



Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

Monday 27th - Friday 31st January 2014: **Week A**

Thought For The Week:

A bird that you set free may be caught again, but a word that escapes your lips will not return.
Jewish proverb

Literacy: Spelling Reminder

Who can remember the rule for these spellings? The plural of "country" and the plural of "try" - as in "Highcliffe scored lots of ... in the last rugby game" ...
That's it: consonant + y = change the "y" to an "i" and add "es".



We have had a message from Naomi House Children's Hospice, thanking us for the money that has been raised by the school since 2005. Over £7,000 has been collected - they are really so grateful for the school's continued support. Thank you to everybody who has helped raise money for this fantastic cause!

Year 10 students: Your second **Science GCSE controlled assessment** for this year is currently taking place in your Science lessons and will be finishing with a 2 hour write up for all Year 10 students (except those doing BTEC Science) on Wednesday 29th January during Periods 1 & 2. As usual for exams, please make sure that you have all stationary in a clear plastic bag/case including a black pen and spare, calculator, pencil, ruler and rubber. Please ensure you do not bring your mobile phone to the controlled assessment. Controlled assessment seating plans will be up outside the Data and Controlled Assessments Office nearer the time, so you can check your venue and seat.

Year 10 Work Experience (HFH): Please make sure you are doing all you can to secure a work experience placement, either from looking through the database or through contacts of your own. When you have got a confirmed placement, please complete and return both sides of the green form that was sent home. If you have lost the form - you need to look in the WEX file on your MyHighcliffe. There are 2 word documents - you will need to fill in both (as the green form was double-sided). Please return them to the 6th form office and make the payment on Wisepay. The school will process the rest of the paperwork and contact you if there are any issues. Please see Mrs Bower in the Sixth Form Office if you have any questions.



The annual **Highcliffe Castle exhibition of KS3 ADT work** will take place on 4th February between 4.00pm and 6.00pm. All those who have work being exhibited will receive an invitation to the event very soon. It will remain up at the Castle for the rest of the month. Mr Nicholls.

Movement around school: please can all students keep to the walkways and pathways when moving around school. Please stay on the path behind the barriers and not walk through the bus park, and not cut across the field when walking between the maths huts and the Da Vinci building. Thank you.



Ballard/Highcliffe Lecture series: On Tuesday 28th January 2014 the second in the 6th series of lectures will take place at 7.00pm at Ballard School. It is on the subject of **sustainability** and will be delivered by the Head Teacher of St Mary's Prep and Choir School in Reigate, who leads the Education for Social Responsibility working group which has recently joined the 'New Leaders in Sustainability' initiative. Come and listen to his thoughts on why he believes educating the children to be leaders in sustainability is so important. Mrs Dedman.

A message for Sixth Form students who drive to school: please be considerate when parking in the roads around the school, in particular, not blocking residents' drives.



Numeracy Challenge:

For the numbers 1 to 100, how many do not have the digit 9 in them?



Answers to be placed in the box in MA7 by 1.20pm on Friday 31st January 2014
The first correct answer drawn will win a prize!

Music Activities this week:

Monday	Year 7 All Boys' Choir - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm
Tuesday	Highcliffe Harmonics main school choir - Ex3 - 3.05pm - 4.00pm
Wednesday	Ukulele Club - Ex2 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm
	Jazz Band - Ex3 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm
Thursday	GCSE Music coursework intervention - Ex5 - 3.05 - 4.00pm
Friday	Ukulele Club - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm

I WONDER... Are parasites bad?

Year 8 Examinations - topics to revise:

The Year 8 examinations begin on Monday 3rd February. Below you can find information from different subjects concerning the topics that Year 8 students need to revise:

Science

You will need to use your exercise books and text book to revise the topics below. The exam will cover science from Year 7 and Year 8.

Physics	
Sound and light	Electric circuits (circuit symbols, series & parallel circuits)
Energy (renewable and non-renewable)	
Chemistry	
The Periodic Table (metals/non-metals)	States of matter (solids, liquids and gases)
Hazard symbols	Rocks (igneous, sedimentary & metamorphic)
Elements, mixtures and compounds	
Biology	
Reproduction	Cells (plant, animal and specialised)
Smoking, lungs, respiration	Microbes and disease
Antagonistic muscles	
Science Skills	
Interpreting data, explaining patterns in data	Identifying independent, dependent and fixed variables
Suggesting ideas for how to make experiments fair	

Useful websites for revision:

1. <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks3bitesize/>
2. <http://e2bn.skool.co.uk/keystage3.aspx?id=80>

Revise regularly and ask your teacher for help if there is anything you don't understand!!

Religious Studies

Your examination paper will be 45 minutes long. You will be tested on Islam only. You will have a series of short answer questions as well as some that require longer responses. Please revise everything you have learnt about Islam.

Beliefs about Allah and Muhammad (PBUH)
The Life of Muhammad (PBUH)
Prayer
The Mosque
Zakah (Charity)
Sawm (Fasting during Ramadan)
Hajj (Pilgrimage to Mecca)
Islamic countries
Challenges of being a Muslim in a non-Muslim country

Citizenship

Please make sure you take your book home and any revision materials you have produced during Citizenship lessons at least a week before your exam so that you can start revising at home. In class, your teacher will be providing you with a checklist to help you with your revision. If you do not receive a checklist, spare copies are with Miss Alston in HU1.

