

**Sixth Form Student Bulletin**  
**Week beginning Monday 11th September 2017 (Week B)**

**We hope you had a good weekend and feel that you have settled comfortably into the Sixth Form. Remember if you have any concerns please talk to your tutor, Mrs Livings, Mrs Booth or Miss Iwanczuk.**



Dates for  
the Diary:

- **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 12.40pm** : Charity meeting in H9 –all welcome
- **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September:** Tutor mentoring starts for Psychology and Sociology-please look at the list in the bulletin and in the Common Room for other mentoring sessions this week. The events takes place in the Common Room for half an hour after school.
- **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September:** Year 12 Information Evening for students and Parents 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm **a letter with details has been sent out this week.**
- **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 5:00-7:30pm:** Year 5/6 Open Evening – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PLEASE!
- **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September: INSET DAY**
- **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October:** Sixth Form Open Evening –everyone needs to help please with subjects and as guides
- **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November:** Year 12/13 Parents' Consultation Evening – all students should attend this with their parents.

*To help to get you organised, make a note of these in your planner.*

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### **The Common Room**

We have noticed an excellent start to the care and consideration exercised in the Common Room. It's your study space and it will only be useful to you if you carry on respecting each other by keeping noise to a minimum during lesson time.

Remember, if you need a quiet place to study, the Common Room is also open until at least 6.00pm each day. It has been great to see so many of you using it already to work in before and after school.

If you have a group task that is going to involve you needing to talk to each other, please see Mrs Livings or Mrs Booth and we will do our best to find a space in school for you to work.

Please put all your empty sweet, crisp wrappers, empty bottles in the bins in the common room, this is your own area for use by everyone, please aim to keep it tidy and clean.



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### **Signing in and out**

Please make sure you take a few seconds to sign into the Common Room when you arrive and sign out when you leave the school premises (for example if you are going out for lunch). This will help us to have a clear idea of who is in school should we need to evacuate in an emergency. This is only necessary if you leave early or come in after period 1.

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### **Door Code**

Please ask reception staff to share this with you discreetly if you don't already know it.

For security reasons we ask that you **do not** share it with anyone lower down in school.

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### **Joke of the week**

**What happens to a frog's car when it breaks down?**

## Subject mentoring after school in the Common Room

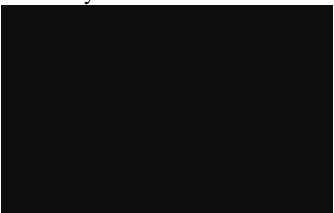
This starts on Tuesday after school and as you can see over the next three weeks each subject will have a session. These sessions are a chance for Year 12s to come and talk to Year 13s about the subjects they are studying and to pick up tips and advice for success. The idea is that once a link has been made you will meet and communicate regularly. Remember Year 13s that this also benefits you as by talking about subject matter you are in effect revising. Thank you to Year 13s for giving up your time and please make the most of it Year 12s.

### Mentor Sessions- Year 12 and 13

Week 1

Monday 11th	Tuesday 12th	Wednesday 13th	Thursday 14th
	Psychology	Biology	Physics
	Sociology	Languages	P.E

Week 2

Monday 18th	Tuesday 19th	Wednesday 20th	Thursday 21st
	Geography	Maths	Chemistry
	IT	R.E	Art
	English Lit + Lang	Health and Social	Photography

Week 3

Monday 25th	Tuesday 26th	Wednesday 27th	Thursday 28th
	History	Media	Business
	Product	Further Maths	English Lit

## Outside areas

During study periods, please avoid sitting on benches outside the Common Room and around school. You should be using these periods for studying, either in the Common Room, the library, a classroom or at home. As Sixth Formers, you play a big part in setting the working ethic around school. If younger students see you relaxing outside and not working, they may feel that this is acceptable behaviour. So, show them how it's done!

## Dress Code

Just a reminder to all sixth form students that although there is a non-uniform policy, appropriate clothing is expected to be worn, school is a professional environment and the way we dress needs to reflect this. Please cover up properly even when the weather is hot.

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### Year 13 - Need help with UCAS?

*When? Friday after school*

*Where? Common Room*

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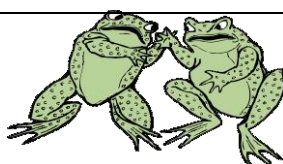
## Financial help in the Sixth Form

If you think you may qualify for a financial payment, please see Mrs Livings this week for the application form. If you have received free school meals in Year 11 or your parents have an NHS Exemption certificate you will certainly be entitled to a monthly payment from school to help you. If you have received free school meals in the past please apply for them again. You can get your lunch in the Sixth Form canteen.

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## Joke Answer

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### **School Nurse**

The school nurse and is available every Wednesday lunchtime, to offer confidential advice and support.

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**Lanyards :** Year 12s will be issued with lanyards as soon as possible, Year 13s can you please ensure that you wear the ones you were given last year until

new cards with your new photos can be issued.



### **Emails**

Please keep checking your emails , this is a vital tool for helping us communicate important information to you. If you have any problems with your school email account, please go and see our ICT staff or mention it to Mrs Booth.

