

LONGCROFT NEWS

Friday 14th October 2016

Student Absence Catch-up Form

As you are aware, good attendance results in good progress. If students are absent, Form Tutors will provide your child with a subject catch-up form to ask subject teachers about the learning missed. It is the responsibility of all students to ensure they catch-up with work in order to ensure there are no gaps in their progress as a result of their absence. Longer term absence due to illness or on-going medical issues may require alternative strategies.

Please see the example of the form attached to this email and support your child and the member of staff to help them catch up with work missed.

Year 11 Mock Exams

Year 11 Autumn Mocks in English Language, English Literature and Maths take place from Tuesday 15th November to Thursday 17th November 2016.

A personalised copy of their timetable, showing rooms and seat numbers, has been emailed to the student's school email account and to parents. Students can check the exam seating plans on the display board outside the Large Social Area.

Please remind your child that all exam equipment must be in a clear pencil case, calculators must have their lid removed and their water bottle must have the label removed before they enter the exam room.

Any queries regarding the Autumn Mock timetable should be directed to Mrs J Robinson in the Upper School Office.

Well Done to Year 8 Reps

Earlier this week, four students from Year 8 helped in an interview process at school.

Gemma Foster, Antonia Stansfield, Tom Holgate and Robbie Wainwright were members of a student panel who asked questions to candidates for the post of Learning Resource and Literacy Manager. Not only was this a great experience for the students, it was also of genuine benefit to the decision making process – students bring a different perspective to the process and their comments and thoughts on the answers given in their interviews with candidates were key decision making factors.

Well done and thank you to all four students for taking on the task with maturity and attention to detail.

A New Year for Longcroft Sports Academy

The new Longcroft Sports Academy kick-started this week with a visit from World Thai Boxing champion Rachael MacKenzie.

Linking up with Sky Sports 'Living for Sport' project, the students had an exciting afternoon hearing about life as a world class athlete, as well as trying their hand at some boxing themselves. After working with many young people all over the country Rachael is thrilled to be working with such a dedicated and talented group of people.

Year 9 Students Run a Rugby Megafest

Well done to the 17 students in Year 9 who braved the rain and cold on Tuesday afternoon, to run a rugby megafest for Year 4 pupils from Molescroft and Leconfield Primary Schools.

These student leaders were well organised and enthusiastic in the way they delivered the activities to the younger pupils, who in turn had a brilliant afternoon with no complaints, not even about the weather!

MacMillan Fundraising Report by Form 9.O

On 30th September, 9.O ran the MacMillan Coffee Morning in school.

Everyone baked, bought or sold a delicious range of buns, biscuits and cakes (Paul Hollywood and Mary Berry would have been proud!) A grand total of £116.82 was raised.

9.O would like to thank everyone who bought something or gave donations; they really enjoyed taking part in this event and hope that others are inspired to support a charity in the future.

Year 9 Football Back to Winning Ways

The Year 9 Football Team played Cottingham on Tuesday night at Longcroft. Despite poor weather conditions, play was of a good standard with goals being scored by Eddie Woods, Charlie Nicholson and Andy Bruce.

Next up is Wolfreton at home on Tuesday.

Rugby Update

The Year 7 Rugby Team had their first defeat of the season to Kelvin School on Wednesday. Longcroft struggled to handle the very big prop forward, however the lads did take an early lead through a try to Sam Shrimpton. Whilst Kelvin scored a hat trick it would have been more if it wasn't for our outstanding full back Henry Radcliffe, who pulled off several try saving tackles. Sam Shrimpton scored another full length try showing great pace, with Joe Dobson kicking the conversion to make the final score 26 - 10.

Next game is away against Sirius West on Wednesday 12th October.

Hat Trick of Wins

Congratulations to the Years 7, 8 and 9 Football Teams, who achieved three wins against Cottingham High School earlier this week. With the scores being 4-2, 4-0 and 4-0 respectively, this was an excellent result for Longcroft.

Well done to all concerned!

School Text Messages

If you receive a text message from the school and need to respond to it, ask a questions, etc., please do not send a text message back. Instead, please call Longcroft on 01482 862171 to either leave a message or be put through the most appropriate person. Thank you.

Important Dates

Thursday 20th October – **Year 7 Tutor Evening** (appointment based – more information will be sent home with students nearer the time). Please note that this event was originally scheduled for Thursday 13th October, but has now been changed to 20th.

Monday 24th to Friday 29th October – **Half Term**.

Tuesday 8th November – **Longcroft Sixth Form Information Evening**, Upper School Theatre, 6:30pm – an opportunity for Year 11 students and parents (from Longcroft and elsewhere) to find out what Longcroft Sixth Form has to offer.