

Term 2 2018/2019 Community and SMSC

A message from the Headteacher...

If ever there was a term that highlighted one of our values, generosity, it has been this term. From the hard-work of staff who are always prepared to offer extra enrichment to ensure that our students learn beyond the curriculum and extend their curiosity and understanding of the world around them, to the students whose community mindedness and sense of kindness towards others is apparent in their generous charity work and the support they show each other.

I'm always incredibly proud of the students collective thoughtfulness, seen in the way they support the local food bank, rotary appeals and raising awareness, such as the Orangutan Foundation which may be further afield but has touched their consciousness. I must specifically mention Logan and Joe, who have both, in their own ways, provided huge support to other young people in our community and act as superb role models to those around them.

At this time of year, I am also struck by the sense of family at Ruskin. From the incredibly humbling sight of the absolute silence and respect shown by 1350 young people who gathered together on Remembrance day, to the beauty of the Christmas church service and the fun and joy of the House singing competition, Ruskin students and staff really do know how to mark an occasion with style, thoughtfulness and shared spirit.

Staff and students work hard in the Academy, but it is the kindness, spirit, courage and sense of shared purpose that makes Ruskin. I wish all staff, students and parents a very merry Christmas and look forward to the New Year.

Ms R Wyles

Christmas Arrives At Ruskin



Ruskin's Art department and their talented students have been hard at work again to produce this year's stunning Christmas display at the front of the Academy. Student's origami and Papier-mâché skills were put to the test in order to complete the subtle vintage feel to the work, which focused mainly on using recycled and found materials. It's been a real joy to see the students excitement when working on the different elements for the display and we are incredibly pleased to see them all come together to create such a beautiful final outcome.





DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES: YEAR 11 PROM WILL TAKE PLACE ON 28TH JUNE AT BELTON WOODS HOTEL!

Festive Evening Raises More Than Ever For The Grantham Passage



Ruskin's ever popular Festive Evening was bigger and better than ever before this year with over 40 stalls selling all things from unique gifts and Christmas decorations to a variety of scrummy edible treats and some delicious Christmas tipples. The Academy Senior Choir sounded beautiful, filling main reception with Christmas classics with a twist. Mrs Geeson and her reliable team of student and staff helpers were rushed off their feet but ensured a smooth evening that left everyone feeling that bit more Christmassy. It was a record breaking night in terms of fundraising with a total of £1270.30 being raised for the Grantham Passage - the largest total to date.

Accelerated & Alternative Learners: Celebration Ceremony



Friday 30th November saw the celebration of the huge success of last year's accelerated and alternative learners through an awards ceremony attended by many parents. We were able to be part of a celebration of the wonderful results achieved by these children last academic year.

In addition to the Year 7 History and English curriculum last year, these selected students in the acceleration groups, also worked on an AQA GCSE Foundation project at level 1, which gained them the equivalent of half a full GCSE. In the past

four years of working on this course, 100% of the students have passed

at a grade B or higher. Last year the results were the best by far, with 75% of the cohort achieving an A or A*grade.

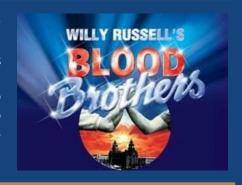
These GCSE certificates were awarded to the students in a ceremony to celebrate this success and these amazing achievements. Every single student passed the GCSE course and there were smiles all round as these were celebrated with their parents and carers.

In addition to the Year 7s, we had some older students who also completed the course as part of an alternative option choice. The work was completed as an independent study project and the results achieved were amazing. Well done!



Blood Brothers: 'Winding Wheel Theatre', Chesterfield

On Thursday 15th November students from across Year 7, 8 and 9 travelled to Chesterfield to watch the touring performance of Blood Brothers. Described by the Sunday Times as 'one of the best musicals ever written', it is the captivating and moving tale of twins who, separated at birth, grow up with completely different lifestyles, only to meet again with tragic consequences. Supporting the Year 7 and 8 English curriculum and the Year 9 Performing Arts curriculum, students were enthralled and moved by the exceptional performance.



CALLING ALL FASHION FANS...OUR SOS FASHION SHOW & SALE IS RETURNING AND WILL TAKE PLACE ON MONDAY 4TH MARCH. FURTHER DETAILS ON TICKET SALES WILL BE RELEASED SOON!

