

KEY MESSAGES

• Thank you for your patience whilst we rectify the burst mains pipe at the front of the school site.

YEAR 7

Following the eventful snow days last week, the year group have been continuing to produce many fantastic castle models for their History project. We are very impressed with the determination, time and effort students have shown as well as the creativity in their creations.

After collating all the data from the Year 7 January assessments, the 7.2 reports have now gone live on Insight. It is overwhelming to see how well the year group have done academically as well as the proportion of students who have scored above 4 for attitude and homework across all subjects. Well done Year 7 - keep up the hard work!

Head of Year 7: Ms N Ward

YEAR 8

Many thanks for your attendance at Parents' Evenings this past fortnight and I hope you had the opportunity to discuss your child's progress and attitude in each of their subjects. It was wonderful to see so many students receiving positive reports and discussing effective ways of improving their attainment.

As the deadline for Activities Week 2018 and Options choices are quickly approaching, please ensure forms are handed in to tutors by Monday, 12 March and Friday, 16 March respectively. Please direct any questions about this to your child's tutor. Mrs Munro and Miss Bloomer have been having some conversations about Options with Year 8 students and it is lovely to see the passion they have for their Options choices and consideration for their future aspirations.

Head of Year 8: Mrs I Munro

YEAR 9

As part of the careers focus in active tutoring, a group of Year 9 students enjoyed a visit to RAF Wittering on Thursday, 8 March. Students participated in a range of activities including STEM and problem-solving challenges. Students were given a tour of the base which allowed them to see a working day in the RAF.

The Year 9 girls' cricket team also participated in their first indoor fixture of the year. The girls faced tough competition and their determination and resilience were rewarded with a win in their final match of the day.

There will be more opportunities to represent school as we progress into the summer term.

There will be another careers trip to John Deere after the Easter break.

Head of Year 9: Ms V Salt

YEAR 10

Year 10 are busy preparing their CVs as Mock Interview day approaches. Pupils are focusing on ensuring that this key piece of information is completed to a high standard. Thank you to all parents and carers for their support from home with this

The Year 10 Events Ambassadors are now officially up and running. They have been involved in facilitating the recent Year 8 Parents' Evenings. They have made a really good start in their new roles and we look forward to seeing them get involved on more initiatives over the next few weeks. A big thank you to Mrs Parkin for her support with this agenda.

Heads of Year 10: Mr D Lynas

YEAR 11

The pupils have really impressed us with their start to their examinations this week. It is clear that they have prepared well and are taking their exams very seriously. Alongside this many of our pupils have had their NEA in Food Technology over the last couple of weeks and the level of food production has been outstanding. The picture on the right is just one example of the trials that they produced before the real thing. Alongside this, some excellent presentations have been carried out in Computing.

We have another week of examinations coming up and it is important that pupils take time to rest and have a break alongside their revision this weekend, ensuring that they are ready for their remaining even pagers.

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

YEAR 7/8/9 - AW18

The deadline for returning the 'Yellow Application Form' is Monday, 12 March. Replacement yellow forms can be collected from school reception or downloaded from the school website. Pupils who have not yet returned their form should make it their priority. This is important to ensure they get one of their preferred choices.

ACADEMY SCHOOLWEAR

Reminder that Academy Schoolwear will be operating a 'pop-up' uniform shop on 13 March 2018 from 4pm to 5.30pm.

There will be the opportunity to try, buy and take away. This will be held in the Student Services area of the school and it would be appreciated if you would access this from the bus park, off the Tithby Road entrance to the school site.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT

Over the half term a number of Toot Hill pupils competed at the Nottinghamshire ASA County Championship relay competition and the Calverton & Bingham Swimming Club had fantastic success in the boys age group. The boys' 14s and under teams became double county champions in the 4 x 50m Medley relay and 4 x 50m Freestyle relay and every member of the relay team was a Toot Hill pupill Whilst swimming is not generally regarded as a team sport, these boys have swum together throughout the year and all over the country. They make a fantastic team - always supportive of one another, understanding each others' race and takeover, and show great sportsmanship. The boys involved and pictured right were Lewis Warner and Elliot Sibley from Year 7, James Cox from Year 8, and Will Turnock and Declan Breedon from Year 9. Also making the podium in the 12s and under group were Year 7 students Noah Rai and Cameron Breedon who form part of a relay team with some soon-to-be pupils of Toot Hill.

YEAR 11 APPRENTICESHIP UPDATE

Millfield Nursery, Cropwell Butler - Nursery Nurse

Millifield are advertising for a Level 2/3 Nursery Nurse for August 2018 start. If you are predicted to get Grade 4 and above in English and Maths and are interested in this opportunity please get in touch with Mrs Farmer.

TLA Bingham, Level 2 Engineering apprenticeship

TLA will be advertising for a Level 2 Engineering apprentice soon. If you are interested in applying please see Mrs Farmer.













