



School Bulletin for Friday 5th October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Last Friday the students and staff participated in a cake sale during break and lunchtime with a total of £355.79 was raised for the charity. A great result.

School Photographs

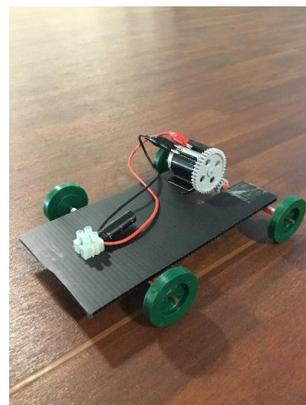
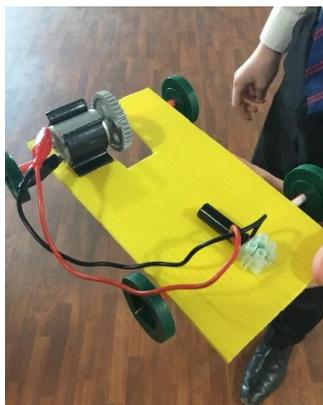
The proofs have now been delivered to school for students in Years 7, 9 and 11. Some Sixth Form students have also had their photographs taken. These proofs should arrive home by the early part of next week – please look out for them. Orders can be made online or through the school. Orders made via the school should be handed into the Finance Office (Ground Floor, Mabledon Building) at either break or lunchtime before Thursday 1st November. Orders made after this date will incur a surcharge.

October Half-Term Break

We break up at 3pm on Friday 12th October for half-term. We shall also be sending out details for Revision Classes for Year 11 students which are taking place during the half-term break next week and for the first of our Year 11 Saturday Schools which is on Saturday 3rd November. All students to return to school for the start of Term 2 on Monday 29th October 2018.

Tomorrow's Engineers

Last week 60 students from Years 7 and 8 took part in a workshop run by Tomorrow's Engineers. The aim of the workshop was to give students an idea of what engineers do and how they solve real life problems. Students discussed and analysed ways of dealing with environmental issues such as the need for renewable energy sources, as well as the advantages and disadvantages of different types of renewable energy. Students were then able to build their own battery charged car.



Open Evening

Last night the school held its Open Evening for prospective new Year 7 students for September 2019 and we saw some 300 students and their families visit the school – a total of over 900 visitors. In addition to listening to a welcome from the Head of School, families had the opportunity to visit every department and talk to staff and students. The feedback from these young students and parents as they left were all very positive. They commented upon the friendliness of all involved in the activities, high quality of the visual displays and strong progress in students' books.

If you know anyone with a Year 6 child who has yet to take the opportunity to visit the school we are running Open Mornings again all next week at 9am. Please contact Main Reception to book a place on (01233) 614600 or email: Reception@north.kent.sch.uk

REMINDER - When Students are Unwell at School

We are still seeing a number of parents/carers arriving at school to take a student home before the School Nurse has seen them. It is important that when your son/daughter feels unwell at school that the School Nurse sees them before any contact is made with you about collecting them from school. Missing lessons unnecessarily impacts on the students' education and the decision to be sent home needs to be taken by the School Nurse and not by the student themselves.

Dungeness Power Station

Yesterday a group of our Year 9 and 10 students had an educational, and enjoyable visit, to the Power Station as part of the 'Pretty Curious Day' which aims to encourage girls into engineering. As part of their trip they built the structure below.



British Values

The theme for next week is Rewards and Celebration (Spiritual/Respect) and the Powerpoint is available on the school website for your information.

Sports Results

Football

Our Year 11 Boys football team played a tight game against Brockhill School that was closely fought, matching each other goal for goal throughout. Unfortunately, they nipped a final goal in the closing minutes making it a 4-3 victory for Brockhill.

Our Under 14 Girls football team played their first round cup game vs Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, working fantastically as a team and coming away as 4-1 winners in what was a great game. The Player of the Match was Mia Phillips, whose solid defensive work stopped chances from developing.

Basketball

The Varsity Team had their **homecoming** on Wednesday 3rd October and after a very good start to the game ended up losing by three points - 98-95.

Inter-Community Sports

On Wednesday, an inter-community sports event was held in school for Years 7–10 for netball and basketball. The results were: Essella (318), Mabledon (228).

Regards,

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