



School Bulletin for Friday 2nd November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parents Forum

The next meeting is on Monday 5th November between 6-7pm. The meeting will include items on 'Reporting to Parents' and 'Behaviour' and will be led by Mrs Allon and Mr Eede.

Christmas Choir

On Thursdays after school (3-4pm) Mr Jones, Music teacher, is running a school choir and he would love to see more students coming along from all year groups and getting involved. The intention for this term is to sing lots of Christmas classics with the choir being ready for our Christmas Concert which will take place on Tuesday 18th December – look out for more details in the coming weeks. If your daughter/son is interested, please encourage them to come along.


English Homework Club

The English Homework Club will be available every Wednesday and is open to all year groups.

**Do you need help with your
English homework?**

**Come to AF2 on a
Wednesday, 3pm – 4pm**

**Access to laptops, the
internet and an English
teacher!**



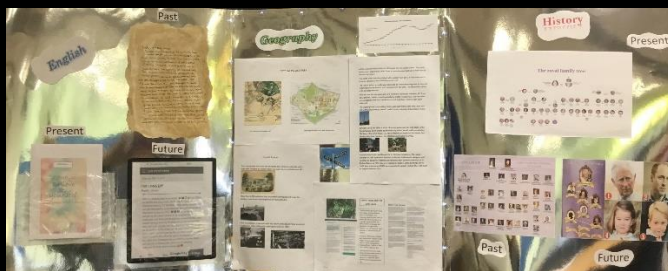
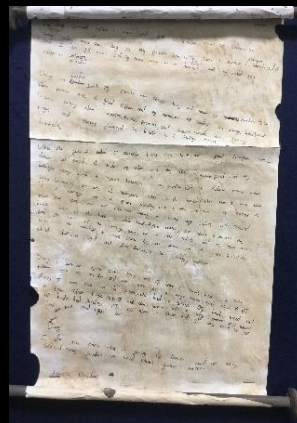
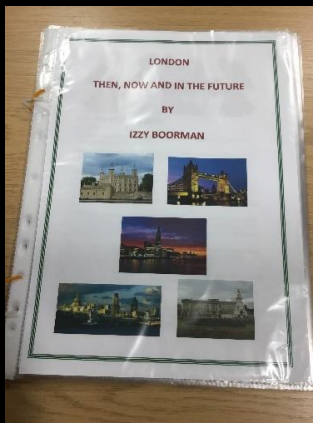
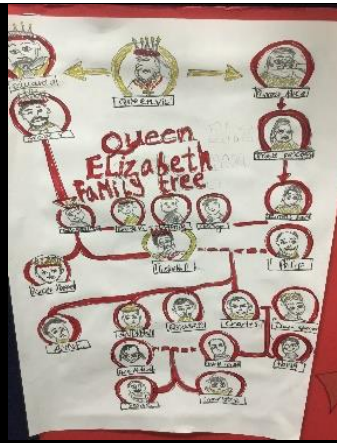
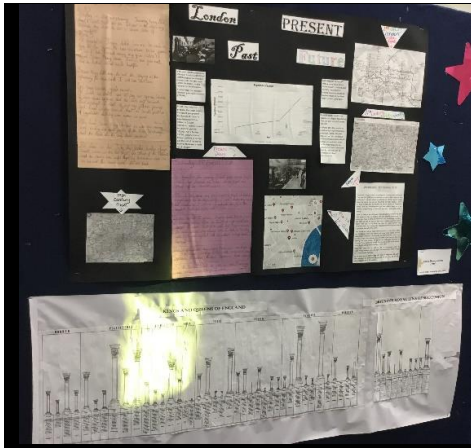
Year 7 Homework Challenge

This week saw the culmination of all the hard work and effort from the Year 7 students for their homework challenge. On Thursday we held our prize winners' assembly, where 40 finalists were presented with a certificate and we announced the top three entries.