Lincolnshire Health and Social Care Careers Event



In order to support students in Health and Social Care and also their potential future career pathways, Year 12 and 13 Health and Social Care students visited Lincoln University on Monday 10th December. This event is designed for students who are interested in working with people in either the health or social care sectors. The event consisted of a combination of

interactive activities, informative talks and insightful tours that hopefully inspired some of the students to explore a profession within the health and care sector. There was over 50 different employers at the event for students to speak to and gain an insight into the various careers available within the sector as well as practical workshops which ran throughout the day for students, in a simulated clinical setting.



Health & Social Care: Valuable First Aid Training

Both Year 12 and Year 13 Level 3 BTEC Health and Social Care students here at The Priory Ruskin Academy gained valuable First Aid skills when they attended an Emergency First Aid at Work course in November.

Students gained confidence in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) during the course. The course was aimed at showing students



Emergency First Aid as they are all currently completing work experience in Health and Social Care settings such as care homes, SEN schools etc. The students were shown how to deal with choking, CPR, allergies and trauma related incidents.

The students thoroughly enjoyed the course and it has given them confidence to deal with emergencies should they arise on their placements and in everyday life.

Fun Session Delivers Important Message



Upcoming singer, Lewis Bootle, visited Ruskin as part of his Mental Health, Online Safety & Cyber Bullying themed school tour. Lewis visited 25 schools across the country throughout November. Lewis, a singer / songwriter from Essex who combines no - nonsense lyrics with infectious pop melodies, brought the Great Hall alive with sound as students participated in what was an incredibly fun but also throughout provoking session with a key message aimed at empowering students to make the right choices with regards their own safety and well as treating one another fairly.

Young Volunteer of the Year Award

Sixth Form student Logan G received the 'Young Volunteer of the Year' award at the recent annual Lincolnshire Sports Awards. Logan, an Inspire+ Senior Young Ambassador, has volunteered for the charity for over 4 years and has put in hundreds of hours supporting at local competitions and sporting events including the primary school 'mini Olympics' at the Meres.

Logan attended the awards evening at the Lincolnshire Showground and was delighted to be presented with the award from Olympic swimming medallist, Steve Parry. Well done Logan and thank you to Inspire+ for their fantastic work with young people across the community!



Students Support Charity Race

Sixth Form students demonstrated their willingness to support across the community when they volunteered to marshal a charity run at the Meres, raising money for The Royal British Legion. Well done also to Mrs Geeson and Miss Church who competed in the race!



Remembrance: Ruskin Marks Armistice Centenary Year



The entire student and staff body gathered together on Friday 9th November to honour the fallen in our Remembrance Parade on this important centenary year.

Ms Wyles, Headteacher, paid tribute to those that have fought and sacrificed their lives across conflicts whilst the Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl read poems. The Academy was pleased to welcome back Ruskin alumnus, James Tomlinson, who played the Last Post on his trumpet. The cadets paraded with order and dignity in what was an incredibly moving occasion.



Joe H: Professional Speaking Training

Ruskin student, Joe H, took part in Taz Thornton's 'The Heart of Speaking' two-day speaker training retreat before taking his new found confidence to tell others about his battle with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (CFS). Joe was diagnosed with the condition when he was 14, something he says was 'the biggest challenge of his life', but has found the course hugely valuable in rebuilding his confidence and



helping him to share his experience and learnings, "The course was absolutely incredible. It helped give me knowledge about the best way to talk and structure the stories that I will be taking into schools and other workplaces to help others improve their mental and physical health".

South Kesteven District Councillors joined together with Grantham Lions Club and our Academy to help fund the professional public speaking course for Joe. Coun Smith, who is SKDC's cabinet member for health, wellbeing and communities, said, "It's always good to hear about someone who is thriving following a setback and I am sure Joe will go on to help many other people through their own difficult times."

Rotary Shoebox Appeal



Ruskin students supported the annual Rotary Shoebox Appeal this year. Working in Form groups students all contributed to a box specific to boy, girl, baby or teenager. Pictured are Mackintosh students with Alan Geeson from The Rotary who said, "We are

overwhelmed as always with your dedication to this charity – a huge thank you to all involved".

Focus on....Mathematics!

The Maths department have organised various events this term, allowing our Sixth Form students to be both inspired, stretched and challenged. Here is a flavour of what's been going on!

