# Direct Tuition Newsletter - October 2013

We hope your child has settled in well to the new school year and is ready to work harder than last year. An online version of this newsletter is available <a href="http://www.direct-tuition.com/parents/news/">http://www.direct-tuition.com/parents/news/</a>

# **Holidays**

The will be an Open Day at Beauchamp College on Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup> and as a result, A-Level classes will be cancelled on this day.

Due to the October half term holidays, Direct Tuition will be closed from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October.

### **Recommend a Friend**



If you have any friends or family that may be interested in attending tuition, please either get them to call us or complete our <u>recommend a friend form</u> and we will contact them. You and your friend will receive a free lesson and if you friend decides to start tuition; you will also receive £25 reward after they attend four lessons (friend must attend the free lesson by September 30<sup>th</sup>). From October 1<sup>st</sup>, this reward will be decreased to £15.

As an additional incentive, the student who refers the most students by February 28<sup>th</sup> 2014 will receive a prize of a new Apple Mini iPad (can be substituted for an Android tablet if preferred)

## **Online Webinar Lessons**

We will be starting online lessons via a webinar, this is where students can attend a lesson in the comfort of their own homes and be taught by an interactive PowerPoint presentation. There are currently only three other companies (all in London) offering this service in the country. Classes will begin in September for AS-Level Maths, A2-level Maths, and GCSE Further Maths. More classes will be added throughout the year.

# **Competitions**

We will be having regular competitions throughout the year which are open to everyone (students, parents or anyone else) which will usually be logical problems aimed at getting students to think a little outside the box, the current competition can be found <a href="here">here</a> or on out <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> page. The winner will be selected at random from all correct entries and receive a £10 voucher of their choice. To have a greater chance of winning, why not get your friends and family to enter too. You don't need to be a student at Direct Tuition to enter; you can also get family or friends in other countries to enter if you wish.

Our current competition ends on September 30<sup>th</sup> and is to suggest names for the online lessons which we do. Instructions can be found on our Facebook page and blog.

# **Blog**

Please keep up to date with our blog. Our most recent article "What is a Webinar," explains where and why webinars are being used more and more in the real world. One of the articles next month includes book recommendations for A-Level students.

# GCSE English Y11 - Oadby

The Y11 English class in Oadby will now take place on Tuesdays 6-7pm beginning from October 1st.

## **Contract**

Please find attached our contract of learning. Please read, sign, date and return this to us next week. Should you have any queries, please email us on <a href="mailto:info@direct-tuition.com">info@direct-tuition.com</a>

Alternatively, you can sign and date the contract online by visiting <a href="http://bit.ly/DT-contract">http://bit.ly/DT-contract</a>

#### **Homework Scores**

The homework scores of all students will be displayed on our website, but their names will not be displayed. Each student will be allocated a student number which we will give out to the parents later on in the month. These will be given directly to the parents on a card and not to your child, all instructions will be provided on the card.

For the time being, this will only show Maths Homework Scores, later on in the year we will look at adding in other subjects.

#### **Fees**

A quick reminder about fees, payment for the month MUST be made on the first lesson of every month. Payment can be made by either cheque or cash. If paying by cheque, it must be for at least £50 otherwise there will be a £2 surcharge. Please note you must give at least 7 days notice of absences to avoid being charged.

## For 60 minute sessions

- Students attending 1 lesson per week = £12 per lesson
- Students attending 2 lessons per week = £11 per lesson
- Students attending 3 lessons per week = £9.50 per lesson
- Students wanting to pay weekly Extra £2 per lesson
- Students wanting to pay at the end of the month Extra £3 per lesson
- Payment of less than £50 by cheque Extra £2 per cheque

#### For 90 minute sessions

- Students attending 1 lesson per week = £18 per lesson
- Students attending 2 lessons per week = £17 per lesson
- Students attending 3 lessons per week = £16 per lesson
- Students wanting to pay weekly Extra £2 per lesson
- Students wanting to pay at the end of the month Extra £3 per lesson
- Payment of less than £50 by cheque Extra £2 per cheque

## Student of the Month

Each month we will select a student of the month. The student of the month will win a trophy, an Amazon voucher, and have a photograph taken for our blog where we will write a short article about their achievements.

We are looking for any of the following criteria to award the student of the month:

- Excellent results in school or tuition
- Excellent GCSE or A-Level results
- Most improved homework scores
- Any other reason you believe your child should be nominated

If you would like to nominate your child please do so by emailing us on <a href="mailto:info@direct-tuition.com">info@direct-tuition.com</a> and explain in less than 100 words, why your child should be nominated. We will mention the winner on our next newsletter and write a short article on them about their achievements on our blog.

# **Holidays**

Please use the table below to work out how many lessons your child has this month so you can work out your fees

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday	Sunday
	1 <sup>st</sup> October	2 <sup>nd</sup> October	3 <sup>rd</sup> October	5 <sup>th</sup> October	6 <sup>th</sup> October
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7 <sup>th</sup> October	8 <sup>th</sup> October	9 <sup>th</sup> October	10 <sup>th</sup> October	12 <sup>th</sup> October	13 <sup>th</sup> October
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21 <sup>st</sup> October	22 <sup>nd</sup> October	23 <sup>rd</sup> October	24 <sup>th</sup> October	26 October	27 <sup>th</sup> October
(HOLIDAY)	(HOLIDAY)	(HOLIDAY)	(HOLIDAY)	(HOLIDAY)	(HOLIDAY)
28 <sup>th</sup> October	29 <sup>th</sup> October	30 <sup>th</sup> October	31 <sup>st</sup> October		

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