



The Hollyfield School e-bulletin Surbiton Hill Road, Surbiton, KT6 4TU 020 8339 4500

"There is a distinct sense of community in the school" Ofsted 2020

Head's Line:

Dear Hollvfield Community

I hope you have all enjoyed your week. We finished a week of activities for both numeracy week and world book week with our numeracy bake off today. This was hotly contested by staff and students and there was a wonderful display of all types of cakes related to maths. Well done to all who participated and to those who contributed to charity by buying some cake.

As parents will know there are two more strike days planned next week. They are on Wednesday 15 March and Thursday 16 March. On these days the school will be closed to all students (including those in the sixth form) except those in Year 11 and those who are vulnerable or who have an EHCP. Students in Year 11 will continue with their mock exams and Mr Winpenny has written to parents separately to explain how this will work. The mock exams are invigilated by external invigilators who are not part of the strike, so this is how we are able to continue with this provision. All learning for Years 7-10 and Years 12 and 13 will move online. We have made the decision to move online as there is a risk we will not have enough staff on site to ensure the students are safe. We have completed our working from home tester morning and so all students should be in a position to dial into their lessons from home. The nature of the strike means that we will not know which teachers are striking until the morning of the strike. With this in mind, there will not be any lessons until period 2 on that day. There will not be a morning registration period. On that morning, we will publish a timetable of the lessons going ahead and work will be posted in the google classroom for lessons which cannot run as the teacher is taking strike action. Where lessons are running, pupils should go to their google classroom and dial in using the link on the classroom. As a reminder, our timings of the school day are as follows:

Time	Period
08:30 - 09:00	Form Tutor / Morning Registration
09:00 - 09:50	Period 1
09:50 - 10:40	Period 2
10:40 - 11:00	Break
11:00 - 11:50	Period 3
11:50 - 12:40	Period 4
12:40 - 13:20	Lunch
13:20 - 14:10	Period 5
14:10 - 15:05	Period 6 (This includes by 5 mins for pastoral time)

Please note we do expect students to attend all online sessions that are running. Students with an EHCP or who we deem to be vulnerable will be offered a place in school to complete the online learning, where they will be supported by our SEND team. Mrs Burrows will contact the parents of these students separately with full details. If there are any students who do not have access to a device with which to work from home, please contact Mr Bonehill on dbonehill@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk who will be delighted to help.

If your child is eligible for free school meals then you should have received vouchers for all four strike days in place of your child's free school meal. If you have not received these vouchers then please get in touch with Mr Winpenny on mwinpenny@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk who will be delighted to help.

And finally, please can I remind all parents that the CAS day booking form will open on Monday morning at 0745, please remember to book your child onto their preferred trip.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Ms A Jackson, Headteacher

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Term Dates Autumn Term 2022

6 September to 16 December (Inset Day - 5-6 Sept & 31Oct -1 Nov - except Y11 & Y13) **Half Term**

20 October - 1 November (see above)

Christmas Holiday

19 December - 2 January 2023 (Bank hol 2 Jan)

Spring Term 2023

3 January – 31 March (Inset Day -20 Feb- except Y11, & selected Y12 & Y13)

Half Term

10-20 February (see above)

Easter Holiday

3 April - 14 April (Bank Hol 7 & 10 Apr)

Summer Term 2023

17 April – 20 July (Bank Hol 2 & 29 May)

Half Term

29 May - 2 June

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- 12-16/3 Ilex National Theatre **Connections Performances**
- 13-31/3 Y11 Trial Exams
- 14/3 Music Partnership Day Trip
- 16/3–Y13 Rpt emailed to parents

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OTHER NOTICES

Reporting your child's absence

When reporting your child's absence from school on the dedicated absence line, please ensure you provide their name, year and registration group, reason for absence and your details, please ensure you spell out your child's name to ensure they are marked correctly.

Valuables in school

The school policy and guidance with regard to pupil possessions is clear that they are brought into school at their own risk. The Hollyfield School does not accept liability for any items that may be lost, damaged or stolen. While theft is taken extremely seriously and thoroughly investigated, the school is not in a position to cover the cost of any item stolen.

