



College Bulletin

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Attendance remains a key priority for College. Please remember to call 01949 863072 or email trwootton@toothillschool.co.uk to report any planned absence or illness. Many thanks for your support with this.

Year 12

Year 12 had a moving and motivational assembly from the Anthony Nolan Trust, a charitable organisation set up in 1974 after mother Shirley Nolan discovered her three year old son Anthony was in urgent need of a bone marrow transplant. Today, the charity matches registered donors to those in need of transplants and helps match three people every day to help save lives. This is an annual event which aims to inform people better about blood cancer, while encouraging people to sign up as a registered stem cell donor. It was pleasing to see the Year 12 students so eager to learn more and so willing to help others in need.



The Year 12 students are all currently in the middle of organising their work experience placement for the final full week of this year – Monday 17th July to Friday 21st July. Fiona Farmer, our school careers adviser, is available during registration to assist any students who require further support. In addition, Year 12s have just completed their destinations module of their mentor period programme which should have given them a greater idea of destination pathways they may be interested in pursuing after Toot Hill College.

Students Jonathan Aldrich, Elisabeth Riely, Jenni Brown and James Kirk are currently engaged in the Gold CREST award and are working in association with Boots. They recently enjoyed a guided tour of the power station facility at the Beeston HQ, which gave them an insight into the Mechanical/Chemical/Process Engineering side of this huge facility. James Kirk has separately been involved with various initiatives from the Arkwright scholarship, including a residential at RAF Cranwell.

Year 12 pupil and fencer James Rutherford has just completed his final under 17 season which has seen him selected to represent Great Britain in international competitions in Budapest, Vienna, Marseille and Pisa, competing against the best in the World at his age level. It has been a season of many highlights and significant wins. His best international result came in Pisa, when he made the last 32, one of only three British fencers to make it to that stage in an international competition over the season. In Pisa he also achieved the best result of the British squad on the day.



He ends his season as 5th in the under 17 Great Britain rankings. James now moves onto competing at under 20 level.



Year 13

We are delighted with the responses this year that our Year 13 students have received from UCAS. Students have overwhelmingly received offers from the majority of the courses they applied to, including a high level of students who have received offers from all five choices and a high number who have received unconditional offers. We are delighted that one of our students has also been offered a place to study Mathematics at Oxford University – well done!

This year's Year 13 Leavers' Ball will take place on Friday 7th July 2017 at the Park Plaza Hotel in Nottingham city centre. The Year 13 tutor groups recently voted on this year's theme, which will be The Great Gatsby. The vote was organised by the College Student Union, who are currently working on the themed decorations for the venue.



Year 12 and Year 13

Both Year 12 and Year 13 have recently sat formal assessments as part of the formal assessment process in College. Year 12 sat their formal assessments between Monday 27th February and Friday 3rd March, while Year 13 followed the next week from Monday 6th March to Friday 10th March. They have been receiving their results over the past few weeks.

In Mentor period, Year 12 students have moved on to study a module on being a global citizen, which includes enhancing their awareness of key global events, whilst also encouraging them to take action to make their own difference in areas of the world that particularly interest or move them. The Year 13 students are currently studying a mentor programme module on health, which includes a key focus on both mental and physical wellbeing.

Upcoming Events

31st March 2017	External Applicants Visit
3rd April—17th April 2017	Easter Holidays
21st April 2017	Silver Duke of Edinburgh
3rd May 2017	Gold Duke of Edinburgh
4th May 2017	Silver Duke of Edinburgh
15th May 2017	Examination Start Date
26th May 2017	Y13 Celebration Breakfast
3rd-7th July 2017	Boots Work Inspiration Week—check www.boots.jobs for details