



Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

Monday 7th - Friday 11th October 2013: **Week B**

Thought For The Week:

Logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere. - Albert Einstein

Open Evening:

Thursday 10th October is our School Open Evening. Please get involved and help out! Get a letter from the teacher that you wish to help and return the parental reply slip to the Student Support Office.

Open evening tour guides -

Thanks to all the students who have volunteered to help me welcome visitors to the school on Open Evening. When you arrive in school, please go to En1. If you are taking a 'First Tour', please arrive by 5.45pm; if you are taking a 'Second Tour', please arrive by 6.30pm. You will be allocated a small group of visitors to take round the school following a route which will be given to you. You must wear correct school uniform.

If you have not received a letter and still want to be part of this important team, please collect a letter from the Student Support Office, fill in the times you are available, get your parents to sign it and then hand it back to the Student Support Office.

Before Thursday, please can we have **everything cleared off the tops of lockers** - anything left on the tops of lockers by Thursday after school will be removed.

Please remember that **school finishes at 2.00pm on Thursday**. Lessons 1 & 2 will be as normal, we will have an extended 'brunch' from 11.00am-11.45pm. Next will be lessons 3&4 and all students need to go to their tutor rooms at 1.45pm.

Literacy Focus - Spelling Wall

How are you getting on with your spelling wall on page 179 of your planner? Make a point of putting in a troublesome spelling and get someone to test you. If you get it right, colour in a pin; if you get it wrong, try again.

Note: Just test yourself on a spelling once each time e.g. once a day or once a week.

Year 12 and 13 BTEC Acting students will be attending a performance of 'Teachers' at Poole Lighthouse on Tuesday 8th October. They should meet in the foyer of the theatre at 7.30pm. McGrath



Merits! Year 7, 8 & 9 students - make sure that you make the time to **cash in your merits!** Come along to the Library on Monday, Thursday and Friday lunchtimes!

Forest Youth Theatre is offering drama classes for Years 7-9 and Years 10+ after school. Students will be working with a professional theatre company and will have the opportunity to take the bronze or silver Arts Award. They are also running street/contemporary dance classes for Year 9+. If you are interested please see Mrs McGrath for details.

Citizenship Controlled Assessment Catch-up (Thursday after-school) - Year 10. If you have missed any lessons for your controlled assessment due to educational trips or sickness, please come along to **HU1 after-school on a Thursday** in order to catch up on your active citizenship controlled assessment piece. You will need to collect your green folder from your Citizenship teacher first.



Waitrose Community Donation: Do you shop at Waitrose? If so, please consider helping the Highcliffe Ecoteam build on this year's success and take the Highcliffe Ecogarden to a new level!

Each month every Waitrose branch donates £1,000 between three local good causes that you choose. At the checkout, you'll receive a token. Just place it in a box of the good cause you would most like to support. The more tokens a cause gets, the bigger the donation they receive. We are very lucky that for the month of October in the Christchurch Waitrose store the Highcliffe School Ecogarden has

been nominated as one of these causes. This is an ideal opportunity to develop the garden and encourage more students to take part in gardening and related activities.

We intend to install more permanent and informative signs on the garden to keep students aware of what is being grown on site. We also wish to install an irrigation system to provide younger students with more time to get hands on gardening experience, and , in addition to this, we would like to net the beds in which berries and fruits are growing to reduce loss to birds and insects.

The garden plan for 2013/2014 is already being discussed in the Ecoteam and we are anxious to make the garden even more successful than it was last year. The Waitrose Community donation will help to increase the volume and quality of the plants we produce out of the garden and will allow more students to get first- hand experience of 'growing their own'.

Waitrose

2013/2014 Ecoteam: Winter crops are already going in and we are planning how to develop the garden for next Summer. Year 7's are especially welcome to join our dedicated team and help us take the garden to a new level. We meet on Tuesdays after school in the garden area. If you wish to attend you will need warm outdoor clothing and sensible footwear. Please contact Mr Craven in SC12 if you are interested!

Saving Energy at Highcliffe: Highcliffe School now boasts a proud array of solar panels to help generate electricity and help reduce pollution in the environment. They have only been installed for a few months but have already generated 5.982mWh of electricity , which translates as a reduction of 3.379 tonnes of carbon dioxide. Those of you with a few spare moments may wish to use the ideal gas law to calculate the volume of space that would be occupied by this amount of CO₂...



