



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Ending: 5 February 2021

KEY MESSAGES

If there are any issues regarding access to technology / electronic devices please contact us at: school.office@toothillschool.co.uk providing details, as soon as possible.

We are all looking forward to Achievement Assemblies being held next week!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

YEAR 7

We continue to be impressed with the high standard of work which is being produced by Year 7 students.

In History, students have been studying the power of Medieval Monarchs, as well as learning about the Magna Carta and interpretations of King John. The English Department have also praised students for the analytical paragraphs they have written on 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'.

On Monday 8 February, we have invited Year 7 students to join us for our Achievement Assembly. This is being delivered as a live assembly and students can access the joining link through their Teams account. We have been so impressed with the year group this half term and we are looking forward to celebrating their achievements next week.

Well done Year 7 on another great week!

Head of Year 7: Miss I Sheldon Achievement Coordinator: Mr A Surridge

YEAR 8

Well done Year 8 on another productive week of online learning. Our students are engaging well with their lessons and are continuing to submit excellent work. This week we are sharing the amazing work inspired by Picasso, produced by Emily (8.4) for Art with Mrs Gray, well done!

We have continued to recognise our year group achievements in our weekly assembly; next week we will be holding a live Achievement Assembly. Keep an eye out for several prizes being posted home to recognise the excellent effort we see across the year group!

Next week's Personal Development Curriculum focuses on LGBTQ, History Month and Safer Internet Day.

Thank you to those who have engaged with UniFrog, please continue to encourage your child to log in and explore the careers guidance and information.

Head of Year 8: Mr R Wickens Achievement Coordinator: Mr M Leslie

YEAR 9

Hello everyone. This week in PE, Year 9 students have been learning about the cardiovascular system, specifically heart rates and training zones. In Citizenship, students have been investigating the legal systems around the world and have carried out projects based on their findings - some of their work is shown on the right.

Well done to all the Year 9 students who continue to engage with online work.

Also, a huge thank you to our students in school, all of whom are working extremely hard in lessons each day.

Please remind your child to reply to their form tutor's email as soon as possible. Many Thanks.

Head of Year 9: Miss L Hughes Achievement Coordinator: Mr K Roebuck

YEAR 10

Another successful week of online learning for Year 10!

The year group have also been given further careers tasks on Unifrog which runs alongside the Careers booklet as part of the Personal Development Curriculum. This week includes a personality quiz to suggest options for students' future careers if they are unsure on their future pathway. It is also really helpful for them to update their CV and store information that would help for future applications.

Finally, Mrs Gray's Textiles group have made some lovely embellishment patterns as part of the course and we are overwhelmed at the quality they have been able to produce whilst at home. Particular mention to Esme H for producing this amazing piece.

Head of Year 10: Miss N Ward Achievement Coordinator: Miss B Marshall

YEAR 11

A huge thanks again to all students, parents and staff for making C & D band Parents' Evening such a positive experience. Feedback once again, has been overwhelmingly positive as everyone adapted to a new way of working and collaborating.

The Toot Hill College application deadline has now passed and we have had a great many of our Year 11 students apply as their first choice which is fantastic for our post 16 aspirations. Many college interviews are already being organised and students should use information already published to help them brush up on their interview techniques.

In the final week of half term, Year 11 will be having a live Achievement Assembly to celebrate all of the positives and hopefully Dr Eardley will be joining us in the event to congratulate students.

Head of Year 11: Mr D Mordue Achievement Coordinator: Miss P Gordon

Learning Lounge News

National Storytelling week started on Saturday 30 January and runs until Saturday 6 February 2021. To celebrate this amazing week, the Learning Lounge is hosting its very own short story competition. This competition started on Monday 25 January and will run until Friday 26 February 2021. To enter, students must write a maximum 500-word story and the story must be based around the character, location and object the Learning Lounge has selected. All this information will be delivered by tutors/English teachers later on this week!

If you want more details about the competition or want to celebrate National Storytelling week even more by listening to author interviews then check out the Learning Lounge's [Wakelet](#).

Message from Mrs Millington

As you will already be aware, reading for pleasure is so beneficial for our wellbeing and our progress. During the last school closure, I shared suggested reading lists and resources with you so this half term we wanted to ensure that our students were still enjoying reading whilst making it more of an 'experience' for them. With this in mind, I have organised a 'tutor read aloud'. This means that each week a member of staff will read a chapter of a novel for students to listen to. The link will be shared with them on Teams, via their tutor page. Years 7 & 8 will be reading 'A Monster Calls' and Years 9-11 will be reading 'Hidden Figures'. I really hope they enjoy this opportunity to enjoy a shared reading experience.

