



## Paul Kershaw, Head of School

There was a brilliant and celebratory atmosphere on Monday when Rachel cut the ribbon to open the new STAGS Sixth Cafe in our Sixth Form Centre. The development of the cafe area over the summer break has expanded the space students have to prepare for A Levels and collaborate with peers. Photo on page 3.

Following last week's Year 8 Information Evening, we welcomed Year 11 parents and carers into the hall yesterday evening to explore preparation for mocks and GCSEs as well as next steps and Post 16 transition. We look forward to seeing you next week at the Year 12 Information Evening on Tuesday and the Year 10 Information Evening next Wednesday. A key element of these evenings is the opportunity to come and ask questions at the end which we encourage you to do.

On Tuesday, over thirty of the Year 7 students successfully completed the district Cross-Country Mob Race. Miss Stephens and Miss Long were incredibly impressed by all the students' efforts and perseverance in the 2.5km race in rainy conditions. I am delighted to announce that overall, the students placed first in the district! Grace placed fourth overall individually and this team photograph shows the enthusiasm the students competed with on the day.

On Saturday, Bella in Year 8 represented the East region in the Inter Regional Triathlon Championships. She placed fourth overall. This is a phenomenal achievement - many congratulations on this impressive feat! Photos on page 3.

**SUPPORT   TRUST   AMBITION   GENEROSITY   SUCCESS**







*Monday's opening of the new STAGS Sixth Cafe in our Sixth Form Centre*



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# Diary Dates

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**Tuesday 19 September**

Year 12 Information Evening, Hall,  
6pm

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**Thursday 21 September**

Year 10 Information Eve, Hall, 6pm  
GCSE/A Level Drama Theatre Trip

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**Friday 22 September**

Year 7 Transition Event and  
Sleepover

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**Saturday 23 September**

Year 7 Welcome Picnic, 12-2pm

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**Tuesday 26 September**

Ski Trip Easter Information Evening,  
Hall, 6.30pm

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**Wednesday 27 September**

Year 9 information Evening, Hall,  
6pm

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**Thursday 28 September**

Year 10 Work Experience Information  
Evening, Online, 6pm

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**Thursday 5 October**

School closes 12.20pm  
Open Evening 4-7pm

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**Wednesday 11 October**

Year 7 Information Evening, Hall, 6pm

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**Tuesday 17 October**

Year 8 Parents' Evening, Online,  
4-7.30pm

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**Wednesday 18 October**

Year 13 Information Evening, Hall, 6pm

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**Thursday 19 October**

Parent Voice, Library Resource Centre,  
6-7pm

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# Careers



## SKILLS BOOTCAMPS IN HERTFORDSHIRE

Hundreds of people in Hertfordshire will benefit from Skills Bootcamps, which are free and flexible courses that help people aged 19 or older gain the necessary skills to secure or progress in a job, in sectors where there is a shortage of workers or skills gaps within the industry.

The courses last up to 16 weeks and those who take part are guaranteed to be offered a job interview after they've completed the training or will be supported to progress in the workplace and utilise the new skills they have developed.

Please click [here](#) to go to the HOP website for more information.







# Notices



Hertfordshire County Council Services for Young People

## Consultation about our future priorities

For parents/carers and  
professionals who work  
with young people



### Share your views on how we support young people.

We are going to have less money to  
support young people from 2024.

Please scan the QR code and complete  
the survey to let us know what is most  
important for the young people you know.

**Closing date 9 October 2023**