

- Thought for the Day should provoke thought and reflective exchanges between students.

- Thought for the Day is concerned with developing students' knowledge and opinions about contemporary issues and with generating an understanding of human behaviour.

- In particular they should be able to appreciate the difference between what is right and what is wrong in a variety of situations.

- It will be as concerned with the moral and spiritual as it will be with truth and justice in both everyday actions and in the wider world.

- The strategies for Thought for the Day will be for tutors to put all or some of the ideas suggested each week before their students during registration and invite their responses.

- These opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding through mutual exchange in response to given stimuli should be carefully and sensitively presented and monitored.

- This definition of our expectations is open to debate, change and development. Ideas and contributions to 'Thought for the Day' will be welcomed. Please talk or write to Michael Tucker (michaeltuckeratwork@hotmail.co.uk) or Oliver Scott on (elliottstudentvoice@hotmail.com)

Aspire to Excellence

Please continue to draw attention to the **ASPIRE** acronym in the ways which were suggested last week.

Through Mrs Ferrell's assemblies last week we were encouraging all of our students to understand **'the commitment you are making in coming to school'**.

We hope that by engaging students in the 'Acronym Game', through learning it by heart and repeating it at random intervals, by rewarding students who respond well with smiles and credits, it will result in a positive message about education being learned.

We would like to believe that in this way the language of the Acronym maybe used in everyday exchanges between students and teachers to encourage good learning attitudes communicated in a similar way by all of us.

To assist with this project George Solomonides has produced an engaging poster for every classroom which will facilitate the 'game'.

These posters will be delivered to every classroom on Monday morning. If you haven't got one please see Barbara or George in DDR.

ACTIVITIES

- Engage students in a discussion about the meaning of each of these.
- Ask individual students to make presentations to the other members of the tutor group.
- Organise a competition in which students learn the acronym by heart.



Participate in sport and keep fit

- Year 8 Boys football trials on Monday with Mr Lyndon
- Year 7 Boys football trials on Tuesday with Mr Lyndon
- KS3 mixed basketball every Thursday with Mr McGuinness
- KS4 & Sixth Form basketball training with Mr Kuszinrczuk and Mr McGuinness

OPPORTUNITIES for participation