

Toynbee School

a specialist humanities school

Headteacher Weekly Newsletter

Week 13

Dear Parents/Carers

INSET Day

A reminder that tomorrow (Friday 6th December) is INSET Day and the school is closed to pupils.

Carol Service

Just a reminder that the Toynbee School Christmas Carol Concert will take place on tonight (5th December 2019) at 7:00pm at the Methodist Church in Chandlers Ford. It promises to be a great start to your Christmas festivities.

Message from Skoolkit (Free Delivery Code)

I just wanted to let you know we are offering a free delivery promotion on all online orders placed during Wednesday 11th December – Friday 13th December which parents can take advantage of if they don't fancy tackling the parking and chaos of the town centres.

Free delivery code **XMAS19** to use from **Wednesday 11th December – Friday 13th December**.

The code is only valid during the time specified and will need to be entered when parents are viewing their baskets online.

Even though our Warehouse will be closed over the Christmas and New Year period our shops will still be open, please check our website for individual shops opening times, as we are giving our shop staff an extra day off so they can enjoy the festivities.

Road Safety

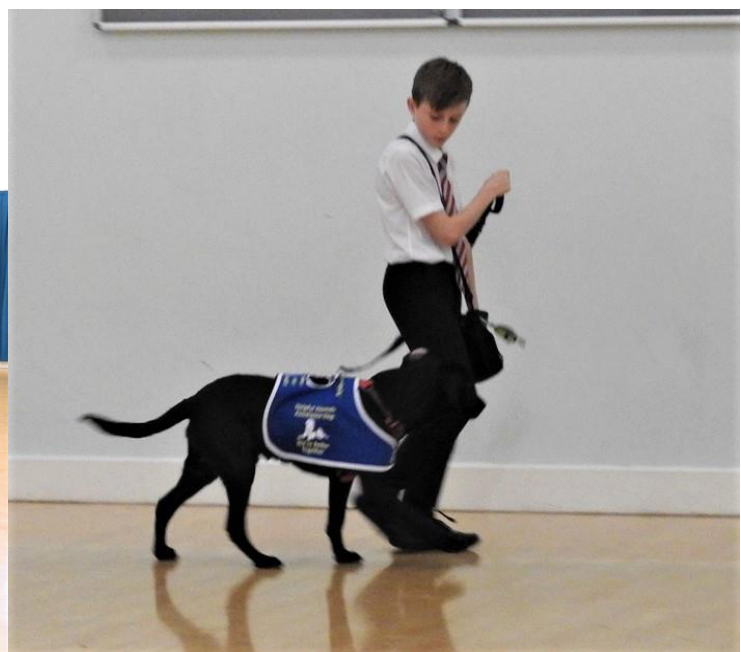
We are still receiving reports of a small number of pupils displaying poor road awareness on their way home from school. The roads around school are incredibly busy at both the start and end of the school day. As a matter of urgency and safety to both the student and other road users, please take extra care when travelling to and from school. **YOUR SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT!**

Helpful Hounds

On Tuesday 26th November Helpful Hounds came to Toynbee to deliver the promised puppy/dog training session for the 3 pupils in year 8 who raised the most sponsor money during the sponsored run in the summer term of year 7.

The boys had a great time learning the specific techniques and were very hands on with two older dogs (including Scoot) and a five month black Labrador puppy called Barnham.

At the end of the session they were also treated to a demonstration of how these dogs can not only be buddy dogs but assistive dogs for people with physical disabilities. They demonstrated how the dogs could pick up keys purses, empty washing machines and take off socks! Additionally, they saw some other tricks such as walking on the trainer's toes and playing dead!!



Just to make you aware, Helpful hounds is now one of the "Good Causes" supported by the BH Coastal Lottery. The tickets are £1 per week and 50% come back to Helpful Hounds. Plus, participants have the chance to win top prize of £25,000. I attach a digital link to our page. We would be delighted if you would

support this, yourself but, even more importantly can you promote this to friends, family and people at work. If you would like a printable version, I can supply that as well.

The setup is quite straightforward. It starts by clicking the link on the digital page and following the instructions.

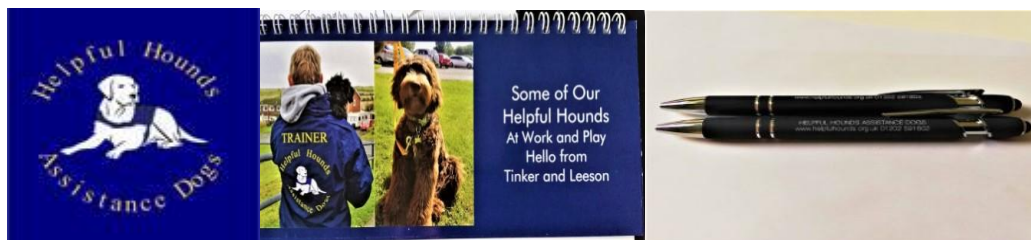
Also:

- We have a limited number of Desk Calendars (30) which we have produced as a trial this year. They feature a number of our dogs (at work and at play!). They are £7 each (This gives a donation to Helpful Hounds of £4). We hope you like them. They are a bit of fun and if you like them, we shall start earlier next year.
- We also have taken advantage of a special offer for really nice pens to test the idea. They are retractable, dark blue, feel very solid and have a soft end for typing on a phone keyboard (The end to my problems with errors on my phone texts!). They are £2 each.

Please, there is pressure here for anyone but if you are able to help, in any way, we would really appreciate it. Just let me or Nic or Matt know if you would like one or more of these two items (or whether you could help us sell them).

Peter Rufus
Trustee and CEO (Volunteer)
Helpful Hounds Assistance Dogs
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PRIZES!!



£1 tickets on sale from Tuesday in M7

At break & lunch time.

All profits will go towards the year 11
Prom



Christmas Karaoke! Competition

Monday 16th December lunch time in the Theatre

Sign up sheet outside Miss Murchie's office

Prizes
& AP's



Acts will be chosen by Miss Murchie & the Pupil
Leadership Team

Not much space - think - group acts & Christmas
songs!!



Festive Bake Sale too!

Best festive cupcakes & will be sold at the karaoke

Dates for your Diary:

5 December – Carol Service 19:00 at The Chandlers Ford Methodist Church

6 December – INSET Day (School closed to pupils)

12 December – Polling Day (School open as normal)

20 December – Christmas Jumper Day

20 December - Early Finish – 12 noon

6 January – Late start – 11:15 (All pupils to tutor groups)

Have a nice weekend.

Regards

Mr Matthew Longden
Headteacher

