



CSEP END OF TERM NEWSLETTER

Saturday 10th December 2005, will be our last day of term

CLASSES COMMENCE SATURDAY 14th JANUARY 2006

Parent/Carer Consultations

Thank you for attending parent consultations on 3rd December. We hope that you found the experience useful. If you have any issues arising from these appointments please contact Mrs Pat McCarthy.

Assessments of Students

We have been conducting assessments on all students throughout October and November to assess their progress. We will be working with students to address areas and continue to support their learning. We hope as a result of these assessments, you had a clear picture of your child's progress at Open Morning on 3rd December.

Mayor of Croydon visit to CSEP—Saturday 28th January 2006

The Mayor of Croydon, Councillor Maggie Mansell will be visiting CSEP on Saturday 28th January. The Mayor has kindly offered as a result of attending our Prize Giving evening last year, to visit our students to talk, enthuse and motivate them about Science. The Mayor worked in the pathology department at Mayday Hospital also managed a number of health services. The Mayor will speak to Years 3 and 4 @ 10:30am, Years 5,6,7 @ 11:00am and Years 8,9,10 and 11 @ 11:30am-12:30pm.

Prize Giving—Saturday 8th July 2006

We would like all parents to help us to produce another successful Prize Giving evening, where we celebrate the achievements of all our young people. We are raising funds to make what is always an enjoyable and memorable evening,.....but we need your help.

Our Prize Giving target this year will be £1,000.00. PLEASE PLEASE HELP US TO REACH THIS TARGET. The Parents and Children's Association (PCA) are looking for helpers at our annual Prize-giving event. If you wish to volunteer, please speak to the PCA Members. We currently have a Prize Giving Committee, if you wish to become a member please contact Linda Hanson 020 8686 7865 Monday, Tuesday, Friday or Saturday.

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Parental Involvement

CSEP welcome involvement from parents and carers. The aim of CSEP is to support the learning of students. Parents/Carers you are the first educators of your children and as such, your valuable knowledge and experience can benefit all the students who attend CSEP. Here are some suggestions of ways parents can become involved in the life of CSEP.

- Helping in classrooms
- Prize giving committee
- Parent and Children's Association
- Maintenance of the building i.e. painting, decorating, general repairs, carpentry
- Art, craft, music

If you have any other suggestions, we will be glad to hear them. Please speak to Mrs Pat McCarthy or Linda Hanson.

Pacemakers—CSEP Mentoring Programme

Mentoring sessions for the Autumn Term have been very successful.

Delivery of the sessions takes place every Saturday fortnightly from 10.00am—2.00pm and is open to students from CSEP, the waiting list and the local community.

After the Christmas break our second intake of mentee referrals will start on Saturday January 14th 2006. **IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR NEW MENTEES TO BE REFERRED.**

Any parent, guardian or teacher can refer a student to be mentored or students can refer themselves. The applications are situated on the display information desk in reception.

We have just completed our second wave of mentor training which will increase CSEP's pool of dedicated mentors available for mentoring. Parents if you are serious about giving something back to our youth and empowering our youth, please do not hesitate to complete the "Mentoring Programme 2005/2006 Declaration of Interest" Form in reception.

I.C. - Informed Choices—Gun Crime Awareness Programme

CSEP hosted a series of interactive and informative I.C. (Informed Choices) workshops which focused on gun crime and gun culture among the young people and the Black and Ethnic Minority (BME) community in Croydon.

A live debate with guests from Trident and The Home Office on 25th June and provided the decision makers with information on what the community of Croydon feels about this issue. Some interesting thought provoking comments were made.

FREE Computer Training

As a result from the success and an overwhelming amount of people who attended the summer special, CSEP have designed yet another computer special in the December holidays, so come on everybody, have fun learning about and how to use computers!

These sessions will take place from 19th-23rd December 2005. The times are 10.00am-12.00am, and 12.30pm-2.30pm Drop in's from 10.00am-2.30pm (**See schedule at reception**)

Children over 10 years can also take advantage of this Christmas special, (accompanied by a Parent/Guardian), please come along!! **DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE, PHONE NICKY ON 0208 686 7865 TO BOOK YOUR PLACE .**

Certificates of attendance given on all completed classes

Black History Monthsssss

The Parents and Children Association had a very enjoyable and inspiring BLACK HISTORY MONTH QUIZ DAY. Congratulations to the winning team "The Renegades" who were suitably rewarded with their medals from Tim Campbell "The Apprentice"

Next year's event will be even biggerwatch this space!!!!!! We are open to suggestions.

Black History Month UPDATE FOR 2006

Black History Bus Tour—to take place in the Spring Term this will be a tour not to be missed—come and experience the "hidden" history of London.

BLACK HISTORY WORKSHOPS— Partnership work with museums, Invitations to Authors, Historians, Poets, Positive Role Models.

Don't forget, we have a fully stocked Resource Library in the Basement, that is accessible on Saturday's from 11:00am—2:30pm

ANY SUGGESTIONS PLEASE PUT THEM IN THE PARENTS SUGGESTION BOX

Careers Week 2005

Careers week was very informative and successful. Thank you to all the facilitators from -London Fire Brigade, London Ambulance, Barclays Bank, James Harvard Intl, Connexions, Croydon College, Hays Recruitment, Croydon Council, Home Office, Direct Line, Mott Macdonald & Gentle Dental Care AND last but not least a very big thank you to Tim Campbell "The Apprentice" who visited CSEP on Saturday 29th 2005.

Careers Week 2006

Young People—Is there a particular job/profession/university that your interested in?.. Do let us know so that we can get the right professionals/contacts/further education specialists in time to provide you with that vital "deposit into your bank account of life" (as quoted by Tim Campbell) for Careers Week 2006

Mobile Phones

Some children have their mobile phones turned on in class, they also receive and make calls. THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. Children must turn their phones off whilst in class, and must not make or receive calls. We would appreciate parents/carers help in relaying this information to your children. We will confiscate mobile phones if the above happens in the future and will request parents/carers collect the phone from us.

Calculators, Pens, Pencils

Children in Years 8,9,10 and 11 **MUST** have a calculator for their Maths lesson. **ALL CHILDREN MUST** have a pencil case with a pen, pencil, ruler, colouring pencils, eraser and pencil sharpener. Parents, please encourage your children to have the right equipment for their lessons.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

10th December 2005	LAST DAY OF TERM
14th January 2006	STUDENTS RETURN
28th January 2006	Parents and Children Association Meeting <i>AGM</i>
4th February 2006	Prize Giving 2006 Committee Meeting
11th February 2006	LAST DAY OF HALF TERM
25th February 2006	STUDENTS RETURN
18th March 2006	Prize Giving 2006 Committee Meeting
1st April 2006	LAST DAY OF TERM
6th May 2006	STUDENTS RETURN
13th May 2006	Final Classes for Year 11 (<i>Study Leave</i>)
20th May 2006	Open Morning
20th May 2006	LAST DAY OF 1/2 TERM
10th June 2006	STUDENTS RETURN
1st July 2006	LAST DAY OF TERM
8th July 2006	Prize Giving— NO SATURDAY SCHOOL

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO ALL OUR PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND
STUDENTS.**

**WE AWAIT YOUR SAFE RETURN ON
SATURDAY 14TH JANUARY 2006**

