

Principal's Newsletter

Friday 26th April 2024

Well done to all of our year 11 students who have started the exam season this week. We have seen graphics, textiles, Spanish and dance exams and students have responded well. All year 11 students are now attending morning interventions in form time in either English, Maths or Science; a vital boost before the exam season begins formally on 7th May.

Thank you to all parents who completed our survey related to enrichment activities and trips and visits. This data has been analysed and will influence future decisions about our offer. We have seen a few exciting enrichment opportunities this week such as the Navy who came in to cook with year 10 Hospitality and Catering students and the Ormiston Dance competition where our students excelled. More details and photographs are below. We have also opened up the opportunity to go on the ski trip to current year 8, 9 and 10 students and further places are now available on the year 9 History residential trip to Belgium.

Parents have asked for a wider variety of less costly trips and those linked directly with the curriculum so we are working hard to increase our offer.

Staffing Changes

Today we have said a fond but temporary farewell to Mrs Nelson, Assistant Principal as she begins her maternity leave. We wish her all the very best for this exciting new chapter and look forward to seeing her again on her return.

We also say goodbye and thank you to Mr Bailey who has finished his term at Flegg as Vice Principal. We are very grateful for everything he has done for our school community and will miss his presence around the school (and his singing!) For those families who have had close contact with Mr Bailey, we will be writing to you to about the transition.

We are also delighted to be welcoming Mrs Pitcher who begins her role as permanent Vice Principal on Wednesday 1st May. Mrs Pitcher is a very experienced and successful senior leader from a local school and joins us as Vice Principal for inclusion. I'm sure that Mrs Pitcher will introduce herself in next week's newsletter and she will also be teaching English to students across the key stages.

Parking and driving on site

We are currently very concerned about the safety of our students in the carpark before school and politely ask all parents and carers to drive slowly and safely when on site. Ideally, cars should not be dropping students off in the carpark and **must not** use the bus lanes to do this. We have put members of our site team on duty to help monitor and manage the situation and will review our road markings and signage.

Reminder

Flegg is now a chewing gum free school, but we still have a few students who are chewing. We appreciate your support in ensuring students understand the no gum rule and why it should be for out of school use only.

We have also reminded students that litter needs to go in the bin, not on the floor. Reinforcing this message at home would be appreciated.

Punctuality

Students must be on site before 8:30am which is when the bell goes, and form time begins. Students arriving after this point are late and missing important learning time. We appreciate your support in ensuring students arrive to school on time.

Second hand uniform shop

We have a huge selection of second hand uniform available to families including all items of uniform, PE kit, shoes, trainers and coats. **The second hand uniform shop will be open on Thursday 2nd May 3.30pm-6pm.** Alternatively you can contact the school to request items via office@fleggoa.co.uk.

Dance & Drama

This week Mrs Hipperson took 12 Flegg Dancers to compete in the OAT East Dance Competition. Flegg performed both a group dance and a solo in each category, junior & senior. Judged by expert judges from the world of dance across a range of criteria. Flegg dancers did amazingly well and we came home with 1st place in the Junior category for the second year running as well as 2nd place in the senior competition. Well Done to all dancers you were amazing.



Matilda Utting, Katie Hester, Lorelei Southworth, Amelia Ludkin, Amelia Balls, Maizie Boylan, Isabelle Clarke, Asha McMahon, Livvie Spencer Powell, Rubie Brunson, Sofey Pither and Summer Cott.



PSHE

This half term, students will be covering the following topics:

- Yr7 - Equality then Personal Health
- Yr8 - Law & Order then Crime and Influence
- Yr9 - Media Literacy then Political Power
- Yr10 - Next Steps then Money Matters

Attendance Corner

Last week's 100% attendance winners are:

Jenson Boone 7FLU
Katrina Wu 8LDA
Oliver Farnese 9CLU
Benjamin Carey 10JED
Lucia Gillett 11JGR



Ready Steady Cook with the Navy!

Year 10 had a very exciting opportunity as the Navy came to visit. They enjoyed the presentation where they found out about the requirements for joining the Navy and all the opportunities and travel that this profession could offer.

The year 10s were asked to work in teams of three and they were set the challenge of making Chicken Kiev with Fondant potatoes and Mini Pavlovas stuffed with fruit and cream in 90 minutes. Teamwork, decision making, time management and excellent cooking skills were needed. The skills that they had to accomplish were – slicing, dicing, chopping, crushing, coating, shaping, aeration, piping, pan frying, baking and of course presenting their food so that their plates of food looked like restaurant standard.

