

# Manshead School

# Newsletter

Useful information for students, parents and the community

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## WEEK A

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> May                      School Council Meeting

## WEEK B

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> May                      Guitar Festival Concert  
6.30pm

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> May                          Yr 12 Study Leave starts

Many students have commented to me how much they like the newly installed covered seating area near A block. Over the Easter break builders put up two large canopies to make a large shaded outdoor space and we have equipped the area with tables and benches to make an outside eating/social area. Judging by the number of people using it we might need to develop other similar areas in the future. This is just one example of how we are trying to improve the facilities for students and the site in general. We were also able to refurbish several classrooms in B block over the break and have plans to continue this work as a rolling programme. In the summer we hope to complete the science laboratory project that we started last year.

One of the most pleasing aspects of making the improvements is to see how well the students respect the buildings and facilities. Many visitors comment how clean the school looks and they often remark that they are surprised to see no vandalism. Having good facilities certainly helps to create a good learning environment and we are fortunate to have a great site team who work hard to ensure that students have the right facilities. On this note just a reminder that our fabulous library is available for students to use before and after school too.

**Jim Parker**  
Headteacher

## YEAR 11 LUNCHTIME MATHS CLINIC

The maths department will be offering lunch time 'drop in' sessions to all Year 11s (as per the table below). You can bring a particular question you are stuck on, or just bring your past paper booklet and make good use of your time.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Mr Ash</b> C9	<b>Mr Hatch</b> C10
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Mrs Wood</b> C5	<b>Miss Thomas</b> C7
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<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Mr Barclay</b> C3	<b>Miss Thomas</b> C7
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Mr Sam</b> C6	<b>Miss Thomas</b> C7

**Miss S Thomas**  
Teacher Maths

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**Please call in before 9.00am every day of absence**

## **READATHON**

The library ran a competition for year 9 students to see who could find the most words of 3 letters or more from the word Readathon.

Thank you all for your entries.

The winner with an amazing 92 allowed words was.... **Rachael Jones of CaST**

Congratulations to Rachael – I am hoping to present her with her prize during a Campbell College celebration assembly soon.

The English department have asked me to remind Year 9 students that any outstanding Readathon sponsor money should now be collected up and handed in as soon as possible please.

**Mrs S Yates**  
**Librarian**

## **RETURNING FOOD CONTAINERS**

All students in Food Technology must bring in a suitable dish/container to cook/return their food product home. If they do not bring a dish in then they may be sent home without cooking their product as the school has limited stocks.

We still have a number of dishes/tins missing from Food technology which we have lent to students over the last few weeks to ensure they could take part and achieve in our lessons.

Please check at home and return any of our equipment – Students returning equipment up to half term will receive credits.

Also if you have any unwanted oven bake dishes, sweet tins and other kitchen equipment not electrical please sent in with your child.

**Mr J Young**  
**Teacher Food Studies**

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## Science Revision Sessions

Does your child require extra support in preparation for their GCSE Science examinations?

The science department will be holding revision and advice sessions every week. The sessions are open to all students taking the exam for the first time and those undertaking re-sit examinations.

Please be aware that the sessions will be provided to a maximum of 30 students on a first come, first served basis. Lunchtime sessions will last 30 minutes. Afternoon sessions are scheduled to last an hour.

Exam	Teacher	Room	Day	Time
Ideas in Context	Mrs James	S9	Monday Week A	Lunchtime (1.30pm). **
B123	Mrs Norton	S2	Tuesday	After school (3.20pm)
Harnessing Chemicals	Mr Payne	S6	Tuesday	Lunchtime (1.30pm)
Life Care	Ms Hopkin	S5	Wednesday	Lunchtime (1.30pm)
B456	Mrs Norton	S2	Friday	Lunchtime (1.30pm)
C456	Mr Payne	S6	Thursday	After school (3.20pm)
P456	Mr McIntyre	S8	Thursday	After school (3.20pm)
C7, P7, B7	Mr Cullen	S1	Thursday	After school (3.20pm)
Scientific Detection	Mr Payne	S6	Friday	Lunchtime (1.30pm)

\*\*Repeated after school (3.20pm)

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