# Emmbrook School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Weekly Update

We have had a number of trips go out in the last couple of weeks and more to come before the half term break. I hope that the students have found these opportunities engaging and I am always grateful that so many of our staff go to the effort to plan and support these opportunities.

### Year 11 Update

Attendance at after school revision sessions has been incredibly strong so far this term. This is very positive and will have an important impact on outcomes. Please support your child to attend as many sessions as possible. If you need any support with this then please contact Miss Cairns, Head of Year 11 (<u>rcairns@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk</u>). My sincere thanks to all of the teachers who support these sessions.

### Year 9 Parents' Consultation & Early Closure Day

As advised last week, Year 9 parents' evening takes place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February. Online booking for appointments has now opened.

To allow time for enough appointments, school will finish at 12.20pm on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February. The E1, E2 and E3 have been rearranged for this earlier time, however, the other services cannot be altered (as they are shared), so apologise for the inconvenience this may cause. We can supervise students until 2.55pm, so should you need this please email Jane Rimmer (<u>irimmer@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk</u>) by 4pm on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January to notify us.

#### **Sporting Success**

The Emmbrook was represented by 16 students at the Berkshire Cross Country Championships on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January. Special mentions go to Javier in Year 7 who finished 8/80 in the U13 boys race and Eliot who finished 4/97 in the U15 boys race (and has, therefore, qualified for the South East Inter-counties Cross Country Championships in West Sussex in February). Oscar in Year 8 narrowly missed out on the same opportunity, having just finished one place outside of qualifying. With the help of our fantastic Year 9 runners, Tom and Austin, the U15 Emmbrook boys finished in overall 3<sup>rd</sup> place, beating 10 other schools. A superb achievement! Eleanora in Year 8 finished 31/107 in the U15 girls race, holding her own against some strong competition from the year above.

The PE Department is immensely proud of all the runners who competed and wish to thank all the parents who supported the event.









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### **Careers Opportunities**

- Warner Bros. Discovery's Early Talent Team: Championing Apprenticeships virtual event on Tuesday 6th February at 6pm. Register via <u>this link</u>.
- Get into Engineering with AWE: in-person event on Tuesday 6th February between 5-8pm at Reading Town Hall. Apply for a place via <u>this link</u>.
- National Highways: Celebrate National Apprenticeship Week Webinars. For more information use this link.
- EY: open office events for students and parents in Reading on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February. To register use this link.
- National Apprenticeship Shows: open evening for parents and carers on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February between 3.30-6pm. Register via <u>this link</u>.
- Osborne Clarke: solicitor apprenticeship open evening in Reading on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 5.30pm. To book a place use <u>this link</u>.
- Bracknell and Wokingham College: For Year 10 and 11 taster sessions <u>this link</u>. For their open even on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March use <u>this link</u>.

### PTA – Wokingham Half Marathon - Bag Drop

We are again helping with the Bag Drop at this year's Wokingham Half Marathon on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February and we need your help! It is good fun and a great way to meet other parents. If you're able to help, please sign up via <u>this link</u>.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes,

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