Of course, with respect to the last point, steps and measures are put in place to mitigate against such circumstances, especially during PE and Games lessons, where pupils' items are locked in the changing rooms. While this is standard procedure, there may be some extenuating circumstances where this cannot always be guaranteed. Therefore, I would urge your son/daughter not to bring expensive items into school.

Medical Health Care Plans

Please can we remind all parents to complete a MHCP for any student with a medical condition if you have not already done so. Also, if there are any changes to a current plan please complete and submit a new MHCP so we can update our records. You can print a form and return it to school.

Changed your address/email/phone number????

If you have changed your contact details, please email the school office on office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk stating your child's name and form and the change of details. It is important to keep these details up to date in case of an emergency. Don't forget to update your Parentmail account with your new details.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle with them to school every day, it is even more important during hot weather. Our water fountains can be used to refill bottles as necessary during break and lunch, it is not possible to drink from the fountains direct and we do not have bottles or cups to give out to students. Alternatively, bottles of water can be purchased (and refilled) in the cafeteria, please ensure your Parentmail account has enough funds to enable this.

Surbiton Hill Road Entrance for cars

If you drive/collect students to or from school the visitor's car park/Surbiton Hill Road entrance **should not be used to drop off students**. This causes congestion for people entering the site and staff access, cars travelling on Surbiton Hill Road and is potentially dangerous for pedestrians.

Dinner Money Top Up

Please ensure funds are available 24 hours before they are required when topping up your child's dinner money on Parentmail. If you add funds on the day they are to be used we will not be able to see the credit instantly until the system has processed it, therefore creating a delay in your child buying food at the canteen.

Contribution to the School Fund

If you would like to help contribute to the school fund to provide additional facilities to the school and students, please click here for more information. We acknowledge that not all of our parents can make a commitment on a monthly basis. Having listened to those parents we also understand that some would like to make a contribution whenever they can. A donation payment link is available in your ParentMail account. We are grateful for any contribution you can make, regardless of the amount. Every penny will be spent improving students' experiences. Like the monthly contributions, your donation will go into the school fund. It will be used in accordance with the guidance given to schools regarding parental contributions.

Open Door

Ms Jackson holds Parent Clinics on Thursday afternoon during term time. These are from 3.00pm-4.30pm for parents/carers to speak directly to her regarding any unresolved concerns/ suggestions. Please contact Louise Sutton to arrange an appointment on 0208 339 4500 or email lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk.

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Headteacher:

Ms A Jackson BSc (Hons), MA



7 March 2023

Dear members of The Hollyfield School community,

We are very excited to announce that tickets for the Ilex Theatre's (Hollyfield's very own theatre company) National Theatre Connections production of *'Tuesday'* by Alison Carr are now on sale via Parent Mail.

Performances take place in A1 at 7pm on Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 March. Tickets are priced £5 for Adults and £2.50 for Students. Tickets are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Connections is the National Theatre's annual, nationwide youth theatre festival. The programme is from across the UK. 28 years old and has a history of championing the talent of young people. Every year, Connections commissions new plays for young people to perform. The programme brings together some of the UK's most exciting writers with the theatre-makers of tomorrow. In 21/22, they worked with 260 youth companies and over 8,000 young people from every corner of the UK. We are so excited to be back working with the project once more.

Following our week of home performances we will then transfer the production to The Reading Rep Theatre for a 7pm performance on Wednesday 10 May.

https://www.readingrep.com/national-theatre-connections-2023/#performances

At this stage of the process 10 performances from across the NT Connections project are then invited to perform at The National Theatre in Summer 2023.

When booking for our home performances via Parent Mail there is only an option to buy Adult tickets, please purchase the correct number of tickets you need and apply the discount yourself at payment. Please ensure you purchase the correct tickets as these will be checked on the door.

Any questions or queries please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards.

Yours faithfully

Ryan

Any pronouns accepted; supporting a world where gender doesn't define you.

