



Weekly Newsletter 2022-2023
9th September 2022 – Term 1 - Week 1

**WELCOME BACK TO A NEW SCHOOL
YEAR**



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Weekly Message from Mrs Key

Welcome to all of our new Chailey families! Whether you have a child starting in Year 7 or another year group we are very pleased you have chosen to join our Chailey community. What a wonderful first week we have had. I have observed so many acts of kindness and support between our students. Our bus prefects and peer mentors have been fabulous in supporting Year 7.



The curriculum we have put on for Year 7 has been heavily based on our school values of kindness, independence, creativity, resilience, participation and community. It culminated today in an inter-form day. We really hope our new students now feel at home at Chailey.



We were delighted with the GCSE results of our out-going Year 11 students. It has been a difficult time for them, studying GCSEs in the midst of a pandemic, but they coped really well and can be very proud of the grades they leave us with, and more importantly, of the positive and caring young adults they are turning into.



I was lucky enough to be working the first week of the holidays and I observed our second annual summer school, which was enjoyed by many of our in-coming students as well as students in KS3.



Important Dates

Thursday 15th September

3pm Careers Fayre

Wednesday 28th September

4.30pm Full Governors Meeting

Thursday 29th September

Open Evening—6pm

Monday 3rd—Thursday 6th October

Open Mornings (*places to be booked through school office*)

Monday 10th—Thursday 13th October

Open Mornings (*places to be booked through school office*)



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Music at Chailey School

We are always really proud of our creative curriculum and believe a school should provide a broad and balanced offer. We are always delighted to promote music as a subject, extra-curricular opportunity and also as an opportunity to learn an instrument. Yesterday, many of our instrumental and vocal teachers gave a musical presentation to year 7. It was filled with contemporary and classical music and I know year 7 really enjoyed it. Mr Baxter (our Subject Leader for Music) has all the information about beginning or continuing to learn an instrument or taking singing lessons.



Summer School Moments

Our second annual Summer School was a success, with some amazing memories and friendships made, that will last a lifetime.



Trampolining Champion!

Amelia represented the South East Region at The Inter Regional Challenge Cup final 2022 event that was held at the English Institute of Sport in Sheffield at the weekend. She became National Champion for the category of women 11-12 years at the highest level.

Amelia has also qualified through to the Trampoline and Double Mini Trampoline English Championships Final 2022 in October.

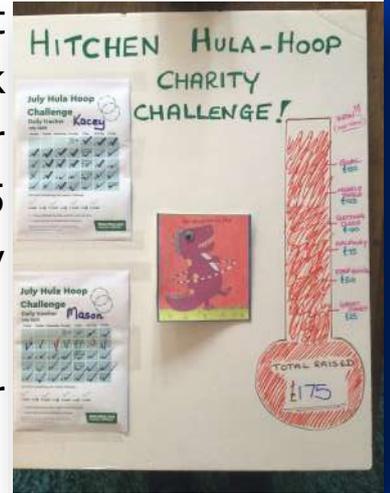


Summer Achievements



Kacey Hitchen (Year 8GL) spent most of her time during the summer break hula hooping to raise money for MacMillan Cancer—Hula hooping 15 minutes a day for the entirety of July and raising £175 for charity.

Kacey tried really hard to teach her parents how to hoop too!



We are so proud of her for spending her own leisure time to raise money for a fantastic cause.

Fantastic First Week for Year 7

Year 7s have made a wonderful start to life at Chailey School. On Tuesday, they spent the day exploring our Chailey Values: resilience, independence, community, kindness, participation and creativity. It was wonderful to see those values in action. I have been particularly impressed with students who have been looking out for others and showing kindness towards people who have come up to Chailey without knowing any other students.

On Friday, the students participated in three Interform events: becoming detectives to solve the mystery of the missing sports trophy; becoming artists to create a piece of collaborative art as a tutor group and becoming athletes to take part in a sports challenge. The students engaged excellently with these challenges, earning points for their tutor group.

If you are thinking about how to support your child in making this transition, there was an excellent article in the I Newspaper at the weekend that gave 21 tips from teachers about things families can do. Here is a link to the article: <https://inews.co.uk/inews-lifestyle/back-school-advice-teachers-parents-know-1829357>





HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

Calling All Former Students

**If you're a former student of Chailey School,
we want to hear from you!**

Your experiences since leaving could help to motivate and inspire our current students to feel more confident in making decisions about their future. We'd love you to join our alumni network and stay connected with the school.

We've partnered with the national education charity **Future First**, who specialise in helping schools like ours to stay connected with their former students.

You can choose how and when you help – perhaps you can act as a career and education role model, provide work experience, become a mentor in person or online, or help with donations, fundraising or even apply to become a governor.

It doesn't matter when you left us, whether you're in further education or employment, whether you still live nearby or have moved further away, there are still ways you can help.

In order to sign up, just follow this link and fill in the online form – we promise it will only take a couple of minutes.

<https://networks.futurefirst.org.uk/signup/chailey>