

#### **KEY MESSAGES**

- AW18: Please return consent forms and make payment as soon as possible to secure your child's place on their chosen activity
- To support Plastic-Free Bingham, please can parents encourage children to bring a water bottle
  that can be refilled at school.
- <u>Summer Uniform</u>: As we move into the summer term, pupils need to be aware that we now
  move to our summer uniform that does not include cardigans and jumpers. Blazers should be
  worn at all times except during break and lunch when they can be removed

## YEAR 7

This week we have been discussing British Values in PSHE and students have taken part in fantastic discussions regarding what it means to be British.

We have launched the next Year 7 STEM day which will be held on Tuesday, 8 May. Tickets have been distributed within the Year 7 group and the first 60 students to hand them in will be allocated a place on this exciting day. Students who have a keen interest in STEM but do not get a place on the day can apply to join the STEM Club that runs on a Wednesday lunch time; please speak to Mr Walters for more details. (Tyler-Jordan Gray is pictured right.)

The Year 7 girls' football team are through to the County Cup semi-finals and will be playing against West Bridgford next week. We wish them good luck and look forward to watching the game.

Head of Year 7: Ms N Ward and Assistant Head of Year 7: Miss B Marshall

## YEAR 8

This week the Year 8 Prefects were due to run their charity event for Sports Relief - a sponsored obstacle course - which was initially delayed due to the 'Beast from the East' and was delayed again today because of the rain. It will take place on Friday, 4 May when students and teachers will take part and attempt to finish the course without being hit by water bombs.

The prefects will be delivering their assemblies in the coming weeks covering topics such as e-safety, mental health and road safety.

We have continued to see excellent focus in lessons this week. In English, 8k has been considering the pros and cons of smoking and had to make a leaflet for the NHS. In Philosophy and Ethics, students have been critically evaluating whether there is life after death and whether proof is needed, or if faith is enough. I look forward to seeing more next week!

Head of Year 8: Mrs L Munro

## YEAR 9

Year 9 have been continuing their work on revision techniques in tutor set this week for the assessments that start on Monday, 30 April. The revision information and timetables for these assessments have been emailed to students via their school email and can also be found on the 'Keep Up Not Catch Up' part of the school website.

Miss Sheldon has organised a careers trip to John Deere. This is an excellent opportunity for pupils as they will have a tour of the facilities and take part in interactive activities, including operating the machines. Please ask your child to obtain a letter from Reception and return the reply slip as soon as possible if they would like to take part in this trip as places are offered on a first come first serve basis.

Head of Year 9: Ms V Salt

## YEAR 10

Year 10 are now looking ahead to carrying out their work experience week in October. Some pupils have shown great initiative and have already secured a placement. Thank you to all parents and careers for their support on this agenda.

Insight is now open for pupils to make appointments for the upcoming Parents' Evening. We look forward to seeing you all on 9 or 15 May.

Heads of Year 10: Mr D Lynas

## YEAR 11

Wed-09-May, pm English as a second language - Reading and Writing

Fri-11-May, pm, English as a second language - Listening

Mon-14-May, am, ICT - Unit 1 Written Paper

Mon-14-May, am, Computer Science - Computer Systems

Mon-14-May, pm, Religious Studies - Buddhism

Mon-14-May, pm, Religious Studies - Christianity

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

In the final run-up to the Year 11 exam period, pupils have now all been given their examination timetables alongside their copy on Insight. If your child has a clash with any of their papers, they have also received an additional letter explaining this to both you and them. The first examinations to occur are as listed to the left.

Pupils have been reminded this week that final Prom payments and slips must be in by 25 May. If your son/daughter has not yet paid the deposit, the deadline has now passed. They are still able to make full payment as long as it is submitted by 25 May.

# Careers update Apprenticeship Recruitment Days

Apprenticeships: The following organisations are looking for apprentices:

\* Hairdresser Apprentice - Shapers, Bingham

If you are interested in any of the above opportunities please contact Mrs Farmer <a href="mailto:ffarmer@toothillschool.co.uk">ffarmer@toothillschool.co.uk</a>

#### **Learning Lounge**

On Monday, 24 April the Learning Lounge opened its doors after school to celebrate its first World Book Night. Year 7 students and parents were invited to come along and take part in a booky quiz followed by tombola, VR, discussion and cakes! The evening was a huge success and our first World Book Night champions were Rachel Ward's (7.1) family. Congratulations! The Learning Lounge would like to extend a huge thank you to all the parents and students who came to the evening and we hope to do more in the future for those who weren't able to make it. A huge thank you to our lovely student librarians and Mrs Parkin for helping us organise the event.