Senior Team Maths Challenge: On Friday 2nd November, four Year 12 mathematicians visited The Priory Academy LSST in Lincoln for the regional Senior Team Maths Challenge – with twenty teams taking part in a series of challenge problem solving rounds. While we didn't win, it was a fun day out and tested our students' skills against other students from around the county. Well done to William Farr School for progressing to the next round of the challenge in London.

Senior UKMT Challenge: All A-Level mathematicians were entered into the senior round of the UKMT individual Challenge. This international competition sees students complete 25 problems in 90 minutes. Special mentions must go to: Joao A in Year 12 for the best score in the school, and to Jessica M and Pacey G for the highest scores in Year 13. We are delighted so many of our students gained Silver or Bronze certificates for their efforts!

Maths In Action Day, Warwick University: On Friday 14th November twenty-five Sixth Form mathematicians visited Butterworth Hall at Warwick University, for a Maths in Action day. A day filled with thought provoking talks from guest speakers and mini celebrities provided inspiration for all.

Problem Solving/UCAS Workshop: On Wednesday 5th December we hosted a Problem Solving workshop for the most able mathematicians in Sixth Form. Ruskin students were joined by seventeen students from KGGS, and spent two hours first learning about the university admissions process for

Maths-related degrees before tackling example questions that might be asked. It was an inspiring afternoon, and the enthusiasm in the room was exceptional!

Readers Challenge: See how you get on with this example question... In a book 2929 digits are used to label the pages. How many pages did the book have?

Many thanks must go to the Advanced Maths Support Programme for leading the session. We look forward to plenty more Maths events in the New Year!



On Wednesday 12th December, The Key Stage 3 Book Club visited Arnoldfield Residential Home to read Christmas stories and poems to the residents. This event was organised by the students themselves who meet on Monday lunchtimes to engage in a wide range of reading-related activities. The group performed fantastically well as a team and were an asset to the Academy. As a result, Book Club have

been invited to read to the residents on a regular basis and they will hopefully be returning shortly before Easter.

A big thank you to our fantastic book group and Mrs Chapman and Mrs Finch for facilitating this!



The annual Rotary Swimarathon will take place on Saturday 2nd February. We want to make 2019 the best year ever for Ruskin representation so we are looking to have teams representing Sixth Form, students, parents and staff. If you are interested please see Mr Moore in Lab 7 for more information and an application form. Go for it!



Sixth Form Intellectual Enrichment

Feature Article By Year 13 Student, Angelika M

Sixth Form students have the opportunity to participate in 'Enrichment Wednesdays', with various sessions taking place for both Year 12 and Year 13 students. The aim of these sessions is to allow students to participate in things that are not related to their subjects of study but which help them develop useful skills.

I was most excited to discover that Philosophy and current events was going to be an option for Sixth Form enrichment; I had been a loyal member of the Philosophy club for many years and 2 hours each week of it was a treat for me! I was not disappointed; each session was intellectually challenging and elevating in its own way.



Current affairs now seems like a misleading title in my opinion because it doesn't give justice to the vast selection of topics we covered. What I love about the sessions is having the time to really engage in debate, exploring different sides of the argument, especially those who take the role of the 'Devil's advocate'.

But it isn't just debate. During these sessions we have watched 'Citizen Kane' (the best movie according to film critics but that is up for debate!) and read 'One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich'. These classics were highly thought-provoking and sparked various conversations between students. Furthermore, we have explored different art works, both classic and modern, which led to highly intellectual and analytical conversations and debates but also allowed us to appreciate the true meaning of art.

Our teachers are open and engaging, sharing with us songs and music which has influenced them throughout time.

In my mind, one of the sessions which was most noteworthy was one that Mr Moses delivered on anthropology in which we explored the origins of humanity. It was obvious that Mr Moses is passionate about anthropology and you couldn't fail to be inspired.

This is also true for the philosophy sessions with Mr Smith, who delivered these sessions in an exciting and thought-provoking way. He taught every single one of us different ways of looking at life and the world around us. What is beauty? How to lead a happier life? How to walk out of the cave? What is the purpose of religion? These are just some of the questions that were explored with Mr Smith and each session brought something new into perspective. We covered many philosophers and theories, some of which included Epicurus, Friedrich Nietzsche, and Arthur Schopenhauer.

These sessions are never like lessons; they are conversations. Conversations between adults with differing opinions. Conversations which are analytical and inspiring. Conversations that enrich the mind and the soul.