Below are the main areas you will need to cover in order to be fully prepared for the exam:

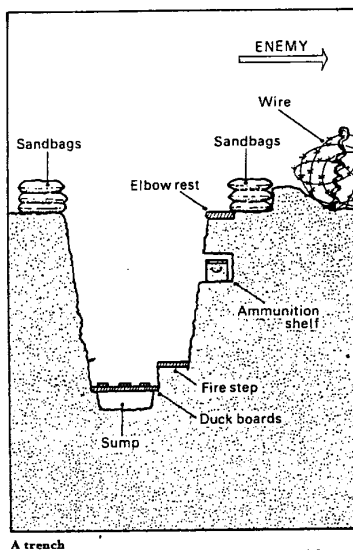
Democracy
What is a 'democracy'? How is it different from a 'dictatorship'? What did the suffragettes fight for? What is 'political apathy'?
Government
Who is currently responsible for running the country? How did they get into this position? What is a political party? Once elected, can the government do whatever they like?
Parliament
What are the three parts of Parliament? What does Parliament do? How is the Parliament different from Government?
Law Making Process
Can you describe this process and name the main stages?
Active Citizenship
How can you campaign for change or have an impact on a particular issue/ problem? What ideas might you have?

Geography

Structure of the Earth
Plates and plate boundaries
Structure of a volcano
Evacuation scenario and what to pack
Continents and oceans
Countries and capitals

History

What the different parts of the trench were used for.



What it was like to live and fight in a trench. For example, lice and rats, daily routine and health.



Modern Foreign Languages

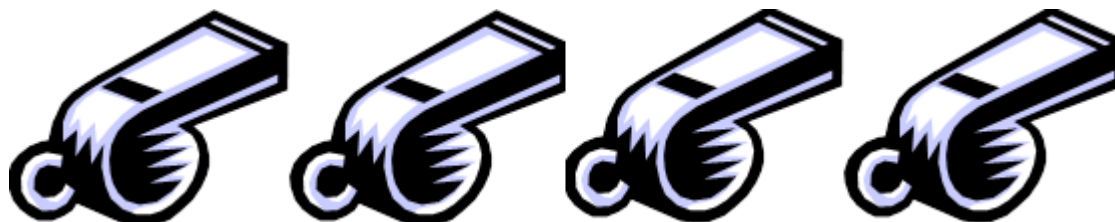
All Year 8 students will do one language examination which will include some reading questions and the written portfolio which is prepared in class in advance. Students will be allowed to take in 20 words to help them with the writing.

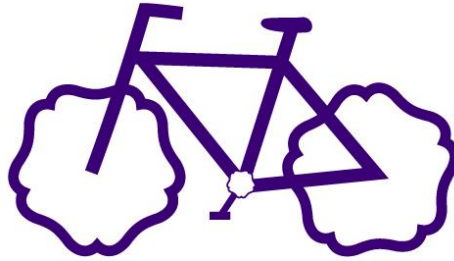
German		
Weather	Leisure activities	Sports
Spanish		
Holidays vocabulary, eg: where you went on holiday; how you travelled there; who you went with; what you did; where you usually go; what you usually do there and where you will go next year?/ whom with/what you will do?		
French		
<i>Content for reading:</i>		
Description of Paris	Favourite TV programmes	Musical preferences
<i>Content for writing:</i>		
Description of a member of your family	Description of what activities you do with your friends	
Description of your music preferences		
Description of what you are going to do and wear at the weekend / Description of what you did last weekend		
Italian		
Party Items	Party activities	Dates and birthdays
Family members	Past tense	Question words

P.E. FIXTURES/PRACTICES

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

	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL
Monday	Year 10&11 Fitness Club (SHM)	
Tuesday		Year 7 & 8 & 9 Girls' Football Club (CFM & CSLA students) Year 8 Rugby Club (JDN) Year 9 Boys' football vs St Peters (A) (SHM)
Wednesday	Year 11 GCSE Fitness Circuits catch up Gym (CFM) Year 10 & 11 Fitness Club (NJS)	Year 7 Boys' football vs St Peters (H) (JPO) Year 10 boys' football vs St Peters (A) (NJS) Year 7 & 8 Netball Club (MWR) Year 9 Rugby Club (JDN) Year 9 & 10 & 11 Girls' Football Club (CFM)
Thursday	6 th Form indoor football league (CFM)	Year 9-11 Netball Club (LSN) Year 7 Boys' football (JPO) Year 10 & 11 Girls football club (CFM) Year 7 & 8 Rugby (JDN) Year 11 football vs St Peters (A) (SHM) Year 8 football vs St Peters (H)(NJS) Year 7 Football County Cup Semi vs St Michael's (A)
Friday	Staff Training Day	





'BIKEABILITY' CYCLE TRAINING

A Level 1 & 2 combined cycle training course is being hosted by **HIGHCLIFFE SCHOOL**, in conjunction with **Cyclechristchurch**, and will be held during the Half Term break.

This course is aimed at students from Year Groups 5 to 8 and consists of 3 sessions over 3 days on:

Monday 17th, Thursday 20th and Friday 21st February
and will run from 9.00 a.m. to 11.45 a.m. each day.

The cost for the training and assessment including certificates & badges will be £20.

The training & assessment will take place on public roads in the vicinity of Highcliffe School; therefore places are limited.

Early application is essential!

Please book directly with:

Cyclechristchurch on 07540 428757

Or email: cyclechristchurch@hotmail.co.uk

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