

## The Sidcot Parent Planner

## FOR WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 7 March 2022

## **Whole School Information Actions** 1. The School Swimming Gala Monday 21st March 1.30pm - It is with great 1. Parents - please confirm your excitement that after 2 years of COVID, we are holding the School Swimming Gala intention to attend by emailing on Monday 21st March. This is a revised date. The afternoon will be a festival of matthew.lloyd@sidcot.org.uk swimming open to all swimmers from Year 7 to 13. I would also like to invite parents to come along to watch and cheer the swimmers on and enjoy some tea and cakes! Book your seats for The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe now! On Thursday 31st March and Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd April at 7 pm, Sidcot Drama Department is excited to present an original musical version of The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe. Over 70 Sidcot student actors, musicians, and technical crew are involved, who range in age from 10 – 18; it promises to be a lovely evening of live performance, despite a fair amount of adversity on the way, which showcases the talents, endevour, and camaraderie of our wonderful Sidcot Students. The performance is suitable for ages 5 upwards, lasts around 2 hours with an interval, and takes place in the Meeting House. If you would like to reserve seats for the performance, please contact reception@sidcot.org.uk or phone on 01934 834102. Seats will be allocated on a firstcome, first-served basis and are likely to go quickly, so please book early to avoid disappointment. **Breck Foundation -** On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March in PSHE, students in Third, Fourth 3. BF parent advice sheet.pdf and Lower Fifth Form will be attending a virtual presentation from the Breck Foundation. The presentation is about the potential dangers of online friendships and is based on the tragic story of Breck LaFave. Please see the poster attached for more information or contact Alex Lickorish at alexander.lickorish@sidcot.org.uk if you would like to discuss the talk.

	Announcements	Actions
THIRD FORM Year 7		
FOURTH FORM YEARS 8/9	1. HPV Vaccinations Year 8 – Year 8 students are now due for their HPV vaccinations. The vaccinations will be administered by Sirona care & health, Community Health Partnership and will take place in school on the morning of Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March. Parents should read the attached letter and click the link to provide consent.	HPV econsent letter 2021 - 22 FINAL.doc

	<b>HPV Vaccinations Year 9</b> - if your child received their first HPV vaccination last year then they will be having their follow on vaccination in school on Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March. There is no consent required as this is carried forward from the first vaccination.	
FIFTH FORM YEARS 10/11	<ol> <li>Year 10 Work Experience Week - (27th June – 1st July) Dear Parents, All Year 10 students are expected to take a week of work experience during the dates above. This can also include volunteering which can help students develop crucial soft skills. The students have access to a 'Finding Your Placement Guide' and support from myself and the Year 10 tutor team, however, your support is invaluable as they are required to find the placement themselves. Once the students have found and confirmed placement with an employer we request that you fill in a Sidcot Parent and Student Work Experience Microsoft form, please see attached. The deadline for submission is Friday, 25th March 2022. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch. If you would also like advice on offering a placement or to chat through giving this opportunity to another student please also do get in contact. Alison Pike - Head of Careers Alison.Pike@sidcot.org.uk</li> <li>Exams Update - (Year 11) Summer Exams 2022 - Please find updated information on 2022 examinations from Christian</li> </ol>	1. Sidcot School Student and Parent Work Experience Form 27th June - 1st July (office.com)  2. 2022 Exams Update
	Hughes, Deputy Head (Academic)	03.03.2022.docx
SIXTH FORM YEARS 12/13	1. Year 13 Parents' Consultation Evening: Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 17:00-20:00 - Online Appointment Booking and Video Call  I would like to invite you to attend our additional Year 13 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 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	1. Please visit https://sidcot.schoolcloud.co.uk to book your appointments.  Appointment bookings are now open and will close on Monday 14th March at 22:00.
	over video call, please visit  https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-	

parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call.

Please note that all appointments are 10 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.

- 2. Parents of IB students are warmly invited to take part in the self-study questionnaire, which is part of the evaluation process that each IB School undertakes every five years. You will be invited to sessions where we will assess the IB diploma programme offered at Sidcot against IB standards and practices. Please, fill out the form by Friday 11th March to confirm your availability. We will be circulating more information once we have a list of names.
- 3. Lower Sixth UCAS Higher Education Exhibition Westpoint, Exeter Thursday, 17th March 2022

We are looking forward to taking the whole of the Lower Sixth to the UCAS Exhibition. It is an annual event designed to help students find out more about higher education, degree apprenticeships and other opportunities from 130 providers all under one roof. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.ucas.com/events/exeter-ucas-exhibition-2022-403791">https://www.ucas.com/events/exeter-ucas-exhibition-2022-403791</a>

We have an allocated session of 11.30 – 1.30. We will be leaving school at 9.30am with an anticipated return time of approximately 3pm. A packed lunch will be provided for every student plus there will be additional catering facilities at the exhibition centre. Five members of staff will accompany the students on the visit. We will be taking a register of students at key points during the day, plus we will have a list of any medical conditions notified to us previously and recorded on the school's SIMS system. We have assumed that this is up-to-date. Please do notify us if there are any changes to this. Students should be reminded to bring any essential medication with them, e.g., epi-pen. If students regularly suffer from travel sickness, they should be encouraged to take appropriate medication before traveling. First Aid Kits will be available on the coach and specific staff are first aid trained.

**4.** Exams Update - (Year 13) Summer Exams 2022 – Please find updated information on 2022 examinations from Christian Hughes, Deputy Head (Academic)

2. IB Self-study questionnaire (office.com)

4. 2022 Exams Update 03.03.2022.docx

To see all of our upcoming events, please visit our calendar at <a href="https://www.sidcot.org.uk/calendar/weekly">www.sidcot.org.uk/calendar/weekly</a>