Every week I discover something new about the word and life and how we perceive things; it's as if my third eye is opened a little more each week. The main benefit for me, however, has been that I have had a chance to understand myself and the people around me a little bit better and now I appreciate the complex nuances of every person around me. These Wednesday afternoon enrichment sessions have been inspirational, exciting, eye-opening, intellectual, passionate, and so many more things.

Table Tennis: Team Of The Year!

Congratulations to 'Ruskin's Team of the Year 'who were runner's up in the National Schools U13 Table Tennis Championship Finals. They have now progressed into the U16 age group and played the National U16 Champions, Charles Read Academy in the first round of this year's competition. The game finished in a draw but count back (14-13!) saw us finish as runner's up. This result couldn't have been any closer and was a remarkable achievement as two of our players are still only U13! The girls have just been notified that they have qualified to represent Lincolnshire in the Zone final which will be held in the Meres Leisure Centre, Grantham in

January. We wish them every success in their quest this year. A huge thank you to John Mapletoft and Tim Bridle for their continued coaching support.

Well done as well to the U16 boys team who were positioned third in Lincolnshire; it was a pleasure to see the boys putting up a fight against King's and Charles Read and winning their matches against West Grantham Academy St Hugh's.

Table tennis club continues to welcome players after school on Mondays, 3.20-4.20pm, and on Friday mornings at 8am.



Christmas Concert: Ruskin Students' Talents Shine





The Great Hall was the perfect venue for Ruskin's annual Christmas concert which was held on Thursday 13th December. With choir performances, chorale speaking, a ballet solo, a Christmas dance spectacular, drama sketches, a violin solo, a piano duet and so much more, it really demonstrated the breadth of Ruskin students' exceptional talents. Proud parents filled the hall, for what was a professional and polished performance. With a variety of Christmas songs and a wonderful array of Christmas jumpers on display - if you weren't in the Christmas spirit before you arrived you certainly were when you left!

Beyond the obvious talent on stage, the entire backstage tech, lighting and sound was run by students, ably managed by the very talented Jacob W, Leon M and Harry W (supported by Mr West) - it was slick and seamless—they were an exceptional crew!

Humanities Club: Asking the BIG Questions!

Humanities Club is now in its third glorious year and is going from strength to strength in its Friday lunchtime quest to seek out and discover new ways of thinking about the world and our place in it. The club has been looking at an incredibly wide range of topics, ideas and debates this term and has had a number of its members giving presentations of their own. For example, Harvey W informed the group on the topic of Norse mythology and then did an excellent follow up session on the role of animals in mythology and Travis C ran two sessions comparing Communism and Fascism and the problems associated with extremism in society. A particularly enjoyable session, hosted by Angelika M from Year 13, looked at the Fermi paradox that really got the group thinking about the possibility of life on other worlds. Recently the group have looked at how human society has changed over time, where the universe came from, creativity in education and why there is something rather than nothing. This has all built on the work they did last year; exploring Western Philosophy from Plato and Aristotle through to twentieth century thoughts and theories from the likes of Nietzsche, Sartre and Stephen Hawking. The whole ethos behind the club is to get our students thinking about those big questions that cannot be answered...but still need to be asked. One of the groups longest serving members said the following about the

sessions. 'I love Humanities Club, it has helped me gain a new view of the world, it has made me a better person, I think more about what I am doing and how I am doing it. I have loved humanities as it gave me a chance to share the philosophers that I like with others which therefore means it has helped with my public speaking, I like being able to have discussion and a debate with others, it has helped me become a calmer person and to help me understand other people's point of view. I believe that humanities is great as it helps others with all aspects of human life.' Wise words indeed! Anyone and everyone is welcome to come and join in. We meet in Mackintosh 5 each and every Friday lunch.



House Sports' Competitions

The last week of term has seen each House pitted against one another in friendly rivalry as the House sports' competitions have commenced. This year the PE department has been keen to improve the variety and participation rates within House sports and so included several events which students could participate in across a double period. The aim has been to give every student the experience of representing their House within a sporting fixture. This term students had the choice of 3 sports: for the boys football, badminton or rowing and for the girls: netball, badminton and rowing.

This saw the majority of students actively participate, with any other students being part of the event through a supporting role. It was a fantastic experience for all students. We look forward to introducing more new sports to the House sports calendar.

