Conyers



School

May 2023

Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

It has been a short but hard working half term, particularly for those students who are taking their GCSE or A level examinations and we have been really impressed by their dedication so far.

As half term approaches revision should continue to take place on a daily basis. For Year 11 this includes attending lessons when not in exams **until 16 June** when study leave commences. These guided sessions for the later exam papers are an essential part of the revision programme complementing our little and often approach. It also allows students to ask their teachers last minute questions to relieve those pre exam nerves. If you have any concerns or queries about examination preparation please contact school and we will be delighted to help.

Students in Years 9, 10 and 12 face examinations next half term and should be preparing at home for their assessments. Again form tutors and subject teachers will be able to provide advice and support. Results will provide parents with useful information about progress and teachers will use this information to plan the next steps for students to ensure they achieve the best possible outcomes.

There has also been time to recruit the new student leadership team this half term. The process including a presentation, student vote and interview with senior staff. Therefore, congratulations to our new Head Students Matthew Hickson and Grace Burkin, and their assistants, Daniel Sauron and Emma Swales. We look forward to working with them next year.

Have a wonderful half term break we look forward to welcoming students back on Monday 5 June, 8.50 a.m.

Stockton District Schools Athletics Champions

On Wednesday 24 May, we attended the Stockton District Athletics Finals at Middlesbrough Sports Village. The stage was set for a fantastic day with the weather on our side. We were consistent as a whole team, across both track and field and across all age groups. We are delighted to announce that we won the overall championship in Stockton, officially the best at Athletics! Notable performances from Year 7 girls who won overall as a team. There were exceptional individual performances from; Katie Harding, Lucy Lupton, Spencer Pain, Shami Tiyenga and Daniel Richardson. We have some students who have now qualified for the Middlesbrough Inter-counties and we wish them the best of luck. All of our students were exceptional yesterday and a credit to school.





Celebrating Achievement

Headteacher's Commendations

Awarded to:

Eddie Gowland Y11, Daniel Sauron 6SM, Isabel Cowan 6SL, Jackie Li Y11, Noor Shabbir 6RH, Alonso Puente Y11 for being a wonderful ambassador for Conyers School when we hosted our Finnish visitors.

Isla Mellis 6NC for administering emergency first aid to a member of staff. Your rapid and calm response saved a life. Thank you!

Hot Chocolate Awards

Year 7: Evie Swallow, Katie Harding, Grace Pinchin, Jones, Alfie, Arthur Rowling, and Sam Nicklin.

Year 8: Jose Baeza-Suarez, Taylor Matthewman, Seren Boyer, Amy Kuvinka, Millie Love and Maddie-Faith Benson.

Year 9: Hannah Redman, Jane Brackenbury, Zoe Jones, Paige Forsyth, Iyanuoluwa Pegba-Otemolu and Euan Mallam.

Year 10: Evelyn Woodward, Aaron MacKey, Katie Pallent, Niamh Creighton-Banks, Megan Ridley and Edward Melling.

Year 12: Mckenzie Payne, Isabella Brunskill, Shannon O'Brien, Abigail Lupton, Hannah Davey and Logan Kish.









Conyers Aspirations

Blue badge awarded to:

Year 7: Oluwasemilore Akeredolu, Olivia Anthony, Harry Atkinson, Dennis Bailey, Alexandra-Nicola Bulanova-Spink, Tabitha Cassey, Cherise Charakupa, Mason Claridge, Archie Cook, Jack Cooper, Olly Cooper, Sofia Costa Coba, Oscar Crinnion, Luca Davies, Rocco Dicarlo, Kacey Donnelly, Harry Dowson, Lily-Mai Frankish, Nathan Fretter, Amelia Gerrard, Kelsea Harrison, Daniel Howell, Summer Hoyland, Rio Iida, Lydia John, Lexi Johnson, Nadia Lee, Danny Locker, Lucie Lupton, Zach MacKinnon, Alfie Mallen, Lily McDonald, Kelci Mills, Ahmed Mohammad, Ollie Mosley, Mia Muldowney, Charlii Nicholson, Everly Nicol, Cobie Nield, Evie Oakley, Faye Osbeldiston, Mia Parkinson, Sian Pattison, Anthony Pentland, Emma Pulman, Jake Ridley, Noah Roach, Luke Roberts, Lily Rogers, Lewis Scott, Michael Sidlo, Kelsie Smith, Annabelle Spears, Mason Summersgill, Lolah Tranter, Annabel Utting, Jack Walker, Ella Walton, Alex Warren, Polly Wells, Megan Wilkes, Nathan Williams and Ollie Wood,

Year 8: Maddie Akel, Mofifoluwa Akin-Jaiyeoba, Jose Baeza-Suarez, Emily Bate, Mylo-Lloyd Bone, Anabel Butler, Daniel Clifford, Aidan Clish, Mollie Davies, Saffanah Deen, Theo Dryden, Olivia Green, Noah Hitchen, Katie Hutchinson, Kashaf Imran, Amy Kuvinka, Millie Love, Uzair Mughal, Kay Munyakazi, Leo Ngorima, Oliver Oyston, Adam Roberts, Elizabeth Rogers, Will Saunders, and Tabatha Turner-Jones.

