



Compass School Southwark

Community Bulletin

Week Ending 17th December 2017

Principal's Message



Wishing you and your family a wonderful festive season!

From all at Compass School Southwark

A Short Bulletin

The Compass Community Bulletin is keeping it brief today as we have two other Compass publications for you this week. 'The Compass Gazette', a student newspaper overseen by Ms Stone, has hit the presses and been distributed by its creators yesterday! Well done to all! The end of term 'Our Journey' has gone out today so you definitely won't be missing anything! We have included here some reminders, upcoming dates and initiatives that are time sensitive.

Monday Master Classes 18th December

Attendance and effort in Saturday Master Classes this term has been excellent. Master Classes will be taking place for Year 11 students on **Monday the 18th of December**. Please remind your child to arrive on time to any session at which they are expected, there are likely to be rewards, other than future success on offer as it will be one week from Christmas! Well done in advance for your continued commitment and support.

Free School Meals

Are you eligible for your child to have Free School Meals? It is worth contacting the school office to find out if you're in receipt of any of the following benefits:

- Income support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child tax credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Reminder New School Day

Please remember, pupils return on January 3rd at 8:15 to a new timetable brought on by the changes we have made to the school day. Year 7, 8 and 9 will now finish at 3:30 pm Mondays to Thursdays and at 2:30 on Fridays. The school week for Year 10 will remain unchanged. Year 11 will have their intervention sessions timetabled up until 5:30 Mondays to Wednesdays, 4:30 on Thursdays and 3:30 on Fridays.



Show My Homework

A new way to record, track and monitor homework at Compass School.

We are excited to be launching **Show My Homework**, an online tool to help you keep track of your child's homework. Show My Homework will allow you to see the details of the tasks your child has been set, all their deadlines and their submission status and grades. We have decided to bring on this system to improve the way we communicate with parents and give you greater visibility into the homework we set.

You will be provided with login details to your personal account which is linked to your child's homework calendar where you will be able to see your child's To-do List and any homework that is overdue. Apps are available for iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch and Android devices.

To view all homework set without login details please visit <http://www.compass-schools.com/> the link for Show My Homework is on our '**For students' and then 'online learning' page**. Please note you will need to use the filter options at the top of the page to find your child's homework.

We'll be launching Show My Homework officially on the 3rd of January but it is available to use from now for Year 11. We hope that this service will provide parents with a deeper insight into the homework your child receives. More importantly, we hope that it will improve your child's organisation, time-management and help them to keep on top of their workload.

Reminder - GT Scholars™

On the evening of Wednesday the 6th December, the library hosted a careers evening for our Year 11 students. Please watch their information video at <https://gtscholars.org/> which includes first-hand accounts from students who have benefited from their free and means tested tutoring and mentoring. If you are interested in this for your child, please contact GT Scholars™ directly before the **22nd of December** as this is the deadline for their intake for next year beginning January.

Compass Gazette Launched!

Many congratulations to Ms Stone and all the students who have worked so hard to produce a great first edition of The Compass Gazette! Please ask your child to share their copy with you!

Winter show!

This was a triumph! Well done to everyone who took part in the evening! Please read more about this, many other events in the end of term 'Our Journey' and in 'The Compass Gazette'.



Coming up next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Christmas Holidays!				
18th Master Classes 9-1pm	19th	20th	21st	22nd GT Scholars™ Deadline

Dates for your diary

02/01/18 – Staff CPD day

03/01/18 – Students return to Compass for the new term

03/01/18 – Communita! Parent Forum 15:45-16:30

06/01/18 – Masterclasses for Year 11 9:00

10/01/18 – Communita! Storytelling tea for siblings and parents 15:45-16:30

13/01/18 – Masterclasses for Year 11 9:00

20/01/18 – Masterclasses for Year 11 9:00

27/01/18 – Masterclasses for Year 11 9:00

03/02/18 – Masterclasses for Year 11 9:00

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