House Singing Competition

On Friday 14th December the Academy held the House singing competition...a highlight of the term! The tension was palpable as each house waited with anticipation for their turn to take to the stage. This year Houses rose to the challenge to incorporate one of the Academy's values (Wisdom, Curiosity, Generosity, Courage & Passion) into their choice of song - which all achieved with great outcomes! All of the performances were highly entertaining and the camaraderie between House members were evident. After much deliberation by the judges, the winning House was Mackintosh with a medley from The Greatest Showman! Well done to all who participated.

Annual Christmas Carol Service

Ruskin held its annual Carol Service at St Wulfram's Church on Monday 17th December. The wonderful provided a and fantastic setting acoustics for our choirs. speakers chorale readers. The service. attended by all Year 7 and 8 students as well as parents and members of the wider Academy community, was a wonderful event to bring our lower school together and it was uplifting to hear the church alive with our students singing! We are so lucky to have such a beautiful church with such a welcoming environment to hold our service each year – many thanks to everyone involved.



Kieren Donates Incredible Ring Pull Collection

WELL DONE to Kieren A in Year 8 who has donated a HUGE collection of ring pulls - going the extra mile with his charitable endeavours!

A REMINDER: we are always collecting ring pulls, stamps, milk carton lids and old coins....PLUS our hotly contested ANNUAL HOUSE CHRISTMAS CARD



COMPETITION will be taking place after the festive break so please ensure you save all your Christmas cards and return them to the Academy for recycling.

Year 10 Engineers Visit BGB Innovations

On Wednesday 12th December two groups of Year 10 engineers visited BGB Innovation on Dysart Road. The students were warmly welcomed by Managing Director Nick Hubbard and were treated to an intensive round of activities including a marketing activity led by the Marketing Director; a walk through the design and prototyping process by the chief Design Engineer and a tour of the machine shop.

Students enjoyed all aspects of the visit but particularly enjoyed seeing CNC and robotics in operation as they followed the manufacturing of a product from raw materials to a finished component. Lewis C said he found the "opportunity to talk to

apprentices and engineers" most valuable while Joe T expressed an interest in a career in marketing after conversations with Marketing Manager James Tupper.

BGB innovation are a family-run, local business with world leading technologies supplying the wind turbine industry with high quality slip rings and other components. In addition BGB design and make solutions for revolving doors and they also manufacture marine and underwater lighting. Their latest development is a unique lighting solution for the luxury yacht market.

Students and their teacher, Mr Chambers, would like to thank BGB for their time and the effort they went to providing a fantastic insight into a modern, cutting-edge engineering firm and we look forward to developing Ruskin's relationship with them in the future.





Willoughby Memorial Trust Art Competition



In an extremely competitive year, Year 11 student Peter M has outshone other local artists in this year's Willoughby Memorial Trust Art Competition. His guitar composition, inspired by the cubist styles of Picasso and Braque, was awarded highly commended in Class 4 of the popular local competition. We are exceedingly proud of the work all of our Art students produce and to have the quality of Peter's work recognised outside of school by this prestigious Art competition is absolutely fantastic.



NEWSFLASH! Joules are returning! We will be holding another Joules sale on 21st March 2019...we will share further details in the New Year.

Exploring Significant Thinkers With Philosophy Club

Mr Shorrock's Philosophy Club has been meeting on Tuesday lunchtimes for three years now and has served to bring Philosophy to life for a wide range of students from Year 7 to Year 13, as well as a few staff members too. This year saw the introduction of a ten part drop in course that allows students to attend sessions about particular thinkers and their philosophies and reflect upon what they can teach us that is useful in life. Recently club members have looked at the ideas of Emmanuel Kant, Soren Kierkegaard, Plato on the allegory of the cave, empiricism via John Locke and a wonderful session on Aristotle and Virtue ethics. Members all benefitted from a wonderful insight from the Romantic period thinker Edmund Burke and his inspirational views on The Sublime. Those students who complete the ten investigations are awarded with a certificate in Philosophy from a top university professor and a book to further their studies. Please come along and see what the group do in terms of generating useful life skills such as emotional intelligence, Socratic dialogue and understanding what makes for a good life.

Orangutan Foundation Fundraising

This term Geography students have worked hard and been overwhelmed by the support they have received in fundraising for their partner charity the Orangutan Foundation. Their ingenuity and eye for a fundraising opportunity has been the key to their success - demonstrated by the fact they have already raised £906.10... against their initial target of £1000 by July 2019!

