

# Parent Bulletin, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023



## Events wc. 11<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 7 Assessment Week Year 7 History Visit (Group 2)
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 11 Mock Results Day
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 11 Parents Evening, 15:30-19:00
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	

### **Year 11 Mock Exam Results and Parents Evening**

All Year 11 students will have an appointment with a member of staff to receive their mock exam results on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

If you are a parent of a Year 11 child and have not yet made parents' evening appointments, bookings are still open.

### **Homework Club**

In order to support our students home learning, we will be offering a homework club during the extended lunch break for each year group. The days/ times are listed below.

- Monday (Year 7 lunch): A-Block computer room (1<sup>st</sup> floor)
- Tuesday (Year 8 lunch): B-Block computer room (Miss Nyoni's teaching room)
- Wednesday (Year 9 lunch): A-Block computer room (1<sup>st</sup> floor)
- Thursday (Year 11 lunch): A-Block computer room (1<sup>st</sup> floor)
- Friday (Year 10 lunch): A-Block computer room (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

### **Charity Club**

The Charity Club's next project is to organise a collection of food and toiletry items for FIND (Families in Need) a charity which supports families in crisis in and around Ipswich. We are asking each form group in Years 7 - 10 to put together a donation of items by next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. It would be great to get as many items as possible to pass on a substantial donation to FIND - it can just be a tin of beans from the cupboard, nothing needs to be purchased specially. All donations to be forwarded to Mrs Allard in B1.3

Suggested items include:

- Long grain rice
- Pasta
- Long-life whole milk
- Toiletries for men, women and children
- Tinned vegetables, meat, fruit/desserts
- Coffee
- Sugar
- Jam
- Soup
- Pet food (dog, cat, fish, rabbit/guinea pig)

### **Medication**

If your child needs regular painkillers for ongoing issues (i.e. paracetamol for period pain) please ensure that you sign paracetamol into the front office. Paracetamol is not routinely held by the front office and is only available for emergencies. This is of course the procedure for any specialist medication too.

## **Science Cup**

Please see the attached flyer about the Ormiston Science Cup. Interested pupils should email [ben.gott@ormistonacademies.co.uk](mailto:ben.gott@ormistonacademies.co.uk)

## **Notices for the last week of term (Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December)**

- Christmas Lunch will be taking place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December; parents have been sent a separate message about arrangements for this. Students are invited to wear a Christmas jumper in place of their normal school blazer for the day.
- During the last day of term we will run our normal timetabled lessons with some additional activities for all year groups including Celebration Assemblies and a Careers Fair, hosted on site.
- There will also be a slightly early finish on the last day of term. All students will remain in school throughout tutorial and the lunch break before being dismissed just after 2:00.

## **Return after Christmas**

Please note that we will return on Week 1 of the timetable after the Christmas break; this will allow for the partial week 1 before the holiday begins, to be 'completed' once students return on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

## **Recycling**

In school, we use the same recycling scheme that Ipswich Borough Council runs for your own bins at home. We use blue bins for recycling and black bins for rubbish that cannot be recycled. We have some students who say that they don't recycle at home and are unsure of how to use the blue recycling bin. More information can be found [here](#).

## **2024 GCSE Exams**

There are contingency sessions within the Summer 2024 exam timetable – the afternoon of 6<sup>th</sup> June and 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and the morning and afternoon of 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Students need to make sure they are available on all three dates even if they are not timetabled to sit an exam. The first GCSE exam will be on 10<sup>th</sup> May and the last one on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024.