



WEEKLY BULLETIN

12th February 2010

Dear Parents,

Can I thank you for all your support over the past half term. I have been really pleased with the way students have approached their studies, particularly with the interruptions brought by the snow in January.

May I remind parents of Year 11 students that the half term week should be a time where the focus is on preparation for exams, which start in only a couple of months time. There is an old fable which talked about tortoises and hares and it is very relevant to the process of exam revision....

I would recommend that up to 4 hours per day is spent doing revision during the half term. Students have plenty of resources to support this, either given out by the school or on Moodle. Additionally, quality revision materials can be bought from any good bookstore or accessed on-line.

I wish all our families a good half term.

Steve Mulcahy

Readathon

Our annual Readathon started on Monday 8th February. Over one hundred and fifty students are taking part to raise money for CLIC Sergeant and The Roald Dahl Foundation; both charities support children with terminal illnesses and their families. If you are taking part, pick up your book and start reading, or alternatively sponsor someone who is taking part and help to raise money for these worthwhile causes. Prizes will be awarded to the students who read the most books and raise the most money. The Readathon ends on World Book Day 4th March and the total amount of money raised will be announced the following week. So please enjoy some food for the mind and the imagination and get reading. It is good for you!

Mrs N Schofield.



Mock Trial Competition- Trip to Truro Magistrates Court

Fourteen year 9 students visited Truro Magistrates Court on Thursday. The students sat in on cases, had a tour of the cells and had a chance to meet with a Magistrate. This trip will no doubt be good preparation for the mock trial competition to be held on 2nd March. Good luck to all competitors.

Year 10 Work Experience 5th-16th July 2010

This years Work Experience is getting closer. We have around 100 students who have already returned their Approval and Consent for their placements in July. This is just a gentle reminder that a Work Placement cannot take place without these forms being returned to the school and Cornwall EBP approving the placement. If your son/daughter is having problems securing a placement please encourage them to see me, if I do not know there is a problem I cannot help.

If there are any parents who may be able to offer a placement to one of our students in the summer do not hesitate to contact me.

Graham Stephens
(Work Experience Coordinator)

Community Badminton

There is NO community badminton during half term. It starts again on Wednesday 24th Feb 7 to 9pm and Friday 26th Feb 6 to 7.30pm. All are welcome and we can also play table tennis, if the tables are available, but ONLY during the Friday sessions."



Key Dates for your Diary

February 15th – 19th HALF TERM

Tues 23rd Feb – Phoenix Project
Year 11 Study Day
Tues 25th Feb – Dartmoor Challenge

Tues 2nd March – Year 11 Study day
Thurs 4th March – Rugby U13s West Cornwall 7s (Yr8)
Year 7 G & T visit to Truro Museum

Tues 9th March – Rugby U14s West Cornwall 7s (Yr 9)

Mon 22nd March – Yr 8 Paris Trip
Tues 23rd March – Year 7 reports home
Wed 24th March – Rugby U16s West Cornwall 7s (Yr10)
Cornwall College Taster Days
Thurs 25th March – Rugby U12s West Cornwall 7s (Yr 7)
Cornwall College Taster Days

Year 11 Study Days

Tuesday 23rd February
Tuesday 2nd March

Personalised timetables for study, exam prep and revision will be available on Monday 22nd February



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**Success comes in
'cans' not 'can'ts'**

GCSE Mathematics Revision Classes

When & where?

Foundation		Higher	
Tuesday after school 3.30 – 4.15 pm	Room 227	Tuesday after school 3.30 – 4.15 pm	Room 224
Friday Lunch-time 1.35 – 2.20 pm	Room 227	Friday Lunch-time 1.35 – 2.20 pm	Room 224

Attend either session – if you are attending a lunchtime session, make sure to get permission from your tutor and that they know where you are. If you attend an afterschool session, make sure your parents know and you will need to arrange transport home.

Higher sessions will focus on A and B grade topics.

Foundation sessions will focus on C and D grade questions.

In the sessions up to Easter students will revise.....

	Foundation	Higher
Fri 26 Feb	Estimating and rounding	Percentages
Fri 5 Mar	Solving equations	Sampling
Tue 9 & Fri 12 Mar	Reflections and rotations	Simultaneous equations
Tue 16 & Fri 19 Mar	Stem and leaf diagrams, mean, median, mode and range	Transformations
Tue 23 & Fri 27 Mar	HCF and LCM	Decimals, fractions and surds
Tue 30 Mar	n th term of a sequence	Straight line graphs

**Come along every week
or choose the sessions you would like to attend!!!**