



**PARENT
WEEKLY
BULLETIN**

WEEK
BEGINNING
21/1/2019
WEEK 2

DIARY DATES—WEEK BEGINNING 21st January 2019

We have 13 school weeks left until public exams begin

MONDAY 21 st January		
TUESDAY 22 nd January		English intervention sessions for selected GCSE students (see letter)
WEDNESDAY 23 rd January		After-school English GCSE revision session (see timetable)
THURSDAY 24 th January		
FRIDAY 25 th January		

History Trip to London for current year 7

All information for this trip is now on Show My Homework

The UK Government recommends that travellers going to the EU after 29th March 2019 have 6 months left on their passport and is also advising that any extra months which have been added to a 10 year passport will not be valid. Here's their latest information.

1. You should have 6 months left on your UK passport from your date of arrival. This applies to adult and child passports.
2. If you renewed a passport before it expired, extra months may have been added to your new passport's expiry date. Any extra months on your passport over 10 years may not count towards the 6 months that should be remaining for travel to most countries in Europe.

 <p>HM Government</p> <p>Will I need to renew my passport earlier than planned to travel to Europe?</p> 	<p>UK LEAVES THE EU 29.03.19</p> <p>REMINDER FOR THOSE STUDENTS ON THE HISTORY TRIP TO FRANCE IN JUNE 2019</p>
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[CLICK THIS LINK TO READ THE FULL ARTICLE](#)

Here are some useful links to help you check your passport:

The Passport Office now have this useful tool where you can check if your passport will be valid when you are travelling: [CLICK HERE](#)

If you would like to know more take a look at The Passport Office FAQs: [CLICK HERE](#)



Can Parents please check their child's account on a regular basis, as the school office does not have the facility to lend money to students.



History day trip to London, 3 July 2020

Year 7 pupils are invited to attend a trip to London to visit Hampton Court and the Tower of London on **3 July 2020**. The cost of the trip is £60. There are 40 places available. Letters and further information will appear on Show My Homework.

Mrs Simmonds
Head of Humanities

Support for Students: GCSE English Language Lunchtime Intervention

Dear Parents/Carers

As discussed at Parents' Evening, I would like to invite your child to selected English Intervention sessions on Tuesday lunchtimes. I want to ensure your child feels confident and secure in their English revision programme, and would like to offer them the opportunity to work in small groups on selected areas of their English Language exams. Some pupils will be selected by their English teacher and others will be available to sign up on a first-come-first-serve basis (signup sheet outside room 236).

English Language Paper 1 exam date - 4th June 2019 (am)

English Language Paper 2 exam date - 7th June 2019 (am)

English Literature Paper 1 exam date - 15th May 2019 (pm)

English Literature Paper 2 exam date - 23rd May 2019 (am)

Date	Topic	Extra Information
22/01/2019	Inferences/overview	Overview/differences between the two language papers.
29/01/2019	Inferences/reading	Focusing on two sources - pre 19 th century/modern text.
05/02/2019	Paper 2 - Q2	Summary/synthesising.
12/02/2019	Paper 2 - Q4	Comparing viewpoints in two texts.
26/02/2019	Internal Assessments	English teachers will be available in room (214) at lunchtime for any questions/support for their English examinations.
05/03/2019	Internal Assessments	
12/03/2019	Paper 2 - Q3	Language analysis.
19/03/2019	Paper 2 - Q5	Planning/6 paragraph structure/generating ideas.
26/03/2019	Paper 1 - Q5	Planning/6 paragraph structure/generating ideas.
02/04/2019	Paper 1 - Q2	Language analysis.
09/04/2019	Paper 1 - Q3	Structure analysis.
30/04/2019	Paper 1 - Q4	Evaluating a statement/how to plan for this question.
07/05/2019	TBC	Pupils' choice.
14/05/2019	Public exams start	Mrs Olnier will be available in room (214) at lunchtime for any questions/support for English.
21/05/2019	TBC	
28/05/2019	TBC	

The session will start at 1.40 and end at 2.15pm. Students are welcome to bring their lunch to the revision session.

There will also be revision sessions after school on Wednesdays focusing on GCSE English Literature.

Kind regards

B J Olnier

Mrs B Olnier (LeadTeacher of English)

AFTER-SCHOOL ENGLISH REVISION SESSIONS

Mrs Woodvine: 'A Christmas Carol' and poetry

Miss Ford: 'An Inspector Calls' and 'Romeo and Juliet'



Wednesday 23 rd January	'An Inspector Calls' PLOT RECAP	'A Christmas Carol' PLOT RECAP
Wednesday 30 th January	'An Inspector Calls' LANGUAGE ANALYSIS - Extract annotation	'A Christmas Carol' LANGUAGE ANALYSIS - Extract annotation
Wednesday 6 th February	'An Inspector Calls' THEMES	'A Christmas Carol' THEMES
Wednesday 13 th February	'An Inspector Calls' STRUCTURE	'A Christmas Carol' STRUCTURE
HALF TERM		
Wednesday 27 th February	'An Inspector Calls' CONTEXT	'A Christmas Carol' CONTEXT
Wednesday 6 th March	'Romeo and Juliet' PLOT RECAP	Poetry POEMS RECAP
Wednesday 13 th March	'Romeo and Juliet' LANGUAGE ANALYSIS - Extract annotation	Poetry LANGUAGE ANALYSIS - Extract annotation
Wednesday 20 th March	'Romeo and Juliet' THEMES	Poetry THEMES
Wednesday 27 th March	'Romeo and Juliet' STRUCTURE	Poetry STRUCTURE
Wednesday 3 rd April	'Romeo and Juliet' CONTEXT	Poetry CONTEXT
Wednesday 10 th April	FINAL SESSION R+J and AIC Essay writing + model answers	FINAL SESSION ACC and Poetry Essay writing + model answers



PUPIL PREMIUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS – JANUARY 2019

What is Pupil Premium?