The Navy judges said that it was a very tricky decision deciding who the winning teams would be. But there could only be one winning team from each session.

Session 1 – The winners were Owen B. Rhiley D and Liam Ryan

Session 2- Phoebe S, Neeve L and Scarlet C

Grace W was commended for her pavlova.

Everyone really enjoyed their cooking experience and of course enjoyed eating the amazing food that they had made.



Flegg Event Team

The Flegg Event Team organise and attend fundraising and community events at the school and in the community. The Event Team meet every Friday lunch time with Mrs Spooner to plan and prepare for events. The team are currently making pompoms for their yarn bombing entry at the upcoming Martham Scarecrow Festival taking place over the bank holiday weekend. Plans are also underway for the Summer Fayre taking place at Flegg on Saturday 22nd June.

The Event Team are attempting to raise £1,500 for a defibrillator and cabinet that will be fixed to the front gate so it will be accessible by the whole community. We will have a stall on the green during the Martham Scarecrow Festival with fundraising games and a huge voucher prize draw, tickets for the draw are available to purchase in advance from our main reception. **If you would like to donate a voucher please get in touch.**



We are always looking for parents and family members to help at events so if you would like to become an Event Team volunteer then please contact us (all volunteers will have to complete a DBS).

The Event Team are also helping with the community litter pick on Saturday 27th April around Martham. If you and/or child would like to help please contact Mrs Spooner on 01493 749207 or email dspooner@fleggoa.co.uk.

We are currently accepting donations of clothes and bric-a-brac for our pre-loved stall at the Summer Fayre, all donations can be dropped off at the main reception between 8am-6pm



Martham Scarecrow Festival 2024
Martham Green, NR29 4PA
Sunday 5th & Monday 6th May
10am - 5pm
Free Entry Great Day out for all the family

- Vote for your favourite Scarecrow
- Family Treasure Hunt
- Children's Scavenger Hunt
- Garden/Garage Sales
- Entertainment
- Refreshments
- Craft & Charity stalls
- Free parking

Churches open with refreshments & activities

Maps will be on sale, both days inside the Main Marquee

Sponsored by: Caister Costumes, Snippers Salon, Martham Paw Ground, CA Hemsby Chalet Holiday Lets, 5 Star Landscapes, The Flower Gallery & JD Security and Fire



FLEGG HIGH ORMISTON ACADEMY
Summer Fayre
Saturday 22nd June
10am - 4pm

ORGANISED BY THE FLEGG EVENT TEAM

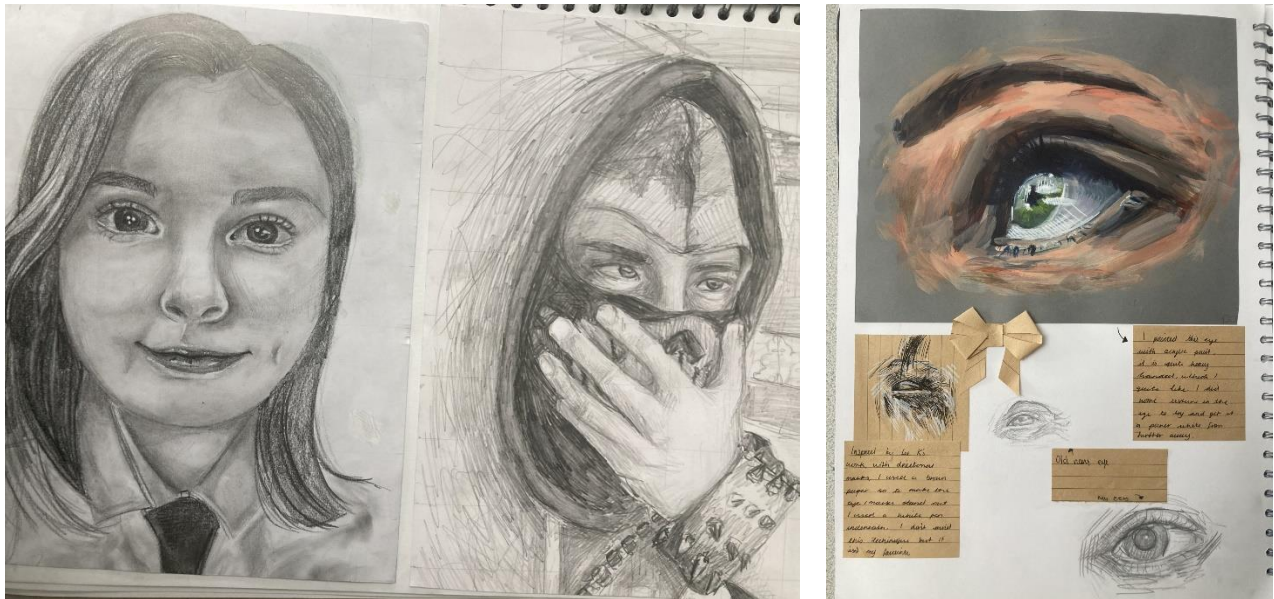
60 craft & gift stalls inside & outside
Fundraising games ~ Pre-loved stall
Free craft area ~ Refreshments
Inside and outside seating area
Free table tennis and games
Dance groups, singers and bands

