

## Message from the Headteacher:

Thank you to all parents who completed the Parent voice survey sent out this week. We will be sending out further surveys each term. The findings will be used to inform discussions at the Parent Forum.

We recognise that some parents have raised concerns about how busy the canteen is during lunchtimes. Moving forward, we have plans to open up additional serveries and eating areas within the school. As soon as plans are finalised, we will communicate with parents and students to let them know.

As always, thank you for all of your support. It has been a brilliant half term with record numbers of children receiving reward points and the amount of homework children are completing is brilliant.

Enjoy the forthcoming half term!.

## Year 7 (Miss Morgan):

**Form of the week:** 7E who have racked up over 4,000 positives in total and had over 99% attendance last week!

### Stars of the fortnight:

7N – Saxon Travers-Ayre	7O – Ebenezer Chisanga
7E – Viktorija Bule	7B – Megan Harvey
7A – Muhammad Hussain	7K – Evelyn Hardy

Year 7 positive points total: 23,162. Amazing!

## Year 8 (Miss Scott):

**Form of the week:** Goes to 8A. Well done! You have received 4,348 positives to date.

### Stars of the fortnight:

Muhammad Muntasir	Lucy Rudkin
Rhian Shaw	Navdeep Singh
Madeline Woodhead	

These students have received the most positives.

## Year 9 (Mr McDonagh):

**Form of the week:** 9B with 98.67% attendance and winning the biscuit challenge.

### Stars of the fortnight:

Lucas Carter	Caitlin Wright
Vicky Collis	Myles Kinder
Kai Palmer	

The stars of the fortnight were picked for showing consistent effort and application, consistent positive behaviour and high quality work during lessons. They have also achieved the most overall points in their year group. Keep up the excellent effort!

Year 9 teachers are noticing the positive change you are creating through your excellent efforts in our community.

## Year 10 (Miss Southern):

**Form of the week:** 10K for consistently achieving high levels of attendance and Positive reward points.

### Stars of the fortnight:

10K - Tilley Bregazzi-Hall	10K - Jessica Lawn
10B - Nicole Sibanda	10O - Freya Marvel
10B - Malakai Mills-Smith	

For all achieving over 160 positive behaviour points

## Year 11 (Mr Lumber):

**Form of the week:** 11N for achieving 98.05% attendance. Well done 11N.

**Stars of the fortnight:** Harry Ashford for receiving 272 positive points overall. Well done Harry.

## Quality of Education:

All students have a folder that contains knowledge organisers for all subjects, but what are they and what are they for? Essentially they are used as:

- A planning tool, to clearly outline the core knowledge that should be taught.
- A quizzing tool, to help pupils boost their recall of key knowledge.
- An assessment tool, to help teachers check whether pupils have learned the key knowledge.

How should students use them?

- To quiz themselves in lessons and at home.
- To help with their homework.
- To practice spelling key vocabulary.
- To further research people, events and processes most relevant to the unit.
- As a way to trigger memories from lessons about key information.

How can parents use them?

- To understand exactly what their children are supposed to learn and remember
- To know what language they should use when discussing learning at home
- To know how to support their children in learning about a topic

## Safeguarding & Antibullying:

Could parents please note that there have been a number of incidences outside Papa Johns and Bingham Street in Allenton. If students are found to be loitering around these areas, there is a chance that the police could intervene and your child be subject to a dispersal order.

Please remind your children of safety issues around trick or treating and bonfire night and fireworks.

## Future Dates For Your Diary:

12<sup>th</sup> November – Next Steps Evening for Years 10 and 11, which is an exciting chance to meet with post-16 providers and decide on what is the right pathway for each pupil.

## Thoughts for the Weeks Ahead:

**21.10.19** 'If it wasn't hard, everyone would do it. It's the hard that makes it great.' Tom Hanks, Actor

**4.11.19** 'Courage is *not* not being afraid, it is being afraid and doing it anyway.' Gina Bianchini, Investor

## **PSHE & Assemblies:**

### **Year 7**

21/10/19 - Careers - Introduction to Launchpad, our online Careers tool, and describing themselves, their strengths and preferences.

04/11/19 - Friendships and Trust - Students will explore what friendship is about, how to resolve conflicts and the impact social media can have on friendships.

### **Year 8**

21/10/19 - Careers - Explain how they are benefitting as a learner from careers, employability and enterprise activities and experiences.

04/11/19 - LORIC – Initiative - Students will be self-reflecting on when they last showed initiative, how they can use initiative in their learning and how to approach problems with a clear head.

### **Year 9**

21/10/19 - Careers - Introduction to Launchpad, our online Careers tool, and knowing how to identify and systematically explore the options open to them at a decision point.

04/11/19 - Them & Us – Respect - Students will explore what is meant by respect and how can we use my language respectfully?

### **Years 10 and 11**

Over the following 2 school weeks, Years 10 and 11 will be looking at revision based skills where they will explore how we can transfer information from our short term memories to our long term memories and learn revision techniques that can help them.