

TQEA WEEKLY NEWS

Friday 18th December Issue 15

Dear Parents/Carers,

This newsletter was intended to be one in which I shared with you our academy Christmas card and thanked you profusely for your support in what has been a challenging year.

You will have received a letter yesterday detailing the government's announcement yesterday afternoon about the staggered start to next term.

The academy will be open on January 4th for Year 11, children of key workers and vulnerable children (including those without devices). Years 7-10 that do not fall into the above categories will attend lessons remotely from home.

In the letter I have detailed that on Monday 4th January lessons will be posted in your child's Microsoft Teams folder at the time of the lesson as per timetable. From Tuesday students will be sent an invite to attend their lessons live and their teacher will teach them through Microsoft Teams.

Registrations at 8:45 am will be on Microsoft Teams and will be live with the tutor. This is for the tutor to register, do well being checks and ensure that students are able to engage with their learning.

The remote lesson timetable is slightly different in that:-

Registration with tutors (live):- 8:45 am

Period 1 – 9:15 am

Period 2 – 10:15 am

Period 3 – 11:35 am

Period 4 – 12:35 pm

Period 5 – 2:15 pm

This is to facilitate the fact that teachers will be still teaching face to face in the academy for Year 11 and as well as teaching remotely for all other years.

Please contact us if your child is struggling to engage in lessons due to technical issues. If your child is not engaging in learning, we will be in touch to inform you.

All that remains, is for me to wish you a Merry Christmas and a wonderful 2021!

Have a great weekend with your families.

N.Harding

Principal

TQEA is committed to providing our young people with an extraordinary education in a safe environment.



As previously noted in the Principal's end of term letter from Mr Harding you were informed about Class Charts our parent app and given your log in details. Class Charts is where you will be able to see important information about your child's behaviour (rewards and sanctions) and attendance. Through the Class Charts app, you will also receive email notifications if your child receives a same day detention for 30 or 60 minutes. It is important that you download this app in order to receive this information. If you have any issues with this, please do not hesitate in contacting your child's Head of Year. Login details have being re sent out this week for those parents who have not yet accessed the app.

Year 11 After School Revision Timetable 2020/2021: Is now up and running.

Week 1				
Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Self Study	Science & RE	English	History & Computer Science	PE & Statistics
Week 2				
Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Self Study	Engineering & Languages	Maths	Geography & Digital Lit	Media, Buisness & Drama

Feel Good Friday

Some Entertainment during these uncertain times
This week's quiz is our Christmas quiz. Click on the link below to join.



FGF Christmas Quiz
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Warwickshire Police Cadet Recruitment Opens 1st Jan to 1st March 2021

**You need to live or go to
School in Warwickshire**

**You need to be aged 13 -16
On or before 1st September 2021**

**Download the application form at
Warwickshire Police
Website/Careers/Police Cadets**

Visit Facebook/twitter or our website for more information about the cadets



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www.warwickshire.police.uk/cadets

Exciting Opportunity

Warwickshire Police Cadets is a volunteer scheme for young people who wish to be part of a year programme that offers an opportunity to gain a practical understanding of policing and develop their spirit of adventure and good citizenship. Recruitment is open from 1st January to 28th February 2021, the application form can be downloaded from Warwickshire Police website, press career tab, then the cadet tab and download the application form. To become a Warwickshire Police Cadet, you must live or go to school in Warwickshire, aged 13 to 16 years old on September 1st 2021. The aim of the scheme is to support Warwickshire Police's strategy of engagement with young people throughout the force area. Cadets support local policing priorities through volunteering, working with partner agencies and positive participation in their communities. They take part in a variety of activities including self-defence training, law inputs, marching, fitness, team building, role playing and Outdoor events.