Year 9: Adam Ahmad, Ellie Andrews, James Bullock, James Cowan, Cerys Downing, Mia Evans, Cheng Jin He, Jessica Hickson, Ismail Ibrahim, Nikky Leone, Keelan McCann-O'Neill, Ruby McMahon, Luke Nicholson, Megan Parker, Chloe Rosser, Miley Saunders, Kian Stevens, Grace Stout, Jak Tyler, Holly Wise and Lola Young,

Year 10: Cerys Carter, Daisy Clarke, Logan Cummings, Georgia Davies, Ryan Fox, Sophie McGrath, Izzy Phipps, Leah Rosser, Serah Sunu and Sophie Wilks

Year 11: Lily Cooper, Vinnie Larkin, Natsumi Lim and Inaaya Siddique.

Green badge awarded to:

Year 7: David Aghedo, Sufian Ahmed, Charlotte Attwood, Zeynep Badak, Danny Butler, Ollie Coakley, Charlie Cook, Lauren Ellerby, Molly Harland, Evie Hughes, Hayley Iseton, Frankie Jackson, Emilia Johnson, Alfie Jones, Junior Kenning, Jack Kirtley, Molly Lord-Hatton, Saliou Middleton Diagne, Leighton Paleschi, Austin Pawlak, Moyinoluwa Pegba-Otemolu, Sadie Rowland, Jasmine Singh, Ellie Smales, Ellie Staples, Scarlett Tebbs, Shamiso Tiyenga and Tom Yates

Year 8: Lily Higgins.

Pink badge awarded to:

Year 7: Matthew Gee and Josh Richards-Osborne.

Conyers Aspirations Programme Prize Winners

All students who have received 250+ points are entered into a half termly prize draw; each aspirations badge achieved gives one entry to the draw. Here are some of this half term's winners.









Learning Support at Conyers

Due to a number of changing roles within the SEND Team, we wanted to inform you of who to contact to find the best support for your child. In the first instance please contact sen@conyers.org.uk





Claire Pack - Trust Director of SEND

As Director of SEND for the 1590 Trust , I work closely with our Trust schools to support the needs of students in their settings. In addition I am SENCO at Conyers and I am responsible for ensuring that school SEND policy is operational; coordinating provision for SEND students. Day to day I manage Conyers SEND Team and oversee the progression and welfare of all SEND students in the school.

Tom Straker- Assistant SENCO

I oversee the EMS (Enhanced Mainstream School) students and additional needs classes. My responsibilities are focused on the welfare of these students and monitoring their progress, attendance and behaviour. I work alongside the SEND Support Team and teaching staff across the school.



Lauren Dalgarno - Assistant SENCO

My role is to oversee provision for SEND students across the school, ensuring their needs are met and support is in place. I was previously the Lead practitioner for English and recently joined the SEN team in September 2022.



I am one of the SEND Support Managers at Conyers school. My role is to oversee support for SEND students within our school environment either by organising support in class, through intervention or liaising with teachers. I manage a team of SEND support assistants.



Max Dale - SEND Support Manager

I am the Y6 transition lead for our Enhanced Mainstream and SEND students which means that I am involved in the Y6 SEND consultation process and transition each year. This involves visiting primary schools, observing the students and chatting to the Yr6 teachers and SENCO's. I am also a SEND support manager to a team of SEND support assistants whose role is to support students with their additional needs.

Bethan Danks- SEND Lead for Medical, Physical and Emotional Health

I am the SEND lead practitioner for Medical, Physical and Emotional health. My role involves overseeing the medical provision in school and supporting students return to their lessons. To contact me with any medical needs please email: medical@conyers.org.uk



English

In English, students from a range of year groups have been out on their second creative writing session at Teesside University this half-term.

Meanwhile, Year 12 English Literature students have visited Newcastle
University for a day of lectures and seminars. Year 11 and Year 13 students have been busy revising with their teachers both in lessons and in the many revision sessions before and after school and at lunchtime that we have offered. We wish them every success.



