



Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

Monday 25th - Friday 29th November 2013: **Week B**

Thought For The Week:

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give. - Winston Churchill

KEEP INFORMED!

Remember to visit www.highcliffeschool.com every week for:

- The latest articles on school activities and events
- The weekly Student Bulletin (published every Friday)
- 'MyHighcliffe' for students and 'MyHighcliffe' for parents
- The list of extra-curricular clubs and activities

Don't forget to check your School Community Calendar for upcoming events!

Literacy Focus - Spelling Focus - Principle 2

What kind of letter do the following words have in front of the final "y"? Is it a vowel or a consonant?

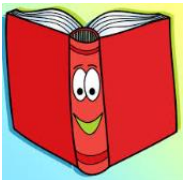
Try, nationality, monkey, key, fly ...

Do you know the rule for making them plural?

Consonant + y = change the "Y" to "I" and add "es"

Vowel + y = add "s"

Try it and see! I don't think there is an exception to this rule!



DEAR - Reminder: Are you bringing in your reading book for tutor time DEAR? Mr Bryden will want to see you if you're not!

Year 10 Citizenship Fair - Friday 29th November: Please can all Year 10 students participating in the Citizenship Fair arrive at the Hall between 8.00am - 8.35am to set up the stalls, you will be sent to quickly register with your tutor during tutor time. Please bring everything you need for the Fair with you including your letter for your charity. Miss Alston.

Indoor Rowing Competition: There is an indoor rowing competition @ Twynham on Tuesday 10th December after school. We need a team of 4 girls and 4 boys from Years 7, 8 and 9. There will be trials on 1.30pm in the Fitness Suite on Wednesday 27th November. If you are interested in taking part you must come to the trials. Mrs Webber.



Faith Group: The Faith Group started in school last Friday and the next meeting will be Friday 29th November at 1.20pm in En6.

If you are interested in finding out more about the group and what is being planned for future Fridays, please come along. Mrs King/Mrs Sibbick



Royal Horticultural Society Gardening Awards

The dedicated Highcliffe gardening team have managed to satisfy the criteria for the first two level of the RHS Schools award scheme. They had to show evidence of knowledge of gardening safety, tools and techniques and that they have been putting this knowledge to use in the school garden. We are anxious to progress further in this scheme and to do so we will need to show evidence of a range of age groups being involved in the running of this successful activity. We especially welcome students in the lower school to join us on a Tuesday afternoon after school. Planning for the 2014 garden is well underway, and with the successful fundraising appeal with Waitrose recently completed we have a lot to do. Please see Mr Craven in SC12 if you have any questions regarding this activity.



The **Ecoteam** would like to express their thanks for supporting our recent **Waitrose community appeal**. It would appear that of the three competing causes, the Highcliffe Garden had the most support and we will be receiving a cheque for £360. This is a fantastic result

and will make a massive difference to the Ecogarden and pond area during the course of this year. Changes will include introducing currant bushes to the garden area and netting all vulnerable crops. We will be able to install an irrigation system onto the garden and buy a wide variety of seeds for this years gardening action! As a result of this appeal we will also be able to finish the renovation of the pond area and restock it with a variety of plants.



Christmas Lunch will be Wednesday 18th December. Tickets will need to be purchased in advance (£2.50 for students and £3.00 for staff) from the tills during break or lunchtime. On the day you will need either your Christmas dinner ticket (so keep it safe) or a school dinner ticket to be able to enjoy the Christmas Feast! Other food will still be available. We look forward to seeing you all!



Please help us plant a Highcliffe Orchard!

Highcliffe School has a dedicated eco-team that has been actively engaged in raising ecological issues over the last five years. We have an enthusiastic team of student gardeners that take responsibility for managing the on-site garden and growing a wide range of produce. We look forward to extending our current selection of crops with fruit trees!

We would like you to help us raise £130, which will enable our school to have a pack of 10 fruit trees, which we can plant in our school grounds and teach all our students the importance of growing our own produce.

It only takes 13 people to pledge £10 and receive a discount on a Woodland Trust membership to get us to our target and receive trees to plant in the school. We can do this! Just one pack will provide us with 10 fruit trees including four apples, two pear, two plum, one quince and one medlar. All trees are kindly donated by Otter Farm. The fruit trees are two years old, and will fruit next year.

If you would like to help us with this venture, the link to the Highcliffe Orchard Crowdfunder website is: <http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/highcliffe-school> .

DESIGN COMPETITION:

We're asking pupils from years 7, 8, 9, 10 or 11 in the Christchurch and Ringwood area to create an image, model or piece of art and attach up to 100 words (hand-written or typed) on their ideal car (or aspect of a car). For example, they could choose to include either a technical drawing of the exterior of a car; a textile design for the seat covers; a 3D model; a computer generated image of the dashboard or even a painting of an aspect of the car. Entries can be as creative or as technical as pupils like. The text should explain the accompanying entry.

What are the prizes?

£250 will be given to the art/ design & technology department to spend on art equipment for the school with the overall best entries;

The winning pupil (not necessarily from the school with the best entries!) will receive a £100 Amazon voucher;

£1 will be donated to each school's chosen charity per valid entry received from its own pupils (i.e. School A sends in 100 entries = £100 donation from Keith Motors to School A's chosen charity).

About the organisers (& judges!):

This competition has been devised by Keith Motors Christchurch and Keith Motors Ringwood, local Ford car dealerships. Keith Motors currently works with local school pupils to offer work experience and learning opportunities to those interested.

