



# Highcliffe School Student Bulletin

## Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> October: Week B

### General Notices



#### **The Big Walk Sponsorship Money**

This is a very important message to remind all students to bring their Big Walk sponsorship money to the Finance office as soon as possible. Payment can be made via Wisepay or by cheque. **Amount raised so far £10,393.20**

#### **Inset Day 3<sup>rd</sup> October**

Please note that on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October the school will be closed to students.

#### **Twilight Languages (SBS)**

Our Twilight Languages programme started this week, but it is *not* too late to enrol. The courses offered are “Talk French”, for learners with little or no knowledge of French (on Tuesdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm), “French Intermediate”, for those who have already grasped the basics of French (on Wednesdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm) and Japanese, which offers a fascinating insight into the Japanese language, writing system and culture (on Tuesdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm).

Please contact Mr Barnes, Mrs Walton or Mr Bryden on 01425 273381 for more information, or simply come along to the lessons and enrol when you arrive. The cost is £60 for adults (Highcliffe School staff no charge) and no charge for under 18s.

#### **Careers in Accountancy (KTR)**

PFK Francis Clarke are a national firm of chartered accountants and business advisors. Are you in Year 11, 12 or 13 and thinking of a career in tax or accountancy? If so, come along to their information evening to find out what they offer their trainees:

- Hear from their team about their experiences and the other facets of being an accountant
- Speak to some of their current trainee accountants on a one to one basis
- Find out more about their apprenticeship programmes
- Have a look around their Poole office

Where? PFK Francis Clarke, Towngate House, 2-8 Parkstone Road, Poole, BH15 1UF.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 6-8pm. Please see flyer attached to the bulletin.

### **Open Evening (MYP)**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October is our School Open Evening. Please get involved and help out! Get a letter from the teacher that you wish to help and return the parental reply slip to them.

### **Open evening tour guides -**

Thanks to all the students who have volunteered to help me welcome visitors to the school on Open Evening. When you arrive in school, please go to En1. If you are taking a 'First Tour', please arrive by 5.40pm; if you are taking a 'Second Tour', please arrive by 6.15pm. You will be allocated a small group of visitors to take round the school following a route which will be given to you. You must wear correct school uniform.

If you have not received a letter and still want to be part of this important team, please collect a letter from the Student Support Office, fill in the times you are available, get your parents to sign it and then hand it back to the Student Support office.

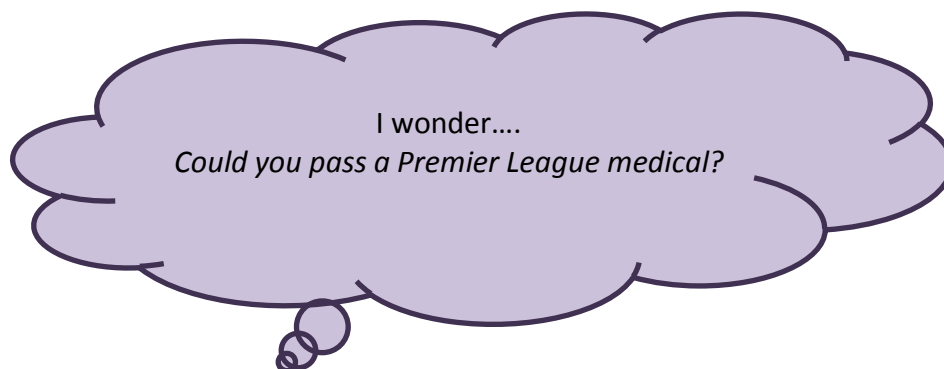
Before Thursday, please can we have **everything cleared off the tops of lockers** - anything left on the tops of lockers by Thursday after school will be removed.

Please remember that **school finishes at 2.00pm on Thursday**. Lessons 1 & 2 will be as normal; we will have an extended 'brunch' from 11.00am-11.45pm. Next will be lessons 3 & 4 and all students need to go to their tutor rooms at 1.45pm.

### **Lost Property (KTN)**

Please find below a list of unnamed lost property. Please collect from Mrs Thompson in Student Support.

Age 10/11 Black New Look coat with fur trimmed hood
Age 11/12 Blue Regatta rainmac
Size LB Black and Red Highcliffe Hawks coat
Age 11/12 Blue Pep&Co jacket, grey lining with faint name on label – Jack??
Large orange and brown Everlast Himalayan Extreme coat, check lining
Age 12/13 Blue Zoo blue coat with blue fur trimmed hood
Small blue jacket with gold zips



## Music

### **Music Clubs**

Our music clubs are open to all year groups.

