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**Didcot Sixth  
Form**

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**Message to all students:**

The Senior Leadership Team will be carrying out a full uniform check on Monday morning.

We expect all students in years 7 to 11 to be in full school uniform.

Didcot Girls' School is a working and learning community and we expect the highest standards from all.

**School Diary:**

Day	Date		Event and Time	Event and Time	Event and Time
Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Swedish Exchange Visitors from Partner School in this week.	9.00am GCSE Spanish Revision Conference, London – Miss Marsh	6.00pm Parents' Information Evening, Isle of Wight, Frideswides Hall – Ms Preston	7.00pm Primary Music Festival Evening Performance, Cockcroft Hall – Mr Willett
Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup> March		8.35 Festival of Chemistry, Oxford University – Dr Nickerson	8.45am KS3 Science Day, Rutherford Laboratories – Dr Waterson	7.00pm Primary Music Festival Evening Performance, Cockcroft Hall – Mr Willett
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup> March		8.00am Galleries of Justice Visit, Nottingham – Ms Street	8.45 Campaign Final, Cockcroft Hall – Mr George	12.30pm Year 12 Applied Science Visit, Didcot Power Station – Miss Menzies-Sacher
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup> March		9.30am H&SC Sweden Partnership London Visit – Mrs Rodrigues	7.15pm Mapdance Visit, Cornerstone Arts Centre – Mrs Hook	
Friday	26 <sup>th</sup> March				

**Other dates for our diaries:**

29<sup>th</sup> March: 10.15am Didcot Library Visit – Mrs Dickins

30<sup>th</sup> March: 9.00am Classics Visit to National Theatre, London – Mrs Harris

31<sup>st</sup> March: 8.45am Geography Coastal Visit, NT Study Centre Studland Bay – Mrs Oscroft  
9.00am Spring Concert Rehearsals, Cockcroft Hall – Mr Blyth  
9.15am Latin Revision Day, Oxford University Classics Department – Ms Preston  
12.30pm Year 12 Applied Science Visit, Cotswold Wildlife Park – Miss Menzies-Sacher  
1.00pm KS1 Dance Festival – Miss Hough  
1.20pm Students visiting from Fitzwaryn School – Mrs Rodrigues  
7.00pm Spring Concert, Cockcroft Hall – Mr Blyth

1<sup>st</sup> April: 9.10am Year 7 Ecohouse Workshops – Dr Waterson  
12.30pm End of Term 4

## School Menu:

<b>Monday</b>	Cottage Pie with Fresh Vegetables or Vegetable Curry with Rice
<b>Tuesday</b>	Chilli Con Carne with Rice or Spaghetti Bake
<b>Wednesday</b>	Roast Beef, Roast Potatoes & Fresh Vegetables
<b>Thursday</b>	Macaroni Cheese or Chicken Tikka with Rice
<b>Friday</b>	Sausage or Fish with Chips, Beans or Peas

Each day there will be a selection of pasta, Jacket Potatoes (Tuna, Beans or Cheese) Sandwiches, Baguettes, Hoagies, Baps, Small Baguettes (Various Fillings) Assorted Yoghurts, Fresh Fruit, Salad Pots, Fresh Fruit Salads and Pasta Pots.  
Prices in Pots - £1.80 and on a Plate - £2.20

