HONITON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Weekly Update

Dates for the Diary

Week B	
Mon 6 Nov	Students first day back
Tues 7	Yr10 Rugby @ Kings College, leaving 1.30pm U16 Netball @ HCC 4pm
Wed 8	ED X-Country Championship @ Bicton all day
Thu 9	Yr12 Physics Competition @ Exeter Race- course, all day
	Year 7 Progress Evening 3.45—7pm
Fri 10	Ten Tors Navigation Training all day @ HCC
TWO-WEEK OCTOBER HALF TERM!	

Don't forget students have a two-week October half-term . We will re-open on **Monday 6th November**



Yr7—11 Flu Immunisations

We are pleased to be hosting the Immunisation Team again on Wednesday 13th December, to deliver seasonal flu immunisations. Our own staff will be on hand to supervise throughout the day as usual. Please find everything you need to know in the letter attached to this email. If you have any questions, please contact the team directly on 01392 342678.

Student Half Term Challenge

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We have set our students a half-term challenge to win blue lollies on their return, as well as winning house points for their house. We have set students the challenge of sending in photos whilst taking part in educational activities such as reading, or whilst visiting educational places such as the RAMM, or the Thelma Hulbert Gallery. Please encourage students to get involved and send any photo's into Miss Blight at Hayley.blight@honiton.college Thank you.

ONLINE SAFETY

Please check out this very useful link to information on social media safety and settings: <u>https://swqfl.org.uk/resources/checklists/</u>

Communication notices

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YEAR 7 FAMILIES—PROGRESS EVENING

A Weduc + email was sent out last Friday with Information on how to book appointments with your child's teachers on Thursday 9th November. If you did not receive the email, please contact us at admin@honiton.college

PARIS 2024 TRIP

A Weduc + email was sent last week with more information and a reminder to make payments at your earliest convenience if you haven't already. Please contact admin@honiton.college if you have not received the letter.

Thank you

SPARX SCIENCE



Sparx Science is now in it's fifth week at HCC and we would like to update you on the process so far.

As you are most likely aware, we have set the following weekly:

- 30 mins for students in Y8 and 9
- 45 mins for those in years 10 and 11.

Students should aim to work for these lengths of time on the tasks given. Many students are enjoying the more interactive way of working on Sparx and responding well to the challenge. We are seeing more and more students complete their home learning within the time as the questions adapt to their required level of challenge. However, if your child is finding it difficult to complete within that time, please encourage them to speak with their teacher or Miss Knight. We also provide a help session every Wednesday lunchtime in S9 for all students who need support.

We have had feedback that parents would like reminders about home learning that is nearing the deadline. Unfortunately, Sparx Science is currently unable to send student/ parent deadline reminders as it does for Sparx Maths. This is in the pipeline though. Until this is in place we will send a class charts announcement each week.

We have also been asked if parents can have their own login to see home learning progress. Again this is not something that is currently available but we will notify you as soon as any new developments are available.

If you have any further questions, please do get in touch. Kelly Knight, Head of Science HONITON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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Year 11 Updates

Half term coursework study sessions for Art, Photography and DT

For the first time we would like to offer Art, Photo and DT students the chance to access our facilities in the half-term so that they can focus on their coursework in our purpose built studio spaces. Art and DT students will have access to C5, and Photography students will have access to C3. This is a great opportunity for students to work independently, in a quiet and calm space with resources on-hand.

Thursday 2nd November: 12pm – 3pm Friday 3rd November: 9am – 12pm and 1pm – 3pm

Students must sign in and out at the study sessions with the member of staff that will be supervising. No need to sign up — just turn up! We look forward to seeing them there.

Year 11 November Mocks Timetable

The mocks timetable will be out after half-term but teachers are already preparing students in their lessons. The mocks window is from Wednesday 22nd November to Wednesday 29th November. We understand that students may be nervous but we will all do our best to reassure them . They have learnt from the experience of the Summer Mocks in year 10 and are better prepared due to the extra tuition in the morning tutoring programme.

Mocks Subject Guide

In the first week back, we will be sharing a guide with all the key information they will need about their upcoming exams, such as topics covered, recommended revision links and handy tools. We know they will be well-prepared but please encourage them to speak to their tutor, teacher, or Head of Year if they are worried.

Year 11 parent/carer Information Evening 16th November, 6pm – 7pm

This will be an opportunity to learn more about how we are preparing and supporting the students in college, how you can support students at home, and to raise any questions. More information will follow nearer the time on how to book.