Pupil Premium is additional funding given to schools to help improve the attainment of disadvantaged children.

Who is eligible?

Holy Trinity Academy is awarded Pupil Premium funding for children who meet any of the following criteria:

- have been entitled to free school meals within the last 6 years/ are currently entitled to free school meals
- are 'looked after'
- are covered by a residency or guardianship order
- have been adopted from care
- have a parent in the armed forces

What is the money spent on?

On our website, you can find details of how the additional funding is spent:

<https://holytrinity.academy/pupilpremiuminfo/>

Revision guides and reading books

Some of the additional funding we receive is spent on resources. This year our Pupil Premium students have been provided with a number of study guides, as well as English Literature texts such as 'A Christmas Carol' and 'Romeo and Juliet'.

School trips and visiting speakers

Since September, our Pupil Premium students have benefitted from a number of educational visits, including Airea 51, Big Bang Fair, Lichfield Cathedral, Geography in Action conference, Oxford – Brasenose College, Preston Montford, 'Othello' theatre trip, Shrewsbury Schools Football and 'War Horse'.

For last term's Impact Day, the RE department invited a visiting speaker to work with our Year 10 Pupil Premium (and all) students about Jewish beliefs and practices. He was a practicing Jew who was able to talk to our students about his beliefs and daily life. This was organised to support students with their Year 9 module of work on Judaism (50% of one of the two exam papers at the end of Year 11). They are hoping to take all of Year 9 out to a synagogue in February for the next Impact Day.

Many of our Pupil Premium students have enjoyed the experience of hearing outside speakers talk to their year group on a range of topics, supporting them with post-16 aspirations as well as broadening their curriculum. Speakers have included Embrace Mentoring, Positively Mad, Female Engineering, Titan STEM lorry, Pitch it, Elevate Education and Speakers for Schools.

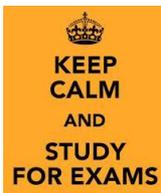


Enrichment

Our Friday afternoon Enrichment sessions continue to provide all of our students with the opportunity of developing new skills or introducing them to new interests. The Spring term's sessions have included a range of activities, such as cross country, dodgeball, Youth Alpha, golf, learn to build a computer, learn to cook, trading cards, Young Enterprise, debating, art, Minecraft, Yell study, Production, music, netball, football, basketball and Krav Magha.

Student Interviews and 'passports to learning'

At Holy Trinity Academy, we value the role 'student voice' can play in helping us to identify the level of support students need and want. Last term, all form tutors interviewed Pupil Premium students from Year 7 to 11 to ensure that they feel fully supported and to identify any barriers to learning. Mrs Woodvine has also interviewed all of the Pupil Premium students in Year 11 and produced student passports with them; the passports will be used by members of staff to inform their teaching and enhance positive relationships with the students.



After talking to our Pupil Premium students, it became clear that we needed to provide a quiet workspace with access to computers and printers for Year 11s. Since October, room 214 (Mrs Woodvine's room) has been open every lunchtime from Monday to Thursday for all our Y11 students to revise and complete homework.

If you have any further questions then please speak to Mrs Welsh (Deputy Head)

or

Mrs Woodvine (Lead Teacher of Pupil Premium).



HEAD LICE

A Case of head lice has been reported so can all parents please be vigilant.

Ideally, long hair should be tied back during the school day to avoid the risk of lice spreading.

Year 11 after school revision 2019

Spring Term

Mon	Science (priority) Art/Photo/French/Business Studies
Tues	Maths (priority) Geog (week 1 only)
Wed	GCSE PE / English
Thurs	R.E. (priority) Computer science / PD



Transport to central locations is available.

Students must book onto the minibus at the main school office 24 hours in advance.

Homework Club

The homework club will run between 3.15pm and 5.00pm Monday to Thursday and 3.15 - 4.15pm on a Friday. During this time your child will have full access to the computers and printers at the school to aid their learning. I must re-iterate that this a study session and not a forum for students to be looked after.

The sessions will be supervised by a member of the school leadership team.

If there are any issues with any students regarding behaviour, attendance or poor work ethic then they will not be allowed to attend homework club and parents will be informed.

It is vitally important that all pupils sign in at reception to show they are on site after 3.15pm. Consequently, any student who is booked into homework club and then chooses to leave school instead of staying on site will have their place removed. As you will appreciate this is for safeguarding reasons.

The cost of the homework club is £50 per term. Any pupil who is in receipt of pupil premium can attend the club without charge but must still complete the slip on the letter.

All monies must be paid on a termly basis by cash or cheque, made payable to Telford & Wrekin Council (this should be placed in an envelope with the child's name and form clearly written on the front). Please note that payments booked are non-refundable.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS FACILITY, PLEASE ASK YOUR CHILD TO REQUEST A LETTER FROM THE OFFICE OR YOU CAN DOWNLOAD A COPY FROM OUR WEBSITE UNDER 'LETTERS'