of intensive learning, but students should not rely solely on these days to get them through their exams. The expectation is that they continue this level of motivation at home.

We understand that this is a tiring and stressful time for students, but teachers will work hard to offer strategies to help them cope during this period. We suggest that students create a revision timetable, with plenty of breaks and rewards to help them

navigate this period. It is also important that pupils come to school energised and fuelled for their learning. You may notice anxiety levels steadily increase during this time, which can be difficult for you and your child. If you would like further information about boosters, exams or are worried about how your child is coping, please contact your House Learning Leader.



Year II Prom

We have been working hard to arrange another fabulous prom to give our year 11s the send-off they deserve. Last year's prom took place at Campion and was such a success that we have decided to use the school's facilities again. Whilst some exciting details are yet to be confirmed, we have secured: a renowned DJ; catering; lawn and poker games; a sweet stall and a magic, selfie mirror.

We would like to make this event as special as possible for our students whom, we know, have worked so incredibly hard this year. If you know of a person, company or organisation that you think may be interested in supporting our event please get in touch with Louise Farr-Voller or Jessica Anderson with your ideas.

Chess Competition Winners

Congratulations to all of our chess players this year and especially our winners. Our whole-school chess competition ran for ten weeks in which every member played each other and the students scored three points for a win, two for a draw and one for a loss. The highest number of points was the winner. This year's winner, with an amazing thirty points and, also, named as Campion's Champion was Rugved, Year 10, pictured below left with manager Roy Ruddlesdin and Headteacher Mr Panesar. Rugved also won the Year 9 Plus League. Runner-up and voted Managers Player achieving a fantastic twenty-six points was Sidney in Year 7, pictured below right. Sidney also won the Year 7 league. Well done to Abeer Khan who won the Year 8 league. Player's Player, was awarded to Branavan Balakumar in Year 12 and the most improved awarded went to Zainab Abbas in Year 7.

Chess Club Expands

Due to the popularity of Chess Club it is now running five days a week - Why not get involved!



Monday lunchtime - Girls only—B9

Tuesday lunchtime - B9

Wednesday after school - Refectory

Thursday lunchtime - B9

Friday after school - Refectory



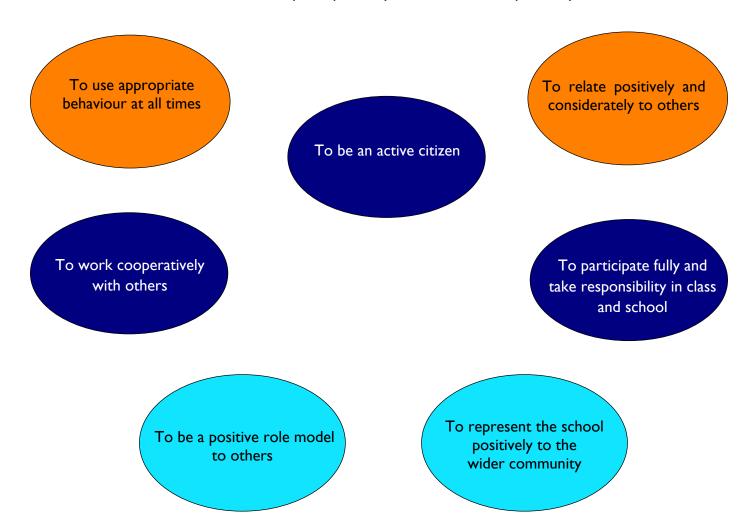


WHAT IS SMSC? HOW DOES IT AFFECT ME?

Over the next few newsletters we will look at this important subject in more detail. SMSC stands for Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development. It is promoted through all the subjects of the curriculum, through the ethos of the school, where the development of positive attitudes and values is key, and the shared celebration of progress, success and diversity is important.

Social Development

Social development is concerned with the skills and personal qualities necessary for individuals to live and function effectively in society. Social development is based on the acceptance of group rules and the ability to see oneself in a wider context. The quality of relationships in school is crucial in forming students' attitudes to good social behaviour and self-discipline to enable them to develop and demonstrate skills and attitudes, which will allow them to participate fully in, and contribute positively to, life in Britain.



Campion Cost of Living Support

CAMPION FREE SCHOOL MEALS & COST OF LIVING SUPPORT

Uniform Exchange

Donate and request used uniform through our Facebook site or by contacting the school.



Hardship Fund

Request financial support for small items. We do not provide cash.



Peter Rossiter Foundation

Request help with musical instruments or cost of lessons.



Breakfast Club

Free toast and a drink before school for children entitled to free school meals.



Food Parcels

Request a fortnightly food parcel from Langar Aid through the school.



Uniform Grant

We can sometimes help with the cost of uniform if your child is entitled to free school meals.



Free School Meals – Here to Help!

Do you want your child to eat healthily and save money?

Our school meal deal is just £2.50, offering a hot meal, dessert and drink

Is your child eligible for a free school meal?

Not sure? Check it out

https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals







Campion Cost of Living Support





WE ARE RECRUITING

CATERING ASSISTANT

At Campion School

Are you looking for a role where you can spread smiles by serving delicious food to children and also be a part of an amazing team?

