

13 October 2023

Dear Parent/ Carer

I hope this letter finds you well. It's been another hugely busy week here at CoPA:

Parent Forum

Thank you to the parents who joined us in our library for a cup of tea and biscuits on Wednesday after school. It was a real joy to be able to talk to parents about the academic successes of last summer, our response to OFSTED and our plans for the year, in addition to introducing all the members of the Senior Leadership Team. We look forward to holding more of these events in the future.

Camps International - Ecuador

Thursday evening, we welcomed parents and students into school to listen to more information about the incredible opportunity to go on a 4-week expedition of Ecuador. The experience offers the opportunity to do a community project, an expedition of Ecuador and a whole week to spend exploring in the Galapagos islands. It will be their very own David Attenborough natural world documentary.

If you would still like to register interest, please email Mr Maudsley for addition information at smaudsley@cityofpeterboroughacademy.org.

Year 10 Attitudinal Reports

We are delighted to be able to share Year 10 reports with parents/carers, which were sent out by email today. These reports provide parents and carers with a summary of how students in Year 10 have started their GCSE and OCR courses. If you have any concerns or questions regarding any aspect of the report, please contact, Ms Donnell, Head of Year 10.

COPA Community Culture Day II

Today we celebrated our second Culture Day. It was fantastic to see so many students fully embrace this and proudly wear their traditional dress and cultural clothing. In assemblies we saw dance, poetry and musical performances from students, and a short fashion show. The cultural bake sale also took place raising vital funds for the Moroccan Earthquake Appeal. These days show us **what CoPA is about; an inclusive community for all**. Thank you to our CoPA Community Committee for arranging the day.

Year 11 PPEs

Year 11 students have been taking their Spanish speaking exams this week, and next week they will start their written PPE exams. We offer breakfast from 8.00am for all Year 11 students during the two weeks they are sitting written exams. Subject staff are on hand to supply any last-minute tips if required. Morning

exams all start at 8.50am and afternoon exams begin at 1.00pm. Students who have afternoon exams will all be on the early lunch from 12.20pm. We wish Year 11 all the best. Remember to work hard. Several students have collected tomato timers from my office since Monday to practice “The Pomodoro Technique” to help with their revision. For more information click [here](#).

Sporting News

The Year 10 Girls Netball team have continued to be hugely successful winning their latest League match by an outstanding 21-0 to Jack Hunt. **Well done girls!** Evie-Anne was awarded Players Player with Grace Roughton taking Coaches Player!

The interschools Football league has also started. Two of our teams were in action in week 5 both playing at TDA. The Year 7 boys lost their game as did the Year 11 boys, posting a score of 0-2.

Spotlight on an Elite Sports Student - Vanesa Cimermanova – Year 10

In 2022 Vanesa Cimermanova was selected for the National Age Group Development Programme 2022. As a result of this, she has been to many competitions/ meets but her best result has come from the Summer Nationals this year.

Firstly, Vanesa attended to British Summer Nationals from the 22 July - 28 July 2023 competing in two events: 50m and 100m backstroke. She reached the finals in both events winning a bronze medal in 100m and taking the gold medal in the 50m, with a time of 30.12secs. At the same competition, Vanesa competed as a member of two relay teams: 4x200m freestyle relay and the 4x100m medley relay.

She then went on to compete in English Summer Nationals from the 2 August - 5 August 2023 competing in 50m freestyle and 200m backstroke. This time she reached the finals in the 200m backstroke and won the gold medal in a winning time of 2.22.21.

As a result of her amazing performances, Vanesa has been selected for the Swim England National Youth Programme 23/24 and is working towards making the GB team, qualifying for European Juniors for the 100m backstroke. **Congratulations to Vanesa. We are so proud of you!**

If your child takes part in an activity at a high level, we would love to know about it, not only to celebrate their successes with them but also to provide them with any support they may need in balancing elite performance with schoolwork. Please get in touch.

Hot Chocolate Friday

Congratulations to this week's Students of the Week:

English	Student S – Year 10
Maths	Finley Dalton – Year 9
Humanities	Student Z - Year 9
Science	Oluwatoyin Oyatolu – Year 8
Performance	Student I – Year 10 (E&M)
Languages	Student L – Year 11

Year 7	Student R
Year 8	Student S
Year 9	Luna Julio
Year 10	Student T
Year 11	Lily Nelson

And finally...

Thank you to the parents and carers who have already completed the [First Half Term Parent Survey](#) which was sent out at the beginning of the week. There is still time to share your views with us, it really makes a difference.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully



Mrs N Treacy
Principal