

Toynbee



04 February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Children's Mental Health Week

7th – 13th February is Children's Mental Health week. This year the theme is growing together and we are taking part through a series of activities that will be run in tutor time and around the school. We will explore the theme of personal growth and spend some time thinking about act of kindness which will help others to grow.

This week is also a great opportunity to remind pupils and parents of the support available to them if they are struggling. In school they are welcome to speak to their tutor or guidance managers or come over to learning support and see Mrs Hill or the LSAs. We run a number of small group and 1-2-1 interventions in school and if you need any more information about these please contact Mrs Hill or the Guidance team.

External to school there are a number of agencies that we can make referrals, including CAMHS [CAMHS \(hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk\)](http://CAMHS(hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk)) who have a great range of advice and materials on their website.

There are also online methods for receiving support which are often a much quicker route to help. We highly recommend Kooth - [Home - Kooth](#) where young people are able to chat with a team of professionals as well as access articles, discussion boards and a daily journal.

There are also a number of APPs that pupils who are struggling might be interested in – information about these apps and other websites can be found at the web address below: [HOME | CAMHS Resources \(camhs-resources.co.uk\)](#)

We hope the pupils have a great week and are looking forward to seeing what they produce in their activities!

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Year 7

Hello!

I just wanted to wish Year 7 lots of luck for their CAT4 assessments next week. There may be some who are worried about the tests, please reassure those who are that they just need to do their best and that is all we ask. I will be around during the week to support and answer any questions.

Well done to Brandon and Sky who have been awarded the Model Pupil of the Week award.

A huge congratulations to Ben who is the first pupil in the year group to reach the 150 achievement points target. Here he is receiving his special badge from the headteacher. Well done, Ben!



Thank you, also, to Jessica, Ben, Harry and Eli for conducting a tour of the school to external visitors. Mr Lawrence and I were so impressed with their confidence and mature approach. If there are any pupils who would like to do a tour at the next available opportunity, please let me know!

Please can I politely remind you that chewing gum is not permitted in school. If you can speak at home about this, it would be really appreciated. Additionally, please can hoodies be left at home, too.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I am always happy to support.

Thank you and take care.

Mrs Vallance, Year 7 Guidance Manager

Year 7 CAT4 Assessments

Next week will see our Year 7s undergo a series of assessments called CAT4 Assessments. These are nationally recognised assessments that will provide us with further information about the abilities and potential of pupils. Primary schools have provided us with Teacher-Assessed Grades from last year,

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but we want to supplement that with further data, especially in the absence of the Key Stage 2 SATs results.

With the cancellation of SATs last year, this has meant that we have had to investigate alternative forms of standardised national data and, like many other secondary schools, we have chosen to use CAT4 Assessments (Cognitive Ability Testing). The data from these multiple forms of assessment, that crucially are standardised nationally, will provide us with some robust data on which to base our projected outcomes for pupils on. CAT4 is an assessment of developed abilities in areas known to make a difference to learning and achievement – verbal reasoning, non-verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning, and spatial reasoning – and provides schools with an accurate analysis of potential pupil outcomes.

Each Year 7 pupil will sit three digital assessments, each lasting 45 minutes, and these will be carried out in the week of 7th to 11th February. During this week, each tutor group will come off timetable for three lessons and sit the assessments ensuring that we can test the whole year group in that week. It is important that all pupils sit these tests, but I do not want any pupil to worry about them. These assessments require no prior knowledge on any subject; they require pupils to simply focus on a set of questions that will test the areas highlighted above.

To support Year 7 in preparing for these tests, we put the following video together that you are more than welcome to watch.

https://www.loom.com/share/3f877b0fabb14dea8b83c320edfb3ae3?sharedAppSource=personal_library

As mentioned in the video, if pupils could bring in head or earphones for their tests, it would be most appreciated.