Cadets can gain an insight into police life through talks by guest speakers from different departments and agencies and by taking part in local community policing events. Police cadets are a family where discipline, friendship and team work are all important. If you become a police cadet, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that as a young person you are making a difference to your community and developing yourself for any future career. In return we ask you to commit to attend the weekly meetings and commit to voluntary hours per quarter. We have two units in Warwickshire, one in Nuneaton that covers North Warwickshire and one in Leamington Spa which covers South Warwickshire. We have a junior scheme for Cadets aged 13 to 16 years still at secondary school and a senior scheme for cadets aged 16 to 18 years. To apply to become senior cadets you must currently be a year 11 student when applying and would be a cadet for 2 years, whilst in further education. Seniors Cadets aged between 16 to 18 years old meet every Thursday evening in Nuneaton between 6.15pm and 9.00pm, we also ask that you do 3 hours volunteering per month as part of the scheme. Junior Cadets aged between 13 to 16 years old meet every Tuesday evening in Nuneaton between 6.15pm – 8.30pm.

HEAD OF YEAR

Special Recognition

Congratulations Year 7 for working hard to improve our positive achievement points! Here are the top students from each tutor group last week:

7A – Emerson Smith

7B – Jack Cressey & Fiona Whitehead

7C – Corey Smith & Alfie Turner

7D – Cherry Thompson

7E – Jack Thirlaway

Keep up the Good Work!

Christmas Shoebox and Pudding Appeal

We would like to say a huge thank you to all our parents, students who have donated and supported our Christmas shoebox and our pudding appeal. We are overwhelmed by your generosity.



Principals Pick of the Week

As I mentioned last week, I am very excited to announce my appointed Senior Leadership Team.

We had a fifty applicants to fill six roles and I'm pleased to announce them as:

Head Boy: Jay Rice

Deputy Head Boy's: Bobby Bendle, Matty Wraxton & Lewis Douglas

Head Girl: Alex-Mae Taylor

Deputy Head Girl's: Bethany Dicken, Kacey Summers & Tiegan Evans

I am really excited about seeing the changes they can make.

Christmas Jumper Day

Today at TQEA we have celebrated Christmas Jumper day. Staff and students have donated a £1 to show off their festive attire. Here are some of the wonderful examples.



Here comes the bride...

We would like to offer our congratulations to Miss Poole who is getting married tomorrow 19th December.





We would like to wish all our students and their families a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Year 7 Science Homework Club

Year 7 Science Homework Club – Room 209 (Library)
Every Thursday after school starting at 15:05 for an hour.
Starting on 7th January 21.



Data offer from Vodafone



We have been sent 20 data only SIM cards from Vodafone to support access to remote learning for school.

The can be used on any network if the phone is unlocked.

If you feel this would benefit your child for the first week back in January, please contact the school. If we have a large response we will not have enough for everyone and priority will be given to Year 10 and 11 students.



Important Notice for Parents

Please read this letter regarding the recent government announcement regarding the return to school after Christmas. This letter is also available to read on our website and on our facebook page.

<https://tgea.attrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/January-start-date-covid-update-Dec-20.pdf>

Spare time over the Christmas Break?

If you have spare time over the Christmas break and want to top up your knowledge and skills in English and Maths to get ahead next term.

Invicta National Academy are offering online lessons with a qualified teacher to support. These are for years 7-11 and there is a cost of £3.50 unless you are in receipt of FSM or Pupil Premium funding for school.

If interested please visit
<https://www.invictaacademy.com/winter-catch-up>



Winter Catch-Up 2020

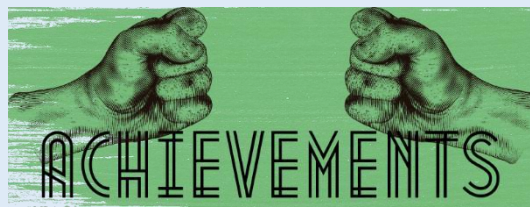


The team at Invicta National Academy not only wants to play a part in the nation's educational recovery but to be central to it. If you want children to be catch up we need more than **above and beyond** what they are already being offered.

That means that **additional provision** will be key to getting children back where they started in their learning before lockdown.

Our lessons are primarily focused on the core skills of English and Mathematics and new skills. They are designed to follow a progression of skills in each subject. The flow can partly scheduled the sequence to complement learning in school following the National Curriculum, as well as remedial key skills to develop confidence and encourage a greater depth of learning.





