



## Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017: Week B

### General Notices

#### **A message for all our potential writers! (MHY)**

If you enjoy writing stories and your thoughts are turning towards Christmas, why not enter our Christmas Writing Competition. Your story can be about anything you like, as long as it involves Christmas. If you would like to enter, please see Ms Haley in the Library for more details, and to collect an application form. All entries to be submitted by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Prizes will be awarded to the writers of the 3 best stories! All entries to be handed in to the library by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

#### **Lost property (KTN)**

There are still unnamed coats in Students Support. Please come to Student Support if you are missing any of the following. Mrs Thompson

Dark Blue Primark coat with fluffy trim on hood Age 12/13  
Green New Look fluffy trim on hood, leather shoulders Age 14/15  
Black Slazenger hoodie, red markings size XL  
Brown George coat, soft lining inside, fluffy trim Age 10/11  
Black Leather look Pull & Bear jacket size small  
Black Next jacket with tiger on the back size 10  
Black coat DG size S  
Lightweight Active Kidswear grey/silver jacket Age 12/13  
Black fluffy Florence & Fred cardigan size 8  
Victoria Secrets bag containing jeans and a t-shirt

#### **Year 10: Teenage Cancer Trust Talk**

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017, the Teenage Cancer Trust will be coming into to deliver their Understanding Cancer Together presentation on Education, Prevention and Treatment to you.

The Y half of the year will have their presentation during period 1 (9am-10am)  
The X half of the year will have their presentation during period 2 (10am-11am.)

You will need to go to your normal teaching room to get registered and then go to the hall, lining up as you would do normally for assembly.

PE Notices

<b>FIXTURES/PRACTICES 27<sup>th</sup> November -1<sup>st</sup> December</b>		
	<b>LUNCHTIME (1.25-1.55pm)</b>	<b>AFTER SCHOOL (3.05-4.10pm)</b>
Monday	Year 7 basketball Club (NJS)	
Tuesday	Year 10 & 11 GCSE Netball Club (HWH/CFM)	<b>U13 Girls Football v St Peters (A) (HWH)</b> <b>Year 7 Basketball v Twynham (A) (NJS)</b> <b>Year 9 Netball v Ballard (H) (MWR)</b> Table Tennis Club (3.05-4.30pm) Year 7 Boys Football (JSS)
Wednesday	Year 8 Basketball Club (NJS)	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Form Rugby Festival @ Dorchester RFU (JDN)</b> <b>11.20-5pm</b> <b>Year 8 Basketball v Twynham (H) (NJS)</b> <b>6<sup>th</sup> Form Football v Arnewood (A) (SHM)</b> <b>U16 Girls Football v BSG (A) (CFM)</b> All years Netball Club (MWR)
Thursday		<b>Year 10/11 Basketball v Twynham (H) (SHM)</b> <b>Year 9 Basketball v Twynham (A) (JDN)</b> Year 7-9 Girls Football Club (CFM/HWH) Year 10/11 Trampolining Club (LSN) Girls Rugby Club (WES)
Friday	Year 9 Basketball Club (JDN)	

Music Notices

<b>Day</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>After school</b>
Monday	Percussion Club EX3 All year welcome	
Tuesday	Highcliffe Choir and Choir Band EX2 All year welcome	Concert Band EX3 Grade 3+ on your instrument
Wednesday	Ukulele/Guitar EX2 All years welcome	Musical Theatre Choir EX1 All years welcome  Creative use of Music Technology EX5 All years welcome
Thursday	Senior Choir EX5 Audition Only  Music Theory EX2 All years welcome	
Friday	Jamming Club EX2 All years welcome	

A reminder to all GCSE students – you should be attending at least one practical music club that is in keeping with your instrument (e.g. vocalists should be attending choir).

### **CHRISTMAS CONCERT AUDITIONS**

It's that time of year again! If you would like to do a performance in the upcoming Christmas Concert on the 14<sup>th</sup> (evening) and 15<sup>th</sup> (daytime) December 2017, then please sign up to audition.

You can audition as a soloist or as a group – it is up to you. It does not have to be a Christmas song, but of course, Christmas songs are welcome too!

Auditions will be held on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December in EX2.** Make sure you have signed up before this date on one of the sign-up sheets in your music classroom.

## Literacy Notices

### **The Best Words. In the Best Place.**

**This week's "Word of the Week" is ...**

#### **Futile**

What are you doing to improve your vocabulary?

Have a go at the quiz below. What does ***futility*** mean?

Futile means ...

a/ This is an adjective used by builders. It describes a roof with a small number of tiles on it.

b/ This is an adjective meaning pointless or wasteful.

c/ Futile is an adjective that means something is a really good idea.

#### **The Answer**

The answer is B: pointless or wasteful

"Futile" is an adjective.

The noun is "futility".

#### **Examples:**

Many people argue that all the deaths in World War One were futile.

She stopped struggling, realising that it was futile to go on.

#### **Critical Thinking:**

Why might people argue that World War One was a futile war?

#### **Commendation Opportunities:**

"Verdict" is not a particularly difficult word – but do you use it? That's your challenge.

Try and use this word in class in writing or in speech. You might get commended for an effective use of it!

Break-through commendation: If you use it incorrectly first time, but try again, you might receive a break-through commendation!

# Christmas Writing Competition!

Do you want a chance to win? Then simply write a Christmas themed story!



The story can be about anything you like, as long as it involves something to do with Christmas.

Entries should be no longer than 3 pages of A4.

There will be a prize for the Top 3!



Please collect an application form from Ms Haley in the Library. Entries need to be submitted to the Library by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Remember to write your name and tutor group at the top! Good Luck!

