

HEADTEACHER'S BULLETIN No: 5

Week Commencing: Monday 4th October 2010

National Poetry Day Thursday 7th
John Lennon's Birthday Saturday 9th

World Animal week
National Children's Book Week

Looking back over last week:

1. We are absolutely delighted with our Ofsted judgement last week of **outstanding** for our partnership working with children in service families. This survey visit was part of Ofsted's wider look at provision for service families including schools in Germany and Cyprus. The inspector commented that we know students well; intervention and support is proportionate to need and appropriately given; progress of students is good; the curriculum is appropriately tailored to students' needs; we use resources well and partnerships are well developed. This judgement reflects earlier comments made by Ofsted in the full inspection in May 2010. Thank you to all staff for day-to-day work which made this judgement possible but particularly to those involved during the inspection. I would like to thank Mr Saddler, Mr Damerell, Mrs Richardson and Ms Causer (Youth Intervention Team) in particular.
2. Thank you for support last week with the school photographs, in particular to those who helped with supervision, but especially to Mrs Darlington.
3. Thank you to Mrs Watkins for hosting the visits of prospective parents to the Open Day on Friday.
4. Thank you to Mr Damerell for the mathematics workshop for parents last Friday. Workshops to support parents will be an increasing feature this year.
5. Thank you to Mrs Hallworth for her article in this week's Cornish Guardian.
6. Well done Mr Pilling, who has now raised over £5000 for bowel cancer. We look forward to hearing more about his plans to cycle in Morocco in the Christmas holidays.

Headteacher's monitoring

Headteacher's monitoring of the detention system has highlighted that not all students know which day they have their detention; some parents are not communicating this information to them either. Detentions are held two school days after being issued by the teacher. It is essential that slips are passed to reception during the day and not left until the end of the day or there is not enough time to put letters in the post which negates the purpose of notice. We are looking for alternative ways to communicate this with parents.

Headteacher's monitoring of uniform of students in KS4: 3 girls had short skirts resulting in them receiving their education in inclusion; 4 students were wearing jewellery which was confiscated.

Headteacher's drop-ins this week will look at exercise books at KS3. Please have books available in classrooms.

Events for Week 4th October – 8th October

Tuesday

Miss Jenkins and Mr Frasle meeting with Local Authority representative in Asset Management meeting 9.00-12.30

Miss Goodwin and Mr Stevenson to Callington School and Community College with Year 7/8 boys for Boys' Dance Project 9.00-12.30

Staff Meeting 3.30-4.30

Thursday

Mr Keveth to Change School Planning Meeting at Kingsley village, from 12.30

Friday

Mr Damerell to meet with Dr Evans (Chair of Governors) re: exam statistics

Clubs/activities for students

Monday

1.25 Peer mentors meeting room 008

1.30 ballet club – dance studio – all welcome

1.30 Comedy club for years 7 and 9 – drama studio

1.30 School Council Meeting – Room 112

Tuesday

1.30 art club – art room

Wednesday

1.30 lower school drama club – years 7 and 8 – drama studio

Friday

1.30 upper school drama club for years 10 and 11

Professional Meetings for Staff off site

Thursday

Miss Gray to NASUWT Conference (Young Members Advisory Committee) all day

Friday

Mrs Hallworth to 'Leading Languages, Raising Achievement' – Newquay – all day