

KEY MESSAGES

We hope pupils have a fantastic half term and come back to school refreshed on Monday 31 October 2016!

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Commencing: 17 October 2016

YEAR 7

The Year 7 concert took place this week. An exciting and jam-packed event with performances from students playing and singing in a range of styles on the piano, keyboard, saxophone, clarinet, flute, guitar and a number of vocalists. The event was organised by the Music Ambassadors and hosted by Year 9 students Ewan Wilson and Hattie Featherstone. What amazing talent we saw in Year 7!

To fit with our 'caring' theme next half term, please consider donating items suitable for Christmas gift boxes as part of our support of Operation Christmas Child.

Year 7 Recommended Read: 'The Wolves of Willoughby Chase' by Joan Aiken



YEAR 8

As Hagg Farm comes to a close, I would just like to thank you, the parents, for all your support. All of the students demonstrated courage and commitment and it has been an enriching experience for everyone involved.

The Year 8 boys football team go marching on in the English Schools Cup. They beat Highfields School of Matlock 3-1 after extra time.

Students have been displaying their work in Technology over the last week. They have completed fantastic design and practical work relating to international cuisine, mechanical toys, electronic components, and created paper weights in textiles.

Year 8 Recommended Read: 'Stone Cold' by Robert Swindells



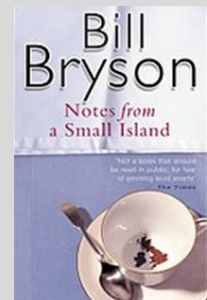
YEAR 9

The first of the Year 9 PSHE days was a big success. Pupils were really engaged in the sessions throughout the day and have been able to reflect on some important themes such as Finance, Road Safety and Child Development.

In lessons, pupils are consolidating an excellent start to their GCSEs. In English, the dedication of pupils has been very impressive. Hannah Marley and Willem Hayes represent just two examples of pupils who have produced some outstanding work on Jekyll & Hyde this week.

As a school, we are striving to develop some key personal characteristics in our pupils. The theme of "commitment" has provided the focus this term. After half term, pupils will consider how "caring" for each other is another important attribute for them to possess.

Year 9 Recommended Read: 'Notes from a Small Island' by Bill Bryson



YEAR 10

Well done to Mr Nelson's Geography class for the fantastic results in their recent assessments. They have clearly worked hard this year and it is paying off.

A huge congratulations to the 60 students who were accepted on the DofE Award. Commitment and determination is required to get the best out of the Award and complete all three sections. Further information will follow in the coming weeks and is available on the DofE website (www.dofe.org).

A number of committed Year 10 students are busy rehearsing for the production of Grease at the Newark Palace Theatre. We cannot wait to see their performances on the stage.

Year 10 Recommended Read: 'The Long Walk to Freedom' by Nelson Mandela



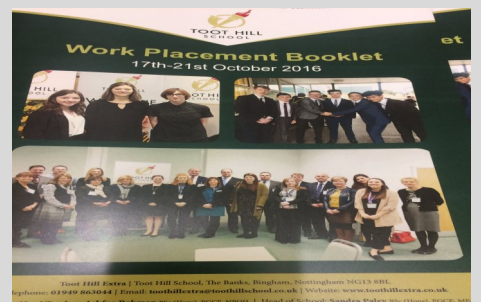
YEAR 11

We have had vast amounts of positive feedback about how Year 11 are getting on in the world of work. Please make sure that your child is completing their work experience booklet as this will form part of their reflection work.

There are lots of extra boosters taking place over half term to support students with coursework and revision for their Assessments starting on w/c 14 Nov. The link below shows the timetable:

http://www.toothill.notts.sch.uk/data/uploads/year11/files/ct_intervention_2016.pdf

Year 11 Recommended Read: 'The Great Gatsby' by F Scott Fitzgerald



Parents and students can access the Eclipse system from home which has recommended reads and enables you to view the Learning Lounge stock and find out what's new. The website is <https://u001985.microlibrarian.net>