Year 11 Mission Success Superstars

In recognition of their hard work, perfect uniform, excellent punctuality and attendance and meeting Conyers' basic expectations at all times, some of our Year 11 students were invited for a Dominos pizza reward lunch this half term. A huge well done to all who attended - you really are fantastic ambassadors for Conyers!







Year 11 Equipment Return

Just a reminder to the Year 11 students who have received revision guides or calculators on a loan basis, to return them to Mrs McLean at the end of your exams. Library books are to be returned to Mrs Dawson. Thank you.

Netherlands Football Trip

The girls football trip to the Netherlands was a great success. We took 24 girls over to Vitesse in the Netherlands. They took full advantage of the sports hotel we were staying in which included swimming, tennis, cycling and a games room.

The first game of the tour was a success in the beautiful sunshine with the U15 team winning 9-2 and the U13 winning 1-0 in the last minute of the game after a very intense and tight game. A massive thanks to VV BSZ for hosting us. The second day the girls enjoyed a day out at Efteling theme park and explored the fairy tale park with lots of rides, entertainment and typical Dutch food. After the theme park, the girls headed straight to National Sports Centre Papendal to have a training session with Vitesse coaches. The girls trained on the first team's training pitch and even got the chance to watch the first team train!



teams ran out 3-0 winners after some excellent football and goals on show. After the game the club hosted us in their clubhouse, it was lovely to see all the girls chatting to each other and it did not seem like there was a language barrier! After the game, we headed back to the hotel for a quick turn around before we made our way to the Eredivise match between Fortuna Sittard and Vitesse. Unfortunately, Vitesse lost the game but it was a great experience.

On the last day we had our final training session at Vitesse then we headed to the GelreDome stadium for a tour. The girls explored the pitch, changing rooms, media suite and museum and then ended up in the club shop where they bought lots of memorabilia. Last stop of the tour was Arnhem city centre. The girls had free time to explore the city, buy some traditional Dutch food and buy some souvenirs then it was time to get the ferry home.

Well done and a massive thank you to all students who made this trip extremely enjoyable and memorable!









Rights Respecting

As part of Rights Respecting Schools, Conyers students are trying to recycle as many of the plastic bottles in school as possible. Recycling bins are in tutor rooms, dining halls, the field and the quad.



Science

This half term the Science Club have been looking at camouflage in nature and have split into two groups to camouflage butterflies around Miss Armstong's and Dr. Hallam's rooms. They have been looking at butterflies and how they camouflage in different environments and how they become adapted to their surroundings for survival. Science club is open to Year 7 and 8 and takes place in room 304 from 12.50 until 13.20.

Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

The practice expeditions have been completed and we were incredibly lucky with the weather. Lots of learning has taken place and the participants are now really well prepared for the assessed expeditions taking place over the weekends of the 24th-25th June and 1st-2nd July. We will be looking at getting next year's cohort signed up before the end of the academic year so if there are any Year 9 students that would like to take part in the Bronze award next academic year please can they make sure that they keep an eye on their emails in the next half term.



Maths

We had many certificates to hand out after the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge results came back.

In Year 7, there were ten students awarded Bronze, six students achieved Silver and one student who obtained a Gold Certificate – very well done Matthew G!.





In Year 8, fifteen students were awarded a Bronze certificate, twelve students achieved Silver and eight students obtained a Gold Certificate. Congratulations to Alf, Toby, Logan, Miruna, Arisha, Taylor, Uzair and best in school, Luca.





Well done everyone and good luck to the five students who achieved a score that qualifies them for the next round of the competition which takes place on 14th June.





Congratulations go to Max S in Year 12 recently achieved his performance diploma on guitar... something most students only manage at university. Not only that, he got 94%! Well done Max and his Go Music tutor Mr Rutherford.

Learning to sing or play an instrument is one of the most rewarding and enjoyable activities a young person can do. It is widely recognised that studying Music helps develop a wide range of skills and abilities that benefit the student both academically and emotionally. This is especially true for students who participate in ensembles such as bands and choirs.

New Starter Offer

In addition to only being £20 for the first half term, we are offering free loan of brass, woodwind or string instruments for anyone having lessons. Please email gomusic@conyers.org.uk for an enrolment pack to take advantage of this fantastic opportunity.

Assisted purchase

We recommend that any student who has passed their grade 3 invests in their own intermediate instrument. The best way to do this is through our assisted purchase scheme where the cost of the instrument can be spread to the end of the academic year and the instrument can be bought without having to pay VAT. For more information please email gomusic@conyers.org.uk Twitter: @gomusicconyers (more pictures, and videos!)



Last week our band spent the day working with musicians from The Band of His Majesty's Royal Marines. A fantastic experience for everyone.







Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 12 July, 7pm: Summer Concert, Stockton Baptist Church email: gpattison@conyers.org.uk for ticket info.

Twitter: @gomusicconyers (more pictures, and videos!)

Email: gomusic@conyers.org.uk



Help for Our Families

Preloved Uniform

Our Preloved Uniform scheme has continued to be a huge success across Conyers this year, helping so many of our families. Lots of parents and students have donated items of uniform and PE kit, which no longer fit or are no longer needed. If you have any donations or are struggling to purchase a uniform, please contact Mrs McLean at kmclean@conyers.org.uk and we try to help where possible and always appreciate and welcome donations. The Preloved scheme is not only a way of helping families who are struggling financially but it is an extremely environmentally friendly scheme - helping with landfill issues.

Holidays are Fun Sessions

All school age children from reception class to Year 11 who live in Stockton-on-Tees and are in receipt of benefits-related free school meals are eligible to take up a place for holiday activities, including a meal over the half term holidays. For further information and to book a place, go to www.stockton.gov.uk/HAF

Household Support Fund

<u>www.stockton.gov.uk/household-support-fund</u> has information about additional support that is currently available to a wide range of low-income households and how to apply for it.

Cost of Living Support

<u>www.stockton.gov.uk/cost-of-living-hub</u> has information on the benefits, advice and support available to you to help you through the cost of living crisis.

Calendar Dates

Friday 26 May 3.40pm Monday 5 June 8.50am

Monday 5 to Friday 9 June

Tuesday 13 June

Monday 19 to Friday 30 June

Monday 3 June

Tuesday 11 July

Wednesday 12 July, 7pm

Tuesday 18 July, 2.30pm

Tuesday 5 September, 8.50am

Wednesday 6 September, 8.50am

Wednesday 25 October, 3.40pm

Monday 6 November, 8.50am

Tuesday 19 December, 2.30pm

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Wednesday 3 January, 8.50am

Friday 16 February, 3.40pm

Monday 26 February, 8.50am

Thursday 28 March, 3.40pm

Monday 15 April, 8.50am

Monday 6 May

Friday 24 May, 3.40pm

Monday 3 June, 8.50am

Friday 19 July, 2.30pm

Students finish for the half term holidays

Students return after the holidays

Year 9 exams this week

Year 8 subject consultations

Year 10 trial exams and Year 12 end of year exams

Year 11 into Year 12 Sixth Form Transition Day

Year 7 subject consultations

Summer Concert, Stockton Baptist Church

Students finish for the summer holidays, buses early

Years 7 and 12 students return after the holiday

Year 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 students return after the holiday

Students finish for the half term holiday

Students return after the holiday

Students finish for the Christmas holiday, buses early

Students return after the holiday

Students finish for the half term holiday

Students return after the holiday

Students finish for the Easter holiday

Students return after the holiday

Bank Holiday, school closed

Students finish for the half term holiday

Students return after the holiday

Students finish for the summer holiday

Social Media

We celebrate the successes of our students on social media so follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.









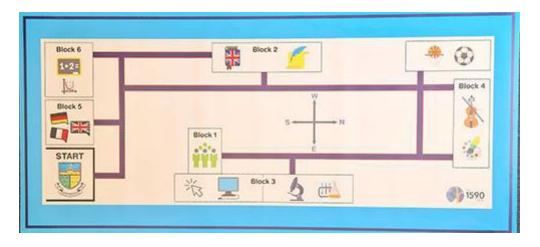






Lego Competition 2023

Back bigger and back better. New Lego mats designed and new schools invited. More coming soon!





Social Badminton

Play badminton, have fun and meet new people

Every Wednesday

7:15-8:45pm

Ages 14+ years

Contact Martin Herring for more information on 07774 146866

FACILITIES TO HIRE

Sports Hall - £30.00 per hour Gymnasium - £20.00 per hour

Enquiries to GoSport@conyers.org.uk 01642 790296





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Burn Fat - Boost Metabolism - Get Lean

A 30 minute HIIT class for all levels of fitness

AT CONYERS

Wednesday 31st May 6:00-6:30pm (in the gym)

5 week course £25 per person (or £20 in fitness bundle)

Please bring your own kettlebell

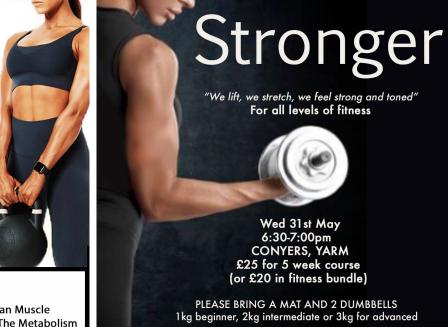
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