

# LONGCROFT NEWS

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017

## Library Bulletin

Thank you to all those students who entered the Library Halloween Short Story Competition. There were some incredibly imaginative stories; reading through them has been thrilling. The winners will be announced in assembly next week.

This week Longcroft is marking Remembrance Day with a Drop Everything and Reflect session, one of our literacy initiatives. All students will watch a short film, made in-house, about the role women played in World War One; discussions will follow. Supporting this we have literature displays in both libraries, and attached is a short reading list for students who wish to extend their knowledge of this theme. Please encourage them.

This month we also celebrate the work of two American writers. Our Writer of the Month at the Upper School Library is Sylvia Plath, one of the most dynamic and admired poets of the 20th century, and regularly studied by our Sixth Formers. At the Lower School we are featuring the work of Jeff Kinney, the creator of The Diary of a Wimpy Kid series; a must for reluctant readers.

Thank you for your ongoing support. It really helps make a difference.

## Year 7 Rugby Success

Our Year 7 rugby team beat Carlton School (Pontefract) in a Yorkshire Cup match this week. We have not been involved in a game at this level for a number of years and so the victory is an excellent achievement.

The team will follow this match with a fixture in Brigshaw (Calderdale) as part of the next round. The team consisted of: **Alex Argent Moss (try); Harvey Dallason; Gem White; Nick Benson; Owen Bruton; Jack Charles (try and 2 goals); Max Bayes; Will Hutchinson; Tom Rae; Hayden Todd; Sam Cowey; Charlie Brown (try); Caleb Wilson.** Well done to you all!

## Friends of Longcroft School – Prize Draw Winners

Congratulations to the following winners of the Friends of Longcroft prize draw for September:

- £20 winner - Z. Oxley

- £10 winner - C. Haigh
- £10 winner - L. Vleeshhouwer

Future winners will also be announced in Longcroft News and thank you to the Friends of Longcroft School for their hard work and commitment.

## **Cycling Safety**

If your child travels to school by bicycle, please ensure that they have the appropriate visibility items, such as lights, luminous armbands, etc. so they can be seen on the road during these darker months.

Thank you for your support with this.

## **MyEd**

Thank you to all parents who have so far downloaded the My Ed app.

We are aware that some of you have contacted us with questions about the application, including issues of students not yet being added to specific parent accounts. We are doing everything we can to address these and other issues - we hope you will appreciate that when moving from a long-established system to a new one, there will be teething problems at the start, which we hope to resolve as soon as possible.

**MyEd** is a free parent app that gives you a range of communication and information features to stay in touch with what is going on at school. This will give you direct access to your child's attendance, timetable, absence records, achievements, behaviour and more. In coming weeks, more information will be added to the app to make it your one-stop place for Longcroft information.

The **MyEd** app is available now for both Apple iOS and Android devices. If you do not have either of these systems and so cannot download the app, you will still receive text messages and emails, meaning you won't miss out.

You can download the app for FREE, either from the Apple App Store or Google Play by searching for **MyEd**, or scan a unique QR code to access the download page – [click here to find the QR on our website](#).

## **Important Dates**

**Wed 15th Nov 2017** – Year 11 Options Info Evening – 6:30pm

**Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 2017** – Year 13 Parent Consultation Evening

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