



WEEKLY BULLETIN

Friday 3 November

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This Week

On **Tuesday 31 October** there was an event in school entitled '**Your Choice**' for **Y9** students. This was funded by the police/council and included a two hour session with guest speakers reflecting on their lives and covering issues of gangs, knives, racism, extremism and child sexual exploitation. The speakers' presentations were described as inspirational and have proven to leave the students considering their future choices.

The **Y7 nurture group** started a project funded through Quad this week. Yesterday they had a brilliant trip to the **Peak District** to work with a team from the Quad. They created their own mini worlds for monsters using amazing technology in the beautiful surroundings of the Peak District. They also created their own special sounds



and noises using equipment and state of the art technology that the team had with them. It was an amazing experience for everybody. The project will continue with workshops at **Quad** and in school.



Also on **Thursday, Learning Unlimited** came into school to discuss apprenticeships with some of our **Y11s**.

Learning Unlimited is a social enterprise, working with FE colleges, charities, and other third sector organisations, prisons, schools, children's centres, unions, libraries, museums and workplace settings.

Homework club is running after school (3:10 - 4:00) on Tuesdays and Thursdays in N17.

Today, we had **Ellis Pugh** in from **Geldards Law** firm to launch a **school debate competition** and to talk about his career.

For **Ys 10 & 11**, there is **NHS Careers Evening tonight 5.30-8.00pm** looking at the wide variety of roles within the NHS. Entrance 14 at Royal Derby Hospital in the Education Theatre.



Next Week

Over the next two weeks, **Y8s** will have visits from Vicki Spink and Charlotte Wisson, Widening Access workers from **Why Go To University**, with an introductory University assembly to **Y7** on **Friday 10 November**.

Next **Tuesday, 7 November**, students on the **D&T GCSE course** are visiting **Ikea at Giltbrook Retail Park, Nottingham** in order to analyse a large range of manufactured products. Please return consent forms asap.

Our **Y10 Parent/Carer Consultation Evening** is on **Tuesday 7 November**. The evening will be based around GCSE and exam information and how you can support your Y10 child through Key Stage 4. Please make an effort to come along.

On **9 November from 6—7 pm**, we are holding our **Awards Evening** for last year's Y11.

We are commemorating **Remembrance Day** on **Friday 10 November**. Eric Naden, Old Centaur and British Legion member, will lead the silence and give the eulogy. If your child is in the Cadets etc, please could they bring their uniforms in for the ceremony.

Dates for your diary

On **Thursday 16 November**, all **Y10 students** are attending the **Skills Show at the NEC**. This event is the UK's biggest skills and careers event. Students will be able to get up to date information on apprenticeships, training courses and employment and also have the opportunity to try out various skills themselves. The trip has been partly funded by Skills Show and the University of Derby so there is no cost to parents/carers.

Some of our female students have been invited to take part in **the UK Space Design Challenge**, with students designing a space settlement to a given Request for Proposal. These one day events take place in regions across the UK mainly at university venues on Saturdays in November. The Challenge will take place on **Saturday 25 November** at the **University of Derby**. This is a fantastic opportunity for some of our students. The ultimate prize is a trip for a team of 24 students to NASA at the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida. If your daughter receives a letter, please return the consent form as soon as possible.

ATTENDANCE

Winning tutor group for each year for this week:

Year 7 – 7SM – 98%

Year 8 – 8LH – 98.9%

Year 9 – 9GO – 98.1%

Year 10 – no year 10 tutor group achieved above 95%

Year 11 – 11MB – 100%

Congratulations to 11MB for receiving 100% attendance this week. Well done 😊