



Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

Monday 13th - Friday 17th January 2014: **Week A**

Thought For The Week:

Knowing yourself is the beginning of all wisdom - Aristotle

Literacy: Punctuation Focus - Save the Apostrophe!

Can you help the poor old apostrophe? It's getting forgotten and lost - or even worse turning up in places it shouldn't be! What's going on? Do your bit for the apostrophe by helping it get back to its proper place in sentences!

Our Japanese friends are coming ... In March, we have 12 Japanese boys coming to visit Highcliffe School. We are looking for 12 families to look after them during their time at Highcliffe School. You will need to host them at your home and look after them during the school day. This is a great chance to make friends with someone from a different culture. Your tutors will have given you a letter. If at all interested, please let Mr Bryden know.



DEAR - Don't forget to bring in your reading book for DEAR this week!

Hiroshima Conference: To students studying AS Geography, Citizenship, History, Physics and Sociology! Do you think the bombing of Hiroshima was justified? Was it a necessary act of war or an act of evil? On Thursday 30th January, you will have a chance to debate this issue and develop your own view on the subject. Make sure you get your form in soon. If you haven't received a letter but need one, please see Mr Bryden.



Year 7 Spelling Bee Club - Friday lunchtimes 1.40pm ML10:

Congratulations to all Class winners and runners up! You now have to get busy learning the next 50 words so that we can select a winner for each language and the highest runner up in the school heat before February half-term. School winners and one runner up will go forward to the regional final which will take place in Bath at the end of the Spring Term (late March). Please come to the Spelling Bee Club on Friday lunchtimes for support with learning your words and to ask previous winners any questions you may have.

Year 8 Humanities trip to Italy - If you are would like to be considered for this trip, please return the slip attached to the letter. The slip must include the reference number allocated once you have paid the deposit via Wise pay. If you did not get a letter or have any questions, please see **Mrs Downie in Hu6**. Please note: There are limited places, so get in quick!

Could any **Year 7 or 8 Design Technology** students, who took work home for Christmas that was to be displayed in the Castle exhibition in February, please return it to their subject teacher by Wednesday 15th January please. Thanks. Mr Nicholls.

Music Lessons: timetables have now been sent by email to all students taking part in Instrumental Music Lessons, ie piano / guitar / drums / singing, for the Spring Term. A copy has also been placed on the IMS Noticeboard in the PE corridor. Please could students having singing lessons please check the times of their lessons as the timetable has been updated.

World Challenge: There is a meeting for all, selected, World Challengers (Year 11 and 12) on Wednesday 15th January in AT1 at 1.30pm. Please let Mr Nicholls know if you are unable to attend.

Ballard/Highcliffe Lecture Series returns! This week sees the return of the successful lecture series which runs collaboratively between Highcliffe, Ballard & Arnewood Schools. The first lecture is by Mr Malcolm Phillips an ex-employee of BP who will talk about 'Crisis Management'. This is the sixth year for the lecture series and this year we have arranged 6 lectures from January through until June on a vast array of topics. Please spread the word and we look forward to welcoming your family and friends at 7.00pm in the Performing Arts Centre at Ballard School for light refreshments and an informative talk. Mrs Dedman.

Year 8 Examinations - 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



Numeracy Challenge: What is the Unknown Number?



John thought of a number, which he doubled. He then added four to this answer. Having got this new number he halved it and then subtracted five. This gave him the answer of 7. What was the number he first thought of?

Answers to be placed in the box in MA7 by 1.20pm on Friday 17th January 2014
The first correct answer drawn will win a prize!

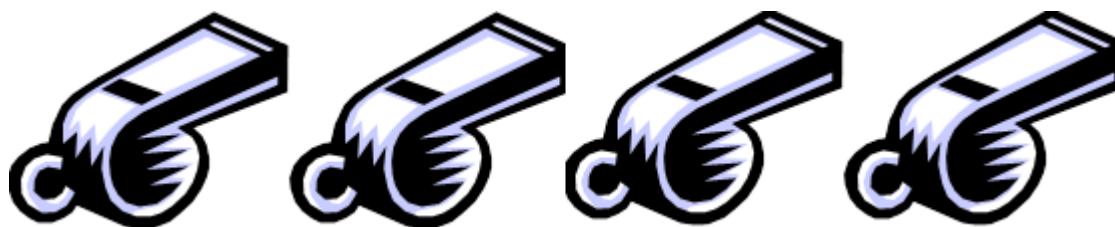
Music Activities this week:

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| Monday | Year 7 All Boys' Choir - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm |
| Tuesday | |
| Wednesday | Ukulele Club Wednesday - Ex2 - 3.15pm - 4.00pm |
| Thursday | GCSE Music coursework intervention - Ex5 - 3.05 - 4.00pm |
| Friday | Ukulele Club - Ex2 - 1.30pm - 2.00pm |

P.E. FIXTURES/PRACTICES

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

| | LUNCHTIME | AFTER SCHOOL |
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| Monday | | |
| Tuesday | Year 10 & 11 Basketball Club | Year 7 & 8 & 9 Girls' Football Club (CFM & CSLA students) |
| Wednesday | Year 7 Basketball Club Year 7 Girls' Football Club | Year 8 Basketball tournament @ The Grange (A) Year 1 & 2 Multiskills festival CSLA students (CFM) pds 1&2 Year 7 & 8 Netball Club (MWR) Year 10 & 11 Girls' Football Club (CFM) |
| Thursday | | Year 9-11 Netball Club (LSN) Year 7 Boys' football (JPO) Year 11 football vs BCS (A) (SHM) |
| Friday | | |



I WONDER... Is mathematics a language and are languages mathematical?