Mr A. Kerwood

Year 8

Year 8 have had a positive start to 2022, I know many have been poorly & I am hoping that everyone gets back to full health soonest.

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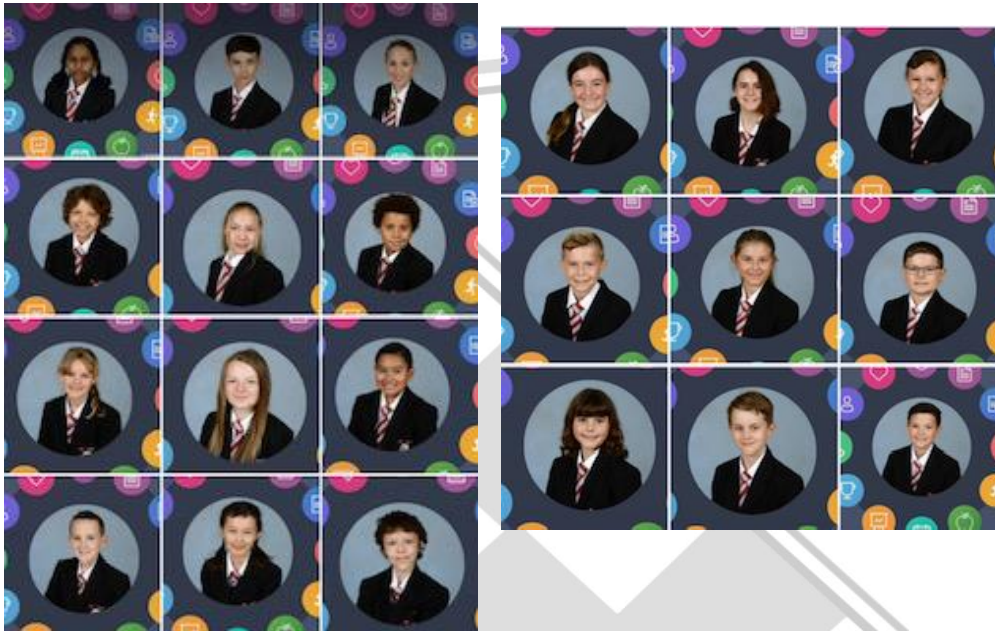
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We have been working on respectful behaviour & what this looks like. The pupils have had some great feedback from Toynbee staff on how they are putting this into practice.

I have taken this opportunity to highlight & celebrate some of the pupils who show high levels of respect to each other, staff & the school site. Well, done to you all you're a credit to Year 8



We also continue to have fortnightly BLUE BAND pupils nominated by staff for reasons ranging from Brilliance in science to much improved focus 😊

Well done to Logan 8PH Callum 8HA Gabby 8PH Maddie 8TU Fia 8TU Esteban 8TI

Alfie 8WS Matthew 8PH Kwaku 8TI Amude 8PH Henry 8TI Hamza 8PH Nathan 8TI Evie 8WS Maycie 8LK Leah 8LK Dan 8PI

I have really enjoyed being part of the PHSCE lessons with Mrs T. The pupils tackled the sensitive subjects with maturity & engaged fully in the process. I will be looking at the results of the survey closely to enable us to know what to focus on next. Thank you to the parents that also completed the survey.

As ever please don't hesitate to contact me with any concern or worries.

Miss Murchie

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Pupil breakfast

On Thursday the Senior Leadership Team invited a small group of pupils to a breakfast to congratulate them on their achievements so far this year in school. All of the pupils that attended have been given the highest grades for Attitude and Achievement in their lessons in the Autumn term. It was lovely to be able to reward them for all of their hard work and hope to see a bigger group at a breakfast next term!



History Club

History Club continues this week by looking at the US Civil Rights Movement, and the comparisons that can be made with the British Civil Rights Movement, especially the Bristol Bus Boycott. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Mr People

Lunchtime Art Club

There is a Lunchtime Art Club for KS4 pupils at pupils every week at 1.30pm – 2pm on Monday, Tuesday and Friday in T1. Please come along if you are interested!

