



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Ending: 10 November 2017

KEY MESSAGES



- Please note the school will be closed on our INSET day on **Monday, 27 November 2017**
- World Kindness day is on Monday, 13 November 2017
- There will be a non-uniform day on Friday, 17 November to raise funds for the KIPP School in Houston

YEAR 7

The Year 7s have been working on Healthy Eating posters during their PSHE lessons and have been learning the importance of a balanced diet.

Next week we will be completing tasks regarding bullying to reinforce our expectations as well as supporting National Anti-Bullying Week.

Students have been informed about the Year 7 Christmas Activities Day on Thursday, 14 December. This will involve students taking part in Christmas activities and visiting the Nottingham Ice Arena for an afternoon of ice skating. This is a really exciting celebration of the year group's first term at Toot Hill. Letters have gone home this week and we will need reply slips and £7.50 payment returned by Friday, 24 November. Please contact tutors if you require any further information.

Head of Year 7: Ms N Ward



YEAR 8

Over half term, all Year 8 pupils have completed a 'Gap Year Project' to conclude their 'Africa' unit of work. The pupils spent time researching their favourite countries to go to across the world. The pupils had to research what they would like to do if they were to go on a Gap Year; some pupils chose to work on charity projects whilst others wanted to go on a year-long holiday! They spent a lot of time researching the different cultures in each of their chosen countries as well as learning how to get to each place and considering their budgets and timescales. Lots of pupils have been inspired by the project and have openly discussed their hopes to complete a Gap Year in the future. The Geography department have been in awe of the time and effort all pupils have put into their projects; they hope to display some of the work and even use it at open evenings to showcase the wonderful, creative talent we have within our year group. Well done on your fantastic projects!

Head of Year 8: Mrs L Munro



YEAR 9

This week's assembly focused on the theme of Remembrance. Miss Law and members of the Royal British Legion emphasised the importance of remembering those who have served in conflicts and supporting their families. The pupils were a real credit to the school and listened respectfully throughout.

The Year 9 Assessments will start on Tuesday, 28 November. Active tutoring has been focusing on revision techniques and pupils have been given revision materials in their subject lessons.

As a whole school, we are focusing on anti-bullying and kindness next week. The theme on non-uniform day on Friday, 17 November will be 'odd socks'.

Head of Year 9: Ms V Salt



YEAR 10

It has been another busy week on the sporting field for Year 10 with girls and boys involved in hockey and football fixtures. Thank you to the PE staff for facilitating so many events for pupils to get involved with. There is a basketball session after school run by qualified coaches from the 'Hoods' Basketball Team which is open to all pupils.

Academically, pupils are waiting patiently for the 10.1 report to be issued. The report will be available on Insight early next week. We encourage all parents and carers to spend a few moments reflecting on the report with their child. It is a key marker on where pupils are in their GCSE journey.

Heads of Year 10: Mr D Lynas



YEAR 11

The Toot Hill College Open Evening on Tuesday was very well attended by many Year 11 students. The application process is now open - you can apply via a link at the top of the Toot Hill School web page. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's tutor or teachers if you would like any advice around which subjects to apply for.

Good luck to all Year 11 students next week with the mock GCSEs. In tutor sets this week, students have been planning revision timetables and looking at stress-relieving strategies. We recommend the Headspace mobile phone App.

Congratulations to the Year 11 girls' football team who are through to the next round. Keep up the momentum girls!

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



Year 11-13 Careers and Networking Fair

All Year 11 students are invited to attend the Careers Fair on Thursday, 25 January 2018. Come along to meet with employers, colleges, apprenticeship providers and universities. This is a valuable opportunity to explore all pathways post 16. Those students who are thinking of studying A-Levels will have the opportunity to discuss their subject choices with some of the top universities. Booking will soon be available online.

Spanish Exchange 2018 for Years 8, 9 and 10

We are organising an exchange with a school in the beautiful city of Valencia in Spring 2018 at a maximum cost of £325 for two weeks' activities. If your child is interested, they should see their Spanish teacher for details; places are limited.

Author Visit - 'Emma Pass'

Coming to the Learning Lounge on Wednesday, 22 November. Book signing at lunch time - ACID and THE FEARLESS on sale for £7.99 in the Learning Lounge.

