

## Whole School Newsletter December 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

We are rapidly approaching the end of term. Please note the calendar dates below.

### **Thursday December 13 - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch**

Christmas Jumper Day - Make the World Better with a Sweater is on **Thursday, December 13** this will be a Christmas themed non-uniform day. Participating students will need to make a donation of £1 to Save the Children via their Form Tutors.

Also on Thursday December 13 Christmas Lunch will be served. This is £3 and students should have pre-booked this via their form tutor.

### **Wednesday December 19 - School closes for the Christmas holiday at 3pm**

Buses will run as normal into the city at 3pm.

### **Monday January 7 - School reopens for the new term**

### **Year 11 Mock Exam Results**

The results will be handed out to students at a Mock Results Assembly on Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

### **Contract Bus Passes**

Any student who needs to use the Contract Bus must purchase a pass for next term.

The payment of £65 must be made via Wise Pay, cash or cheque (payable to UTCN) by Monday December 17.

Cash and cheques should be 'posted' (envelopes are available at reception) into the Finance letter box in reception, clearly marked with their name. Passes must be purchased and collected by Tuesday January 8, 2019 at the very latest, as the new passes will need to be shown on all Contract Buses on Wednesday January 9. Passes will be available to collect from Mrs Sickelmore in room UT021 (downstairs office next to the Exam Hall) from Tuesday December 18.

### **United Kingdom Mathematics Trust Senior Maths Challenge**

Year 12 and 13 students achieved one gold, eight silver and ten bronze awards in this year's UKMT Senior Maths Challenge. Over 80,000 pupils from across the UK entered and the top 10% received a gold, the next 20% silver and the next 30% bronze.

Joanna Crane achieved Best in School, Best in Year, a gold award and has taken part in the next round, the Senior Kangaroo (awaiting results). Silver awards were achieved by George Madeley, Joseph Coutts, Harry Ingle, Reece Mendham, Kate Hubbard, Connor Hunter, Alex Ursell and Robyn-Jayne Walters. Bronze awards were achieved by George Echlin-Riches, Conor Hyland, William Houghton, Daniel O'Toole, Kieron McFarlane, Emily Pinnell, Maisie Hubbard, Pierce Linton, Benjamin Whitton and Katherine Woodburn.

We also took part in the UKMT Senior Team Challenge where Year 12 students Joanna Crane, Reece Mendham, Alex Ursell and Daniel O'Toole competed against 20 other schools in the region (including year 13 teams) and we placed 8th. Well done to all involved in these maths competitions!

### **Pencil Cases**

Pencil cases are available for sale in the library, for £1.50, exam standard transparent pencil cases containing:

3 X pens  
2 X pencils  
1 x green pen  
12" ruler  
Compass and pencil  
Protractor  
Pencil Sharpener  
Eraser  
2 x highlighters

Please see Mrs Settle in the library.

### **WisePay**

UTCN uses an online payment system called WisePay. With WisePay parents and students can top up their food balances for the Cashless Catering system, and they can also pay for trips, bus passes and other services.

If you do not have a WisePay login please contact our Finance Assistant on [accounts@utc.norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:accounts@utc.norfolk.gov.uk) who will be able to provide a reminder of your details. Please click [here](#) for the **WisePay Website**.

### **Social Media**

Please follow us on Twitter @utcnorfolk for quick information about the whole school and @UTCNKS4 for Key Stage 4 information.

Also, follow us on Instagram @utc\_norfolk for fun UTCN updates.

### **Dates for your diary**

#### **2018**

13th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch served  
13th December - Year 13 Parents' Evening  
19th December - School closes for the Christmas holiday at 3pm

#### **2019**

7th January - School reopens  
10th January - Year 12 Parents' Evening  
January 31 - Year 11 Parents' Evening  
4th February - Year 13 mock exams start  
18th February - Half-term - Monday, February 18 to Friday, February 22 (inclusive)

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