

# Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

Monday 19th - Friday 23rd March 2012: Week A

#### Thought For The Week:

Misfortunes often sharpen the genius - Ovid

We had many outstanding candidates for **Head Girl/Head Boy** this year, so it has been a particularly difficult decision. Congratulations to all the candidates who really excelled themselves throughout the whole application process. The new roles will officially start on June  $1^{st}$ , once Year 13 go on study leave. In the meantime they will work alongside David, Jess and the current team.





#### The team for 2012 -2013 will be:

- Head Girl Coral Norton
- Head Boy- Jack Radford
- Deputy Head Girl Emily Clifford
- Deputy Head Boy James Bonney

We will also be creating some new roles - Events Organisers (Social/Charity/Sport etc.) and Learning Leaders (mentoring/working with years 7-11 etc.). Exact roles will be defined over the next few weeks and students will be appointed to the positions. Miss Swan, Jess, David and I will be meeting with the new team very soon to start planning the additional roles for next year and there will be plenty of opportunity for students to become involved in supporting roles. More information will be provided shortly. Mrs Karanja.

Library database now online! You can now access the school's library database Eclipse.net through your area in My Highcliffe. Go to the library section and here you can see what current loans you have out. If they are in red then they are overdue and need to be returned as soon as possible. From here you can search the library catalogue for books and websites relevant to your



research/topic needs. Plus read about the new books in stock, book reviews by other students, authors' corner and videos, top ten books and all the library news. Look on the information screens around the school for further information.



Our Japanese friends will be arriving... On Monday afternoon we will be welcoming a delegation of three students and one member of staff from our Japanese partner school, Johoku. They will be in school from Tuesday morning and will depart on Sunday  $1^{\rm st}$  April. As per usual, they will be attending lessons with their "buddies", contributing to some classes both in school

and at feeder schools, and enjoying some trips outs. The names of the students are: Masahiko Kawamoto, Rintaro Mishima and Takahiro Mori. They will be staying with Jessica and Megan Kydd-Coutts, Abigail Clarke-Jones and Oliver Jackson

respectively. Their teacher is Mr Wood. Please give them a warm Highcliffe welcome. Have a go at saying "Hello!" to them in Japanese. This is "Konnichi-wa". Thank you. Mr Bryden.



**Instrumental Music Lessons:** The money for instrumental lessons needs to be handed in by the <u>23<sup>rd</sup> March</u> to ensure your place is secure for next term.

If you are interested in taking instrumental lessons, you need to give your name, and the instrument you wish to learn, to the Student Support Office. You will then be given a letter that you will need to fill out and hand in to the Finance Office along with your cheque.

Please remember that there is a waiting list for some instruments, and so all lessons, whether you currently take them or not, operate on a first-come-first-served basis.

Instruments that you could learn are:

Electric and acoustic guitar	Drums	Piano
Bass guitar	Flute	Saxophone
Clarinet	Trumpet	Trombone
Voice		



Please can all students ensure that they have a **drinks bottle** with them in school. The sun is out and it is important to keep hydrated. Dehydration can lead to headaches and lack of concentration. Drinks are available in the canteen at lunchtime, at the water fountains and if necessary in the Medical Room. The easiest solution though is to have your own supply with you. Thank you. Mrs Thompson.

Year 10 Science Double Award students: You have your 2 hour write up for your final Science GCSE controlled assessment for this year coming up for all Year 10 double award students on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March during periods 1&2. As usual please make sure that you have all stationary in a clear plastic bag/case including a black pen and spare, calculator, pencil, ruler and rubber. Please ensure you do not bring your mobile phone to the controlled assessment.

Most students (those doing Double Science) will be in the controlled assessment but two groups of students (those doing Triple Science) will be in normal lessons.

**Year 7 and 8 Drama Club:** There will be no Drama Club on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March as I am involved in the Rock Challenge performance at Bournemouth all day. I will see you all on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 1.20pm in the Performance Hall. Mrs McGrath.





### Performance of the Rock Challenge 2012 Entry

This year's theme: 'Reduce, Reuse, Recycle'



The Year 9 GCSE Dance and Expressive Arts students are performing in the Gym next week – lunchtime on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Please come along and support the students who will be performing at the Pavilion the following evening.

Entrance to the Gym 20p

## This is the last week to cash in merits this term!

Merits: Year 7, 8 & 9 students - don't forget to cash in your merits! Don't leave them in your planners! Get them cashed in by going along to the Library at lunchtime this week, and you could win a prize in the end of term assemblies!



Transport for young people in Dorset: The issue of transport for young people in Dorset is a priority for many young people and youth organisations across the county. To help understand and address the issue, Dorset Children's Trust is organising a Transport Summit on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2012 at Kingston Maurward College, Dorchester. The event will be held from 1.00pm until 4.00pm, with arrival and lunch from 12.30pm. Please note that this is in the Easter holiday.

Omar Sharif, who used to be a student here is one of the key organisers and would like Highcliffe School to be represented. Senior managers from the Children's Trust and from other departments in Dorset County Council will be present at the event. It is also hoped that there will be representatives from transport companies and organisations. The summit will consist of a number of sessions including workshops and a Question and Answer panel. If you are interested and would like to find out more, please see Mrs Stone.

#### MUSIC CLUBS

Guitar Club - Wednesday lunchtime @ 1.30pm in Ex2. This is for all guitarists at any level. If you can play a chord or more come along!

Jazz Band - Wednesday after school in Ex3 @ 3.15pm - 4.15pm

Theory Club - Thursday lunchtime @ 1.30pm in Ex6. This is for all GCSE/A level students who are requiring some extra help with Music Theory and their understanding of Music technology.

GCSE Coursework Support – Thursday after school @ 3.15pm – 4.15pm. For any students who wish to get support for their coursework and/or any other questions regarding GCSE Music.



Highcliffe Choir - Tuesday after school @ 3.15pm - 4.15pm.

Chamber Choir - Thursday after school @ 3.15pm - 4.15pm.

# P.E. FIXTURES/PRACTICES - Monday 19th - Friday 23rd March

Results		
6 <sup>th</sup> form Football tournament – 3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Year 9 Football vs Twynham - lost 1-3	
Year 7 rugby tournament - 3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Year 9 netball vs Ferndown – won	
Year 8 rugby tournament - runners up	Year 10/11 netball vs Ferndown - lost 3-8	
Year 9 rugby tournament - winners		

	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL
Monday	Year 7 Cricket Club	Year 10 Football vs St Peters (to be confirmed)
Tuesday	Year 10 Cricket Club	Year 10 Football semi-finals  Year 7 Football semi-finals  (Opponents and venues to be confirmed)
Wednesday		Years 10/11 netball v BCS (A) (MWR) Years 7-9 Netball Club (LSN)
Thursday	Year 8 Cricket Club	Year 8 netball v BCS (A) (MWR)  Year 9 netball v BCS (A) (MWR)  Year 8 Football semi-finals  (Opponents and venues to be confirmed)
Friday	Year 9 Cricket Club	Year 10 Football v St Peters (to be confirmed)

