



## Weekly Bulletin 17th November 2025

### [Headteacher's Message](#)

#### **Focus on Next Steps**

Nearly 30 of our Year 11 students recently visited Wolgarston Sixth Form. They represented TREA beautifully—behaved impeccably, inquisitive, focused, and reflective about what the next stage of their education could mean for them.

Today, at the very start of their learning journey, Year 7 students embarked on a STEM trip to RAF Cosford. These experiences remind us that time at TREA is more than learning in the classroom. It's the sum of all opportunities—trips, visits, and visitors—that broaden horizons and enrich education.

## Curriculum update

One of the great things about teaching (and learning!) in a school is the repeated opportunities for fresh starts: new school years, new terms, new weeks, new days and each and every new lesson. Each one a fresh start. Within the English department, our Fresh Start this week is the change from Cycle One to Cycle Two; a new unit of learning, with new goals, new skills and new texts to explore.

"I've never needed to know Macbeth in my whole life." "When will I ever need to know what a coordinating conjunction is?" One of the questions I most often hear as a teacher is: but how does this impact students in the real world? With our focus on fresh starts this week, we are also reinforcing the "why" of our new topics. Why this text? Why this skill? Why this method of learning or teaching? Ask your children if they can explain to you the benefits or advantages of their new English topic!

A friendly reminder that KS3 will have vocabulary (and spelling) related homework for this Cycle, while Years 10 and 11 will have Literature and Language revision. Why? Because a wider knowledge (and accuracy) of vocabulary makes people more persuasive and powerful speakers and because the only way to remember anything we are taught is through repeated exposure! Thank you for your continued support with homework.

## Year 11 Parents

### Practical Revision Tips for Parents

- **Create a quiet space** for study, free from distractions.
- **Encourage short, focused sessions** (25–30 minutes) with breaks.
- **Ask questions** about what they've learned to reinforce memory.
- **Help them plan a timetable** and stick to it.
- **Celebrate progress**, not just results, to keep motivation high.

### Opportunity for year 11 students.

We have an opportunity for year 11 students to help in serving drinks in the canteen at breaktime. Their form tutors will discuss this with them over the next few days, and then they will have the opportunity to write a letter of application to the head teacher. The successful students will be those that best fit the personal specification that has been shared with them,

based on their letter. They will be compensated for their time by school adding £3 to their canteen card for each break time they cover.

This is an excellent opportunity to contribute to the school community, and of course will be great to add to a CV.

## Key Dates



- Monday 17th November - Year 7 visit to RAF Cosford
- Wednesday 19th November - Year 11 mock examinations begin
- Thursday 11th December Year 10 Parents Evening
- Wednesday 17th December - Local Governing Board Meeting

## Parent Update from Staffordshire County Council



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*Talking to a young person about Cannabis / THC Vapes*

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