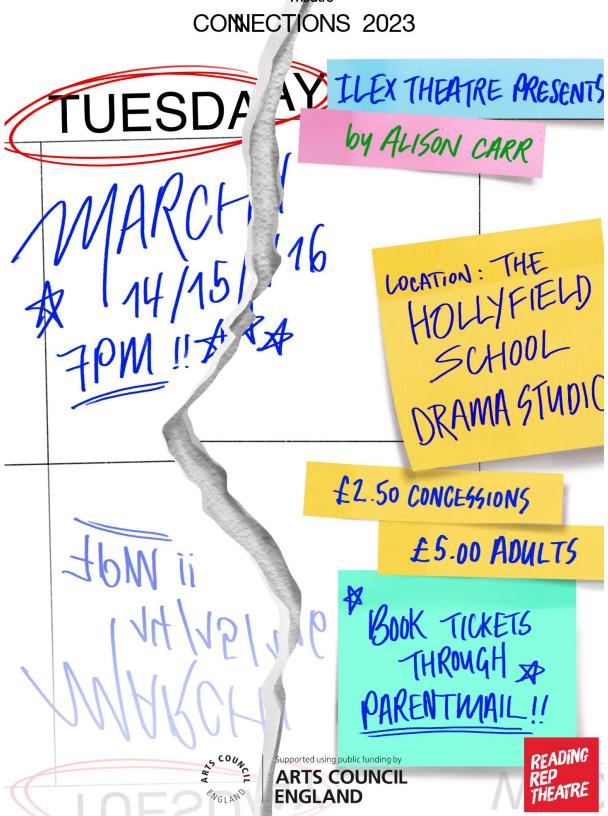
Ryan Hurst Head of Drama

I am currently reading 'I Don't Take Requests' by DJ FAT TONY



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IN SAFE HANDS

Once again, for your information, the key contacts are:

School! Get in touch with the Designated Safeguarding Team

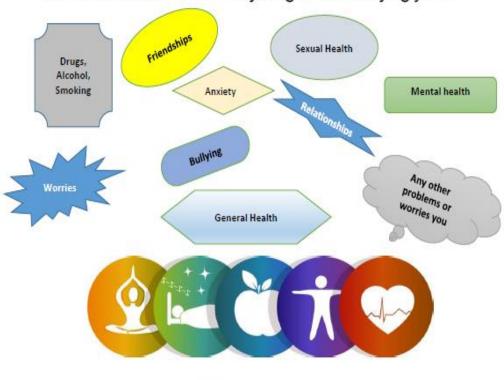
Mrs McGeoch: smcgeoch@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk

Ms Patel: spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk Single Point of Access 020 8547 5008.

SCHOOL HEALTH DROP- IN

WHEN: Tuesday Lunch time 11.40 -1.10PM WHERE: Room A12 (Top floor of ALBURY)

Come along for a CONFIDENTIAL chat with your School Health Practitioner about anything that is worrying you.....











HOLLYFIELD PTA NEWS

Easy Fundraising

This is a really simple way to help raise funds for the PTA in order to support the school and students. Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

Follow this link to register and start raising some much needed funding - click

PTA Website

There are lots of ways of finding out about the PTA and what we are up to - website, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and two email addresses.... they are all linked at the foot of each page....

Date of Next Meeting:

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 14 March

Please email us if you are able to attend for confirmation of the address: ptahollyfield@gmail.com

The meeting is for every parent/carer as you are all members of the PTA. Come along and have your say and add your ideas... parents make things happen.

Pre-worn Uniform Store

Next Date 22 April

Pre-Worn School Uniform store for anyone to pop in and take what items they need.

If your child has lost or outgrown their uniform or PE kit please drop in and see if we can help. We have a large stock of items of uniform (particularly trousers) and PE kit including some shoes, football boots and trainers.

We operate a donation system for those that can afford to contribute. **Everyone Welcome** - it is best the items get used, rather than sit in a store or be thrown away!

Please note, the email to request items is no longer in operation.















THIS WEEK.....

TOP ATTENDERS

The year group with the highest overall attendance so far this year is Year 7 with a total of 94.93%. The top form group within each year this week is:

7rKWH - 97.26% 8bLCA = 98.39% 9rKME = 96.98% 10bDMI = 98.12% 11bEFO= 94.37%

Well done to all these students, keep up the excellent work.

