

# Toynbee



02 July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

## **CAT4 Assessments**

This week saw Year 7 sit a series of tests called the CAT4 Assessments, with CAT standing for Cognitive Abilities Test. They are a nationally recognised test and many schools have adopted them in the absence of any Key Stage 2 data due to the pandemic. Through a series of questions, the assessments test pupils' reasoning and logical thinking by getting pupils to spot patterns in words, numbers, and shapes. The aim is to use the outcomes of these assessments to help support our assessment of pupils and calculate projected outcomes, amongst other things.

There were three tests in total to be completed and half of the year group have now completed them all, with the other half of the year due to finish them when they return from self-isolation. I have to applaud how the Year 7s have conducted themselves during the tests. They have taken them very seriously, been incredibly well-behaved, and very respectful of each other by completing all the tests in silence which allows the opportunity for everyone to do their best.

Well done Year 7, and we will be sharing the results of the assessments just as soon as we can.

Mr A. Kerwood, Deputy Headteacher

## **Science stars of the week**

Here are this week's Science stars of the week. Well done all of you!

Alanna 7PI, Owen 8FP, Millie 9KA, Max 10CF

## **Covid testing**

The DfE have confirmed that regular asymptomatic rapid testing will stay in place until the end of the summer term. Thank you for all your efforts to encourage students and staff to test themselves twice a week at home – please do continue to do this in these last few weeks of term.

## **Locker changes**

Over the next couple of weeks your child may be asked to hand in their current locker key to facilitate the room changes that will be happening over the summer. We are hoping for lockers to be available in the new school term. New keys will be issued for any changes made.

## **Year 7 & 8 ties**

Both the school and Skoolkit have run out of Toynbee school ties for years 7 & 8. If you have mislaid yours and are now unable to order a replacement, we can either lend you a tie for a different year group for the interim period, or you can purchase one from Skoolkit if you prefer.

## **PE**

This week has been a fantastic week for Toynbee School, and our athletics teams. At the district championships we continued to have great success with a 3rd Place overall finish, Year 8 Boys being crowned champions and a total of 9 individual winners, including records broken in the Y8 Boys 100m and 200m, as well as a championship

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record broken by Jacob Axtell in the Javelin. This record was previously held by another Toynbee pupil Bradley Jenvey, who left in 2019.

Continuing our, and his, athletics success this week Alejandro G broke his own 300m record last night with a time of 40.9s. This incredible effort means he has broken the school 100m, 200m and 300m record all within the same week. Well done, Ale!! Beth P in 10PD is competing in Nottingham at the National Trials in Kayaking Sprints. Good Luck!

On a side note, Gracie J, a Year 11 pupil has been selected to represent Hampshire at the English Schools Track and Field Competition in the Hammer. Good luck Grace!!

## Charity fundraising - non uniform day

There will be a non-uniform day raising funds for charity on the 19th July, and the proceeds will be split between Helpful Hounds and a local charity TBC. There will also be sporting events that afternoon, so pupils may want to wear sports kits. If your child would like to take part in this event the cost will be £1.

## Timetable

Next week is WEEK B on your lesson timetables.

## Learning in Libraries

Please see below for some courses that we have been made aware of. These are available to parents over the summer holiday's.

**LEARNING in LIBRARIES**

## Parenting Courses starting in July

**Positive, Practical, Parenting**  
Mon 5th of July-2nd August 2021  
6.30pm to 8.00pm FREE

**Let's Get Ready for School**  
Tues 13th of July-17th August 2021  
6.00pm to 8.00pm FREE

**Starting Secondary School**  
Thurs 22nd of July-12th August 2021  
6.00pm to 7.30pm FREE

**Raising Resilient Children**  
Wed 8th-22nd September  
6-7.30pm FREE

Scan here or go to [tinyurl.com/3hbepw6z](https://tinyurl.com/3hbepw6z) for more details

## Itchen 6<sup>th</sup> Form College – Online Open Day

Please see below some details for an ONLINE 6th Form Open day being held by Itchen College.

*Bodycoats Road, Chandlers Ford, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO53 2PL*  
Tel: 023 80269026 E-mail: [admin@toynbee.hants.sch.uk](mailto:admin@toynbee.hants.sch.uk)  
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ITCHEN COLLEGE

Itchen Sixth Form College  
**Online** Open Event 2021

**This Saturday**  
**10am - 12pm**

Ask us about subjects, transport and life at Itchen College through the live chat service on our website.

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Middle Road, Bitterne  
Southampton SO19 7TB

Phone: 023 8043 5636  
Email: [info@itchen.ac.uk](mailto:info@itchen.ac.uk)  
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I hope that you have a lovely weekend,  
Matthew

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