	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>After school</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	Woodwind <b>Ex3</b>	Production
<b>Wednesday</b>	Theory <b>Ex5</b>	Choir + Choir Band <b>Ex3</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Ukulele + Guitar <b>Ex2</b>	Cubase/Coursework <b>Ex5</b> Concert Band <b>Ex3</b> (Grade 3 and above)
<b>Friday</b>	Jammin' Club <b>Ex2</b>	Staff Choir <b>Ex5</b>

### **Production lead role cast list**

**Seymour:** Matthew Trach

**Audrey:** Isabelle Whitlock

**Audrey 2:** Natasha Woods

**Mushnik:** Finlay Graham

**Orin:** Ben Caine

**Ronnettes:** Hannah Arkley, Aimee Armstrong, Lissy Copson, Jessica Dawson-King, Hester Earnshaw, Ellie Evans and Yasmin Kessel

**Interviewer:** Elliott Lucas and Verity Manley

**Customer:** Elena Larder

**Prologue:** Adam Brocklesby

**Audrey 2 'plant vines' Act 2:** Elena Larder, Verity Manley

**Chorus names will go up on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October.**

**ALL DANCERS** needed Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> for Open Evening.

**ALL CAST** will be given a rehearsal schedule on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October during rehearsal.

**ALL CAST** - Please make sure you are free to attend Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October for Open Evening (6pm-8pm) as we will be doing an open rehearsal. More details to follow.

**Please remember...**you have auditioned and shown a commitment that has impressed us so far. You must continue to show your commitment by showing up to rehearsals when you are needed. If you miss 2 without a valid reason (e.g. medical reason) you will jeopardise your position in the show.

**Whole-School Literacy**

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**When writing, are you using your best word?**

In your writing, you should be striving to use more precise and more formal vocabulary.

If your teacher asks you to change a word or phrase and improve it, this provides an opportunity for a

“Breakthrough Commendation”!

Match up the following.

Casual/informal word or phrase (Underlined)      Formal word or phrase

It will make the environment better.      Vulnerable

More jobs are up for grabs.      Improve

The creature is not safe in the wild.      employment opportunities are available

**Use the best word!**

**(and not just in writing – but in your classroom spoken responses too!)**

# My Help Live



**Extended Learning Time in our Learning Centres**

**Break and Lunchtime**  
Monday-Friday

LS1 11.00-11.20am  
LS1 13.30-13.55pm  
IT2 13.30-13.55pm

**After School**  
Monday-Thursday

Library 3.05-4.00pm  
IT2 3.05-4.00pm

## PE Notices

<b>FIXTURES/PRACTICES 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> October</b>		
	<b>LUNCHTIME (1.25-1.55pm)</b>	<b>AFTER SCHOOL (3.05-4.10pm)</b>
Tuesday	Years 10 & 11 Basketball Club (NJS) Year 7 Girls Rugby Club (WES)	Year 7 football Club (DHN) <b>Year 11 Football v Twynham (A) (NJS)</b> <b>Year 9 Football v Twynham (H) (JSS)</b> <b>U16 County Netball Tournament @ Budmouth (MWR/HWH) Leave 12pm</b>
Wednesday		Year 9 Football Club (JSS) Table Tennis Club – All years (NJS) Year 7 Netball Club (HWH) Year 10/11 Rugby Club (JDN) <b>Year 7 Football v Twynham (H) (SHM)</b> <b>Year 12/13 Football v Twynham (A) (SHM)</b> <b>Year 9 Netball v Arnewood (H) (MWR)</b> <b>Year 10 Netball v Arnewood (H) (MWR)</b>
Thursday	Year 7 Basketball Club (NJS)	Year 7 Rugby Club (JDN) <b>Year 8 Football v Twynham (H) (NJS)</b> <b>Year 10 Football v Twynham (A) (SHM)</b>
Friday	Year 8 Basketball Club (SHM)	

## Clubs and Revision Sessions

### **Biology Support sessions (RCN)**

A level Biologists are encouraged to check their email as there are a range of support sessions that are now ongoing for year 12 and year 13. Details of these have been sent to all A level classes. Please contact Mr Craven in SC12 if there are any questions regarding these.

### **Eco club (RCN)**

Eco club 2016 is up and running! We have started to clear the garden from last year in preparation for the next growing season. The Eco club meets every Thursday after school until 16:00. We meet in the garden if weather is clear, SC12 if it is wet! All lower school students are welcome to attend and learn how to grow their own food. Suitable outdoor clothing is essential and suitable footwear (wellington boots) highly recommended.



# Highcliffe School

## Twilight Language Programme

**Classes start:** Week beginning Monday 19th September and run until mid July

**Cost:** £60 adults, Under 18s no charge (Maximum group size of 30)

### Courses Offered:

**Talk French:** Tuesdays 3:30pm – 4:30pm

For learners with little or no previous knowledge of French. It will loosely follow the BBC Talk French programme. The tutor is Mrs Marianne Walton, a native speaker of French from Belgium. She has been a stalwart member of the Highcliffe Languages team for the last fourteen years.

