

SIXTH FORM STUDENT BULLETIN

Week beginning Monday 12th February 2018 (Week A)

Monday 12th February – INSET Day

The Common Room is open to work in – a good opportunity to catch up with work and revision



Dates for
the Diary:

- **Monday 19th – 25th February: Half Term holiday - the school is open for revision, please sign in and out. Please also put all rubbish in bins.**
- **Monday 26th February: Mock Exam period begins for Year 12 and 13- you need to arrive in school by 8.45am for a morning exam and 12.45pm for an afternoon exam.**
- **Tuesday 13th March: Mock Results Assembly**
- **Wednesday 14th March: Year 12 and 13 Parents' Consultation Evening- so you need to make the appointments**
- **Friday 23rd March: Sports Relief Day**
- **Monday 26th: Re-sit week for anyone who failed a mock exam**
- **Tuesday 8th May: Summer Exam Period begins**
- **11th June: Year 13 A2 courses start on this day**
- **Monday 2nd July – Friday 6th July: Year 12 Work Experience week**

The QUIET ROOM

We have had a complaint this week about the use of the Quiet Room in the library.

Our lovely cleaner Sally found it in a dreadful state with food on the carpet etc.

You are not supposed to take food in there and repeated mis-use will lead to us losing the privilege of the room being solely for 6th formers

Charity Matters : LGBTQ+ fund raiser

Well done for raising over a £191.00 by selling cakes, hot chocolate, sweets etc. for the Stonewall Charity that acts against discrimination towards LGBTQ+ people. Even more money is expected to come in after a second round of lanyard selling!



Valentine's Day charity event



Giving cupid a helping hand

We need students to volunteer to help sell and take orders for roses and poems, please sign your name up on the Common Room door if you can give up a break time or 10 minutes of your lunch break. The same people have been out there every day selling them so please lend a hand. Cakes and sweets will also be sold during Valentine week. We also need lots of help writing poems and attaching to roses and delivering on the 14th.



Lunchtime Concert



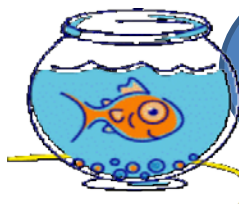
Miss Calder is running a Lunchtime Music Concert on the last day of this term 16th February. She is on the look-out for any sixth form students who are interested in taking part. The concert is small and informal, a great way for students to gain their chosen confidence in performing on instrument.

If you would like to and see Miss Calder mention to either



take part please pop over in the Music Block or Mrs Livings or Mrs Booth

ARCHIE



I need a bigger tank

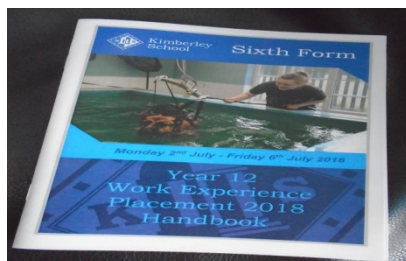
Ruby and Holli are fund raising for Archie who could really do with a new tank..... if you could offer them any loose change towards the fund I am sure Archie would appreciate it! We need about £20

UCAS

Please don't reply to offers before you have discussed with parents, tutors and Mrs Livings. It is a very important decision and not to be rushed. As Mrs Livings said in assembly last week please think very carefully about unconditional offers

Work Experience

Have you organised this yet? If you haven't yet had a booklet please ask Mrs Booth for one.



Communicating

Please try to put the school email ap (OUTLOOK) on your mobile.....some of you are not aware of basic information which is sent out via the bulletin as well as information from your teaching staff because you are not reading emails from school.

Emails – check your school email account daily

Mock Exams – have you started revising yet?

Revision session for Physics:

Y12 electricity content

Friday lunch in S7 from now until mock exams with Miss Iwanczuk

We have 2 school weeks before the Mock Exam start, if you haven't already, you should be starting to organise your revision

- **Make a revision timetable (templates of these can be collected from Mrs Booth or Mrs Livings)**
- **Check out revision websites**
- **Ask your teachers for past papers and mark schemes**
- **Check the specifications carefully so you know exactly what you need to cover**

Here are some revision tips :

1. Highlight key terms, concepts and people in your notes. Make documents that reflect this information. Consider putting this information into thinking maps or some other visual aid. It may seem like a lot, but the practice of reading and writing the items will help you remember them. It is a good idea to start assembling these lists early in the course rather than a few days before exams, when the task will be overwhelming.
2. Make flashcards to assist you in learning important terms and their meanings. This may seem basic, but the method works for all ages and saves time in exams as information is easier to recall.
3. Practise using past papers and questions from text books. Time yourself so that timing isn't an issue in the real exam. Hand in answers for marking.
4. Form a study group with fellow students. Studying in a small group can allow the members to compare notes and share studying or learning strategies. Quizzing each other can be a fun way to cover course information. Belonging to a study group will also help you to get explanations of concepts that you do not understand.

Financial help in the Sixth Form-could you claim the Bursary??

If you have ever had free school meals or if your family's financial situation has changed in the past year or so (such as a parent being out of work), or if your
The Bursary

If your parents get free prescriptions-please see me to see if you are eligible for the bursary. Also, if you have received free school meals in the past please apply for them again. You can get your lunch (discreetly) in the Sixth Form canteen.



Happy Birthday this week to:

Greg Brown and Hannah Devonport – 13th February

Ria Williams – 14th February

Jade Kennerell – 16th February

Emilee Widowson – 18th February

And over the holidays to:

Jack Marshall – 21st February

Emily Coulter and Harry Kidger – 24th February

Georgia Woolley – 25th February

Joke of the week

Question: Do you know why you never see elephants hiding in trees?