HOUSE POINTS







	Eagle	Falcon	Osprey
Year 7	6671	7013	7829
Year 8	6446	6702	9381
Year 9	6125	4600	4787
Year 10	5333	5445	4327
Year 11	1994	4814	1482
Total	26569	28574	27806

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 14 March

Monday 13 March Year 11 Trial Exams - all week

Year 11 Assembly – Dining Hall Year 12 Assembly – Common Room

Year 13 Assembly – Common Room

Year 7 Assembly - Dining Hall

Lady Eleanor Holles and Hampton School Music Partnership Day Trip

P1 Day competition – 12.40pm

Ilex Theatre & National Theatre Connections Performance

Wednesday 15 March Strike Day

Ilex Theatre & National Theatre Connections Performance

Thursday 16 March Strike Day

Year 13 Reports emailed to parents

Ilex Theatre & National Theatre Connections Performance

Friday 17 March Year 10 Assembly – Dining Hall



FORTHCOMING DATES

- 12-16 March Ilex National Theatre Connections Performances 7pm
- 13-31 March Year 11 Trial Exams (including practical and oral)
- 14 March Music Partnership Day Trip
- 16 March Year 13 Report emailed to parents
- 20 March GCSE English Spoken Language Endorsement Recording
- 20 March Year 10 & 11 PDW Drop Down
- 21 March Year 10 Music Technology Workplace visit
- 21 March Year 8 & 9 Mental Health Workshop
- 22 March Year 13 Drama Exam Performance 7pm
- 22 March Year 10 Girls Nescot Trip (12.15-3.45pm)
- 22 March Year 10 MathsFeast Trip (11.55am-4.30pm)
- 23 March Year 13 Drama Exam Performance 4.30pm
- 23 March Year 13 Drama Exam Performance 7pm
- 23 March Year 9 Residential Trip Meeting 6pm
- 24 March Year 7 & 8 Report emailed to parents
- 27-31 March Year 13 Final Trial Exams
- 29 March Year 7 Parent Consultation evening 4.00pm
- 29 March Year 9 DTP/Men Vaccination
- 29 March Year 11 Drama Performance Exam 7pm
- 30 March Year 7-10 CAS Day
- 30 March Year 11 Drama Performance Exam 4.30pm
- 30 March Year 11 Drama Performance Exam 7pm
- 30 March Year 9 & 10 Reports emailed to parents
- 31 March End of Term students dismissed from 12.00pm

3 - 14 April 2023 - Easter Holidays

- 20 April Year 12 AQA Art & Design 3D Design Exam
- 20 April Year 11 Report emailed to parents
- 22-23 April DofE Training Expedition
- 24-26 April Year 12 Final Trial Exams
- 24-26 April Year 11 Resits English/Maths/Science
- 24-26 April Year 11 French & Spanish Speaking exams
- 25-27 April A Level Photography Exam
- 26 April Year 7 'the Riot Act' Workshop (8.30-9.30am)
- 26-27 April Year 11 Art Exam
- 27 April Year 11 Textiles & 3D Exam
- 27 April Year 8 Parent Consultation evening 4.00pm

ACHIEVEMENT POINTS

Achievement and behaviour points are awarded every day at Hollyfield in line with our school policy and are a fundamental part of school life. Students are rewarded in their classes for a range of different behaviours, this includes engagement in learning, showing progress, contributing to learning, helping others and many more. The school also runs gives out termly prizes for great progress, engagement in learning, attendance and also contribution to school life. We also continually try to celebrate the successes of our students outside of school life and encourage all students to be proud of their successes in whatever area they come from.

Behaviour points are given to students in line with our behaviour policy. At the heart of our behaviour policy is restorative approaches which is a strategy the school uses to allow



students to discuss their behaviours with one another and also key staff and to move past incidents in a non-judgemental way.

Both of the school's rewards and behaviour policies can be found on the school website and if you have any questions about them please don't hesitate to contact Miss Patel (Assistant Headteacher).