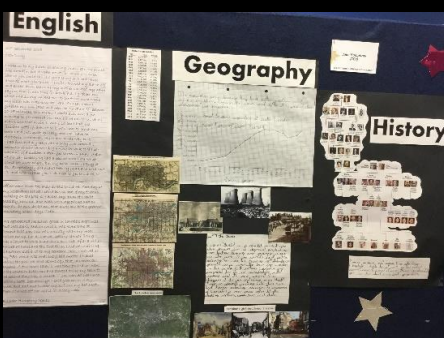
We were very pleased to be joined by colleagues from local primary schools; Louise Cooper from Goat Lees Primary School, Lyn Simmons from Victoria Road Primary School, Emma Law from East Stour Primary School and Diane Moore, Headteacher of St Mary's Primary School along with Vicki Jessel from the Governing body. The standard of work from our students was so high that there was much deliberation. The judging panel commented particularly upon the level of literacy, creativity, imagination and presentation of the homework challenges. Special mentions were given to Phillip Thompson, Alfie Sellen, Imogen Benson and Charlie (7E1) for their excellent projects.

We are very pleased to announce that Matthew (7M1) is our overall winner of the Term 1 challenge, quickly followed by Lucy Bax and Jake Humphrey.

Well done to all of the Year 7 students. We look forward to seeing their creations in the Term 3 challenge.



YEAR 7 HOMEWORK CHALLENGE 2018



Year 8 Parents' Evening

This takes place on Thursday 8th November in the Kent Hall between 4-7pm. Appointments can be booked via the school website <https://thenorth.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Cold Weather in PE

As the colder months are upon us, can we please remind students and their parents of the expectations regarding kit for PE. Hoodies and coats are not suitable to be worn in PE lessons and therefore we would encourage students to consider the following:

- Wearing base layers underneath their PE kit (e.g. plain long sleeved tops, or plain navy/black leggings);
- Bringing their North School sweatshirt;
- Wearing a plain (or with small logo) navy blue or black sweatshirt or zip up jacket without a hood.

Year 11 Mock Exams

The Year 11 Mock Exams will begin on Monday 5th November until Friday 16th November. The purpose of these Mock Exams is to enable students and teachers to assess their understanding of the skills and content in most subjects. The marking of the papers and the subsequent analysis of their answers will identify the gaps in their knowledge to allow for re-teaching and planning for intervention sessions at OSL (Out of School Learning) and revision. This will ultimately enable them to achieve or exceed their target grade in the final exams in May.

Year 11 Saturday School – 3rd November 2018

This Saturday we have the following taking place:

Mathematics	10am-12pm	Kent Building	Maths Team
ICT	9am-1pm	EF4	MWI
Science	10am-12pm	MG7	ELE

Sixth Form Open Evening – Thursday 15th November 2018

We warmly invite all of our Year 11 students and parents to our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 15th November 2018 from 5-7pm. The evening will be beneficial to all students even if some are thinking of going elsewhere to continue their education. We will have a number of external providers in to detail the role they play with working with our students in the Sixth Form and the employment and apprenticeship opportunities this leads to.

We are also launching some new courses next year to enhance our Level 2 provision for students not quite making the entry requirements for Level 3; one of these being Childcare and Child Health. Travel and Tourism, Dance and Single Science will also be on offer next year for Level 3 students.

There will be a presentation at 5.15pm in the Kent Hall and then a smaller presentation for our students returning from the English trip at 6.15pm in the Conference Room. We look forward to seeing you all on the 15th November. If you have any queries regarding Post 16 applications, please do not hesitate to contact the Sixth Form Team.



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SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Thursday 15th November 2018: 5.00pm to 7.00pm

A presentation will be held at 5:15pm in the Kent Hall

The most recent validated results rank us as 3rd in Kent for student progress and in the top 25% across the country.

- *'Students in the Sixth Form achieve highly in both academic and vocational pathways.....Those who need to improve their English and Mathematics are very successful in doing so.'* OFSTED 2017
- *Extensive and broad curriculum at Level 2 & 3 meeting the needs of the future workforce and higher education.*



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British Values

The theme for next week is Armistice Day and the Powerpoint will be available on the school website.

Science Taster Day at Canterbury Christchurch University (CCCU)

Next Wednesday some fifteen students from our Sixth Form are visiting CCCU to get a sense of developing their understanding of what Science is like to study at University and how different it can be from being at The North School.

Sports Results

No results this week to report but a message that the Netball Club is back for Term 2 with plenty of practise time before our main fixtures between schools in Ashford and Shepway starting in Term 3. All girls are encouraged to attend, especially if it's something you haven't tried before. Wednesdays 3-4pm in the PE Department.

Regards,

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