### **SMHW**

You should all have login details for this, please see Mrs Booth if you have forgotten yours

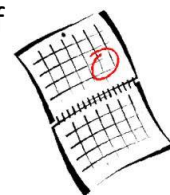
### **Mobile phones**



Remember, if it's a lesson time, you shouldn't be on your phones – even in the Common Room. It is very tempting to keep checking your phone so unless you are using it for music or downloading information for your work, it is a good idea to keep it in your bag. If you need to make an urgent call during a study period, you can use our Sixth Form garden area.

## Timetable issues

We appreciate that there have been lots of changes to individual timetables this week. Thank you for your patience and please just keep letting us know of any changes that we may not be aware of.



Year 13 if you have dropped a subject and it is still on your timetable please come and see Mrs Booth or Mrs Livings.

Also, remember that you can't study a subject for which you have not met the entry requirements. If you think a mistake has been made on your timetable in this way, please do come and tell us.

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**Tutor time**  
***When? Tuesday, P3***  
**Compulsory – every week.**

This period of time is carefully planned each week and essential for ensuring you have the necessary information about future possibilities as well as making sure we have done everything we can to ensure your success on your courses.

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### **Ready to learn**

Teachers will normally set you work that involves preparing for the next lesson, such as reading through the next topic and making notes on the content of the forthcoming lesson. If you fail to do this you will not be ready to learn and your progress, given the amount of sheer content at A Level, will be seriously affected. Please be, '***Ready to Learn***'.

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### **Y5/6 Open Evening and Sixth Form Open Evening – *volunteers needed!***

You'll have seen in the key dates at the top of the bulletin that these events are coming up on Thursday 28th September and Wednesday 11th October

respectively. We need as many of you to support at these as possible please. You may be asked to support a department, be a guide around school or register people as they arrive. Last year we had over 100 Sixth Formers in the blue Kimberley T-shirts to support us. The same turn out – or more – would be hugely appreciated again this year!

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### **Year 12 Information Evening**

On Tuesday 19th September we are running a Year 12 Information Evening for you and your parents. We will be showing a video created by a Year 13 student last year detailing the things Year 13 students think it is helpful to know about when you start in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form .They will also talk personally about their time in Year 12 on the evening and I will go over key dates and details I think it is important to know at the start of the year. We have done this for the past two years and it has helped parents to understand more about the experience of being a 6<sup>th</sup> Former

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### **Year 12s – Community Service**

This needs to be arranged as soon as possible. The easiest to arrange is helping in one of your study periods in a lesson with younger students. So see a member of staff you would like to work with and ask.



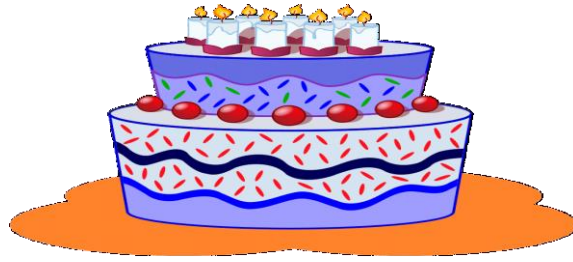
Miss Charlton always needs volunteers to help at the Tea and Toast Breakfast Club during the week, especially on Monday and Thursday mornings, from 8:15am until 8:40.

Please see Miss Charlton if you are interested in supporting her club.

Another member of staff who would appreciate your help is Miss Goulton, who would like support with the Nurture Group.

Please see Miss Goulton if you are interested in supporting the Nurture group with tasks like reading.

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**Happy Birthday this week to:**

**Anna Purchase – 15<sup>th</sup> September**

**Ruby Gubbins and Emmie Harrison – 17<sup>th</sup> September**

**Belated Happy Birthday to:**

**Lewis Keech and Fahid Shakoor – 9<sup>th</sup> September**

**Amy Keady – 10<sup>th</sup> September**

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### **Lockers**

**If you would like a sixth form locker please see Mrs Booth. We need a deposit of £5 which you will get back when you return the key.**



### **Tea and Coffee in the common room**

**As the cold weather approaches you might want to take advantage of our tea and coffee facilities in the common room. Please help yourself to tea and coffee. Unfortunately school cannot afford to buy this for you so please use**





the honesty box and pop in as much as you can every now and again, or maybe donate a box of tea bags, or jar of coffee. It would be great if you could offer to buy the supplies from time to time too. Please see our Head Boy or Girl about this if you want to help. **PLEASE WASH YOUR CUPS AND KEEP THE AREA CLEAN AND TIDY**

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**Please do not take holidays in term time.**

Please do not book holidays during term time. Please talk to your parents about this. Year 12 break up for the summer on 25<sup>th</sup> July next year so please ensure your parents know this. A2 courses start as soon as AS exams are over.

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**Year 12 and 13 Events and Information**

**Newark Hospital's Open Day on Saturday 14 October 2017, 10am-2pm.**

Any students who are interested in a career in the health and social care sector please go along.

