



## School Bulletin for Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Student Success

We are delighted to announce that three of our Year 13 students have been awarded with a £500 scholarship from The London Institute of Banking & Finance in recognition of their outstanding achievement in the Diploma in Financial Studies.

Congratulations to:

- Christopher Douglas
- Joe Lightfoot
- Harry Wilson

### Staff Recognition

On Sunday at Canterbury Cricket Ground Mrs Marples is receiving an Award from Virtual School Kent for “going above and beyond” in supporting one of our students in care.

This is a well-deserved recognition of her work although the reaction from Mrs Marples was that she felt uncomfortable about this as “I have just done my job”.

I hope that next week we might be able to show a picture of Mrs Marples with her award.

### Year 7 Settling In evening

All Year 7 parents and carers are reminded that next Thursday 20th September is the Settling In meeting at the school between 4-7pm.

### Student Risk Assessments

When a student has injured themselves and they need to use crutches the school nurse needs to do a Risk Assessment and Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan (PEEP) for that student in a meeting in conjunction with parents. We have had several cases lately of parents just dropping students into school on crutches and going. Any crutches being used must have been issued by the doctor/hospital and cannot be just a pair that are at home.

### Personal Statements for University Applications

This week our Year 13 students have had two workshops from the Admissions Officer from the University of Portsmouth on how to write their Personal Statements for their UCAS entries.

Mrs Marples would very much like to complete these applications by half term. These means completing the Personal Statement, having it checked with either their form tutor or subject teacher and deciding which five courses they would like to apply for.

Reminder for Parents/Carers – university open days are available to book via the individual university website. We recommend visiting a university especially if it is in a town or city that is unfamiliar.

If you require any further information please contact [Marples.N@north.kent.sch.uk](mailto:Marples.N@north.kent.sch.uk)

## **Open Evening – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

We are holding our annual Open Evening for parents of children in Year 6 who are making choices with regards to secondary education next year.

In order to prepare for this, school will close on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 2:10 pm for students. If the early closure causes transport issues please let the school reception know and we will make arrangements to supervise your child/ward until 3:00pm. Despite the early closure we are still expecting every student to attend school this day. If your child is involved in the Open Evening they will be required to return to school later in the day in full school uniform. Those students involved will be asked individually by teachers and permission from parents/carers will be obtained.

School will be open as usual on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Visit from Ex-student**

On Monday we had a visit from Craig Sherwood who left the school in 2015 to embark on a Law Degree at The University of Kent. Craig graduated with a First this summer. He has secured a place on an LPC (Legal Practice Course) and is intending to specialise in Land Law as a solicitor.



## **HPV Immunisations**

A reminder that these are taking place next Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Only female students are invited to attend at present.

Students to assemble in the café area with the immunisations taking place in the Library.

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| 9.35am:         | 8M1 and 8E1      |
| 10.25am–10.45am | Break            |
| 10.45am:        | 8M2 and 8E2      |
| 11.30am:        | 8M3, 8E3 and 8E4 |

Also any catch up immunisations required. Session finishing at 12.20pm. The afternoon can also be used for catch-up immunisations.

## **Careers Education Information Advice and Guidance**

Details of the programme for 2018/19 are available on the school website.

## **Show My Homework**

For any help with Show My Homework, including help logging on, feel free to email the dedicated team at [SMHW@north.kent.sch.uk](mailto:SMHW@north.kent.sch.uk)

## **Sports Results**

### **Football**

The Year 9 boys lost 6-3 to The Towers School.

The Year 7 boys and Mr Dehara had their first tournament yesterday evening to decide whether they would be placed into League 1 or 2. They fought hard throughout and work excellently as a team, winning two and losing two games. They are now eagerly awaiting the final results.

### **Netball**

Last week we mentioned the forthcoming Netball trip to Shropshire and promised an update this week and are pleased to report as follows:

Last weekend Miss Jupp and Miss Kray took eight very excited girls to Conover Hall in Shropshire for a weekend of outdoor pursuits and netball. We always knew the netball was going to be tough as most of the girls were playing up a year group, but playing against some club teams and experienced private schools the girls worked hard as a team and showed progress across the course of the weekend.

The outdoor pursuits were a real hit with lots of the girls and both the teachers facing their fears to conquer the trapeze and aerial trek and there were some really competitive games of laser tag.

If you play Netball in Year 7 or 8 then watch this space for the opportunity to join this trip next year.

Regards,

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