



Whole School Information

1. Dymond Speeches - Shine bright like a Dymond! (Sorry Rihanna...) Yes, the Dymond Speech, the most prestigious Public Speaking Prize Sidcot School has to offer, is approaching. If you have something to say and think you can hold the room, let's hear you! Open to all years 7-13. How to get involved: Record a video of yourself on your phone talking about a topic you care about - the more specific and unusual, the better. Something thought-provoking! 1 minute long. Send to Mr Resuggan on TEAMS by Friday 13/05/22, end of the day. The best speakers will be shortlisted for the Dymond Speech Competition on June 25th. Prizes, rewards and recognition also available for other speakers.

2. Summer Term 2022 Tennis Coaching - Our amazing partnership with Mike Cook and Jodie Davis at Winscombe Tennis Club continues this summer. If you are interested in Tennis coaching please look no further
<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/MichaelCookTennis>
The sessions they have available are as follows:

Senior School Pupils:

Group 1) Thursdays 18.00-19.00 (Yellow 11-18)

Group 2) Friday 16.00-17.00 (Yellow 11-18)

Group 3) Saturday 11.00-12.00 (Yellow 11-18)

Sidcot Saturdays for Junior School pupils:

1) 13.00-14.00 (Red 6-9yrs)

2) 14.00-15.00 (Orange 9-10yrs)

Get in quick before the Wimbledon rush starts!!!

3. "Let's talk... IT and BYOD" Monday 16 May Drama Studio, 6.30 pm

For the next of our Let's Talk sessions, we would like to share the journey around Sidcot's use of 'IT' and 'bring your own device'. Covid has changed the educational landscape indelibly, and in some ways, for the better.

We look at what has changed in the classroom over the last few years, both successes and challenges, and offer the opportunity for parents to engage with staff and students through activities, Q & A, and presentations.

We'll be looking at our IT strategy, the impact of social media, and the elements we're putting in place to make the use of devices as healthy and effective as possible. It's a journey we are all making together, and along with our input, we will be asking for your feedback, observations, and experiences.

This will be an excellent opportunity to gain further insight or ask questions in a forum dedicated to open discussion around IT and BYOD. The evening is open to all, Junior and Senior parents, wherever your children are in their current Sidcot journey. We are also happy for parents to bring children with them.

We look forward to some fascinating insights, sober truths, and open discussion around this incredibly current and complex new educational climate.

Actions

1. Send your videos to Mr Resuggan on TEAMS by Friday 13/05/22, end of the day.

2. If you have any questions about Tennis Coaching please contact Mike directly:
<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/MichaelCookTennis>

3. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to reception@sidcot.org.uk so that we are able to keep a list of numbers for the evening.

4. Update to School Photographs - Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 May

It is time for us to update our School photographs for our marketing materials and we will have professional photographers in School on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. Please could all students come dressed as smartly as possible and in the correct uniform. If you have indicated that you would prefer your child not to be included in photographs, this will be taken into account.

5. CALL FOR STALLHOLDERS!

After a two-year break, the Sidcot School Garden Party is back! This will take place on the afternoon of Saturday 25 June and we would love to hear from any parents, relatives, and friends who might like to book a stall pitch for the event (£25 each). We would love a variety of stalls such as handmade art & crafts, greetings cards, plant sales, etc, so get in touch to reserve a spot! The students will be running lots of stalls too so places are limited.

5. For more details or to book your pitch contact Vicky Harmer at Vicky.harmer@sidcot.org.uk

Announcements

Actions

THIRD
FORM
Year 7

1. Boys Games

We are into the Summer Season and enjoying the return of cricket. Can I please remind all that cricket whites (trousers and top) are required and available from the School Shop.

2. Cricket Abdominal Protection – ‘The Box’.

In order to play hard-ball cricket your child needs to wear an abdominal protector – ‘a box’ in old fashion terms! We have some here at school to borrow but as you might think, having your own is preferable.

An example of this is:

[Slazenger | Classic Abdo Guard | Abdo Guards | SportsDirect.com](#)

And a pair of shorts to wear it in:

[Slazenger | Multi Sport Boxer Shorts Mens | Boxers | SportsDirect.com](#)

3. Trainers

Please can you ensure your child is wearing ‘Sports Trainers’ for the activities this term not ‘Fashion trainers’. Sports trainers will allow better performances and a safer footing/less slipping.

An example of a good sports trainer is:

[Nike | Revolution 6 Women's Running Shoes | Runners | SportsDirect.com](#)

Or

[Under Armour | Pursuit Mens Trainers | Runners | SportsDirect.com](#)

FOURTH
FORM
YEARS
8/9

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1. Year 10 Parents' Consultation Evening: Thursday 26th May 2022, 17:00-20:00: Online Appointment Booking and Video Call

I would like to invite you to attend our Year 10 Parents' Consultation Evening as indicated above. Appointments will be available from 17:00 to 20:00. The evening provides an opportunity to discuss your child's academic progress with each of their subject teachers. Students are welcome to attend with their parents.

These appointments will take place online via video call, with appointments being made in advance using our Parents' Evening booking system, which will be familiar to many. This system allows you to choose your own appointment times with your child's teachers. You will then receive an email confirming your appointment(s). Please note that you are due to receive an online copy of your child's report a week before the Parents' Evening.

For more information on how to book or attend appointments over video call, please visit

<https://support.parenteveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call>.

Please note that all appointments are 7 minutes each in length and that the video call will always finish at the designated end time, regardless of what time the call is started.

Finally, it is essential that you use the same Firefly account to attend the video call appointments, as you used to make the appointments in the first place.

1. Please visit <https://sidcot.schoolcloud.co.uk> to book your appointments.

You will be able to make appointments from Friday 6th May at 16:00 and bookings will close on Wednesday 25th May at 22:00.

**FIFTH
FORM
YEARS
10/11**

**SIXTH
FORM
YEARS
12/13**