

Year 8 Weekly Bulletin



Autumn term – 2020

Thought of the week

‘Anyone who has ever made anything of importance was disciplined’

(Andrew Hendrixson, Artist)

Key information this week



Welcome!

Hello and welcome to the fourth Year 8 bulletin.

Again, in this week’s edition, I would like to share with you some of the amazing things that Y8 have been getting up to; a special mention goes to the rewards assembly – where there was a real buzz of excitement and celebration, which surrounded it.

The quotation above epitomises the mind-set that we all must adhere to; we must be disciplined, in order to succeed. This week, Y8, have revisited their one sentence pledge, thought about their future, where they want to be, and discussed the need to be disciplined in order to achieve the future that they deserve.

Maintain your hard work and you will be a success.

A message from our year 8 tutors!

What an amazing half term it has been and a brilliant response from year 8 yellow on their return after such a lengthy time off.

The form have shown great resilience in getting back into lessons and routines. They have shown support to each other and helped educate each other daily.

We have elected two form reps this term with Leo and Eva both elected to lead the form in discussions for change and sharing views. Eva has also been fantastically successful in elected the representative of the year group. Well done Eva.

Year 7 continues to top the positive rewards points table and negatives are a minimum. The form deserve a big well done from myself, and the academy in continuing to impress and show the rest of the academy how to do it.

I look forward to the next half term and continuing the fantastic progress we have made this half term. I hope you all enjoy your well-deserved break. Have fun and stay safe. Well done 8 Yellow.

This half term has been inspiring for me. To see so many students working hard in lessons after such a long time off, showing excellent perseverance and resilience in the face of challenges has been great. Being new to the school, like some of our students too, it has been helpful how well our learners have adapted to the new routines and 8 Blue have been fantastic in helping me settle in here at SUA!

This half term has been super positive for team 8 Blue with positive behaviour points rocketing. Of our collective 2941 so far, Harry Burden, Kian Hunter and Lexi Wood have been absolutely crushing it with 762 between them.

In form time, discussion about this terms positive experience has been uplifting; so many students feeling like their friendships at school are a real strength and source of motivation. We have had positive praise cards sent home and reports of excellent work from all over the school but particularly in Art, English, Geography and Music. That said, we are looking forward to a well-earned rest over half term, ready for what the weeks up to Christmas will bring. Katie, Chloe, Lexi and Lacey in particular are looking forward to taking part in the challenging tasks of the AIM project.

I am already excited to get back after the break to hear about everyone's time off and support 8Blue next half term too. However, until then, have a wonderfully restful time.

8 Purple have been incredible at settling back in this half term, and I'm so impressed with their resilience and attitudes during lessons when I have popped in to see them. Our leaders on Class Charts are Katelyn and Imogen, with each of them earning over 270 positive points this half term! Katelyn was also scholar of the week earlier on in the half term, setting a high standard for our tutor group. Imogen, Maisie, Ella, Summer and Victoria are all taking part in the Aim project and I can't wait to see what they do in their groups throughout next half term.

This half term has been fantastic to be able to see students working very hard after such a long time off. I have been proud of the majority falling back into routines and gaining some great comments and positive reward points from a variety of subjects. Seth Gray has an astounding amount of positive points, nearly 200 for just this half term! I have enjoyed forming some great relationships so that the students have felt at ease being able to speak to me or even just popping into me first thing in the morning to say hello.

After a discussion about what achievements or anything new that the members of 8 Green have accomplished this half term we found out some amazing facts. Brandon Childs and Seth Gray were proud to have been named 'scholar of the week' during this half term. Seth Tomes has been increasing his confidence and attending sport clubs outside of school. Grace Brindley is enjoying dance lessons outside of school and having something to focus on. Lexi was proud that her parents received a phone call home from her music teacher to explain how well she is doing. Brandon Ryan, Brandon Childs, Kendall and Macaulay are part of Norton football team and together are winning lots of games. George, Kealey and Brandon Ryan received a positive postcard home for science. Kerri loves dance lessons at SUA and is an all-round motivated individual. Crystal has applied to start doing a newspaper round to get an understanding of work and the responsibilities this involves. Kealey is enjoying horse riding and supporting her Aunt who is a horse-riding instructor. William has joined the AIM project at SUA and is excited to get started with the challenging tasks that are ahead.

I look forward to the next half term to continue supporting and enriching the students of 8 Green. Enjoy the break!

Well, this half term has been like no other! However, the level of engagement and positives achieved from 8 Red is an area I could not be prouder! The Joy in all of 8 Red's faces when we were named the tutor with the most positives in assembly was amazing.

8 Red and I, were so pleased we got to continue working together from Year 7 as the relationship that has been created has only gone from strength to strength. The students are always able to speak to me, whether they are struggling or just want a chat and to say hello, we have all created a welcoming and inclusive environment.

I would like to mention a special shout out to a few students who have made it into the *Top 20 students* not once but twice this half term! Darcy-Mae Bird, Jack Brooks, Molly Duffy, Emma Langston, Danielle Morning, Harley Morning, Izzy Rumford, Mason White and Cassie Wilkes this is a brilliant achievement and I am looking forward to many more students achieving this next half term. In addition, Milli Shaughnessy was named *Scholar of the half term*, what an amazing reward for Milli, Well done!

As always I cannot wait to have 8 Red again when we return after our well-deserved break, during next half term we will continue our great work and strive to be the best in what we do every day. I Hope everyone has a fantastic break, take care and be safe!

Other news

REWARDS:

This week, we have conducted our celebratory rewards assembly. The aim of the assembly this week was to celebrate the hard work of all students within our year group. The autumn assembly had a key underlying message of being successful and how to be a success. The students watched a speech made by Arnold Schwarzenegger, where he discussed how he had a vision and a goal in life. This links to the key message that we present to the students each week of 'A vision without action is just a dream, action without vision just passes the time, and vision with action can change the world'. Please take the time to watch the video again and share with those around you -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1bumPyvzCyo>

We also celebrated the year group achieving a whopping 5387 positive points, for such things as effort, kindness, RESPECT and for completing their reading challenges.

Next half term:

Next half term, I have set the students the following challenges:

- Attend more extra-curricular clubs
- Help more people
- Be kinder to other students
- Be more punctual to lessons
- Hand homework in on time
- Do everything you are asked, 1st time of asking
- Use unstructured time to socialise with friends and relax between lessons.

We are currently looking at ways to improve our library. Mr Stokes has asked if the students follow the link and complete the form.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qky26b9G3UKLteReSUL79AXTa3XB12hGriB1qE3IE1tUOERMRO8yOEJZVEE0WIJYSkU3MDIEOVpPNC4u>

Have a great half term and take care!



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EVERYDAY”**