



DENBIGH SCHOOL



Headteacher's Bulletin – 22nd November 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this email finds you well, winter is certainly here with the cold and snowy weather we have had this week.

Cross Country Success

On Wednesday 20th November, I had the pleasure of heading down to Campbell Park to watch the start of the Milton Keynes Cross Country Championships at Campbell Park. The championships were organised by the PE staff at Denbigh School and was a great event, with students from years 7-11 taking part. Over 360 students from 12 different School across the city took part in very cold conditions. Congratulations to all students that ran on the day, the full results will be announced in the bulletin next week. Thank you to Mr Linbourne and the PE Faculty for giving students across the city this opportunity.

Christmas Bazaar

Preparations are well underway for our annual Christmas Bazaar on Friday 6th December. I do hope that you are saving up your coins ready to bring with you and spend on the night!

We have had some fantastic raffle prizes offered so far: a family of 4 match day ticket to a Northampton Saints match, a signed football from MK Dons, a voucher for a local Indian restaurant and lots more, plus the £100 cash prize. Raffle tickets have been given out to all students ready for you to sell as a family.

In the meantime if you have any of the following items we would really welcome them:

- Unwanted gifts, including good quality second hand (but clean please) soft toys for our tombola stall
- Chocolate or alcohol for our raffle or tombola
- Unused smellies
- Any other raffle/tombola prizes (vouchers etc)

These items can be brought to reception ASAP so we can prepare them for the day. If you have any questions please email burgessj@denbigh.net

Appeal for food containers

If you have any spare sweet containers, biscuit tins, ice cream tubs, tupperware, etc that could be donated to school for students to use, we would greatly appreciate them. We currently have no containers left for students to use when they forget to bring their own following a food practical lesson. Any donated containers can be taken to the DT department, or alternatively, you could leave them in reception.

St Marks Meal Boxes

Today we have had a big delivery of St Marks Meal boxes. If you, or anyone you know with children, are in need of these boxes please come to reception to collect or email headteacher@denbigh.net. We can be discrete and can supply as many boxes as you need.

Library

Book recommendations: Please see the book recommendations for next week

KS3 - Philosophy for beginners by Jordan Akpojaro

KS4 - Plato and a platypus walk into a bar BY Thomas Cathcart

KS5 - The Godless Gospel by Julian Baggini

Non Fiction - Rebel Voices by Louise Kay Stewart

Silent Book Club: Next week is the final event in the library of the year. The silent book club will be taking place 3-4.30pm in the ILC.

Community

Please can I ask that you speak to your children on the importance of behaving appropriately when travelling home from school. We have received some concerns from local businesses, including the Doctors Surgery, of students not being mindful of their surroundings. Our values are to be kind and respectful and these apply both inside and outside of the building. We know most students do not want to cause harm, but sometimes they can get wrapped up in the moment when in a group.

Caroline Haslet Mini Bus Appeal

One of our feeder schools, Caroline Haslet, are currently trying to raise funds for a new mini bus after their bus was unfortunately stolen and then left damaged beyond repair. The school are now raising money to cover the shortfall that the insurance will not cover.

Word of the week

The word of the week next week is apprehensive meaning, feeling worried about something that you are going to do or that is going to happen. For example, she is apprehensive about the meeting tomorrow.

Coming up next week

Monday 25th November - Start of Year 11 PPEs

Tuesday 26th November - Year 12 Niftylift trip

Friday 29th November - Year 13 Criminology trip

I hope that you have a good weekend.

Kind regards,

Mr A Steed
Headteacher