



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Ending: 05 July 2019

KEY MESSAGES

- Thank you again to all parents for supporting your child in meeting our basic expectations with punctuality, uniform and equipment. It has had a noticeable positive impact.
- Occasionally a vacancy on the THS Governing Board arises and we are keen to hear from parents who may be interested in such an opportunity. If you would like your name held on our contact list for further information regarding this, please email our Clerk to the Governors, Celia Pontin at cpontin@toothillschool.co.uk

YEAR 7

Whilst the England Women's Lioness team have been competing in their own competition, the Year 7 girls competed in their own inter-tutor set team competition. All of the girls played brilliantly with England (7.11) being the over all winners! We have been very impressed with how well everyone took part.

Plants and Forces are two of the key areas that have been covered, as well as some complex topics like density, this was demonstrated by using food colouring, sugar and water.

A polite reminder that payments for Adventure8 need to have been completed by Friday 12 July and activities week .

Head of Year 7: Miss L Hughes Achievement Coordinator: Miss I Ridley

YEAR 8

Year 8 have finally come to the end of five weeks of Teaching in the Primary Schools and have all really enjoyed the experience of communicating with younger students and taking a lead in a classroom. We are very proud of the hard work and dedication that our students have put into this initiative over the last month or so. To continue this level of focus and positivity over a long period reflects the growing maturity of lots of our students. In addition the Year 8 Awards Evening took place on Thursday 4 July where approximately 25 students presented the work they have done on their Extended Projects. Students have been working on these throughout this academic year both at home and in Extended Study. It was truly amazing to see students highlight their talents in a formal setting!

Head of Year 8: Miss N Ward Achievement Coordinator: Miss B Marshall

YEAR 9

The pupils have been using form time to explore ideas and opinions around diversity whilst also planning for the most important day in the school calendar Sports Day!

Form classes have also been excited around their planning for T-Fest as they will run an enterprise stall selling popcorn. Pupils have been delegated different roles and I'm especially looking forward to visiting them in the kitchens and listening to their presentations.

Best of luck to the Year 9 football team in their cup final this week as well.

Head of Year 9: Mr D Mordue Achievement Coordinator: Miss J Smith

YEAR 10

As we approach the end of term, the Year 10s are looking forward to Enterprise Week. This is a week that will provide opportunities for your child to make informed choices when they are deciding on their Post-16 Education. It also allows your child to further their aspirations and have an understanding of the options available to them. As well as this, it provides your child with the chance to build their self confidence and team working skills that are sought after by employers. In addition to this, past students have benefited from this experience and have used it on their applications to colleges, apprenticeships and universities to show their early interest.

Head of Year 10: Miss V Salt Achievement Coordinator: Miss I Sheldon

Careers Update:

Year 8-11

Do you have musical creativity and flair? If so this could be for you. A local organisation is applying to the Arts Council to develop workshops for young people aged 12-16 years. They are looking for young people who have written their own lyrics or composed a piece of music on a musical instrument. This does not have to be very long and will be developed throughout the workshops. Once the music is developed there will be opportunities to play both in School and out of School either by singing/playing yourself or watching whilst someone else plays. It is anticipated that this opportunity will start from January 2020. If you are interested please contact Mrs Farmer ffarmer@toothillschool.co.uk

Learning Lounge

On Tuesday 2 July the LL held their annual Awards Evening celebrating the 'reading for pleasure' achievements of students in the school. It was a fabulous evening and Paula Rawsthorne (Author of The New Boy and Shell) joined us in giving out the awards and finished with a talk on her books and life as an author.

Fishing Competition

Toot Hill recently participated in the Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Schools Fishing Competition. This is an annual event which involves young people from across the two counties, competing in teams of four in a match fishing competition. This year's event was at the Aldercar Fishery and featured four of our top anglers in the school. Participating were Josh Derry (capt.) (Yr11), Oliver Strutt (Yr10), Sam Derry (Yr10) and Ethan Cooney (Yr9). After a very competitive match, we were pleased to finish with the following nets : J. Derry (114lbs) , S. Derry (14lbs) , O. Strutt (12lbs) , E. Cooney (10lbs). As a result of these excellent performances, the students were awarded both the individual trophy (J. Derry) and the team trophy (1st in three sections, 2nd in one section).

