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## Parents' Bulletin

#### **Dear Parents**

Last week we received confirmation of our GCSE results from the Department of Education. As you may be aware the key measure of a school's success is now what is known as the 'Progress 8 Score'.

From 2016 all students and schools have been measured on how much progress they make from when they start in Year 7 to when they complete their exams at the end of Yr 11. This new measure is based on a student's progress which is measured across <u>8</u> subjects including English and Maths, EBacc subjects from Science, Languages and Humanities and 3 other approved qualifications. The Progress 8 measure is designed to encourage all students to study a broad and balanced curriculum.

I am delighted to inform you that we have received a positive Progress 8 score. This means that students at Yateley School have achieved **higher** than national averages in their GCSE exams.

It is also worth mentioning that students of **all ability's** (low, middle and higher) made better than average progress.

These results at Key Stage 4 alongside our best A Level results for over 6 years are a real testament to the hard work of students, staff and parent's last year.

On a separate note I am pleased to see that our students have been making excellent use of Show my Homework this term. Over 95% of students from Years 7-13 are using the system to manage their homework on a regular basis. The completion rate of homework is also up on last year's figures.

Although we had a few teething issues at the start of term, it seems the system is now working as it should be at being well used by students and staff.

As I mentioned to students in assemblies this week research shows that on average, the impact of homework on learning is consistently positive, leading to on average five months additional progress' (Sutton Trust).

I will be writing to parents shortly with further information on how you can make use of Show My Homework to support your child.

#### Mr T Pettengell Deputy Headteacher















#### **DIARY DATES**

6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Yr 12 BTEC Business Trip – Thorpe Park
12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	First Steps Parents' Meeting – 6pm
12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	6th Form Open Evening – 7pm
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Scholastic Book Fair
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Yr 12 BTEC Travel Trip – Brighton
17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	House Dance Show – 7pm
18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	House Dance Show – 7pm
19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Yr 7 Tutor/Parents' Evening
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Half Term
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Yr 12 Geography Trip – Slough

#### **SPORTING RESULTS**

#### Football

Year 7 Iost 6-2 against John Hansen Year 8 won 2-1 against Collingwood Year 10 Iost 3-1 against Tomlinscote

#### Rugby

Year 9 played a combined team of Wavell and Weydon and lost 35-25

#### Netball

Year 11 had their last game for us in the District tournament at Wavell they played really well, and we are all very proud of their achievements and contributions over the last 4 years. They finished 3rd at Districts

We had a mixed U15 team (Year 10 and 9) play at the ISON Versatility tournament, the Girls played really well winning every game in their Pool by a considerate amount, taking us into the semi-finals against Weydon.

What a game this was, it was post to post and finished on a draw. So we had to play golden goal, and it was the longest golden goal play off I have witnessed, both umpires said how hard both teams fought but unfortunately for us Weydon managed to score.

This meant we finished 3rd overall. Well done girls.

Year 9 Netball won 10-5 against Wavell MVP Eva Chater

#### HOUSE DANCE COMPETITION 17<sup>TH</sup> AND 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER - 7PM

The House Dance Competition is fast approaching and this is a **VERY** popular event with tickets that sell out quickly. For that reason, for the **first week of sales only** (Thursday 28th September and Tuesday 3rd October payment dates), tickets for Wednesday 18th October (judging night) will be limited to 2 per family only to give everyone equal chance to secure tickets for this event. They are priced at £5 per person. After 6<sup>th</sup> October, any remaining tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis.

Tickets can be purchased on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from Reception from 8.30am until 9.00am and at breaktimes. Please complete the reply slip at the end of the bulletin and send your payment in an envelope marked for the attention of Mrs Ellis. Tickets will be sent out via your child's register.

#### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

What a great result – thank you everyone. We are delighted to confirm that Yateley School raised £285. This event was put on by Mrs Goredema and our school prefects. Thank you as well to the ladies in Finance, who sat and counted all the money.

Mrs Williams, Head of Wilberforce

#### PROPOSED TRIPS 2017-2018

Listed below are the trips that the school are proposing to run this academic year. Please be aware that the **details of the trips will not all be released at the same time** and should there not be enough uptake, the trips will not run.

Course specific trips will also be released throughout the year, details being sent only to those students to whom they are applicable.

#### Residential Trips during Trips Week Monday 16th July - Friday 20th July 2018

Recruitment letters for these trips will be released later this year. Details will be released via the Parents' Bulletin or Schoolcomms. Paper copies will be available directly from the trip leaders listed below as well as the administration team at Reception

Destination	Year Group	Approx. Cost	Trip Leader
Poland	9 - 10	£695	Mr Bristow
Rome and Sorrento (Art and Classics)	10 – 13	£660	Mrs Breen
Valencia( Languages)	10 – 13	£600	Mrs Tigano

#### Other Residential Trips this Academic Year

Recruitment letters for these trips will be released later this year. Details will be released via the Parents' Bulletin or Schoolcomms. Paper copies will be available directly from the trip leaders listed below as well as the administration team at Reception.

Destination	Year Group	Approx. Cost	Trip leader
Bude, Cornwall –Outdoor pursuits,6 days (Offered to year 7,Feb to go in October Year 8)	8	£375	Miss Hunt
Ski trip- Feb Half Term Offered Feb 2018 to go Feb 2019)	10 - 13	£900	Mr Plummer
Easter Holiday Dance Trip to Lake Garda 2018 (3 nights,4 days)	9 - 13	£720	Mrs Wearing
Camps International to Cambodia Summer 2018 (4 weeks)	11 - 13	£4000	Mr Plummer

#### **Non Residential Trips This Academic Year**

Recruitment letters for these trips will be released throughout the year. Details will be released via the Parents' Bulletin or Schoolcomms.

