



SIR THOMAS BOUGHEY BULLETIN



10TH JULY 2017

COMMUNICATION

Following the feedback that we received from the parent questionnaires we are aiming to improve communication.

Every two weeks we will be sending out a news bulletin giving you information about up and coming events in school, staff changes, term dates plus lots of other information. This will be sent out via email so please make sure we have your email address.

YEAR 10 GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP

This week Miss Bibby, Mrs Biddulph and Mr O'Connor along with other members of staff will be taking four groups of Year 10 pupils to the River Dane. This forms part of the Geography fieldwork that they need as part of their assessment. Pupils will be investigating changes in the river and will definitely need to remember their wellies! The trip is always enjoyed by all let's hope the sun keeps shining.

GOOD LUCK TEAM 14

Two Year 10 pupils have been selected by the judges for the final of the Stoke City Enterprise Design a Product Competition. The final takes place today Monday 10th July at the Bet365 Stadium. I'm sure you will join us in wishing the girls luck.

YEAR 8 ACTIVITY DAY

This Wednesday is activity day for Year 8. Pupils who have completed the form will have the opportunity to take part and learn circus skills. I wonder who will ride the unicycle successfully or do we have any budding clowns amongst us!!

STB POP UP RESTAURANT

Year 10 GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition students 'Pop up Restaurant @ STB' will be hosting its first event on Tuesday 11th July. The Indian Feast will be enjoyed by staff but later events will be open to parents so watch this space for more information and delicious menus. Proceeds will be split between equipment for the department and charity.

TEXTILES AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Do you have any wool or fabric left over from a craft project? Did you start a project and didn't get around to completing it? If so you could donate it to the schools newly formed Textiles after school club and we'll transform it into something wonderful!

YEAR 10 ACTIVITY DAY

Tuesday 18th July is Year 10 Activity day and they will be going to Ashcroft Park which is set in the midst of the Staffordshire countryside with fantastic scenery all around. Sounds serene.....until you add in the paintball experience!

Y10 HISTORY TRIP TO HARDWICK HALL

Wednesday 19th July Year 10 GCSE History pupils will be visiting Hardwick Hall in Derby. Pupils will have the opportunity to see the exuberant use of expensive and rare materials used to build 'Hardwick Hall, more glass than wall', this is a well-known local saying that actually characterises one of the key features of Hardwick. Hardwick's history is closely associated with the lady who built it, Elizabeth, Countess of Shrewsbury, known to many simply as 'Bess of Hardwick'.

SPORTS DAY

Over the past few weeks pupils have been taking part in pre sports day activities such as discuss, hurdles, 1500m races and long jump to name a few. Year 10 pupils will do their pre sports day activities this week then during the afternoon on Thursday 20th July all houses will gather on the field to cheer on and support their fellow team mates participating in the events. Who will be this year's champions? Will Heathcote be knocked off the top spot? Will Ms Deakin rouse the crowd?

Parents are more than welcome to come along to watch the budding athletes at Sir Thomas Boughey.

SKI TRIP 2018

Information about next year's ski trip to La Plagne is now available on the school website
<http://www.sirthomasboughey.staffs.sch.uk/stb-ski-trip-2018/>

NEW SCHOOL DAY

Please be aware that, as of September, the school day will run as follows:

Registration	8.50-8.55
Lesson 1	8.55-9.55
Lesson 2	9.55-10.55
Break	10.55-11.15
Lesson 3	11.15-12.15
Lesson 4	12.15-1.15
Lunch	1.15-2.00
Tutor/Assembly	2.00-2.30
Lesson 5	2.30-3.30

There are a number of reasons for this change. We would like the punctuality of our students to improve and, by starting lessons at 8.55am, rather than 9.20am, pupils will have a real reason to be on time because lateness will result in learning time being missed. Due to the introduction of our break time snack service (which will be continued as it is so popular) we also feel that it would be of benefit for our students to have a greater period of time between break and lunch. In addition to this, our new system of grading all lessons has revealed a deterioration in behaviour for learning grades after lunch, therefore we have reduced the number of lessons following lunch.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 20th July – Sports Day

Tuesday 25th July – Last day of Term

Wednesday 26th July – Start of the Summer Holidays

Thursday 24th August – GCSE Exam results Day

Monday 4th September – Staff Training Day

Tuesday 5th September – School re-opens to pupils