

Choosing the Right Subject

Students in Years 9 and 11 will need to be making decisions about which subjects they pursue to IGCSE and A Level. On Saturday the 24th of February we will have an opportunity, between 10am and 1pm, for our parents and students to come and speak with subject specialists about the different pathways each subject could lead to. Further details will be circulated after the Chinese New Year, but please mark this date in your diaries.

Compulsory School Day – STEAM Fair

A reminder that Saturday, 9th March, is a compulsory school day. Students are expected to follow the Friday timetable for this. We will be inviting parents, wider family and friends to attend the school on this morning as all students will be presenting their STEAM projects. Your support in ensuring your child is present is expected and appreciated. We also look forward to you participating in our STEAM Fair and supporting the work of all members of our student community.

Year 10 & Year 12 Progress Reports

These have been published to both Parent Portal and Student Portal today.

Note - students new to Charterhouse Malaysia in Years 9, 10 & 12 will not receive a report this term, as they settle into school, and we conduct base line assessments to establish appropriate academic targets. They will receive their first report at the end of Term 2, before the Easter holidays.

However, parents of all Yr10 & Yr12 students will be able to make an appointment to speak to their subject teachers during the PTS Conferences on Friday 23rd February. These can be conducted in person or online, but all participating students are expected to attend school to sit with their teachers on that day.

PTS Conferences – Friday 23rd February

These will take place for Year 10 & Year 12. Details of how to log in to our SchoolCloud booking system have been sent separately by email from our IT administrator.

Conferences are ten minutes long each and can be conducted online for parents if they cannot make it in person. However, Yr10 & Yr12 students are expected in school as normal for the duration of the day. When they are not attending a conference, they will use their time revise in the Hub.

Year 9 are also expected in school on this day to participate in a specially designed Design Thinking workshop run by our in-school partners, Inteltek.

Years 11 & 13 will use this as a study day. This can be taken at home, unless teachers have requested their presence for intervention in school.

Art and Design Exam

Dates for your calendar:

GCSE Art & Design: all day 22nd and 23rd April

A level Art and Graphics: all day 24th, 25th, 26th April

GCSE DT coursework deadline – Feb 29th

Februllage Art

Come to the Incubator outside of the art room throughout February for some art therapy. Make some collages using the materials on the tables or use your digital skills and email them to Ms Lyndsey (lyndsey.mercer@charterhouse-hsms.edu.my) or Ms Apryll (apryll.beckett@charterhouse-hsms.edu.my).



Extra Special DofE Student Shout Out

Darshn (Y13) has the unrivalled achievement of being the first ever student at Charterhouse Malaysia to achieve the Silver International Award! For his volunteering he spent 6 months working at a community garden every Saturday, learning important skills such as how to utilise kitchen waste to sustainably create compost. For physical, he worked hard to improve his stamina, improving his timed 5km runs considerably. For skills, Darshn spent a whole year building his army of finely painted Warhammer, eventually competing in tournaments, and crushing all armies that stood in his path.



What impressed me most was the genuine courage he displayed when on his assessed expedition he required treatment for an ingrowing toenail. Our resident first aider Mr Brandon had to apply some field medicine to treat the toe, without anaesthetic.

Despite being in a lot of pain he sat without complaint, stoic as a rock. In that moment he truly earned his DofE nickname, Rambo. Darshn reflected on what he had gained from the experience, *“suffering builds character, throughout our journey, we faced relentless hardships – from my suppurating toe to the chaos of our tent collapsing. Ultimately, we persevered, strengthening our resilience in the face of adversity, having learnt invaluable life lessons”*. Darshn serves as a model of what can be achieved through consistent hard work, resilience, and fortitude. He has led the way for other Carthusians to follow, a truly outstanding individual.