Careers Interviews

Year 12s are welcome to make appointments as well as Year 13s.

Please do not take holidays in term time.

Year 12 please do not book holidays before we break up on 25th July. This is very much a condition of you continuing on to A2 courses. Year 13 A2 courses start on the 11th June

Joke answer

Answer: Because they are really good at it !!

Opportunities and Events

West Bridgford School have very kindly invited any of you interested in Higher Level Apprenticeships to the school on 13th March 6.00pm-8.00pm. Unfortunately it is the same evening as Parents' Evening but if you make appointments for parents from 4-00- 6.00pm you could then nip over to West Bridgford. They have invited companies like Boots and Rolls Royce so it could be very helpful.

Engineering

Did you know that 2018 is the Year of Engineering? This government and industry initiative aims to tackle the widening skills gap we have in the UK and inspire the next generation of engineers.

To find out more about engineering and some of the resources and events taking place around the UK, watch this short [video](#) and check out the [website](#) where more details are available.

Year 12 opportunities

Peterhouse Essay Competitions

Peterhouse is proud to organise our annual [Essay Competitions](#) in History, Science and English for Year 12 students. We hope to encourage high-achieving students to apply to top universities by giving them a taste of the type of work they would experience and recognising their achievement through prizes and feedback from leading specialists. Each competition has a prize pool of £750 and all winners and highly commended entrants are invited to a prize-giving lunch at Peterhouse in late June. The deadline for receipt of all essays is **20th March 2018**. The deadline for teachers to confirm that entries are valid is **27rd March 2018**.

Oxbridge Evening – Meet the Admissions Tutors at the High School

Thursday 15th March 2018

7pm – 9pm (refreshments served from 6.30pm)

Invitation to attend a free outreach Oxbridge Evening to be held at Nottingham High School on **Thursday 15th March 2018, from 7pm - 9pm**. The evening takes the form of pre-event refreshments (from 6.30pm – 7pm) and a presentation followed by a Question and Answer session in the Player Hall. The presentation is pitched at Year 12 students, but it would also be suitable for bright and mature Year 11 pupils. There will be Admissions Tutors on hand from Cambridge and Oxford to answer any questions or queries.

Parents and staff are also welcome to attend and parking for cars and minibuses is available in the Main School Playground on Forest Road. (A map and directions booklet is attached for your information).

If you would like to be involved in the evening, we would be very grateful if you could let us know **by Friday 2nd March**, by contact Mrs Wallis on 0115 924 9716 or emailing at wallis.d@nottinghamhigh.co.uk. Due to restrictions on numbers, places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Notts Police Cadets are currently seeking to recruit 80 Police Cadets to start in September 2018. Visit the [website](#) to find out who can apply.

Access to university.....Sutton Trust-Year 12

Applications for Sutton Trust's [UK Summer Schools 2018](#) will be open until Thursday 8th March. Over 40 different subjects on offer.

News Item of the week: The Winter Olympics begin in South Korea.

History made as North and South Korea march under one flag

The [2018 Winter Olympics](#) began in Pyeongchang South Korea on Friday and the opening ceremony took centre stage to kick-off the 23rd Games.

The Pyeongchang Olympic Stadium welcomed all 92 countries boasting nearly 3,000 athletes, with all eyes on the sight of North and South Korean competitors uniting to walk into the stadium together for the first time.

Leading out Great Britain was 2014 [Winter Olympics](#) gold medallist [Lizzy Yarnold](#), with the skeleton athlete looking to retain her championship in Pyeongchang, and the British team were the 54th to arrive at the stadium – which cost nearly £80m to build and will only be used four times before it is torn down.

Korean women's ice hockey team combines the teams from north and south



The Korean team were given a rapturous reception at the Kwandong Hockey Centre

The joint North and South Korean women's ice hockey team created history as they competed on the first day of action at the Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang.

But the team suffered an 8-0 defeat by 2014 bronze medallists Switzerland.

There was joy for the home nation when short-track speed skater Lim Hyo-jun [won South Korea's first gold medal](#)..

Although they received a rapturous welcome at the Kwandong Hockey Centre, including from the [North Korean cheerleaders](#), the team - who are the eighth seeds in the competition - found it tough on the ice.

There was a carnival atmosphere as the near-capacity crowd cheered for the home team from the moment the puck dropped, roared each time a Korean player held possession with many waving unification flags.

Some 100 North Korean cheerleaders were on hand, decked out in red track suits, leading chants for the spectators and singing North Korean pop songs.

"I feel really good and touched. I feel fortunate to see a historic game. This will contribute to inter-Korean peace," said Jang Sung-ho, who came to watch the games with seven other family members.

"It is a historic game. This small step will pave the way for inter-Korean peace," said office worker Oh Eun Seok.

Other news headlines on day one

- The South Korean government has launched an investigation into a possible cyber attack during the opening ceremony. What organisers describe as non-critical parts of the internal systems went down 45 minutes before the ceremony began, affecting the phone and internet services, but it did not affect the ceremony.
- Cases of norovirus have risen to 139 but organisers claim the outbreak is under control.
- Figure skater Yuna Kim, who lit the Olympic cauldron, said it was an "unforgettable experience". She revealed she had been nervous because there had only been one rehearsal and she was worried about falling over.
- The spectacular sight of 1,218 drones forming the Olympic rings during [the opening ceremony](#) was pre-recorded.

BBC News 11/02/2018

Thoughts for the week as you prepare for your mocks

"The best way to finish an unpleasant task is to get started." ~ Anon

"Don't wait. The time will never be just right." Napoleon Hill

"Procrastination is the thief of time" Anon

"I'm not telling you it is going to be easy — I'm telling you it's going to be worth it" ~ Art Williams