Students will be able to talk to the Human Resources Team about employment at the hospital and it will be an excellent opportunity to see behind the scenes and ask questions about the different departments.

For further information please see telephone 01636 685692 or have a look at the website [voluntaryservices.nwk@sfh-tr.nhs.uk](mailto:voluntaryservices.nwk@sfh-tr.nhs.uk)

**On a medical theme Premed projects have opportunities if you are interested in a medical future**

**PREMED  
PROJECTS**



## Get a foot in the hospital door with medical work experience from Premed Projects

For many aspiring medical students, deciding on their GCSE and A Level subjects is the first real step towards a future career as a doctor, nurse, midwife, or dentist. However, now more than ever, outstanding grades only scratch the surface of what is required to leap over the competitive hurdle to further education at a medical school or university.

, Premed Projects is holding a one week UK hospital placement this October half term to arm students with enough medical work experience to make them stand head and shoulders above the competition...

[Explore our work experience opportunities](#)

During the week, students will have the opportunity to:



Visit and be lectured by medical school admissions tutors, practicing doctors, and current medical students.



Take part in interactive workshops at London's leading medical schools and meet like-minded aspiring students from all over the globe.



Shadow highly-skilled medical professionals in the hospitals providing some of the best healthcare in the world.



Learn how to write the perfect personal statement to access medical school interviews, and how to impress the recruitment panel.

**View prices and dates**

*From previous experience I know how quickly places for our October half term hospital work experience can fill up, so please forward this email to any of your students who you think would be interested sooner rather than later!*

*Kind regards,*

**Jasmine Little**  
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*P.S. We also offer students from low income households the chance to gain hospital work experience; please **get in touch** to find out more.*

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### **News Item of the week:**

*I am sure you have been following the devastation being caused by the weather in the Caribbean and now in the USA. An earthquake in Mexico last week has also taken 61 lives and left many homeless.....*

**Hurricane Irma: Massive storm bears down on Florida**



Residents of mainland Florida are bracing for Hurricane Irma to hit, as conditions in the south of the state deteriorate.

The category four storm with sustained winds up to 130mph (209km/h) moved away from the Florida Keys and should make landfall on the west coast in hours.

High winds and storm surges are affecting the Miami area, but Florida Governor Rick Scott said he was "very concerned" about the west coast.

More than 1m homes are without power.

More than 6.3 million people in Florida were told to evacuate, with warnings of a "life-threatening" storm surge.

Irma has already devastated parts of the Caribbean with at least 27 deaths.

## What is happening in Florida?

Extreme winds and storm surges continued in the Lower Florida Keys area, which includes Key West.



**Much of the Florida Keys is only a few feet above sea level**

All residents had been ordered to leave. Some surges could reach 15ft (4.6m).

One official had warned staying on the islands would be **"almost like suicide"**.

Media reports say a man was killed on Saturday in the Keys when his pick-up truck crashed into a tree as the storm gathered pace.

### Predicted path of Hurricane Irma, local time



As the eye of the storm is moving north to mainland Florida, more than a million homes in the state are reported to be without power and some 50,000 people have taken refuge in shelters.

Cities such as Tampa and St Petersburg lie in the path of the storm. The Tampa Bay area, with a population of about three million, has not been hit by a major hurricane since 1921.

Governor Scott **told NBC's Today Show** that though authorities had prepared all week for the arrival of Irma, the prospect of such a large storm surge was "really scary".

Effects are being felt in the Miami area. Miami Beach Police Major Richard Rand told the BBC there was flooding, including 2-3ft inland, and many power lines were down.

In the city of Miami, a crane collapsed onto a building under construction

### Which other areas have already been hit?

Irma is the most powerful Atlantic storm in a decade, and has already caused widespread destruction on several Caribbean islands:

- **Cuba:** Officials have talked of "significant damage", without giving further details, but no casualties have been reported. Electricity is out across the capital, Havana
- **St Martin and St Barthelemy:** Six out of 10 homes on St Martin, an island shared between France and the Netherlands, are now uninhabitable, French officials say. They said nine people had died and seven were missing in the French territories, while four are known to have died in Dutch Sint Maarten
- **Turks and Caicos Islands:** Widespread damage, although extent unclear
- **Barbuda:** The small island is said to be "barely habitable", with 95% of the buildings damaged. Antigua and Barbuda Prime Minister Gaston Browne estimates reconstruction will cost \$100m (£80m). One death has been confirmed
- **Anguilla:** Extensive damage with one person confirmed dead
- **Puerto Rico:** More than 6,000 residents of the US territory are in shelters and many more without power. At least three people have died
- **British Virgin Islands: Widespread damage reported**, and five dead
- **US Virgin Islands:** Damage to infrastructure was said to be widespread, with four deaths confirmed
- **Haiti and the Dominican Republic:** Both battered by the storm, but neither had as much damage as initially feared

***Save the Children, The Red Cross and Oxfam have all put out appeals for aid to help people affected by the hurricane in the Caribbean and the earthquake in Mexico where many poor people have been left with nothing .....have a look on their websites if you wish to donate.***

### **Thought for the week**

***Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.***

Nelson Mandela