



# WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Ending: 20 April 2018

## KEY MESSAGES

- The Spring Concert will take place on Tuesday, 24 April at 6.30pm in the Concert Hall. Tickets are still available from Reception or you can purchase them on the night
- AW18: Please return consent forms and make payment as soon as possible to secure your child's place on their chosen activity
- Uniform standards:
  - \* Girls' cardigans are classed as winter uniform and are therefore not needed in school this term
  - \* Blazers need to be worn to school and in between lessons. They can be removed in classrooms and at break/lunch times if it is hot

## YEAR 7

Year 7 have had a fantastic first week back after the Easter break. They have been focused, well-equipped and happy to be back in their lessons. The lovely weather has meant that the field has been open to students for the first time this year which they have all really enjoyed.

In this summer term, a variety of extra-curricular activities have started at Toot Hill, including athletics, rounders and cricket. Students should take this exciting opportunity to try something new with their friends!

The picture this week shows a group of Year 7 students working in Philosophy & Ethics. They have been studying different religions in lesson and they have worked hard on their task which was to design a place of worship suitable for all religions. The level of maturity and vast array of thoughtful ideas have impressed many teachers.

Head of Year 7: Ms N Ward and Assistant Head of Year 7: Miss B Marshall

## YEAR 8

Year 8 have settled well after the Easter break, focused and well-equipped for their lessons. They have also spent time catching up with their tutors in tutor time considering a range of activities including 'Wishful Wednesday' and 'Picture Perfect Thursday'.

Next week, students will be encouraged to speak with their tutors about becoming part of the prefect team for the final term of the year. Being part of this programme allows students to take the lead on charity work, plan whole year group initiatives (such as the obstacle course next Friday) as well as set a high example for the rest of Year 7 and Year 8. They will be joining the existing team and be 'trained up' by our current prefects. If your child is interested, they will need to speak with their tutor, Miss Bloomer or Mrs Munro.

Head of Year 8: Mrs L Munro

## YEAR 9

Year 9 have had an excellent first week back. They have settled into lessons extremely well and their teachers have commented on how impressed they have been.

We had an assembly this week on our school expectations and the importance of wearing the Toot Hill blazer with pride.

In addition, in tutor sets pupils have been focusing on revision techniques for their assessments beginning on 30 April. The revision information for these assessments has been sent home to pupils via school email. This information, along with assessment timetables, can be found in the 'Keep Up Not Catch Up' section of the school website.

Head of Year 9: Ms V Salt

## YEAR 10

Year 10 have been very settled in lessons this week. Parents' Evening is the next big event on the school calendar and all parents and carers are invited to make appointments online through Insight.

Thank you to all parents/carers who have returned their money for Enterprise Week. Parents/carers are invited to pay in instalments to spread the cost of the activity out.

A big thank you to the Geography staff team for leading the trip to Naples over the second week of Easter. All staff and pupils reported that they had a fantastic time visiting Pompeii and climbing Mount Vesuvius.

Heads of Year 10: Mr D Lynas

## YEAR 11

Year 11 pupils have returned to school this week settled and motivated in lessons, with only 15 school days to go until the first exam on 14 May 2018. Staff are continually going above and beyond in offering afterschool booster sessions for pupils and, as a result, attendance at these boosters has been fantastic. Your son/daughter can find information about the boosters from the year office or by speaking directly to their class teachers.

It has been a pleasure to observe the drama exam performances this week. The students have been a credit to the school and put on fantastic performances. Over the next two weeks there are further practical assessments in PE and Art. Good luck!

Joint Heads of Year 11: Miss L Hughes & Mr R Wickens

## Launch of Virtual Careers Library

We are delighted to launch the Virtual Careers Library which holds a variety of age-related useful links offering careers information and advice to pupils and parents. This is accessible directly from the Toot Hill Extra website or via the Toot Hill School website under the extra curricular tab. If you have any questions/comments please contact [ffarmer@toothillschool.co.uk](mailto:ffarmer@toothillschool.co.uk)

## Careers update

Apprenticeships: The following organisations are looking for apprentices:

\* Hair Razr, Bottesford

\* HSBC, Leicester

\* Laboratory Technician, BCM Fereva, Beeston

Work Experience (Year 11 only):

\* Pret A Manger is offering one week of paid work experience from 2-20 July 2018

Free Stall at Cotgrave Festival - 16 June 2018: YouNG is offering pupils the opportunity to apply for a stall at the Cotgrave Festival

If you are interested in any of the above opportunities please contact Mrs Farmer [ffarmer@toothillschool.co.uk](mailto:ffarmer@toothillschool.co.uk)

