



Parental Bulletin

14th – 18th January 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year!

Welcome back after what I hope was a wonderful holiday break and an important chance for our children (and staff!) to rest and recuperate after a very long term. We return refreshed and fired up to make the most of the winter and spring now in preparation for some important challenges for our students.

Coming up first is the first round of Parents' Evenings with some minor changes to approach. First, you will note that we have an electronic booking system now so that you can be personally in charge of your appointments and second you should be able to make appointments to see Form tutors as well as class teachers to gain a holistic picture of how your child is progressing and how to help them achieve even more.

In February our Dance team have their Paris trip and we send off our Students on a Ski Trip over half term. During March we will kick off formally the Options process for our Year 9 students, giving them the opportunity to specialize and take the first formal step on their career paths. We also have our fantastic Production of Grease to look forward to at the end of March (27th-29th) and hope you will be keen to secure a ticket as soon as they go on sale – it is shaping up to be phenomenal and I do hope you will be able to share that experience with our students!

So plenty to look forward to throughout this term and thank you for your continued support. I look forward to seeing you at one of our events soon.

Yours faithfully

Tom Macdonald
Headteacher



Calendar for the week

| | |
|----------------|---|
| Monday 14th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 9 Assembly - Launch of Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme• Year 11 intervention assembly in EN7 |
| Tuesday 15th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Krypton Assembly• Student Senate Meeting 12:40pm - 1:30pm |
| Wednesday 16th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Helium Assembly• Year 11 Parents' Evening 4:30pm - 7:30pm Sports Hall |
| Thursday 17th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Argon Assembly |
| Friday 18th | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Neon Assembly |
| Assembly Topic | Martin Luther King |

Week commencing 21st January 2019 (subject to update)

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Monday 21st January | |
| Tuesday 22 nd January | |
| Wednesday 23rd January | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parent Meeting - Paris Trip (School Hall) 5:30 - 6:30pm.• PTFA Meeting 5:30pm – 6:30pm - Refectory |
| Thursday 24 th January | |
| Friday 25 th January | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Disaggregated INSET Day - School Closed to Students |
| Advance Notice | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enrichment Day 3 – 29th January• Year 7 Parents' Evening 30th January 4:30 - 7:30pm - Sports Hall• Year 11 BTEC Business Studies Exam in IT3 – 31st January |

- **LUNCHTIME CLUB** – Cross Stitch Club continues every Monday lunchtime from 12.45 in DT5 with Mrs Hendy. Come along and stitch a birthday, Mother's Day or Easter card. This Christmas card was completed by a Year 7 student last half term. Open to all.



- **GREASE** – reminder that rehearsals for the main cast will be taking place Tuesday - Friday lunchtimes.
- **LATIN STUDENTS** – Please could you tell the students that the first Latin session of this term will be Wednesday 16th January - (HU4) Mrs Kendall will meet them in the Refectory as usual.
- **ENRICHMENT DAY TRIPS** – Students in Years 8 and 9 who wish to attend the Enrichment Day trips in January need to ensure they have paid on IPay AND returned permission slips ASAP – the deadline has passed but it may still be possible to attend if you they speak with Mrs Fox on Monday.