

Toynbee School

a specialist humanities school

Headteacher Weekly Newsletter

Week 18

Dear Parents/Carers

Medical Appointments

If your child has a medical appointment during school hours, please telephone the absence line (**line 1**) or email beforehand with the date and time of the appointment. Please understand that if we have not been notified of an appointment in advance, we cannot allow a pupil to leave the school premises until a parent/guardian has been contacted. When collecting your child for an appointment, please ensure you come into the school reception to collect your child.

Road Safety

We are **still** receiving a number of reports of a small number of pupils displaying poor road awareness on their way home from school. The roads around school are **incredibly busy** at both the start and end of the school day.

As a matter of **urgency** and **safety** to both the student and other road users, please take extra care when travelling to and from school. **YOUR SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT!**

When dropping off/collecting your child on the roads surrounding the school, please can you make sure that you **do not** park in the bus stop, in front of the school gates, on double yellow lines or across residents' driveways. We would like to maintain our good relationship with our neighbours.

Norovirus (vomiting bug)

You may have heard that Norovirus, also known as the Winter Vomiting bug, is circulating in Hampshire at present. Please help us to keep this unpleasant bug at bay by encouraging students to wash their hands with soap and water before meals and after using the toilet. If a student has the symptoms of Norovirus eg projectile vomiting and/or watery diarrhoea, please ensure they do not attend school for 48 hours after the last episode of either symptom. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/norovirus/>



Health A-Z
Conditions and treatments

Norovirus (vomiting bug) - NHS

www.nhs.uk

Equipment in Lessons

Please can all students make sure that they come to school equipped for learning. They need to bring a pen, pencil, ruler etc. It is also important that they bring a calculator to school too!

Music Lessons

A reminder was sent via email this week about outstanding balances. Parents should receive an email at the beginning of the academic year (for year 7s), and in the summer (for years 8-11) confirming what their child has been enrolled to, and the cost.

Our preference is for payment to be made online either termly, or for the year in advance, via SCOPAY (<https://www.scopay.com/toynbee>), following these instructions:

- Select the payment tile and add the amount you would like to pay.
- Click on the add to basket tile
- Go to your basket to pay

Alternatively, a cheque (made payable to: The Toynbee School), or cash can be brought in for the attention of Mrs Thompson making sure your child's name, tutor group and instrument are written on the back of the cheque.

Any queries – please contact Mrs Thompson (h.thompson@toynbee.hants.sch.uk)

You will be able to see a history of online payments made by clicking 'Your info' and then 'Payment History' on SCOPAY

Dates for your Diary:

29 January – Year 8 Oxford Live Science Trip

30 January – Year 11 Parents Evening

5 February – PDL (2)

13 February - KS3 Music Showcase (19.00 in the Theatre)

16 – 21 February – Year 11 Berlin Trip

17 - 21 February – HALF TERM

Have a great weekend.

Regards

Mr Matthew Longden
Headteacher



A photograph of children in a forest setting. One child is using a stick to stir something in a metal bowl on the ground. Other children are visible in the background, some looking at the activity. The ground is covered with dry leaves and twigs.

February Half Term Holiday Club

@ Itchen Valley Country Park

4 - 11 year olds

Monday - Friday 8.30 - 4pm (Late pick up 5.30pm)

ONLINE BOOKING NOW OPEN

Forest School themed holiday club, children will spend all day outside exploring and enjoying the natural world.

Call 01794 525510

www.youthoptions.co.uk



February Half Term @ Itchen Valley Country Park

February Half Term Holiday Club

An Ofsted registered holiday club based in the woodlands for children aged 4* - 11. Indoor space is available during extreme weather.

Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February

Drop off 8.30 - 9am

Pick up 3.30 - 4pm

Late pick up 5.30pm

* 4 year olds must be in reception year at primary school

Woodland Stories

A woodland group for parents and 2+ year olds with activities, crafts and games themed to a book.

Wednesday 19 February 10 - 11.30am £6

Thursday 20 February 10 - 11.30am £6

Junior Forest School

A woodland group for 5 - 10 years olds with their families (younger siblings welcome). Activities on a theme and will include a campfire.

Wednesday 19 February 1.30 - 3.30pm £8

Thursday 20 February 1.30 - 3.30pm £8

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