Year 10 Solent Skills Festival: Please make sure you have returned your medical form and made the £11 payment through Wisepay before Friday 11th October if you wish to attend the 2013 Solent Skills Festival at Southampton on Wednesday 16th October. Places are on a first-come/first-served basis and we will either take one or two full coaches to keep costs down. The event is an excellent opportunity to find out about career pathways with over 120 exhibitors from a variety of sectors, many with interactive activities to try. Please see Mrs Finch in Hu2 for further details.

Year 11 Mathematics Revision Sessions November 2013: Tuesdays 3.05pm - 4.05pm

Higher	
Circle theorems & properties of angles Trig & Pythagoras, including sine & cosine equations	8 th October
Quadratics: Plot & solve algebraically Factorising, completing the square & quadratic formula	15 th October
Rearranging & Simultaneous Equations	22 nd October

Grade C/B Higher Tier	
Area, volume & surface area Trig & Pythagoras	8 th October
Quadratics: Plot & solve algebraically Factorising, completing the square & quadratic formula	15 th October
Transformations	22 nd October

Foundation Linear	
Properties of angles Area, Volume & Surface Area	8 th October
Averages, frequency tables, Pie charts Scatter Graphs	15 th October
Number Non-Calculator Skills	22 nd October

Teaching Group	Tier	Go to Room
11Ma1x (WES) & 11Ma1y (WES)	Higher (Unit 3)	Mr Burgan & Miss Taylor Ma 1 & Ma2
11Ma2x (JKY) & 11Ma2y (KHN)	Higher (Unit 3)	Mr Edmonds & Mr Cowley Ma5 & Ma6
11Ma3x (CMN) & 11Ma3y (JAS)	Higher (Unit 3) Grade C/B	Miss Hayman Ma7
11Ma4x (IBN) & [11Ma3y & 11Ma3x]	Foundation (linear)	Mrs Kelly Ma3
11Ma4y (IBN) & 11Ma5x (KHN)	Foundation (linear)	Miss Alldis Ma4
11Ma5y (JKY) & 11Ma6x (TCY)	Foundation (linear)	Mr Cooper Ma9

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	Flute Ensemble - Ex3 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
	G&T Jazz Band - Ex3 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm
	Ukulele Club - Ex2 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm
Thursday	GCSE Music coursework intervention - Ex5 - 3.05 - 4.30pm
Friday	Ukulele Club - Ex2 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm

This Week in History... 7th - 13th October

1903 - Emmeline Pankhurst forms the Women Social and Political Union beginning a major campaign for women's rights.

11th October 1982 - Henry VIII's flagship the Mary Rose is raised to the surface after 437 years at the bottom of the sea.

12th October 1495 - Christopher Columbus is the first European to reach the Americas, landing on the Bahamas on this day.

Numeracy Challenge: Age-Old Problem



Rachel is three years older than her sister Hannah. The sum of the squares of their ages in years is 225.

How old are Rachel and Hannah?

*Answers to be placed in the box in MA7 by 1.20pm on Friday 11th October.
The first correct answer drawn will win a prize!*

P.E. FIXTURES/PRACTICES

Please check the PE board at the start of each week.

	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL
Monday	Year 8 Basketball Club	Year 12 & 13 Football Club (SHM)
Tuesday	Year 10 & 11 Basketball Club	Year 8 Rugby vs Twynham (H) (NJS) Year 7 & 8 Netball vs The Grange (H) (MWR)
Wednesday	Year 7 Basketball Club	Year 8 Boys' Football (NJS) Year 7 & 8 Netball Club (MWR) Year 7 Rugby vs Twynham (A) (SHM)
Thursday		Year 12/13 Football vs Q.E (A) (SHM) School Open Evening
Friday	Year 9 Basketball Club	

SPORTS TOUR AWAY 7TH - 10TH OCTOBER (CFM & JDN)

I WONDER...

Is it possible that our universe is contained in a speck of dust on the back of a large goat?



'BIKEABILITY' CYCLE TRAINING

A Level 1 & 2 combined cycle training course is being hosted by **HIGHCLIFFE SCHOOL**, in conjunction with **Cyclechristchurch** and will be held during the Half Term Holiday.

This course is aimed at students from Year Groups 5 to 8 and will consist of 3 sessions over 3 days on **Monday 28th October, Thursday 31st October and Friday 1st November 2013** and will run from 9.15 a.m. to 12 noon each day.

The cost for the training and assessment will be £15.

The training & assessment will take place on public roads in the vicinity of Highcliffe School; therefore places are limited.

Early application is essential!

**Please book directly with:
Cyclechristchurch on 07540 428757
Or email: cyclechristchurch@hotmail.co.uk**

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