The year group weekly totals are below:

Year 7 1278 Year 8 1501 Year 9 1297 Year 10 645 Year 11 130

The top performing forms per year group in terms of overall achievements were:

7rKWH 334 8bLCA 264 9bKME 207 10rWGO 127 11rMFO 28

The top performing students from each year were:

Year 7 Adam G/Saya H Year 9 Beau B/Leah F Year 11 Lena A/Kye

B/Emma K/Natalie K/Alex S/Rochelle Z

Year 8 Arthur O Year 10 Holly D

MISS O'SHEA'S TEACHING & LEARNING UPDATE



Have you created a piece of amazing artwork at home or at school? If so, why not enter it into the Royal Academy Young Artists Summer Show! If your work is selected it will go into an exhibition this Summer at the Royal Academy of Art in London.

Hollyfield are signed up so all you need to do is take a good photo of your work in natural light - midday is the best time to take you picture. Make sure the photo is not blurry and crop it so all you can see is the art, no table or other objects around.

Then get your parent or carer to click the link below and upload your photo along with a few other details. It is really easy. It would be great to have as many entries from Hollyfield as possible!!



Students in Year11, 12 and 13, we will be selecting some of your school work for entry but if you have anything that you have done outside of school please feel free to enter that also.

Click this link:

https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk

Deadline for submissions is 29 March.

Numeracy week is coming up and there's going to be lots of prizes to be won. Maths teachers will explain everything to their classes next week!

History - Castles Competition

with thanks to Ms Lowery and the History department - and huge congratulations to the winners, click <u>here</u> to see all the entries.



Numeracy Week

Students participated in loads of exciting activities for Numeracy Week. Wednesday was World Maths Day and Year 7-10 took part in a global online competition on Mathletics. They competed in games against people worldwide to answer as many maths questions as possible in one minute. Brian in Y10 finished 10th in the country! Here is our School's Hall of Fame:

Year 7: Alexander M Year 8: Aurko B Year 9/10: Brian H

The Numeracy Bake Off was today and there were loads of fantastic entries from students and staff!

Winners:

Year 7: Alex S (Cake-ulator) Year 8: Samuel M (Pie tart) Year 9: Oliver L (cookies) Key Stage 4: Vibusha (Einstein) Staff: Ms Cunningham (Rubix cube)



Runners up:

Amelia W (Year 7) Sam N (Year 8) Izzy, Adi, Pippa and Evie (Year 10) and Ms Janse!

Students who won our challenge competition throughout the week got to be cake testers with Chef Leather! They chose Samuel to be the overall winner!















Instrumental Music Lessons



GUITAR LESSONS

KMS have space for guitar lessons at Hollyfield. Apply now to start after half term.



For more details, follow the QR code or goto:

musicservice@kingston.gov.uk





GETTINGTO KNOW THE.

Geography Department

Ben Jones - Head of Geography

I have been teaching Geography for 7 years and joined Hollyfield at the start of December. I teach Key Stage 3, Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5. In my spare time I love to play sports and follow cricket, football and rugby. I also like to watch geography documentaries such as Coast, David Attenborough (all of them!!) and Michael Palin's travel adventures. My favourite country in to World (aside from Wales) is Italy.

Elinor Foot - Teacher of Geography

I have been teaching Geography at Hollyfield for 5 years. I teach Key Stage 3, Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5. In my spare time I love to read and travel. The country which I have enjoyed visiting the most is Iceland, with Italy a close second.

Nigel Johnston - Teacher of Geography

I am a geography teacher. This is my 4th year at Hollyfield after leaving a prior career in Town and Country Planning. I am passionate about issues such as urban sustainability and conservation and aim to bring my own experiences in the corporate sector into my geography lessons. I find my pastoral role within Hollyfield particularly rewarding and aim to provide support for students in all aspects of their wellbeing and academic progress.

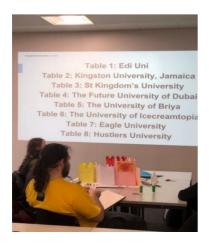
CAREERS



Careers Briefing - 9 March 2023 by Mr Poole & Miss Corrighan (Careers team)

Year 7 Aspirations Visit to Kingston University - Wednesday 8 March

Congratulations to those Year 7s who attended the "Discovery Day" at Kingston University when some of the students had an opportunity to find out more about Kingston University, meet a number of student ambassadors and take a tour around the campus. There was also a fun activity when they designed their university of the future! The university staff were full of praise for how well the students behaved. An excellent group of Hollyfield ambassadors!









