

Spires Weekly Bulletin for Students and Parents

Week 29 'Working Rights' 26/04/10

DAY	TIME	EVENT
Monday	8.30—8.40	Whole staff briefing
	8.40—9.00	Whole academy assembly Working Rights
	Period 1	Vocational homework for Year 11
	Period 2	English homework for Year 10
Tuesday	8.15—8.30	Leadership briefing
	8.30—8.40	Whole staff briefing
	8.40—9.00	Yr 9 homework hand in and out day
	All day	Year 10 and G&T Art trip to Tate Modern
	Period 1	Science homework for Year 10
	Period 2	Science homework for Year 11
Wednesday	8.30—8.40	Year team briefings
	8.40—9.00	Yr 7 homework hand in and out day
	Period 1	Vocational/ History homework for Year 10
	Period 4	Maths homework for Year 11 Citizenship homework for Year 10
Thursday	7.30—8.30	Academy Leadership meeting
	8.30—8.40	Academy briefing
	8.40—9.00	Whole Academy Assembly
	Period 2	Maths homework for Year 10
	Period 5	English homework for Year 11
	18.30	Art Exhibition and Prize giving evening at University of Creative Arts, Canterbury
Friday	8.40—9.00	Year 9 assembly Year 10 assembly
	8.40—9.00	Yr 8 homework hand in and out day

Looking back

- Fantastic Year 9 Burning to Learn day on Thursday all day with Young Enterprise. Thanks to Julie Allen for organising and Shaun Jafari for making sure the students got the best out of it.

A quote from one of the organisers at Burning to Learn:

"I would like to thank you on behalf of everyone at Burning2Learn for your efforts and your involvement with the Kent 2020 education experience yesterday. It was brilliant to see your students getting involved and watch their confidence grow and progress throughout the day."

- Great Cancer awareness workshop started on Thursday with some students
- Great and inspiring assembly by Mr Palmer on Thursday. If you really want to do something, it is achievable. You just have to believe.
- Learning Council meeting went very well on Thursday. The students discussed the LRC with Janine in the chair.
- Fantastic WW2 day with Year 5 students from Hoath, Chislet and Parkside primary schools. Thanks to Ray, Phil and Janette for their involvement in this

Looking forward

- **WEDG Kent University Psychology Questionnaires**
Kent University will continue carrying out reflection questionnaires with all year seven students during their Citizenship lessons. This is part of a three year project, looking into the effectiveness of Citizenship education in empowering students to form their own opinions, challenge ideas and embrace diversity.
- Exam time is rapidly approaching, and deadlines for coursework for Year 11. Look out for the timetable of exams each week in your bulletin
- Year 9 French breakfast has been postponed to the middle of May
- Year 10 and Gifted and Talented Art trip to Tate Modern
- Art exhibition and Prize giving evening at University for the Creative Arts, Canterbury. Some of our students were involved in the Art

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Parent focus:

To help encourage reading, please let me know your favourite books, either fiction or non fiction. If anyone is interested in Volunteering to help a student read 1x1, please get in touch

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Literacy focus -

Please let me know your favourite book. I have two:

'Pride and Prejudice' by Jane Austin and 'Pillars of the Earth' by Ken Follett



From Charlie in Year 7—Some time ago a group of us who play Rugby had the chance to go to London and meet and train with Lawrence Dallaglio. It was an amazing day and we had a great time, as well as learning lots about training techniques for Rugby.

Monday 26th April 2010 – Year 9 'It Doesn't Have to Happen' Kent Police Workshop

All year 9 students will be involved in the above workshop for the whole day on Monday. The day will be broken down into three sessions:

- the key messages on how to remain safe.
- effective radio advertising and how to create a radio script.
- the opportunity to get creative and make your own radio adverts that teach the public about safety and preventing crime.

The adverts will be entered into a competition run by KMFM and the winning advert will be turned into a real radio advert, which will be played on KMFM.

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Priorities for the week:

'Spelling'

All your teachers in every lesson, including Maths will be making sure your spelling is correct

Homework

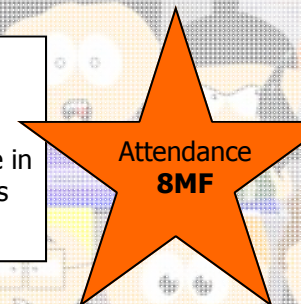
Homework scrutiny this week will be with Jason B. Mr Palmer will be checking homework given to and completed by Jason this week and discussing this with him.

From Ashley and Sarah —Year 8

Please note there is a Year 7 Homework prep on a Wednesday afternoon, 15.00—16.00. This is for anyone in Year 7 and will have teachers as well as Year 8 students on hand to help with homework

Sam G in Year 8 is interested in doing some Fundraising. If you would like to help her, please email Miss Foster

Attendance	Week 28	Week 29
Whole Sch from Sept	92.0%	92.1%
19.04 – 22.04.10		
Whole Sch wkly	90.9%	93.7%
Year 7	91.6%	95.4%
Year 8	92.0%	94.5%
Year 9	91.4%	95.5%
Year 10	87.1%	87.9%
Year 11	91.4%	94.1%



Most improved HOS

Drama
ICT Catch up/ Booster
ICT extreme club
Show Band
Choir
Homework
Dance
Cheerleading
GCSE Engl Catch up
Animal Care
Football
Student Year Book
Film Club
GCSE Maths revision
Holiday Spanish
GCSE Citizenship Catch up
Street Dance
Football
Board Games