

## Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2014: Week A

Thought For The Week: A light heart lives long. - William Shakespeare



**Christmas Shoebox Appeal:** This week in assemblies you will be asked to take part in this year's Christmas Shoebox Appeal, organized by Rotary International. It is a simple and effective way of making a child's Christmas happier than it would have been this year. All you have to do is wrap a shoebox in Christmas paper and fill it with suitable small gifts. All



students will be given a letter and leaflet giving all the details. The deadline for bringing into school completed boxes is **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**. Please take part - the more of us who make up boxes, the more children we can help!

A very big **THANK YOU** to everybody who helped out at last Thursday's Open Evening - the commitment and enthusiasm of the students is what makes the evening such a success!

A message for Year 9: The closing date for places on the RPE trip to the Priory closes on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October.

A message for Years 9, 10 and 11: Any one still wanting to **order the RPE revision guide**, please ensure you have paid by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October. No orders will be taken after this date. Mrs Downie.

**Year 10 GCSE Controlled Assessment:** All Year 10 students will be involved in their science controlled assessment on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, periods 1 and 2 in the Hall. Please register in tutor groups and leave tutor time at 8.45am in order to start on time. Remember - you need to bring a black pen, a ruler, a rubber, a calculator and a pencil.

**National Writing Competition:** All students have the opportunity to get involved in a national writing competition with the chance to win some fantastic prizes. The task is to write poetry or prose on the theme of 'home' - what does it mean to you? Is it a place, a smell, a taste, a group of people? If you are interested in taking part and want to know more, please see Mrs Bowen in the Library at 1.45pm on Monday 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Year 7 ATL Focus Day: Wednesday 15th October**. ATL cards will be handed out to Year 7 students during registration, please self-assess your ATL in each lesson that day as accurately as possible. Your assessment will be compared to your teacher's assessment and this will be sent home to parents with your progress check. Finally, make sure you hand in your ATL cards to your teacher at the end of period 5.



Update: We have 3 millionaires already - all boys! Come on girls!

YEAR 11 ADDITIONAL IGCSE ENGLISH SUPPORT SESSIONS		
FOCUS	SUPPORT SESSION	
Examination preparation: Question 3	Tuesday 14/10/14 - 3.05pm - 4.05pm	
Examination practice and feedback	Tuesday 21/10/14 - 3.05pm - 4.05pm	
'Walking Talking Mock' written examination 7/11/14	Tuesday 4/11/14 - 3.05pm - 4.05pm	

YEAR 10 SCIENCE SUPPORT SESSIONS IN SC3:		
Date	Year 10 Topic	
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	B1 Fitness and Being Healthy	
12 <sup>th</sup> November	B1 The Nervous System (including the eye and reflexes)	
26 <sup>th</sup> November	B1 Drugs and You and staying in balance	
10 <sup>th</sup> December	B1 Control in Plants and variation	

Literacy Focus:

**Sentences** : remember to start sentences with a clear capital letter and end them with a clear full stop! Don't make sentences too long! Avoid joining them too much with "and". If your sentences are getting too long, break them down.

**Puzzle:** Where do the sentences begin and end in the following? Where is the full stop needed? *Charles I was walking around half an hour after his head was cut off.* 



**Wednesday Year 11 science Support (Sc8):** This week's support session in Sc8 will be for students in the X half of the year group. We will be covering C3a sections A-D (rates of reaction and reacting masses). If you are intending on attending please be prepared for a prompt start after school and ensure that you bring appropriate writing materials.

**Ecoharvest 2014:** The garden is slowly and surely being emptied before winter sets in. We have had a fantastic crop of chillies this year - it is the first year we have tried to grow a crop outdoors and they have been highly successful. So much so in fact we will probably try and grow a wide variety next year in a specialised 'chilli patch'! Autumn vegetables are also being dug out of the garden, as you can see from the photo the squash grew really well, and there is still some celeriac to be finished off over the next couple of weeks. I must say a big thank-you for all of the help we have had so far. It has been the most industrious start we have had for some time and the garden is getting knocked into shape in record time. The covers will go over in the next few weeks and then it will be time to start planning for the 2015 garden. If you would like to be involved with this, please see Mr Craven in Sc8.

**6<sup>th</sup> Form Debate Club:** This week's debate is on the use of mobile phone technology in classrooms. It's on Thursday lunchtime in VI1.

**KS4 Debate Club:** This week's topic is: *This house believes that Creationism should be taught in Science*. Time: Tuesday lunchtime. Place: En1.

## P.E. FIXTURES/PRACTICES

Results – Inter Schools NSEA Dressage Qualifier – 1<sup>st</sup> place in 2 classes. Year 7 rugby vs Arnewood – won 35-30 Year 7 B team rugby vs Arnewood – lost 20-45 Year 7 & 8 netball vs Twynham – won 10-1 Year 9 rugby vs Arnewood – won 36-7 Year 10 rugby vs Arnewood – won 32-0

	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL
	Year 9 Boys Basketball (JDN)	6 <sup>th</sup> Form Rugby Academy
Monday	Year 11 GCSE Fitness Club	Year 7 Rugby Club (NJS)
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	(Fitness Suite) (NJS)	Year 8 Football vs Gillingham (A) (JPO & JDN)
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Tuesday	Year 10 & 11 Basketball (NJS)	Finish 5.00pm
		Year 7 & 8 Netball vs TH (A) (MWR) Return
		5.15pm
		Year 9 Rugby vs BCS (H) (JDN) Finish 5.00pm
		Year7 Football vs Poole Grammar (A) (SHM)
		Return 6.00pm
		Year 7/8 Girls Netball (MWR)
Wednesday	Year 7/8/9 Girls' indoor	Year 11 GCSE Table Tennis Club 3.30-4.30pm
	Cricket Club (CFM)	(external coach)
		Year 10/11 Rugby tournament @ Brockenhurst
		(A) (JDN) Return 6.30pm
		Year 8 Rugby vs BCS (H) (NJS) Finish 5.00pm
		Year 7 & 9 Girls' Football Club (CFM)
Thursday	World Challenge Bleep Test	Year 9 & 10 Netball vs TH (H) (LSN)
	(LSN)	Year 8 Girls' area football tournament hosted by
		Highcliffe (CFM & NJS)
		start 2.30pm finish TBC.
		6 <sup>th</sup> form Boys' Football vs Ferndown Upper
		School (A) (SHM) return 5.30pm
Friday		

## MUSIC NOTICES

'Grease' rehearsals – Wednesday: Chorus, lead vocalists & dancers Thursday: pit band & lead actors Reminder: all those that were involved in Choir last year are now needed in Wednesday rehearsals.

Woodwind Ensemble - Miss Lockyer - Tuesday lunchtimes in Ex3

Guitar and Ukulele Club - Mr Bannister - Friday lunchtimes in Ex2

**GCSE and BTEC level 2 students (Music and Music Technology)** – After school on Tuesdays in Ex5 there will be a coursework catch-up session for anyone who would like extra support with their work.

I WONDER... Is life on an ark really possible?