These funds have allowed the foundation to fund medicines, food and care for orphaned orangutans as well as providing funding towards their Guardians of Lamandau project, an initiative to protect this forest reserve and provide a future for orangutans, forests and people. For every £20.00 raised, an acre of rainforest in



Lamandau, Borneo is sponsored and protected, providing anti-logging and poaching patrols, rescue and rehabilitation teams, and educating local people on the value of, and methods for, protecting their rainforest. So far Ruskin has protected 39.5 acres of rainforest, or 27 football pitches!

So what have our students been up to that enabled them to raise such a fantastic amount to date?

- £310 was raised by students selling sweets at Halloween a sell-out event!
- Ruskin's popular Christmas wreath making evening was a huge success and, from both ticket sales and the raffle, raised an incredible £300.
- Festive Evening Stall Orangutan friendly (no palm oil here thank you!) vegan brownies and cupcakes, homemade Christmas cards (made by a team of Year 8 students), homemade Christmas crackers (thanks to a team of Year 7 students) as well as wreaths and centre pieces donated by Ruskin families and staff and a quick that visitors to the Festive Evening paid to complete. The total raised from the Festive Evening stall was £296.10

Mr Moses, one of the members of staff working with these students said, "We have been immensely touched and impressed by the dedication, and charitable spirit our students have demonstrated. More than willing to offer their own time and resources for free. The care and concern they show for the environment, and their commitment to fundraising to protect the orangutans is better than anything we could have hoped for when we launched the partnership".

Keep an eye out for future news and updates on what these students are up to and how their fundraising is supporting this fantastic cause!

Harvest: 'Restoring Dignity' To Local Families



The Ruskin community demonstrated, once again, its generous spirit when it came to the annual harvest collection. Grantham Foodbank were overwhelmed with the 301kg of food brought in by students. Brian Hanbury from the Foodbank said, "Your donations will help us restore dignity and put smiles on local family's faces". Thank you to you all.

Sports Digest Term 2

The Priory Ruskin Academy PE Department has spent the second half term continuing on the curriculum based lessons and a comprehensive fixture programme on the sports of football, rugby and netball.

The Year 11 boys have continued well in both the county rugby cup and the national football cup. The rugby team overcame a strong Bourne Grammar side under floodlights at Kesteven after an excellent second half performance and will now take on De Aston in the quarter finals in January. The footballers were drawn against Carre's Grammar in the 3rd Round of the national, a team they had never previously beaten although they have come very close. Well this time they went one better, winning the tie on penalties after a 1-1 draw in normal time. The boys then headed to Leicester where they faced a challenging team, with the Ruskin boys being 1 goal up at half time, after another early goal in the second half Ruskin then went on to win 5-2. This takes the team into the last 32 in the country with the fixture scheduled to be played in the week we return back to school after Christmas.

The Academy basketball teams have been in action this term against the local district schools. This is an area of development for the Academy, with plans to develop the MUGA so that basketball can enjoy an increased amount of curriculum time to further progress.

A coach load of Ruskin students have competed in the district cross country championships at Burghley House. A total of 16 students have qualified to represent the district at the county event on Saturday 19th January. The following students ran particularly well and we hope they can progress even further from the next round; Lilly D (Year 7), Georgina S (Year 11) and Charlie S of (Year 12) ran very well finishing in the top 10 of their races.

On Wednesday 19th December Ruskin held the annual sports awards event. This is an evening to celebrate the achievements of the sports teams and in dividual performance accomplishments throughout the year. The major honours were awarded as below:

Team of the Year: U13 Girls Table Tennis (2nd at the National Finals)

Sportsman: Logan G for contribution to sports leadership

Sportswoman: Victoria T for all round sports performance and effort

Outstanding achievement: Lewis Din athletics and Naomi A in trampolining



KEY DIARY DATES FOR TERM 3 2018/19

Students Involved	Date	Event
All	7th January	Term 3 Begins (week B)
Year 11	10th January	Mamma Mia Workshop (London)
Year 13	14th - 25th January	Mock Examinations
All	w/c 14th January	Reading Week
Year 9	17th January	Photography Trip
All	28th January	Careers Week
Year 12 & 13	w/c 28th January	Performing Arts Residential
Year 11 - 13	1st - 5th February	Geography Iceland Trip
All Invited	2nd February	Swimarathon
Year 7	5th February	China & The Orient Cultural Day
Year 10	7th February	Intermediate Maths Challenge
Various	8th - 16th February	Safari Trip
All	15th February	End of Term 3
All	25th February	Term 4 Begins (week B)