

Friday 18th June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that the first couple of weeks of term have gone well from your perspective and that your children are settling back into the daily routines following the half term holiday.

This week the students that are joining us in September have been making their option choices and ordering their uniform in preparation for the start of their time at

Scott College. I am sure you remember what an exciting time that was for your children. If you are looking to buy uniform for next year this can be ordered online and delivered to your home by using the following website

<https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/scottcollege>. We will no longer be holding stock at school so it will not be possible to purchase it directly from us.

We returned to school determined to build upon the work we have been doing around improving teaching and learning at Scott College and that continued this week with a presentation by Mr Cresswell on allowing children to grapple with problems before stepping in. As teachers there is a temptation for us to step in and support students as soon as we spot a furrowed brow, but it is also important to acknowledge that often a student needs some think time. The benefits that we have already seen in our lesson 'drop ins' have included improvements in the length and accuracy of student responses and a decreasing number of "I don't know" responses by students.

We hope to see further impact in their mock exams through an increase in their academic performance.

This week a number of students in years 9, 10 and 11 took part in an online event with Rose Bruford College of Theatre and Performance. They discovered what it would be like to attend higher education at this drama school and experienced a virtual tour of the campus. Students then had the chance to participate in a 'mock audition' which involved performing a monologue to the staff and a Rose Bruford graduate who is now a professional actor. Our students rose to this challenge and it was incredible to see them deliver their monologues with confidence, bravery, commitment and skill. Miss Jones was very proud of all involved and we look forward to hearing from Rose Bruford again in the future.

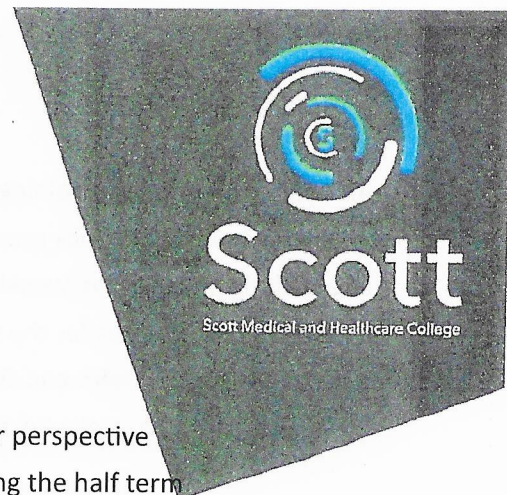
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An unexpected bonus of joining Scott College that I had not anticipated is the abundance of baked goods produced by our talented staff and students. In acknowledgement of the weekly delights that come our way the staff contributed towards some presents for the students who most frequently bring in their delicious baking. In Year 10, Faith and Grace and in Year 12, Eden, each received a named apron, spoon and cupcake holder to say thanks for the home cooked treats.

I hope you enjoy a lovely weekend.

Ms Leech
Headteacher

