



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Headteacher's Weekly Update

GCSE and A-level exams have now begun! Both year groups have started absolutely brilliantly.

### Supporting Years 11 & 13

If you have any queries during the exam period then please contact us:

#### Year 11

- Miss Horne ([ehorne@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:ehorne@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)), Head of Year
- Mrs Panesar ([lpansar@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:lpansar@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)), Assistant Headteacher

#### Year 13

- Mr Constable ([dconstable@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:dconstable@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)), Head of Sixth Form
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For exam specific queries you can contact our Exams Officer, Stephen Weeks, directly via email (using [sweeks@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:sweeks@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)) or, in an emergency, phone reception and they will put you through to him.

### Magistrates' Court Mock Trial Competition – Southeast Champions!

It was my sincere pleasure to be present at the Mock Trial final on Saturday to witness the stunning victory of our Year 9s! The 8 schools in the final were all of an incredibly high standard but I was blown away by the performances of our students. The students had prepared thoroughly and performed brilliantly in court. Should I ever need legal representation I would happily call on the students to do so.

A team performance such as this can only be possible with the support of exceptional teachers so I need to thank Mrs Moon and Mr Panesar for their contributions.

As far as I know this is the first time that The Emmbrook has ever progressed beyond the heats, let alone win the regional final so this is a huge achievement for all involved!

### UK Maths Challenge Success

On the April 26<sup>th</sup>, top set maths students in Years 7 and 8 took part in the UK Maths Challenge. This is a national competition which stretches students to think differently about maths and tackle both numerical and logic problems. As usual our students excelled with 11 Gold awards, 33 Silver awards and 33 Bronze awards. Five students qualified for the next round of the competition to be held in June. We would like to congratulate all students who took part but in particular Megan Vale, Year 7, who came top in school for this challenge, a fantastic achievement when up against all those in Years 7 and 8.



## Library Second Hand Book Sale

Some of the library's stock is looking for a new home. Books will be available for a small donation on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May during break times. Monies raised will go towards buying new books for the library.

I hope that the Year 10 students found their week on work experience useful. We have had so much positive feedback from employers regarding our students which is very pleasing.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

**Nick McSweeney**

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