Careers opportunities

Please see our weekly <u>Sixth Form Careers Opportunities 9 March</u> which highlights careers talks, work experience, university events and apprenticeships. See some of the highlights below:

To celebrate the UK's National Careers Week, we shall be running a series of free webinars this month for ages 12-18. Your students will have the opportunity to learn from



professionals from the worlds of Medicine, Finance and Law, and ask them questions in a live online, interactive environment. The sessions will take place at 18:00, but recordings will be sent to all students that register, so interested students should book their places even if they are unable to attend: Book your places here

Medicine: 14th March 6pm Law: 21st March 6pm Finance: 28th March 6pm

National Careers Week: NCW 2023 Virtual Careers Fair Students and parents/carers - you can access the virtual careers fair online which went live during national careers week with talks from a range of employers including: BBC, Engineering UK< UK Space Agency, NHS and loads more!



Medicine National Healthcare Weekend - Medic Mentors

Dr Laura and Dr Alok will guide you students in years 10-12 through the UCAS application process to medicine. This includes personal statements, UCAT, interview skills, scholarships, and what they need to make their medical application stand out. Saturday 11th March (9:30am - 3:30pm)

Sunday 12th March (9:30am - 3:30pm)

Registration link: https://airtable.com/shr66li3bqG3ZpkPM

GENERAL INFORMATION

Links to Useful Information

Term Dates 2022-2023
Uniform List
Extra-Curricular Activities - PE
Extra-Curricular Activities - Drama
Student well-being and safety

Form Tutor List
The School Day Times
Extra-Curricular Activities - Music
Staff List and Structure
Donation to School Fund

<u>Menus</u>
<u>Extra-Curricular Activities - All</u>
Severe Weather Procedure

Resilience in Children

If you are interested in further reading around building resilience in children this article is worth a read.

https://digest.bps.org.uk/2019/11/05/five-ways-to-boost-resilience-in-children/



LOCAL INFORMATION

Kooth

Kooth is an online crisis messenger service that Children and young people can access for free online mental health support with a professional counsellor - www.Kooth.com.

Mental Health Resource sites

- Mind in Kingston: run daily activities on zoom. Email RachelDykins@mindinkingston.org.uk for details.
- Childline: <u>information and advice</u> on a range of topics including feelings, relationships, family and schools. Childline is there to help anyone under 19 in the UK with any issue they're going through. Call: 0800 1111.
- Anna Freud Centre: 90 resources and strategies https://www.annafreud.org/selfcare/.
- Samaritans: Samaritans a safe place for you to talk any time you like, in your own way, about whatever's getting to you. Call: <u>116 123</u>.
- Shout Shout is the UK's first free 24/7 text service for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. Text Shout to <u>85258</u>.
- National Domestic Abuse Helpline: We are a team of highly-trained, female advisers. We won't judge you or tell you what to do; we are here to listen. Call: <u>0808 2000 247</u>/online chat.

Information for adults

Young Minds - Parents Helpline - Worried about a child or young person's behaviour or mental health? Call the free helpline for confidential, expert advice. For more information visit: www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/. Call 0808 802 5544.











Functional Skills: English & Maths 12-Week Intensive Courses

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Courses start in April and finish in July 2023 Learning may take place online or in person at one of our learning centres around Kingston

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For more information: visit www.kingston.gov.uk/adulteducation englishandmaths@kingston.gov.uk

or call: 07511045124



NHS

Mental Health Matters

WEDNESDAY 8TH MARCH **6РМ ТО 9РМ**

AT COOMBE GIRLS SCHOOL NEW MALDEN, KT3 3TU

You are invited to attend a FREE evening around Mental Health. The evening will feature several clinical speakers who will each look at a different area of mental health including:

- Dementia care
- How people can support their mental wellbeing
- Mental health in children and young people
- Practical ideas for happier living

Questions? Call 07818 244 980

BOOK TICKETS



Email swlicb.nmwp.pcn@nhs.net



