

KEY MESSAGES

The Careers Fair is taking place at 6-8pm in the Suthers Building on Thursday, 26 January. There will be a range of employers, apprenticeship providers and universities available for pupils to speak to.

YFAR 7

Students have started their assessment fortnight in a calm and focused manner which is pleasing to see.

In PSHE students have looked at how to organise their time effectively to help them do their best in their assessments, and ways of reducing stress. This has been supported by our work during active tutoring where we have looked at 'control' and ways of achieving mindfulness.

This week we have launched our Hagg Farm residential trip that takes place in October 2017. Please see the letter for more details about this wonderful opportunity.

YEAR 8

Year 8 girls showed great maturity and care towards each other during their vaccinations this week.

With Year 8 assessments in progress, please continue to help your child with their revision for different subjects.

As we approach the Options process, please be aware that a letter will be sent out to explain all of the key dates and information that you need to be aware of. These include Options Evening, Parents' Evening, Options Taster Day. Your child will be provided with an Options booklet to help them make their decisions

YEAR 9

The whole school character focus this term is 'control'. Pupils in their tutor sets have begun by considering the principle of 'mindfulness'

We are looking forward to seeing parents/carers at the first of two Parents' Evenings on Wednesday, 25 January. This is a fantastic opportunity to strengthen relationships between school and the community and we really appreciate you making the effort to attend.

The Year 9 A Team were in action in the English Schools' National Football Competition. Unfortunately, it was a similar outcome to the previous week with the team suffering a defeat. However, reaching the last sixteen in the country is a fantastic achievement and we are very proud of the team's efforts.

YEAR 10

It has been an exciting week for Year 10 as our Football A Team won their semi-final match against Trinity in the Forest Bowl. This means our team will be off to the City Ground to play in the final. Well done boys - we are very proud of you!

This week, the year group have started working on fund raising for their memorial bench in memory of Jack Archer. The pupils are using Student Voice to put forward ideas to raise money for the bench.

As we approach our assessments, all pupils have been given a yellow revision card to support them in their preparations. Please ask them to share this with you.

YEAR 11

The two Year 11 Parents' Evenings have taken place this week and were a resounding success. It has been so rewarding to hear so many supportive and informative conversations between parents, staff and pupils

All pupils have been having achievement meetings with the Year 11 Team to focus on their revision resources over the last term and ensure they feel fully prepared and supported for their GCSEs. We have already seen some amazing revision resources created; an example from Annie Smith is shown on the right.

Please take some time to look through the booster menu to see what after school subject support is available.

KS3 and KS4 Maths Puzzles - credits will be awarded for the first correct solution submitted per class

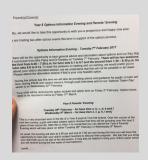
KS3

How many laps does each athlete run in a 5000m race? B 5 C 8

KS4

Amrita is baking a cake today. She bakes a cake every fifth day. How many days will it be before she next bakes a cake on a Thursday? A 5 B 7 C 14











Numeracy Ninjas - Year 8

Our numeracy competition, Numeracy Ninjas, started this week for all students in Year 8. Each week all students are competing against other tutor groups in three areas of Numeracy: Mental Strategies, Times Tables and Key Skills. Every student will achieve a Ninja Score which corresponds to a Ninja Belt with the hope of getting closer to the Grandmaster Belt! Please ask your son/daughter what Belt they have achieved this week and help them to brush up on those Numeracy Skills ready for next week! Mrs Patel & Mrs Clarke

One lap of a standard running track is 400m.

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