The perfect free community event for all the family

FLEGG HIGH ORMISTON ACADEMY
SOMERTON ROAD, MARTHAM, NR29 4QD

Student work spotlight

Exceptional artwork from Daisy Graham in Year 10. Currently working on a Human Forms section of her project:



Dates for your diary

2pm-4pm Every Wednesday: Principals Surgery (contact principalsoffice@fleggoa.co.uk to book)

Thursday 2nd May: Year 8 Progress Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm

Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday

Thursday 23rd May: Year 7 Progress Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm

Monday 27th – Friday 31st May: Half Term

Monday 3rd June: First day of term

Thursday 6th June: Parent Forum 4.30pm-5.30pm (contact principalsoffice@fleggoa.co.uk to book)

Saturday 22nd June: Summer Fayre 10am-4pm

Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd July: Year 6 Transition Days

Tuesday 2nd July: Year 6 Transition evening for families

Thursday 4th July: Year 11 Prom

Monday 8th – Friday 12th July: Enrichment Week

Friday 12th July: Sports Day

Monday 22nd July – Tuesday 3rd September: Summer Holidays

With kind regards,

Mrs Jane Bennett, Principal

Attachments

National Online Safety

Community Events

Online Safety advice for parents and carers

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SHOPPING PLATFORMS

For people looking to make purchases on their phones, several shopping apps – such as Temu – allow users to buy goods at reduced prices. Others, like Vinted and Depop, let you sell items you no longer want. As internet shopping continues to grow, however, so does the risk of scammers, hackers and breaches of privacy.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MISSING ITEMS

Users of Vinted, Depop and Temu have reported not receiving their products despite payment being taken. Users can initially contact the seller to query a missing item, and they have between two and five days (depending on the app) to tell the company what has happened. However, once the money has reached the supposed 'seller', it can be quite difficult to get back.

SCAMMERS AND PHISHING

Scammers are always on the lookout for unsuspecting buyers or sellers. Common tactics include cancelling shipment of an item once the payment has been processed or asking to conclude the chat and payment outside of the app, where the victim is no longer protected by the buyer protection plan. This should, naturally, be avoided at all costs.

DATA MISUSE

Apps of all kinds frequently collect our data, often asking for more information than is necessary to set up an account. Data gathered in this way is then usually sold on to third parties for marketing purposes. Lately, certain apps have been under scrutiny for using spyware to track their members' activities – but all too often, the user's consent to this practice has been hidden away in the terms and conditions.

FAKES OR REPLICAS

It's certainly not unheard of for poor-quality products to be falsely marketed as luxury items, using misleading pictures or clever wording. These disingenuous sales are sometimes cut out by suspiciously low price tags, but this isn't always the case. For children and young people especially, there's a risk that the promise of bagging a high-end item for a fraction of its usual price will outshine any suspicions they may have.

SLOW REFUNDS

While all apps offer a refund if the product is damaged or doesn't match the description, it can take up to a month to be compensated for this. For many people (especially during a cost-of-living crisis) that can be a long time to be without both the product you bought and the hard-earned cash you spent on it.

MISLEADING DESCRIPTION

Some people will be able to notice when, say, a product's photo and its description don't seem to match. This isn't a reliable means of picking up on misleading marketing, however – especially not for children and young people, many of whom may not yet realise that such practices even exist. While it's illegal to advertise one thing and sell another, plenty of shady traders use clever wording and omissions to get around this.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ALWAYS STAY ON THE APP

It's vital that users pay for any goods through the same app on which they found them, to ensure they are covered by buyer protection. This means users can access support if the item arrives damaged, isn't as described, or doesn't arrive at all – allowing them to seek compensation for the loss. Such regulations can't protect you, however, if you didn't do the deal through the app in question.

BE WARY OF PHISHING ATTEMPTS

Scammers frequently send messages within these apps to steal personal and financial information from other users. Don't respond to these messages – and under no circumstances should you follow any links they contain. Check for spelling errors, as well as inspecting the name of the sender. Report any suspected phishing emails to the app's help centre – and notify your bank if you think your financial information has been compromised.

