



# WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Ending: 3 December 2021

## KEY MESSAGES

- Christmas Jumper Day is Friday 10th December 2021, please donate via Scopay or bring £1 into school. Students who have PE still need to bring their PE kits and usual equipment for school.
- Please see attached information regarding Toot Hill's Army Cadets.

### YEAR 7

Year 7 have continued to work on the Personal Development Curriculum during form time with more knowledge on climate change and information on HIV. It has also been absolutely wonderful to see how much food Year 7 have brought in to support the Trussell Trust food bank appeal. The students generosity has been heart-warming to see during what can be a difficult time of year for some people.

Chess club has started on a Monday and Thursday lunch time and has been well attended, it keeps the students active during lunch time and gives them another warm space, it is closely supervised by Mr Mordue and Miss Jordan who are delighted with the attendance and standard of play.

On the sports front the Year 7 Boys Football Team lost in the last minute 2-1 to West Bridgford so their run in the English Schools Cup came to an end. More cross-country events are on the horizon and letters have been given out to those students that have expressed an interest, please ask your child to see Miss Hall if they have not received a letter.

In PSHE lessons next week, Year 7 students will discuss cyberbullying.

Support link: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/>

Visit the NSPCC for support with talking about difficult topics: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/talking-about-difficult-topics/>

**Head of Year 7: Mr D Mordue** **Assistant Head of Year 7: Miss L Jordan**



### YEAR 8

Well done Year 8 for another fantastic week. This week the year group have achieved 2494 positive points. It is also great to see so many students achieving 'Star of the Lesson'. We are looking forward to rewarding students for their hard work in our end of term Achievement Assembly - week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> December. We continue to be impressed with the presentation in student books and students are taking pride in their work.

On Tuesday morning, a number of Year 8 students were involved in a STEM morning where engineers from the RPS group came into school to run a Climate Change session. Students were introduced to the virtual learning experience, which brings the future of our towns and cities to life including learning more about the solutions that will help to protect our planet. Students were engaged in many positive conversations about climate change and future careers.

One of our 8h PE groups have also been completing an Orienteering unit. Students have been taking part in a range of challenges which have focused on team work and problem-solving skills. Students have worked well in their groups, with many teams successfully completing the challenges.

Our PDC has focused on our Work Hard Be Kind values and also a wellbeing questionnaire as part of our Wellbeing Wednesday. On Topical Thursday students analysed Russia's relationship with the North Pole and suggested concerns with this.

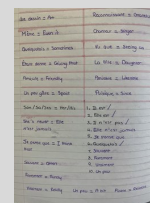
Well done Year 8, keep up the great work.

In PSHE lessons next week, Year 8 students will develop their understanding of online pornography.

Support Link: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-porn/>

Visit the NSPCC for support with talking about difficult topics: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/talking-about-difficult-topics/>

**Head of Year 8: Miss I Sheldon** **Assistant Head of Year 8: Mr A Surridge**



### YEAR 9

Year 9 have had another fantastic week and we look forward to celebrating their successes in Achievement Assembly week commencing Monday 13th December.

In PSHE lessons next week, Year 9 students will develop their understanding of contraception

Support Link: <https://www.brook.org.uk/topics/contraception/>

Visit the NSPCC for support with talking about difficult topics: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/talking-about-difficult-topics/>

**Head of Year 9: Mrs L Munro** **Assistant Head of Year 9: Miss C Thomas**



### YEAR 10

Well done to all students in year 10 for wearing their masks so responsibly this week in response to recent government guidance. Students have once again adapted to this new way of working and we have seen excellent learning across the school.

Progress checks are taking place in the next few weeks in English, Maths and Science and students should already be fully aware of what will be covered in these. If at all uncertain as to the content of the progress checks, students should check Teams for details or contact their class teacher directly.

Part of your child's preparation for these progress checks could be attending Extended Study sessions which are available after school each day (but not in the first or last week of each half term). The timetable for Extended Study changes each half term can be found on the school website in the study support tab (<https://www.toothillschool.co.uk/page.php?p=extended>). Attending Extended Study regularly helps to raise attainment and support our students to reach their full potential.

**Head of Year 10: Mr R Wicks** **Assistant Head of Year 10: Mr K Roebuck** **Achievement Coordinator: Mrs C Hallam**



### YEAR 11

We are incredibly proud of year 11 for their hard work and resilience over the past half term, as we move closer to the last few weeks before Christmas it is great to see students attending extended study, revising, and engaging positively in the classroom.

Sport this week saw the year 11 girls football team cruise to an 8-1 win over Beckett School, all students played well in adverse conditions with standout performances from Natasha G and Sophie M. Well done girls!

The Personal Development Curriculum continues to focus on 'giving', this week we have launched the Christmas food bank appeal to emphasise the importance of giving back. It has been brilliant to see the generosity of our Year 11s.

**Year 11 Pastoral Lead: Miss B Marshall** **Year 11 Achievement Leader: Miss P Gordon**



Movie night was a huge success! Students enjoyed Goodnight Mister Tom whilst munching on bags of popcorn! Next Movie Night will be Tuesday 14th December...Christmas theme.

Careers Opportunities Newsletter has been sent via email to students and parents/carers. Please encourage students to participate in these activities.