**French Intermediate:** Wednesdays 3:30pm – 4:30pm

For learners who have already grasped the basics of French. It will loosely follow the BBC Talk French 2 programme. The course tutor is Mrs Marianne Walton (see above).

**Japanese:** Tuesdays or Wednesdays 3:30pm – 4:30pm (TBC)

A fascinating insight into the Japanese language, writing system and culture. The emphasis is on conversational skills, though other skills will be covered. The tutor is Mr David Bryden, who lived in Japan for ten years and has extensive knowledge of the country, its language and people. He also maintains strong links with Japan and has organised exchange visits for Highcliffe and Japanese students. If you attended last year, please feel free to enrol again – Mr Bryden will help you revise and extend your knowledge of Japanese whilst helping beginners to move quickly to a similar standard.

\*All classes and the staffing offered are dependent on sufficient numbers for the class to run.

Contact Mr Barnes at the school for more details.

Tel: 01425 273381

## **STEM Trip to Airkix**

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016, 13 students from years 8, 9 and 12 took part in an indoor skydiving trip linked to the STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Maths) initiative in school. The aim of the initiative and the trip, is to try and encourage more people into scientific careers regardless of whether they consider themselves to be a scientist or not. These industries need 1000's of people in all aspects research, development, marketing and product design to fulfil their employment shortfall every year! James Dyson was quoted as being able to employ every engineer in the UK every year and still not fill all the vacancies in his company!

The trip took place at AirKix, Basingstoke. Prior to stepping into the air tunnel, the students engaged in a presentation by Dr Angelo Niko Grubisic, a professional skydiver and lecturer at Southampton University.

Dr Angelo Niko Grubisic is the founder of the 'Icarus Project', which studies wing suits and the aerodynamics surrounding the subject. Dr Grubisic and two of his students gave up their time to give the group a further insight into the world of sky diving. He brought in several different suits that the students were able to try on and even inflate using a leaf blower! This was to show the pupils how the suit would react if it was being used in a real skydive or free fall.

Dr Grubisic also brought along some parachutes to demonstrate how they are used. This reassured some of the students that sky diving is safer than it appears as there is an emergency parachute in the rucksack with the first parachute. Dr Grubisic also re-assured the group that he has never had to use his emergency parachute. The students were then given the task of creating the slowest falling 'skydiver' out of paper. The goal was simple, the piece of paper that hit the floor last, won.

After the talk from the team at Southampton University, the students were prepped for their indoor skydiving experience. They were given a safety briefing so they were fit to enter the wind tunnel. This included ear plugs goggles, a helmet and the over-suit. This was the exciting part, all students lined up on a bench around the tunnel as the instructor stepped in with the first student. At first it wasn't as easy as it looked, however the instructor showed specific signs to the student telling them what they needed to change with their body position which made it a lot simpler.

The second time the instructor gave everyone a chance to do go all the way up to the top and down repeatedly whilst spinning. This was definitely the best part of being in the tunnel and was said to be 'scary but thrilling' by one of the students.

After flying, all the students got awarded their certificates and discussed their experience. Some said they definitely felt like it was real skydiving and how 'weightless' they felt. Overall the experience was really great and all the students said they would go again and would recommend it to everyone. The University of Southampton and Highcliffe school are hoping to work closely together in the future to provide more opportunities for students to experience alternative STEM input and a university environment!

Student comments:

*"Blown away"* Tim Holloway- Year 9

*"Best experience so far, I would definitely do it again. Having had the presentation before allowed me to link the physics with how I should balance whilst indoor skydiving."*

Le-Ann Hepple- Year 9

*"Amazing, I would go again, I learnt how to balance properly whilst in the wind tunnel and it also felt so realistic as if I was sky diving. The day also helped expand my knowledge on sky diving and physics."* Bethany Ryder- Year 8

*"It was a blast"*

Holly Spiers, Katie Gulak, Yasmin Kessel Year 13 Photography Students





## Think... get it right

Are you in Year 11, 12 or 13 and thinking of a career in tax or accountancy? If so, come along to our information evening to find out what we offer our trainees:

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*Please feel free to bring along your parent(s) or guardian(s).*

### It's more than just numbers...

Join us on **Wednesday 5 October, 6 - 8pm**

*Presentations will start at 6.15*

**PKF Francis Clark, Towngate House, 2-8 Parkstone Road, Poole.**

*Free parking and refreshments (car park entrance behind Lighthouse - postcode BH15 1UF)*

To register, please email [careers@pkf-francisclark.co.uk](mailto:careers@pkf-francisclark.co.uk) or speak to Lorel Wallis on 01803 320100 with the date you would like to attend, your name, school and contact details.

*There is no charge for this event but space is limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment.*

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