



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Ending: 17 January 2020

KEY MESSAGES

- Personal Development Curriculum: Focused around Aspirations, Careers and Destinations
- Assembly Theme: Safeguarding and Online Safety
- A gentle reminder that jewellery, including earrings, are not allowed in school and may be confiscated

YEAR 7

As part of our active tutoring programme, we have started working through our new careers booklets with Year 7 this week. Careers is now a big part of the personal development curriculum for our students and will help them to make informed decisions about their future career pathway.

This week's introduction has focused on the skills needed for work and sectors in which our students may be interested in working; it has been great to hear about such a wide variety of interests and aspirations our year group already have.

Head of Year 7: Mrs L Munro Pastoral Lead: Mr M Leslie



YEAR 8

Year 8 have been preparing for their upcoming assessments by looking at different types of revision techniques in tutor time this week, along with preparing in class. All pupils have got copies of their assessment timetables, but please let us know if they are absent on the day so that we are able to support with this.

We have also had an excellent attendance at Extended Study this week and look forward to this continuing this half term. Homework club is on every Wednesday in PC2 for all of Year 8 to access. Well done to the Year 8 girls who won both matches last week, we look forward to watching their upcoming successes

Head of Year 8: Miss L Hughes Achievement Coordinator: Miss I Ridley



YEAR 9

Year 9 have had a great week in lessons, standards have been high across all classes and there has been some fantastic work produced. Particularly well done to students in 9.1 who have achieved 221 credits since Christmas!!!

The New Extended study timetable has now started so it would be good to see as many students as possible staying for after school clubs and boosters.

Head of Year 9: Miss N Ward Achievement Coordinator: Miss B Marshall



YEAR 10

Extended Study sessions started again this week and many Year 10s have attended, taking advantage of wider knowledge and going over specific subject techniques. Mr Mordue has visited lots of English lessons and been impressed with pupils as they learn techniques covering writing to arguing. Topics have included the death penalty, racism in football and a sugar tax.

As we move closer towards January maths exams, pupils should be spending time using MathsWatch and their Knowledge Organisers to prepare.

Lots of positives have been given by subject teachers and tutor set 10.14 are well ahead of the credit race this week pushing 10.5 into second place.

Head of Year 10: Mr D Mordue Achievement Coordinator: Miss I Sheldon



YEAR 11

Year 11 have been completing their careers booklets as part of their personal development in active tutoring this week. They have been thinking about their Post-16 destinations and setting themselves focused targets in order to enable them to achieve their goals. In Biology, the students have been learning about cloning and the different techniques for both plants and animals; this has included looking at the ethics behind the topic.

A group of Year 11 students are taking part in the English Schools Table Tennis Regional Final at the weekend - we wish them the best of luck and look forward to hearing about it!

Head of Year 11: Miss V Salt Achievement Coordinator: Miss A Hall



Careers Update

Year 7-11 Active Tutoring - Careers

During active tutoring this half term we are starting work on Careers. Students across all year groups will be self evaluating their transferable skills and doing subject and careers research. Please talk to your child about the work they are doing this half term.

Prep Hall

Please be aware that Prep Hall (4.15pm to 5pm: Monday-Thursday) is now based in Main School Reception. All students attending must sign in with a member of staff at reception, where you will be directed to a quiet working area.