Student Achievements for week 7th December – 13th December

Top Year 7 Students

Fiona Whitehead – 7B 45 points
Jack Cressey – 7B 45 points
Jack Thirlaway – 7E 44 points
George Coyle – 7B 43 points

Top Year 8 Students

Julia Balasa – 8B 27 points
Baye Cooke – 8B 24 points
Samantha Hauley-Housden – 8D 24 points
Chloe Shemmans – 8B 22 points

Top Year 9 Students

Scarlet Thompson -9C 31 points
Ethan King – 9E 28 points
Taylor Gore – 9E 24 points

Top Year 10 Students

Tiegan Evans – 10E -46 points
Dylan Fowler – 10D- 42 points
Matty Wraxton – 10B- 33 points

Top Year 11 Students

Hanah Wright – 11C 26 points
Larissa Phillips – 11C 15 points
Mckenzie Barry – 11C 15 points
Elliot Beale – 11C 15 points
Charlie Burden – 11C 15 points
Robbie Cole – 11C 15 points
Max Murray – 11C 15 points
Dean Pinnegar – 11C 15 points
Darcy Wright – 11C 15 points



Top 3 Tutor Groups of the Week

Year 7B – 840 points
Year 7D – 669 points
Year 7E – 484 points

Top 3 Tutor Groups of the Year to date

Year 7D – 4482 points
Year 8A – 4004 points
Year 17B – 3642 points

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!!



Is your child eligible?

One of the effects of the COVID 19 Pandemic is the changes to our home and financial situations.

If your financial situation has changed and you receive of any of the following your child may be able to get free school meals;

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

If your child is in any of the following categories, the school extra funding through the Pupil Premium programme which to provide additional support and resources to benefit your education at TQEA:



can apply for will enable us child's

- In receipt of Free School Meals
- A looked after child
- A previously looked after child
- A child with a parent currently serving in HM Armed Forces.
- A child with a parent who is retired with a pension from Ministry of Defence.
- A child who has been adopted

If any of the above situations applies to your family due to a change in circumstances and we are not already aware, please contact the school and we can assist you further.

Families who are already in receipt of Free school meals and Pupil Premium funding will shortly be receiving a survey from TQEA to assist with our support package this year. We would be grateful if you could complete the survey and return to the school.



Every Family and Student of TQEA should be achieving an attendance of 96% or higher.

This week's attendance per year group:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
90.5	88.8	86.9	90.3	90.1
Top form in each year group this week				
7D	8D	9B	10D	11E

We would also remind you that failure to secure a child's regular attendance at school may be a criminal offence under Section 444(1) or 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996 which makes it clear that it is parents responsibility to ensure their child's attendance at the school at which they are on roll. Failure to ensure attendance may result in a referral to the Warwickshire Attendance Service which could result in prosecution.

[This year there is a change to our attendance approach. There will be incentives for the students and families alongside amendments to our non-attendance policy.](#)

Incentives

Every week

Form competition - Tub of chocolates for form with the highest % for the week

Monthly

Best form from each year group will have a continental breakfast during Friday form time.

Every half term

100% for half term = Chocolate and Certificate to every student who achieves this, plus phone call home from SLT to congratulate.

25 Day challenge (last 5 weeks of every half term)

Every student who achieves 100% during the 25 days will; Enter a year group voucher prize draw. 1st prize = £20 2nd prize = £15

Whole school prize voucher = £100

Once we are allowed to (post covid) Prize draw for 1 student from each year group plus a friend of choice to have a pizza party on last Friday of the half term.

PA / Low attendance family's incentive

Family incentive award – gift card / voucher for family use if attendance improves by set amount

Procedure for Non – Attendance

More than 2 late arrivals in a week will result in a 30-minute detention on a Friday afternoon

We expect parents to call us each day of an absence before 9am (even if we know it is a long term absence)

If we don't hear from parents within 15 minutes of register closing, they will be sent a text to contact us urgently.

We will continue to call home for any parent who has not contacted us until we speak to them (including work numbers).

A Medical note will be requested for any absence exceeding 3 days. We no longer accept a prescription as evidence of medical reason.

