



School Bulletin for Friday 11th January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parents' Forum – Monday 14th January

The next meeting of the Parents' Forum takes place on Monday evening between 6-7pm where Mr Prebble and Mrs Clipstone will be present. Subjects being covered are:

- Safeguarding at the School;
- Year 7 and 8 Knowledge Organisers;
- School Review Update.

Year 7 Books

Next week Year 7 books will be going home for parents to look at the quality and quantity of work achieved. In particular, parents should be looking for the quality of presentation, the new use of misconception starters (in green pen) and quality of literacy, spellings, punctuation and grammar.

We have also had a change in the way we mark books and give feedback to students this year. Zonal marking is now being used by teachers across all subjects. The expectations for each assessed piece of work is shown below.

- Feedback for each assessment point must include:
 - **WWW** (What Went Well) – a comment about aspects of the work or learning which is good.
 - **EBI** (Even Better If) – ways in which a piece of work or future pieces of work could be improved. This needs to be skills-based and specific. The EBI comment should trigger a green-pen response from the student.
 - **Current grade.**
 - **Effort grade** (1 – 4).
- Marking can either be zonal marking or the marking of the entire piece. Where zonal marking is used, the teacher may correct the paragraph or indicate what needs to be corrected. They will also **identify positives** within the paragraph and provide comments to **upskill the student** through possible improvements.

Sixth Form Information, Advice and Guidance Evening - Thursday 17th January

Every year we receive queries from students and their parents regarding the options for continued study and work once they have completed their Sixth Form education. To ensure parents have as much information as possible before their child/ward reaches this important milestone, the Sixth Form are hosting an information evening on Thursday 17th January from 5.15pm until 6:00pm.

There will be short presentations from speakers covering issues such as:

- Resources and support available to help students with their exams and coursework;
- University applications and funding;
- The benefits of going to university;
- Finding an apprenticeship and other opportunities available after leaving school.

There will also be an opportunity to talk informally with our speakers who will be happy to answer any questions you might have. Light refreshments will be provided.

Parents and carers of Year 12 and 13 students are invited to join us for what promises to be a valuable and informative session. Please confirm your attendance either by email to SixthForm@north.kent.sch.uk or by telephone to (01233) 614611.

Performing Arts - Aladdin

Auditions started during the week for the parts in this year's production. Performing Arts' teachers were pleased with both the number of students keen to be involved and their performances.

Over the forthcoming weeks, there will be opportunities for students to get involved in other aspects of the production.

Visiting Speaker

This week Francis Osei from Reform Restore Respect came into school to talk to Law students about the aims of sentencing in the Criminal Justice System and then spoke to some of our younger students to inform them of the pitfalls of criminality.

SMSC and British Values

Next week the focus is on World Religion Day.

Year 11 Saturday Schools

Planning is underway for the next round of Saturday schools for our Year 11 students. It is likely that the first one will be on 26th January to prepare students for the CeFE exam that is taking place on the following Monday. Year 11 students will be invited by letter for each subject.

Science OSL

The Science department wanted to say well done to all the students who attended the OSL sessions yesterday. They had 9 Key Stage 3 students, 12 from Key Stage 5 and 77 of our Year 11 students.

Girls' Cricket

Attached below is a flyer we have received about a local Girls only Cricket programme that starts next week at Ashford School. If your daughter is interested the contact details are in the flyer.

Regards,

Grahame Ward

School Business Manager

Contact email: ward.g@north.kent.sch.uk





SOUTHERN SPARTANS GIRLS AREA CRICKET PROGRAMME 2019

The Southern Spartans area program are pleased to offer a full program of Girls only cricket in 2019 for 2 age groups, Under 11's and under 16's. Both age groups will have 10 weeks of indoor training beginning in January and outdoor training throughout the summer along with matches and festivals against the other Area's. In the future the program will form part of the pathway into the Kent Cricket Girls age group squads.

Indoor sessions are on Wednesday evenings at
Ashford School, East Hill, TN24 8PB,
beginning on 16th January

- . Under 11– 6pm-7pm
- . Under 16– 7pm-8pm

The full program, including indoor and outdoor training, all matches and a playing shirt will cost £150

To book please go to-

<https://www.aspirecricketcoaching.co.uk/>

Contact;

info@aspirecricketcoaching.co.uk

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