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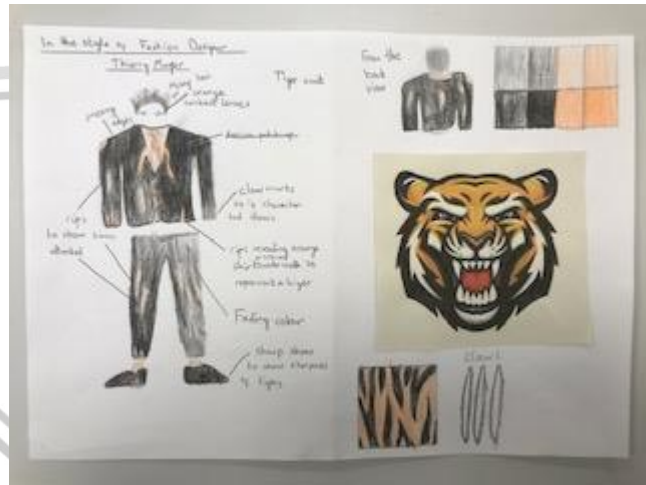
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Art

We have been celebrating the beauty of Chinese New Year this week in the Art department. Year 8 Art students have been inspired by the vibrant costumes influencing their own costume designs. Keep up the good work Year 8!



Year 8 Eddie Dominy 8Y4

Calling all Toynbee Artists! The deadline is closing soon for the Barton Peveril Art Competition 2022. Students can enter one piece online. Good luck everyone!



The rules and guidelines for this year are as follows from Barton Peveril College: Any pupil in years 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 can submit their artwork. They do not need to study art at school to submit a piece of artwork. Pupils who enter have the chance to win amazon gift cards, with first place and two runners up being awarded in each category. Entries can be of artwork in any medium, discipline, or theme, completed either in school or at home. Work submitted must be original and created by the student. The completion opens on the 4th of January 2022 and the deadline for entries is 11th March 2022 (a shorter submission deadline than last year) For more information about the competition and how to submit, visit: <https://www.barton-peveril.ac.uk/artcompetition/>

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Culture Club

Yesterday, at Culture Club we celebrated Chinese New Year. 2022 is the year of the tiger. Pupils brought in a selection of Asian food to celebrate.

Everyone that attended was gifted a red envelop with chocolate coins inside, which is a traditional gift for Chinese New Year. Culture club is after school every Thursday, we have lots of fun and do different activities every week so please come along.

Have a lovely weekend, Miss Heron



Music

It has been fantastic to see so many pupils at extra-curricular music clubs so far this term. It is not too late to join, just come along!

Toynbee Extra-Curricular Music!

Monday Lunchtime Year 7 & 8 Boomwhacker Club

An easy and fun music club using plastic tubes that you hit on chairs! All welcome. Music 1.

Monday 3pm-3:35pm GCSE Music Drop In

For any GCSE music students to come and use the macs for composition work, or to have extra support with theory. Music 1.

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Tuesday 8am–8:30am Ukulele Group

For all year groups, no experience necessary. School ukuleles available to use. Music 1.

Tuesday 3pm-4pm Rock Band

For all year groups. Drum, guitar, bass guitar, keyboard/piano players and singers. Music 2.

Tuesday 4pm-5pm Music Theory

For any pupils wanting to learn about music and take the Grade 5 Theory exam. Useful for GCSE music students. A fee is

payable, and spaces are limited. See Miss Parrott or Ms Osborn for more information. Music 1.

Thursday 8:15-9am Show Chorus

A choir for all year groups and abilities singing a variety of genres. No audition, just come along if you like singing! Music 2.

Thursday 3pm-4pm Show Case

A choir for all year groups singing a variety of genres. You will need to be part of show chorus and audition for this group. Music 2.

