

TQEA WEEKLY NEWS

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Dear Parents/Carers

This week has seen the launch of our Year 11 extended day revision programme as detailed in last weeks' newsletter. It is important to us that these sessions are well planned and of really high quality to start preparing year 11 for the examinations next summer. I am pleased to say that attendance was very strong and the sessions visited were superb. A copy of the timetable is included again in this newsletter and I urge you to support your child by ensuring they attend. Research shows that students that attend sessions such as these do achieve at least a grade better than students who do not attend.

As you will be aware the press is rife with stories of schools having to close bubbles due to confirmed Co vid cases. Obviously, we have all the safety measures in place to limit the risk of transmission in the academy, but are also contingency planning to deliver a "blended" learning approach if required. This will be an approach where we deliver live lessons to classes via a video learning platform such as Teams and ensure students have resources and access to online learning. We are also working to support families that may need support with devices to ensure their child can work at home. Of course, we hope it never happens, but it would also be remiss of us not to prepare fully for any eventuality. In order to help us further can you please ask your child, as we have been doing, to observe school safety measures and also government guidance outside of the academy in terms of avoiding "huddles" and waiting at bubble entrances.

Can I also thank parents for sending their child to school in the correct uniform with particular reference to wearing acceptable footwear. It is well researched that high standards of uniform lead to high standards of conduct, pride, effort and, ultimately, achievement of students. My vision is clear that I want TQEA students to have an outstanding education, with the highest possible standards, in order for them to achieve their dreams and compete with any student in any field globally. Thank you for your continued support with this and, working together, we can achieve the very best for your child.

Finally, we have been acutely aware of the pressures that have faced our young people during these unprecedented and challenging times. Our learning support team has been absolutely amazing in helping our students prior to the summer and since we have returned. I am grateful that we also secured funding to extend our counselling provision which will be in place to give our young people all the support they need to meet the challenges they face.

Have a safe, restful weekend everyone!

Mr Harding

Principal

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

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

Year 11 English Revision

This week kicked off the year 11 revision sessions for English. Taking place every Wednesday week 1, we started with a viewing of the BBC production of 'An Inspector Calls.' The event was well attended by a vast majority of year 11.

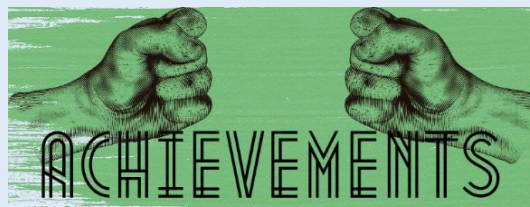
This has been a phenomenal opportunity to pupils to see the play they have been studying acted out to give them a broader understanding of the text. It was also excellent to hear the pupils discussing the central ideas and themes of the play.

We in the English Department can't wait to see year 11 again for the next revision session.



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.



Student Achievements for week 3/9-11/9

Top Year 7 Students

George Coyle- 7B 8 points
Evan Povey – 7D 8 points
Jasmine Bladek – 7E 7 points
Leo Mckerlie – 7A 7 points
Mabel Smith – 7E 7 Points

Top Year 9 Students

Aden Kerr - 9E 5 points
Tyler Hall - 9B 4 points
Leevi Harris - 9E 4 points
Jack Holt - 9B 4 points
Kai James - 9D 4 points
Catherine O'Donovan - 9A 4 points
Lily Slinn - 9E 4 points
Libby Stanton - 9E 4 points

Top Year 11 Students

Ellison Bartlam - 11D 14 points
Dean Pinnegar – 11C 14 points
Oliver Nicholson – 11D 8 points
Evelyn Philpott – 11E 8 points

Top Year 8 Students

Chloe Shemmans - 8B 7 points
Baye Cooke - 8B 6 points
Logan Money - 8E 6 points
Kejsi Muca - 8E 6 points

Top Year 10 Students

Alfie Parker - 10A 16 points
Amy Deeming 10B 12 points
Elizabeth Porter 10B 12 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 income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not benefits you get)



household including any

If your child is in any of the following categories, the school can apply for extra funding through the Pupil Pupil Premium programme which will enable us to provide additional support and resources to benefit your child's education at TQEA:

- 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
94.63	90.29	89.81	93.03	91.55

Top form in each year group this week				
7A	8A	9B	10B	11C

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

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.