10 and 21.25 hours per week

£9.60 per hour

If you are interested in the role, please email your CV to hr@educaterers.co.uk or call 01926 743439 and leave your details along with the school you are applying for.

Educaterers offer great benefits:

- School holidays off equated pay
- Term time only working hours
- Nest pension scheme
- Staff benefits package offering discounts for you and your family on shopping vouchers, cinema tickets, holidays and more...

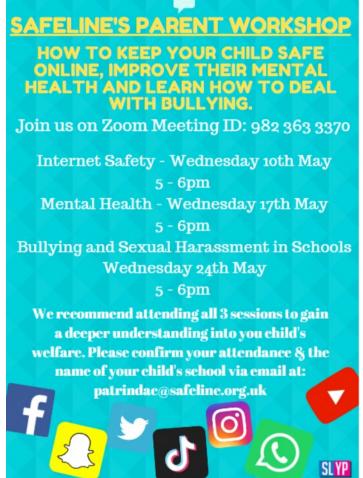












TERM DATES - SUMMER 2023

May Half-term

Last day of term

Monday, 29, May to Friday, 2 June 2023 Tuesday, 25 July 2023

Leave of Absence

Parents, or carers, considering taking their child out of school during term time must apply to the school for permission in advance of any absence. The school can only grant permission if the request is for **exceptional circumstances.**

Government guidelines are clear that family holidays, weddings and similar gatherings are not considered exceptional circumstances. Campion is a referring school, which means that we refer all unauthorised absences to Warwickshire Attendance Service. If a child is taken out of school without permission then a fine can be issued. The fine is calculated per child, per parent, per week of absence. You can find details of the schools Leave of Absence procedures in our Attendance Policy.

Extra-Curricular Timetable 2023

<u>Monday</u>	7:30-8:30 Breakfast Club	12:20-13:00			
			<u>15:10-16:30</u>	Refectory	RAS
	Computer & Homework Club		Computer & Homework Club (3.10 - 5 PM)	A4	YBE
			Netball/Football (All Yr's)	Courts & Fields	PE Staff
		Young Carers	l l	A12	LJR
		'Quiet' Lunch Club		A4	JMM
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			Creative Media & Homework Club (KS4/5)	A25	ABN
			Art Club	B5	VAB
		Chess Club (Girls only)	7 HE GIAD	B9	AYSHEA
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		Rotary interact club (11 11)	Badminton Club (All Yr's)	Gym	PE Staff
				E17	JKT
			Eco-Club (All Yrs) (Week 1 only) Access Team - Hwk Club (3.30 - 4.30PM)	EAL Room	JIV I
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	Children Chair (0.20.0.00)		Creative Media & Homework Club (KS4/5)	A25	ABN
	Student Choir (8.30-9.00)			Imac Room	EPR
Wednesday	Breakfast Club			Refectory	RAS
	Computer & Homework Club	10	Computer & Homework Club (3.10 - 5.10PM)	Library	LWM
		'Geog Geniuses' Club		A12	JS
			Science Year 7 'Labrats' (WK2 only)	E14	MA/GDB
			Creative Media & Homework Club (KS4/5)	A23	SRZ/JAR
			Softball/Rounders Club (All Yr's)	Gym	PE Staff
		Languages Blooket Club		C6	MFL Staff
			Chess Club (Girls & Boys)	Refectory	RAR/CMD/AJ
		'Quiet' Lunch Club		A4	JMM
			Access Team - Hwk Club (3.30 - 4.30PM)	EAL Room	JMM
			Psychology: Yr's 7-11 (3.15 PM)	E7	Harmin
			Book Club	Library	LJA & MJR
			Gaming Club (Yr's 8,9 & 10)	A23	SRZ
			Duke of Edinburgh	E1	MCR
		Lego Robotics Club (Yr's 7-8)		E1	EA
Thursday	Breakfast Club			Refectory	RAS
	Computer & Homework Club		Computer & Homework Club (3.10 - 5PM)	Library	LWM
	·		Athletics/Cricket Club(Yr 7-11)	Field	PE Staff
		Chess Club (Girls & Boys)		B9	AJ
		'Quiet' Lunch Club		A4	JMM
		Local Humanities Heroes		A13	BJG
			Tabletop Gaming Club (3.10 - 4.10PM)	Refectory	JSP
			Endurance Running Club (3.25 start!)	Outside PE Block	JR
				Satisfac / E Block	
		'BTEC & GCSE Art Catch-Up (Yr's 9 & 10)		B5	DJT
		5.25 & Gest Art editir-op (11 3 5 & 10)	Access Team - Hwk Club (3.30 - 4.30PM)	A4	EH
<u>Friday</u>	Breakfast Club			Refectory	RAS
	Computer & Homework Club		Computer & Homework Club (3.10 - 5PM)		LWM
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		Crossteach Club		A12 A4	JMM
		'Quiet' Lunch Club	Chess Club (Girls & Boys)	Refectory	RAR/CMD/AJ