

# **KEY MESSAGES**

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school

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#### YFAR 7

We have been most impressed with the work Year 7 students have produced in lessons this week. In English, students showed excellent focus when completing a FIT task on 'grammar rules'. In Geography, students have drawn temperature bar charts to present their data from the recent microclimate investigations. Students have analysed this data and written informative conclusions based on their results.

We also received positive feedback from the Languages Department this week. Students have shown a positive attitude to learning when planning and completing their assessments where they have been applying key vocabulary to describe their local area and school.

During our Personal Development Curriculum students have learnt about elections and voting, which has included information on 'how to vote' and 'why it is important to vote'. Well done Year 7!

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

### YEAR 8

On Friday 2 July 2021, we will be welcoming Mrs Munro back as Head of Year 8. She is very excited to be returning and has been in school over the last few weeks to say hello to our Year 8 students. Upon Mrs Munro's return, I (Mr Wickens) will be stepping back as Head of Year 8. It has been an absolute pleasure working with such a fabulous and hardworking year group. Take care.

Over the next couple of weeks, our Year 8 students will be completing assessments across their subjects. Your child's teacher will share more specific details with them as any assessments approach. To support students, we recommend writing a revision timetable to help them focus.

Active tutoring next week: money management, inspirational role models that raise aspirations, income vs expenditure, challenging prejudice, and discrimination. Please contact your child's tutor if you have any questions.

Head of Year 8: Mr R Wickens Pastoral Lead: Mr M Leslie

## YEAR 9

A fantastic week of learning and growing for Year 9!

This week Year 9 have been impressing their teachers by delivering individual speeches during English lessons. Many students have also been involved in the Year 9 STEM activity day where students developed their knowledge in Science, Maths, Engineering and Technology. Students have shown maturity and curiosity, in tutor time, as they continued their reflection on diversity in our society.

Next week, students can look forward to inter tutor set sports on Tuesday, weather permitting. Have a great weekend!

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

## **YEAR 10**

A huge well done to Year 10 for their efforts, focus and organisation during their Assessment Week. Students have approached the week with real positivity, even when they've found it quite stressful. It has been wonderful to see their resilience and maturity whilst preparing for these challenges. We are all incredibly proud—once again, a huge well done from all staff.

Additionally, Extended Study has been relaunched for Year 10 this half term. Uptake is very positive so far but we would still like to see a greater number of students taking part in these sessions. It is an invaluable opportunity that covers a range of subjects. All sessions run on either Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 3:00-4:15 pm. We have lots of spare copies of timetables in the Year Office if anyone would like to collect one.

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

#### PE News!

During the week commencing Monday 28 June 2021, the PE department are launching the 'Be Your Best Campaign' in all KS3 Games lessons in order to raise as much money as possible for The British Red Cross. If you would like to support, the link is below: donation link

All proceeds will help The British Red Cross' work across the UK and overseas. That includes making sure people have the connections they need so that our communities are more resilient and can stand strong to face the future. It will also support people who have been hit hardest by Covid-19, with practical and emotional help, as well as assisting at hospitals and vaccination centres.

#### **Swimming the Channel!**

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On Sunday 13 June at 12.35am, Toot Hill cover supervisor Mrs Timmins, began her team relay swim of the English channel. She was the first person to swim and with only a small light to guide her, she swam alongside the boat for one hour before the next swimmer in the team took over. The team consisted of four ladies who took it in turns to swim for one hour each. Along the way they encountered jellyfish, large clumps of seaweed, flying fish and numerous ferries and large ships but the weather was kind to them, and they reached France in a time of 14 hours and 55 minutes—tired but elated! Mrs Timmins was completing the swim to raise funds for the mental health hub and she and Mrs Wood would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who has very kindly sponsored her.















