

KEY MESSAGES

- As we are in the Winter period, we would like to remind parents/carers that should there be the need to close the School site due to extreme weather conditions, this will be communicated by email via our PARS messaging system. Details of any forced closure will also be posted on the School website.
- Thank you for your support in checking for such details during any inclement weather situations.

YEAR 7

We have had a great week in Year 7, with a continued focus on skills and characteristics in our active tutoring time. Students have been working hard in lessons and many of our year have been involved in rehearsals for High School Musical, on at the Newark Palace Theatre on Wednesday, 13 and Thursday, 14 February 2019.

Next week, Year 7 have Reading Week which will provide an opportunity for pupils to hone their reading skills and take part in related activities in the Learning lounge during lunchtimes. In each of their lessons, pupils will have ten minutes of reading time built in to support them in their reading skills and enjoyment of books. Please ensure that your child has packed a reading book for next week with this in mind.

A reminder that the deadline for Adventure 8 deposits and return slips is now Friday, 8 February 2019

Head of Year 7: Miss L Hughes Achievement Coordinator: Miss I Ridley

YEAR 8

Year 8 have had a busy week of assessments and we have been impressed with the behaviour and effort in the majority of the tiers. Well done and good luck to Year 8 in their final assessments next week.

A number of Year 8 students have been dedicating time to High School Musical rehearsals and we are excited to see the show in February.

In active tutoring, students have begun to look at GCSE Options and tutors are supporting them with the selection process. Letters have been sent home to inform parents of the Options evening on Tuesday, 5 February and we look forward to seeing you there.

Head of Year 8: Miss N Ward Achievement Coordinator: Miss B Marshall

YEAR 9

Congratulations to Grace Dougall who finished fifth in a national cooking competition. She managed to ice her five-tier cake in just one and a half hours and performed brilliantly in the professional competition that was held in London. Grace will now move on to compete in the Rotary Cookery Competition in February 2019.

The Year 9 girls' football team moved through to the next round of the South Notts Cup after a nail-biting penalty shootout victory of 3-2 over West Bridgford.

Data forms are being sent home with pupils next week - please complete these with updated details and send back to school as soon as possible.

Acting Head of Year 9: Mr D Mordue Achievement Coordinator: Miss J Smith

YEAR 10

Year 10 have been busy preparing for their assessments which commence on Monday, 28 January. Pupils have been utilising their revision planners provided in tutor set to work out a schedule that works for them, as well as ensuring that they allow time to relax.

A group of Year 10 students went on the English Department's trip to see Macbeth at the Theatre Royal on Tuesday night, 22 January. They were fully engaged with the play and an absolute credit to our school. We were so proud of them and members of the public commented on how polite and well-mannered our pupils are!

Just a reminder that equipment is still available from the Year office in the mornings. A pencil case filled with equipment is £2.

Head of Year 10: Miss V Salt Achievement Coordinator: Miss I Sheldon

YEAR 11

The second Year 11 Parents' Evening was held on Thursday, 24 January and it was great, once again, to see so many parents and carers in attendance. Thank you to all parents and carers for their donations for our Food Bank initiative.

Preparations for Prom are now under way with the first letter being been sent home. The year group are already looking forward to the event and, as preparations intensify, we will soon be forming a Prom Committee.

Head of Year 11: Mr D Lynas Achievement Coordinator: Miss A Hall

CAREERS UPDATE

RWE Staythorpe Power Station are advertising their Engineering apprenticeships. There are opportunities for Post 16 and Post 18 young people. Post 16 students will need 5 x GCSEs grade 9-4 including Maths, English and Science. Starting salary is £13,985. There are also apprenticeships for students with 2 A Levels in Maths/Science/BTEC Engineering with a starting salary of £20,000. If you are interested please see: www.RWEUKJOBS.com

TLA in Bingham are offering a Modification Centre Electronic Engineer apprenticeship. (They are located opposite Lidl.) This is being advertised by Nottingham College and if you are interested please follow this link: <u>https://nottinghamcollege.e-cruitnow.com/site/viewvacancies.cfm?id=516423</u>