## Messages and Notices

Miss Woods	Year 8 - ICT @ The O2 Arena December 2010	Year 8 students should have now all received a letter concerning a possible visit to the British Music Experience as part of their Year 9 ICT GCSE. Please could you endeavour to return the expression of interest reply slips to Miss Woods or your ICT teacher as soon as possible please. Deadline for reply slips is 26th March.
Miss Cuthill	Intermediate Maths Challenge results!	Congratulations to all the girls who took part in the National Intermediate Maths Challenge on the 4th of February. The results have just arrived! Particular congratulations to India Pearce and Libby McGowen who achieved best in the school, both with Silver awards. Also to Olivia Paton who got silver. Bronze awards were achieved by Hannah Crowther, Emily Streets, Charlotte Jenkins, Elizabeth Long, Ella Hawkins, Connie Griffiths and Lorna McCall. Certificates will be arriving shortly. Well done again to all of you for taking part.
Mrs Rose	Water Bottles	Please would students bring in bottles which they can fill during the day, as school does not provide cups. Thank you
Year 11 COPE Students	Paint	We have taken on a project in COPE to paint the Music practice rooms. We would be very grateful if you could donate any spare matt paint or painting equipment. Please could you hand this in by 26 <sup>th</sup> March to Mrs Cuthbert's office in Pitstop. Many thanks.
Miss Hough	Super Schools Photos	The pictures from the year 7 and 8 Super Schools event have now arrived. Pupils may come and collect them from the Sports Hall during break time all next week.
Ms Preston	Wildlife Area and Pond	The wildlife and pond area we created last year is beginning to attract a range of new wildlife. There is a variety of birdlife and recently even a deer was spotted there! To allow the wildlife to settle it is very important that this area IS NOT DISTURBED! Please DO NOT ENTER the wildlife area unless taken there by your teacher for a learning activity. This area is out of bounds at break and lunchtime. Thank you. Wildlife group.
Mr Buchanan	WELL DONE	Following a recent selection process held at Youlbury Scout Activity Centre, Laura Pearson 8G6 who is a Scout with 15 <sup>th</sup> Didcot Scout Group has been selected to attend the 22 <sup>nd</sup> World Jamboree in Sweden in 2011. She is one of 36 Scouts representing the Oxfordshire Unit and we are, needless to say, very proud of her.
Miss Cox	Yearbook Meeting	Could all pupils who are involved with the yearbook please come to a meeting in S22 at 12:45 Wednesday lunchtime.
Miss Cox	Staff vs.Pupil Football Match	A huge big thank you to anyone who has already supported Sport Relief in some way. Please don't forget to come and watch the football at lunchtime today. It is a staff vs. pupil match, so it should be very entertaining. All we ask is that you make some contribution towards Sport Relief if you come into watch and enjoy the fun!
Miss Cuthill	Yr 10 and 11 Maths revision guides.	Now on sale from Pupil Services, Higher and Foundation GCSE revision guides and Higher and Foundation GCSE workbooks so you can practice doing maths. Also available are packs of Foundation exam papers for the linear course. All £2.50 each.
Mr Blyth	A Night at the Movies 7pm 31st March	Come and walk the red carpet! Tickets are now available from the Music Dept at the cost of £3 for adults and £1 for children. The evening is an Oscar styled evening, all the audience is encouraged to come dressed for the occasion.
Mr Blyth	Record Label Competition	A new record label has been established and they are looking for young talent. To do this they are holding a competition for two age groups 11-16 and 16-20. More details can be found from Mr Blyth or at <a href="http://www.peaceofmindcare.co.uk">www.peaceofmindcare.co.uk</a> Closing date is 26th March so you haven't got long.
Mrs Rose	Lost Property	I have a collection of Lost Property including scarves, tops etc. If any of it belongs to you would you please collect from Pupil Services before the end of term. Thank you.

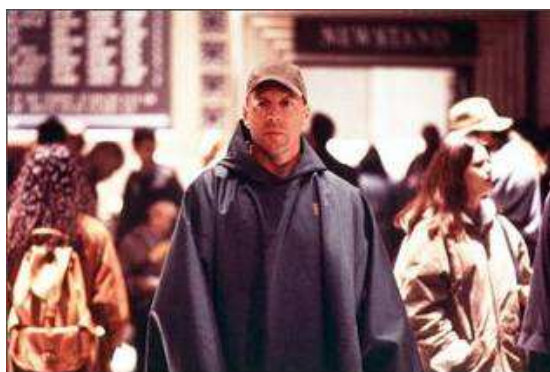
**FILMCLUB  
COCKCROFT HALL  
THURSDAY  
3.15 – 5.30**

See the **FILMCLUB** posters around the school for further information.  
**FILMCLUB** members - check your school email for film details

**FILM SHOWING on 25.03.10  
Unbreakable**

Starring Bruce Willis and Samuel L. Jackson

A set of peculiar circumstances lead a security guard to realise that he is no ordinary man...



**DON'T FORGET!**

Year 11 please don't forget that Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March is your deadline for submitting your photos for the Yearbook.

Yearbook Committee

**DIDCOT-MEYLAN TWINNING ASSOCIATION  
JOURNÉE FRANÇAISE**

**SATURDAY MARCH 27TH**

**10:30-15:00**

At Ladygrove Park Primary school by kind permission of the headteacher.

What to expect:-

Work in small groups with experienced teachers of French to jump start your learning. A variety of activities to suit all abilities and levels.

Would you like your children to spend a day immersed in French-based activities? (Including games, songs and cooking)

Do you want to take your first steps to being able to make yourself understood in French?

Perhaps you are thinking of reviving your school French for use on holiday or you would like the opportunity to spend a day using your language skills in a friendly and informal group.

Possibility of revising for French GCSE oral.

Please contact Sheralyn Hares on 01491 837718 for more details, or email

[cavafrenchclub@btconnect.com](mailto:cavafrenchclub@btconnect.com)

Cost: £15 per head (£20 for two people from the same address).

The price includes coffee/squash and a croissant. Our French café will be open for lunch.

The PE department has selected their 'Gifted' students', and to celebrate their success, each week we shall be letting you know a little bit more about their sporting commitments and achievements.

Josie Beer 7P

*"I have always loved playing all kinds of sports including; gymnastics, athletics, swimming, cross country and golf. I am currently really enjoying being an assistant coach for Stephen Freeman football team. I am a member of Goring and Streatley golf club and I am just about to start a new street dance class in Cassington."*



Lyndsay McLukie 9M

*"I swim for Abingdon Vale Swimming club. I love swimming and want to be in the Olympics some day. I play netball as well for Wallingford."*

