WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week Ending: 22 September 2017

YEAR 7

Now that Year 7 pupils have settled into their classes it is great to see them working extremely hard in lessons resulting in a massive amount of 8,203 credits since starting at Toot Hill. This reflects the positive conversations that have taken place with staff who are thoroughly enjoying teaching the year group.

The students have also been enthusiastically taking part in the tutor challenge each week. This takes place every Friday and has a different theme, with the winning tutor sets receiving a star. The current winners are 7.4 and 7.10!

The Year 7 pastoral team are looking forward to meeting parents on Tutor Review Day and we thank you in advance for taking the time to come into school. Parents will be given their Insight login details to enable you to keep track of your child's progress, credits as well as homework online.

Head of Year 7: Ms N Ward

YEAR 8

This week Year 8 tutors have been busy nominating students who they believe would fulfil the role of a prefect, selecting students who have the courage to support school policies and embed the Year group ethos, conduct themselves appropriately as role models for fellow students and those keen to develop their confidence in communicating with others. Those selected to be prefects for the first term will be announced shortly.

Homework timetables have now been distributed; please check your child's timetable carefully as it outlines what homework should be expected each week.

We look forward to discussing your child's start to the year and their progress at the upcoming Tutor Review Day on Tuesday, 26 September 2017.

Head of Year 8: Mrs L Munro

YEAR 9

Year 9 pupils have had another great week. They have been successfully leading the 'Toot Hill Challenge' and it has been amazing to see so many students taking part on a Friday morning.

This week's assembly focused on safeguarding and the pupils were reminded about which members of staff they could speak to if they have an issue, and places that they can go to for support within school.

We would like to thank you for your quick response to the Tutor Review Day letters and we look forward to seeing you and your child on Tuesday.

Head of Year 9: Ms V Salt

YEAR 10

The year 10 Ambassadors have been in action for the first time this year. They kindly volunteered to support the Year 6 Open evenings which were a real success. We encourage as many pupils as possible to get involved in the opportunities on offer throughout the academic year. The most conscientious pupils are already looking ahead to the possibility of becoming a prefect in Year 11!

The year group has made an extremely positive start in lessons. We look forward to meeting all parents and carers on Tutor Review Day to reflect on this. The appointment with your child's tutor will also provide a timely opportunity to set some targets for the year ahead.

Heads of Year 10: Mr D Lynas

YEAR 11

We have been extremely impressed with how Year 11 have started this year. Many pupils have been attending boosters after school and have been fully engaged in lesson - well done; keep it up! Please speak to your son/daughters' tutor at Tutor Review Day if you would like some more information about our booster sessions.

Well done to Year 11 student, Jack Kellas, who has been selected for the Nottinghamshire Youth Commission Panel.

Reminder: English and Maths assessments are on Monday, 25 September for all students. Pupils will have received revision material from their teachers.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Tutor Review Day. Please contact Mr Wickens, Miss Hughes or Mr Jepps if you would like to meet with them.

Heads of Year 10: Ms L Hughes & Mr R Wickens

Year 10 NHS Work Experience

Year 10 students have the opportunity to do work experience with members of the NHS team Reception/Admin, Health Care Support Workers and Advanced Nurse Practitioners in the NHS.

If you are interested please see the link below. Please ignore that it says you must be 16 years+ - this has been agreed as an exceptional opportunity for Year 10 only.

https://www.hee.nhs.uk/hee-your-area/east-midlands/our-work/our-teams-working-across-east-midlands/derbyshire-nottinghamshire-local-workforce-team/work-experience

Work experience can take place out of school time with the NHS or during Year 10 with the permission of Mr Lynas/Mrs Farmer. Please ensure you are not out on work experience in January or June 2018 as assessments will be taking place at this time.

Year 9 and 10 - Calling all Entrepreneurs

YouNG are holding their Christmas market again this year. They are looking for entrepreneurs to promote their business idea in a Dragons' Den style of event in October. Pupils are asked to generate an idea for their business, pitch their ideas at a Dragons Den event, develop their business idea through workshops and to sell their product on the Christmas Market Day. This will be followed by an awards evening and five lucky people will win a trip to Poland next May. Teams are welcome to apply. If you are interested please see either Mrs Farmer or Jamie Cordon, YouNG Ambassador.

KEY MESSAGES

- Please talk to your child about walking to and from the school safely, including looking both ways before crossing the road
- Reminder: Tutor Review Day for all students is on Tuesday, 26 September 2017









