



Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

Monday 2nd - Friday 6th December 2013: **Week A**

Thought For The Week:

Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries. Without them humanity cannot survive. - Dalai Lama

Do you want to perform in the Christmas Concert?



We are looking for students to perform traditional or rarely heard Christmas songs in the concert. You can be a singer or a musician or a dancer.

Auditions:

Lunchtime Thursday 5th December EX5
3.15pm-4.15pm Thursday 5th December EX5

Sign up on the White board in EX5 to take part!



Mars Bars for the Homeless: Hi everyone - I am a volunteer at the Bournemouth 'Hope for Food' soup kitchen for the homeless. As you will understand this time of year is very cold outside, and those people living on the streets find it the coldest. This is where my appeal comes in. ☺

I would like people to donate a **MARS BAR**, which will be able to give them out on our coldest nights... I will be leaving a box at the Student Support Office. This little thing of a Mars Bar makes a big difference to someone living on the streets. Thank you so much, Mr Groves, Site Manager.

Literacy Focus - Spelling Test

Spell the plural of the following words:

1. Fly 2. Try 3. Country 4. Nationality 5. Mystery

Can you remember the rule?

(Consonant +y = change the "y" to an "i" and add "es")



Year 7, 8 & 9 students: you only have two weeks left to **cash in your merits** this term! The final day for cashing in merits is **Friday 21st December**. Bring your organiser along to the Library on Monday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes. The more merits you cash in, the more tickets you will get for the Christmas Rewards Raffle in assembly!

School Library

All students are welcome at break and lunchtimes for quiet reading and to do homework. However, please remember the following:

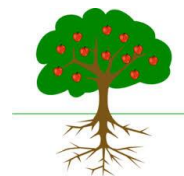
- The Library is a productive work space, not a social area.
- Work quietly, without disturbing other Library users.
- Computers are for school work and research only.
- During lessons you must have a signed planner giving permission to use the Library.
- Do not enter the Library unless there is a member of staff present or before 8.00am in the morning.
- No eating or drinking is allowed.
- Bags and phones must be put away in the storage area or in lockers.

These help to maintain the positive learning environment in the Library. Anyone not using it sensibly will be asked to leave. Thank you. Mrs Nagel-Smith.



Fruitshare Trees: A big 'thank you' to everybody who has so far contributed to the Highcliffe fruit tree project. We currently have £55 pledged out of our £130 target. That's four trees!

As of 28th November we have 14 days to generate the remaining portion of the target in order to benefit from this offer. Any further contributions would be much appreciated. Contributing to the scheme is very straightforward and can be done through the following link: <http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/highcliffe-school>



Bookies Book Club Christmas Quiz & Craft: 4th December 1.20pm - 2.00pm in the Library. Come and try our Christmas Quiz - book themed of course - and have a go at making Christmas decorations! All welcome.

Year 12 Enterprise workshop: We are delighted to be able to offer Year 12 students the opportunity to participate in an enterprise workshop, called 'This Way Up', delivered (free of charge) by Bright Green Enterprise on Wednesday 11th December 2013. It will be an all-day interactive programme, to be held in the study centre, and which has been specifically designed to help sixth form students to develop a critical understanding and appreciation of the workings behind charities and industries within emerging international markets. It has direct links with many subjects but in particular; Business Studies, Geography, Economics and Citizenship. Students from these subject areas will be given priority in taking part. Please see Mrs Finch (Hu2) for a letter with further information. You will be expected to check with your subject teachers with regards to catching up with any work you will miss.



NACE photography competition: 'THE WORLD WE LIVE IN' is the subject of this year's photography competition. Entrants can capture any aspect of their world - busy streets, glorious scenery, home, school, local events or scenes from further afield. You may attempt more controversial topics such as graffiti, law and order or terrorism. Anything found in the 21st century is acceptable. The competition is open to all school pupils and closes on January 31st 2014. The prize will consist of the winning photograph being made into a canvas print. Winners will need an electronic version of their photograph. The competition rules can be found on the NACE website; www.nace.co.uk Please see Mrs Dedman for any more information.

The **Year 11 GCSE Expressive Arts practical examination** takes place on Thursday 5th December in the Performance Hall. This is an all-day examination and students should report to the Dance Studio AFTER registration at 9.00am on that day. Mrs McGrath.

Printmaking Club - Thursdays 3.10pm - 4.10pm in AT9. Now open to Years 9 - 13! Mono printing, Collagraph, screen printing, etching and more. Open to all students and great for Graphics, Art, Photography, Textile and Art Textile students who can add to coursework or portfolios.



Christmas Lunch will be Wednesday 18th December. Tickets will need to be purchased in advance (£2.50 for students and £3.00 for staff) from the tills during break or lunchtime. On the day you will need either your Christmas dinner ticket (so keep it safe) or a school dinner ticket to be able to enjoy the Christmas Feast! Other food will still be available. We look forward to seeing you all!

A reminder that electronic cigarettes/cigarette substitutes are not allowed on school premises. They are considered to be smoking related items.

This Week in History... 2nd - 8th December

- 4th December 1145** - Nicolas Breakspear becomes the first, and last to date, English Pope, Hadrian IV.
- 8th December 1941** - America declares war on Japan after they bomb Pearl Harbour in Hawaii.
- 3rd December 1967** - South African Christiaan Bernard performs the first successful human heart transplant in the world.

Music Activities this week:

Monday	Year 7 All Boys' Choir - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
	6th Form Choir - Ex5 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
Tuesday	Highcliffe Harmonics - main school choir Ex3 - 3.15 - 4.00pm
Wednesday	G&T Jazz Band - Ex3 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm
	Flute Ensemble - Ex5 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
Thursday	GCSE Music coursework intervention - Ex5 - 3.05 - 4.30pm
	Highcliffe Harmonics - main school choir Ex3 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
Friday	Ukulele Club - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
	Year 7 All Boys' Choir - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm

Numeracy Challenge: Santa's Christmas Mindbender!



Father Christmas has to travel around the world late on Christmas Eve and early Christmas morning delivering all the presents. If he spends 20 seconds at each house in an estate of 40 houses, how long does it take him to deliver the presents?

Answers to be placed in the box in MA7 by 1.20pm on Friday 13th November
The first correct answer drawn will win a prize!

Congratulations to Jessica Bennett (7.2) - winner of the Dinosaur Challenge!

P.E. FIXTURES/PRACTICES

(Please check the PE board at the start of each week)

	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL
Monday	Year 8 Basketball Club	
Tuesday	Year 10 & 11 Basketball Club	Year 9 Basketball vs Twynham (H)(SHM) Year 7 Basketball vs Twynham (A)(NJS) Year 10/11 rugby vs Twynham (A) @ EDRFC (JDN) Year 7 Girls' Football Club (CFM & CSLA students) Year 9 Girls' Football Club (CFM)
Wednesday	Year 7 Basketball Club Year 7 Girls' Football Club	Year 8 Basketball vs Twynham (A) (JDN) Year 8&9 Girls Football vs Thomas Hardye (A) Leave 1.20pm K.O 2.30pm Return 5.30pm Year 7 & 8 Netball Club (MWR)
Thursday	6 th Form indoor 5 A-side football (CFM)	Year 10/11 Basketball vs Twynham (H) (NJS) Year 9-11 Netball Club (LSN)
Friday	Year 9 Basketball Club	

I WONDER... What colour is time?