Tuesday 3pm–4pm Toynbee Band

For all year groups. Woodwind, brass, string, percussion players of any standard. We play a mix of genres including classical, pop, jazz and film music. Music 1.

Friday Lunchtime Year 7 & 8 Keyboard Club

For any year 7 and 8 pupils who want to come and use the mac computers out of class time to learn songs of their choice on the keyboard. Music 2

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Toynbee PE Department

WC 7th Feb	Early Clubs Breakfast 7:45am	After School 3pm-4:30pm	Fixtures Full details on team notice boards Captains to check teams
Monday	BADMINTON 7,8 Recreational TU	RUGBY Boys 7,8 TU M DANCE All DG FOOTBALL Girls JRP VOLLEYBALL All FR	
Tuesday	TRAMPOLINE £ Southampton TC coach Registered students	RUGBY Girls All TU DG FOOTBALL Boys 7 TR BASKETBALL £ Boys 8,9,10,11 Kestrels coach, LG DANCE GCSE Choreography- Year 11 only DG	U15 GIRLS RUGBY FESTIVAL (A) TU Y10 BOYS FOOTBALL (A) FR
Wednesday		FOOTBALL Boys 8 JRP early finish due to home fixture CRICKET NETS 7,8,9 TR SQUASH £ All pre-registered pupils LG/DG MINDFULNESS £ pre-registered pupils RM	Y7 BOYS INDOOR ATHLETICS (A) FR Y7 GIRLS INDOOR ATHLETICS (A) FR
Thursday	BADMINTON 8,9,10,11 FR Recreational	NETBALL All WD HJ DANCE GCSE DG RUNNING CLUB All FR	Y7 BOYS FOOTBALL (H) JRP/TR PARALYMPIC SPORTS TASTER DAY (A)
Friday	BASKETBALL 7,8 FR	HOCKEY All FR HIGH VIS VI students & guests LD HS	

Results/Announcements

Last week's results

- U13 girls district badminton champ – **Winners**
- U13 boys badminton friendly – L
- Y10 boys district league football – D
- U13 girls Hampshire school games qualifier – district round **4th place**
- Y10 boys friendly 'B' football – L
- U15 girls Hampshire cup cricket 1st round south group - **3rd place**

Announcements

- 111 fixtures across 10 sports** completed this year.
- 57% of the pupils** have attended at least one club or fixture
- £ = club led by external coach and therefore involves a cost
- 96% of Y7 AND Y8 achieved a **PERSONAL BEST** in the cross country race at the end of their running module of work.

Timetable

Next week is WEEK B on your lesson timetables.



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LET'S TALK: MENTAL HEALTH
Online Workshops for Students in Years 10 - 13

9 February 2022 16:30 - 18:00

In the current climate, it is more important than ever that we support children and young people's mental health. That's why we at Solent University are teaming up with Hampshire's leading mental health charity, Solent Mind, to offer a series of free mental health workshops to support young people, their parents and carers and the education practitioners that engage with them on a daily basis.

This 90 minute workshop will focus on reinforcing positive thinking habits and developing resilience. It will explore emotional resilience, how to be a supportive friend, healthy sleeping patterns, coping skills for dealing with anger, anxiety, exam stress and where to find help. The session will culminate in a 30-minute Q&A panel with representatives from Solent Minds, the Southern Universities Network and the Solent University Support Team.

Register: <https://gck.fm/wmwwq>

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LET'S TALK: MENTAL HEALTH
Online Workshops for Parents, Carers and Special Guardians

7 February 2021 18:00 - 19:30

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This 90 minute session will help parents gain an understanding of mental health and wellbeing and how someone experiencing mental ill health might feel. We'll also examine ways of maintaining our own mental health and wellbeing.

The session will culminate in a 30-minute Q&A panel with representatives from Solent Minds, Bitterne Park Sixth Form and the Solent University Support Team.

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