
DIARY UPDATE

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| Tuesday 8 th December | : | Y7 Tutor-Parents Evening |
| Thursday 10 th December | : | Y8 Twilight Activities |
| Thursday 10 th December | : | Gingermoo gallery, County Mall Art Exhibition launch 6 – 8 pm |
| Monday 14 th December | : | Carols at Heatherley |
| Tuesday 15 th December | : | Students' Winter Concert 5 p.m. (ticket only) |
| Wednesday 16 th December | : | Winter Sports (Y7/8/9 detimetable today) (see attached) |
| Thursday 17 th December | : | Y7/8/9 Inter House Cross Country Mob Run (see attached) |
| Thursday 17 th December | : | Term ends for Y12/13 term at 3.00 p.m. |
| Friday 18 th December | : | Art Exhibition at the Hawth (until 3 rd January) |
| Friday 18 th December | : | End of Term for Y7-11. Students will be dismissed at approx. 12 noon. |
| Monday 4 th January | : | Students return (normal timetable) |

Dear Parents and Carers,

Children In Need

Yet again, students at Thomas Bennett have shown what generous-hearted people they are! For Children In Need, students have raised a staggering £1700. Already this term students have exceeded the record-breaking charity total for this time last year.

Well done to them all!



Y7 TUTOR-PARENT EVENING **(Tuesday 8th December - Main Hall)**

You should have received a letter for Y7 Tutor-Parent evening with an appointment form. We would like to see all parents so please ensure that appointments are made with your son/daughter's teachers.



OPERATION **CHRISTMAS** **CHILD SHOEBOX** **APPEAL**

We are very pleased to announce that we sent off 50 boxes to the Samaritan's Purse appeal plus a donation of £125. The charity has advised us that our boxes will be arriving as Christmas presents for children in Bosnia.

I know it feels a little early to be saying this but we would like to appeal to students and parents to think about the shoeboxes for next year!

If after Santa has visited you have a clear out of soft toys, puzzles, games, gloves and scarves etc could you please put them in a bag and bring them into the school reception in January. We will then use these donations to top up our boxes for next Christmas.

Thank you once again to all students and parents who supported the appeal this year.

Best Wishes for the festive season.
Ms Lawless

CAROLS AT
HEATHERLEY
CHESHIRE HOME
(Monday 14th December
2009 3.30 – 5.30 p.m.)



As part of a long standing tradition at the college we will be taking a small party of students to the Heatherley Cheshire Home in Copthorne to sing Carols to the residents. This event offers the students who take part an opportunity to understand the true meaning of the festive season and to allow them to contribute their time and energies to

the wider community. We hope this will bring a little festive cheer into the lives of the patients and it will kick start their holiday season.

If your son or daughter is taking part they will bring home a letter and a consent form that must be returned to me prior to the visit. Students will be taken to and from the home by minibus and private car and at the end of the visit will be dropped off at the main college car park.
Ms Lawless

STUDENTS WINTER CONCERT!!! (for TBCC students and family only)
(Please note the change of date)
TUESDAY 15TH
DECEMBER
2009

Come join our array of musical talent from Year 7 – 13 and jump, dance, cheer and mosh the night away!

Venue: TBCC Hall
Date: Tuesday 15th December 2009
Time: 5pm – 6:30-7pm
Tickets: £2 from the Music Department.



Light refreshments will be available

This is a fantastic once-a-year concert not to be missed- DJ's, MC's, Instrumentalists, dancers, singers and more! See you there for a stomp!

ART NEWS

TBCC STUDENTS EXHIBIT WORK IN LOCAL GALLERY - We have a really exciting event next Thursday 10th December from 6pm to 8pm. TBCC students made a massive impact at the Crawley Art festival this summer. Their work is now being shown at the Ginger Moo Gallery in County Mall and will be launched on Thursday.

The artist involved with the students had this to say: " I know that between us we can do something really great for the students to be

proud of and for the town and other schools to see how hard they worked and the kind of things that can be produced when students are creative, enthusiastic and work well in a group with the public. We can show that art and creativity is something to be invested in and followed up within the community. Anyway, it's one step forward on the road to Crawley's art utopia!"

See Mrs Bates for invitations to this fantastic local art event.

Mrs Bell

The HAWTH THEATRE Christmas Art Exhibition.



Our students in all years will be specially selected by us to show their art work in the TBCC Art Exhibition at the Hawth Theatre. This starts on the evening of the 18th December to the 3rd January. This Art Exhibition is open to the public.

For your information, students will have a star in their Contact Books if they have been selected.

Yours sincerely,



Ms Y S Maskatiya
Headteacher

LOST PROPERTY

We have unclaimed lost property. Please check with reception if you have lost anything. Property will be in the foyer near reception at lunchtime on Thursday 10th December. Any property not claimed by the end of term will be disposed of.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCIES

We have vacancies for Parent Governors. If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor at TBCC, please contact Ann Denton for a nomination form.

ATTENDANCE

If you wish to inform us about the absence of a student in Y7, 8, 9, 10 or 11, please call 01293 866817. This has a twenty four hour answer phone available.

Please also remember to send in a note with your child when they return to the college. The note should cover the total length of absence.

If you wish to inform us about the absence of a Sixth Form student please call 01293 866815.