

Scarborough UTC News Flash  
Friday 9th November 2018

INTRODUCTION

Dear parent/carer

Year 11 and 13 students were back in the College this week after half term and a highly successful work experience week. Many of our students enjoyed placements with our employer partners in engineering and computer science. The students in these placements are, therefore, ambassadors for the College and throughout the last two weeks we have received extremely positive feedback from our partners about our students' attitudes to their placements. They have been a real credit to themselves, you as parents and Scarborough UTC.

Next week is Pre Public Examination (PPE) Week for year 11 and 13. Students' examination experience will closely mirror what will happen in their GCSE and A level examinations in the summer and is an important opportunity for them to demonstrate the progress they are making. We will use the achievement data from these exams along with data from assessment carried out in lessons to measure students' current progress, their current placement in their teaching group and which tier of examination paper they are best suited to. Please ensure your child is well-prepared for these examinations in terms of revision, having the correct equipment and having 100% attendance.

Each month I will be providing you with information as part of our College Safeguarding Strategy. This month I would like to draw your attention to resources which are provided free from National Online Safety who have created a free ['conversation starter' poster for schools to share with their parents & carers about online safety](#). The guide includes 7 questions to get 'the conversation' going in relation to their child's internet usage. Engaging in regular, two-way communication with children about online activities is a really important way of building trust and highlighting the dangers they are exposed to every day.

*When You Go Home, Tell Them Of Us And Say,  
For Your Tomorrow, We Gave Our Today*  
John Maxwell Edmonds

Thank you for your support.

Mr Kilgour

## IN ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Assembly this week was for year 10 ,11, 12 and 13 on the theme of Remembrance. On this 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the First World War, Mr Kilgour led assemblies that explored the history and significance behind the Remembrance services and the poppy as the symbol of Remembrance. Students from the UTC Combined Cadet Force wore uniform in the assemblies, gave readings from the poems, In Flanders Field and For the Fallen and placed a wreath in memory of all those who have lost their lives in conflict over the last 100 years.

## SCIENCE @ SCARBOROUGH UTC

On Wednesday evening SUTC hosted the first IOP (Institution of Physics) training session. This is an exciting opportunity for SUTC in its new role as an IOP Hub for training for the whole of the coastal schools area. Representative from different schools in the Scarborough and coastal area came to enhance their Physics teaching knowledge and application. This is high quality, continuing professional development that the UTC is offering to develop Physics teaching in the area. A further series of sessions will take place throughout the year focusing on different topics.

The IOP is a renowned national organisation dedicated to advancing Physics knowledge, for more information see their website <http://www.iop.org/>.

## T&L@SUTC

Pace is a vital component of a successful lesson, particularly when working with high-achieving students such as ours who are more than able to cope with 60 minutes of rigorous challenge. To ensure that lessons at Scarborough UTC reflect pace we have now installed analogue clocks in all classrooms and all teachers are informing students of exactly how much time they have to complete a task. In this way we can ensure that students are taking control of their own learning in knowing exactly how long they have to complete a specific activity, and students can ensure that they meet the challenge of completing tasks within the set time available in order to achieve to the best of their ability.

## TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE

It's been an exciting week in our engineering department as two national competitions draw closer. Our F1 In schools teams have been securing their sponsorships from local companies and adding the finishing touches to their designs ahead of prototyping and testing next week as the finals are looming fast in December – Great to see so many Year 10s taking part in such a big activity so soon after join us.

Also this week we've secured our spot in the UK Space Design Competition regionals which this year are being held at Scarborough College. We won this last year and advanced onto the national finals at Imperial College London which was an exciting 2 day competition and

where we were one of a very small number of state schools taking part. Watch this 'space' for more info in the coming weeks!

Finally our Year 12s have begun their weld tests which will allow them to demonstrate their competence, knowledge and understanding of the welding techniques they have been learning over the first half term – good luck everybody.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 11 and 13 PPEs	12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> November
Scarborough UTC Open Event	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 6.00 - 8.00pm
INSET Day	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December
End of Autumn Term	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
INSET Day	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019
First day of Spring Term	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2019