Deadline for entries to Mrs Boothroyd - Friday 13th December



Year 7 Foreign Language Spelling Bee 2013 - 2014



Following on from the launch in assembly last week, here is a guide to help you join in:-

- with the help of your language teachers, practise the alphabet in French/Spanish/German/Italian
- learn how to pronounce and spell the words 1 - 50 (in French/Spanish/German/Italian) in the back of your vocab books (try to learn 10 per week)
- When you are given time in class, practise in pairs and time each other to see how many words you can pronounce and spell in 60 seconds.
- Practise at home too!
- Check out the website <http://flsb.co.uk/> if you would like to download the app for your phone or practise on vocab express (all language classes are uploaded, but activation may be delayed by a few days - keep checking this out!). When activated you can log in with your school email and password.
- Class finals will be held the week commencing December 16th - it doesn't matter if you haven't learnt all 50 words, you can be tested on 20 - 30 words but if you win or are runner up in your class you will need to have learnt the first 100 words by half term in February when we will have the school finals to produce a winner and runner up in each language. Winners and one runner up will go to the South West Regional Finals in Bath at the end of the Spring term.

Bonne chance!

¡Buena suerte!

Viel Glück!

This Week in History... 25th November - 1st December

26th November 1867 - Due to a loophole in the law Lilly Maxwell is the first women to vote in a British election.

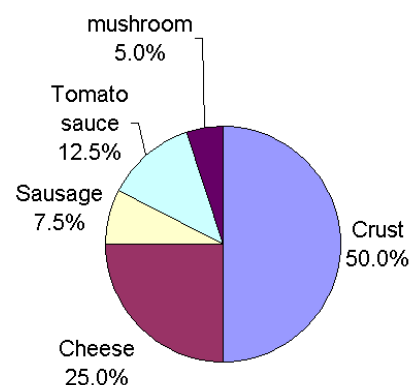
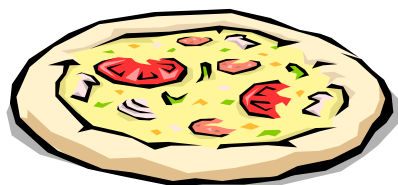
26th November 1922 - Howard Carter is the first person to discover and open the tomb of the Ancient Egyptian Pharaoh Tutankhamen - many people believed the tomb to be cursed and Carter, along with other people on the dig die later in mysterious circumstances.

1st December 1955 - Civil rights activist Rosa Parks refuses to give up her bus seat for a white person. This was used by Martin Luther King to encourage people to speak out against segregation.

Music Activities this week:

Monday	Year 7 All Boys' Choir - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
	6th Form Choir - Ex5 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
Tuesday	Highcliffe Harmonics - main school choir Ex3 - 3.15 - 4.00pm
Wednesday	G&T Jazz Band - Ex3 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm
	Flute Ensemble - Ex5 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
	Ukulele Club - Ex2 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm
Thursday	GCSE Music coursework intervention - Ex5 - 3.05 - 4.30pm
	Highcliffe Harmonics - main school choir Ex3 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
Friday	Ukulele Club - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm

Numeracy Challenge:



The above pizza weighs 350g. How much do the mushrooms and cheese weigh altogether?

Answers to be placed in the box in MA7 by 1.20pm on Friday 29th November
The first correct answer drawn will win a prize!

P.E. FIXTURES/PRACTICES

(Please check the PE board at the start of each week)

Inter-tutor group activities will continue in all Year 7, 8 and 9 PE lessons this week and next week. Please make sure you know which activities you have when and bring the correct kit for each activity. Mrs Webber.

	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL
Monday	Year 8 Basketball Club 6 th Form 5 a side indoor league Sign up (CFM)	
Tuesday	Year 11 GCSE Badminton Club (CFM) Year 10 & 11 Basketball Club	Year 9 & 10 Basketball Club (NJS)
Wednesday	Year 7 Basketball Club Year 7 Girls' Football Club	Year 8 Basketball vs St Peters (H) (JDN) Year 9 & 10 Girls' Football Tournament @ The Grange 3.15pm Leave Return 5.30pm 6 th Form Boys Football vs Arnewood (A) Meet 1.30pm k.o 2.00pm Return 3.30pm (SHM) Year 7 & 8 Netball Club (MWR)
Thursday	6 th Form indoor 5 A-side football (CFM)	U14 Girls' County Cup vs Thomas Hardy School (A)(CFM) Leave 12pm K.O 1.45pm Return 4.30pm Year 9-11 Netball Club (LSN) Year 7 Basketball Club (NJS)
Friday	Year 9 Basketball Club	

I WONDER... Is music a universal language?



YOU could be...



Annie

Highcliffe Charity Players are searching for a talented youngster to star in their next musical production, the Broadway and West End smash hit 'Annie'!

We are running a series of theatrical workshops for girls aged 8-13, hoping to find our "Annie" and also the rest of the young female cast for the show, which will be performed at the Regent Centre, Christchurch, from 28-31 May 2014.

The workshops will run for 12 weeks from 11th January 2014. Youngsters will have the chance to work with qualified music and drama teachers, offering expert tuition in acting, singing and dancing.

Starts: Saturday 11 January 2014, 10am – 12 noon for 12 weeks

Venue: The Old School, 254 Lymington Road, Highcliffe, BH23 5ET

Cost: £5 per session (12 sessions, £30 deposit payable at registration)

Come and find out more at our 'Annie' Workshop Registration Day:

**Saturday 21 December from 10.00am – 12 noon
at The Old School, 274 Lymington Road, Highcliffe**

www.HighcliffeCharityPlayers.com