CHECK REVIEWS

Take time to read the reviews and comments left by other users – not just of products, but of sellers and buyers, to ensure they're legitimate and reliable. Before buying an item online, check the reviews for comments about the product's quality, the seller's communication and the delivery time. If you're selling, check the reviews of your buyer for red flags such as frequent requests for refunds or claims of 'missing' items.

KEEP SAFE AS A SELLER

Sellers can be exploited just as much as buyers. Some users may purchase an item, for example, then pretend it didn't arrive to secure a refund. Always take photos of the shipping label, along with a picture of you posting the item. Send the package's tracking number to the buyer and keep a copy for yourself, letting you investigate any future claims that it never arrived. When taking photos of items you're selling, ensure nothing personal is in the background.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant at BCyberAware, who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety workshops and policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviours of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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Community Events



HAPPY 1st Birthday
 Rollesby's Community Woodland
 PLEASE COME JOIN US AT THE WOODLAND
SATURDAY 4TH MAY

WHERE ROLLESBY COMMUNITY WOODLAND COMMITTEE WOULD LOVE TO SHOW YOU ALL THE COMMUNAL EFFORTS, HARD WORK, MONIES & TIME SPENT WHILST CELEBRATING OUR 1 YEAR TOGETHER. WE WILL BE THERE & WE ARE HOPING YOU WILL TOO. WE CAN WALK YOU ROUND & SHOW YOU ALL THAT'S BEEN ACHIEVED IN SUCH A SHORT TIME..... BRING SOME DRINKS, A PICNIC, SOME CHAIRS & COME SEE WHAT A VILLAGE CAN DO WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER!

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SUNDAY 28TH JULY 12 NOON TO 5PM.
HEMSBY FAMILY FEST
 HEMSBY PLAYING FIELD, WATERS LANE, HEMSBY, NR29 4JD
FREE ACTIVITIES FUN FOR ALL AGES !!



FAIRGROUND | NORMICH ESCAPE ROOMS | THE GAMESTATION | PUNCH & JUDY | CARS | EMERGENCY VEHICLES | HEMSBY LIFEBOAT | BEER TENT

FOOD STALLS | STALLS | & LOTS MORE

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT
 HEMSBYEVENTS@GMAIL.COM OR CALL TINA
 07775 684356



The future is ours to make



Acle Cricket Club presents
Ladies & Girls Cricket Nights
 Every Monday throughout the summer
 from 13th May - 6:30-8:00pm
 at Acle Recreation Centre, Bridewell Lane, Acle NR13 3RA

Free of charge • Softball fun & games • Hardball introduction & coaching
 No experience needed - focus is on having fun! • All equipment provided
 For more information contact Alex on 07979 368893

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At your Library



New Bereavement Cafés

Great Yarmouth Library
 Every Tuesday 10.30am – 12pm
 Starting 21 May 2024

Martham Library
 Every Friday 12.30pm - 2pm
 Starting 17 May 2024

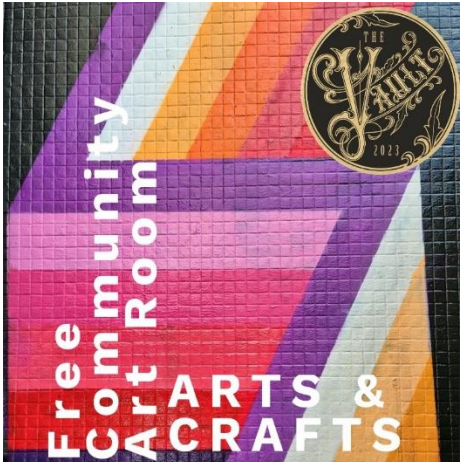
A time and place to meet and have a cuppa and chat with others who are bereaved.
 No need to book, just drop in.

SEND Coffee Morning

Are you a parent/carer of someone with additional needs?
 Drop in for a coffee and chat every Tuesday morning between 9.30am-11am at The Vault Gorleston High Street.

"An opportunity for parents/carers to offer each other support, tips, suggestions and encouragement".
 "Meet people that understand your challenges".
 "A judgment free space to share experiences".
 "Gain a greater understanding of minds that may not always think the way you do but are equally as unique and beautiful".
"You're not alone!"

MINDS of ALL KINDS

Free Community Art Room

ARTS & CRAFTS

Open Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

The Vault-Community Arts Centre
 156 Gorleston High Street
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