Destination	Year Group	Approx. Cost	Trip leader
Gudwara ( April)	7	£14	Mr Bristow

Euro Disney Trip (May – weekend trip)	8	TBA	Mrs Williams
Basketball Finals O2 ( May – weekend trip )	7 - 11	£35	Mr Plummer
London Study Day, Buddhist Monastery (June)	9 -10	£20	Mr Bristow
Harry Potter ( July – Trips week )	7	£30	Miss Cachia
Science Museum ( July - Trips Week)	7 – 8	£15	Ms Weakley
Monkey World ( July - Trips Week)	7 – 9	£26	Mr Donohoe
Bletchley Park ( July – Trips Week)	8 – 9	£30	Mrs Cobbold

#### Dance Trip to Lake Garda, Italy

During the Easter Holidays, keen dance students' are being offered a fantastic opportunity to experience the culture of Lake Garda, Italy whilst taking part in exciting dance workshops. The trip is scheduled for 3 nights and 4 days. The price of the trip includes scheduled flights from a London Airport and all coach transfers. We will be staying full board in a Hotel on the edge of Lake Garda. There will be 5 dance workshops led by an excellent dance instructor where styles such as Commercial, Jazz and Street Dance can be offered. We will have a Pizza evening in a local restaurant. Finally, to end this exciting adventure we will have an excursion to Venice for the day.

#### **Rome and Sorrento Trip**

This is a joint trip offered to students studying Classics and Art. It is packed with treks to ancient sights and inspiring art. We will fly into Naples and stay in the picturesque town of Sorrento. From there we will visit: Herculaneum, Pompeii and Vesuvius. A transfer by coach will take us to Rome (via the Domitilla Catacombs) here we will visit: the Vatican Museum and St Peter's Basilica, the Colosseum (with a walk through the Roman Forum) and the Palatine Museum, finishing with a gelato by the Trevi Fountains.

#### Valencia

The MFL department is planning to visit Valencia a beautiful city in the east coast of Spain. A mixture of culture, science and of course good food and Flamenco under the sun of Spain! We hope all our students can take part, we do believe it will be a great opportunity to improve their Spanish language and understanding the Spanish culture.

#### **Poland**

"The Religious Studies and History departments are organising a fascinating trip to Krakow & Auschwitz-Birkenau, the locations of some of the most important events in history. The trip will visit the city of Krakow in Poland and use the city as a base to explore the area. The trip will include a full day guided visit to the camp Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest death camp in Europe. Students will be given a tour and the opportunity to consider the events which took place. As part of this experience we will have a very unique opportunity to meet a Holocaust survivor and have a question and answer session. The trip will also visit the historic Jewish quarter of Krakow and visit the Oscar Schindler factory used in the film 'Schindlers List'. Students will also have the opportunity to visit the

ancient Salt mines and have independent time exploring the city of Krakow. You do not have to be a humanities student to be able to participate in this trip."

#### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

I am pleased to announce that the annual Scholastic Book Fair is being held in the Library Schoolroom from Monday 16th to Thursday 19th October. This is an opportunity for students to purchase fiction or information books. Year 7 and 8 students will be visiting the Book Fair during designated English lessons and other year groups are more than welcome to visit the Book Fair during lunchtimes. Students must bring money with them should they wish to purchase books. Cash or cheques can be used as payment. If paying by cheque, please make it payable to Scholastic Ltd. Please note that most of the books are not discounted but there are usually a few bargains to be had. If your child comes home with a wish list this is because they have seen a book that appeals to them.

Commission earned on book purchases will be used to enhance the English Department's book stock.

Mrs Hood, School Library Manager



Half of the students at school today brought a packed-lunch and didn't buy anything at the cafeteria. Out of the remaining half who bought something, ¾ bought ice cream. Half of the ice cream bought was chocolate and one-fourth was vanilla. The remaining 15 ice creams were strawberry.



How many students were at School Today?

1 house point to all parents/student who presents the correct answer to their maths teacher before next weeks Maths Corner is published.

<u>Answer to Maths Corner 1 – Bunk Beds</u>

Robert = Red, Harry = Blue, Brian = Yellow, Kevin = Black, Ian = Green, Liam = Brown





# **Community Safety News**

### Public Space Protection Orders in Aldershot and Farnborough

In response to complaints and following consultation with the public, Public Space Protection Orders are now being enforced across Aldershot and Farnborough.



The new orders give the police and council officers powers to control a range of antisocial behaviour that has a detrimental effect on the local community.

Restrictions address behaviour associated with:

- Drinking alcohol
- The use of psychoactive substances
- Public urinating and defecating
- Loitering—causing nuisance including intent to beg
- · Loitering and causing harassment, alarm and distress

The penalty for breach of the restrictions is a £100 fine, reduced to £50 if paid within 14 days. If not paid within 29 days the council will look to prosecute, and a larger fine could be imposed. Once issued with a fixed penalty notice for breach of a PSPO, there is no right of appeal.

You can view the areas covered by the PSPOs at <a href="https://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/PSPO">www.rushmoor.gov.uk/PSPO</a>. For more information you can speak to one of our team on 01252 398399 or email us on communitysafetyteam@communitysafetynh.org.

#### Stay safe at Halloween

If you're planning to enjoy Halloween bear these tips in mind:



- Think about costume safety
- Plan your trick or treat route and care when crossing roads
- Be safe and be seen
- Don't go alone: under 12s should be accompanied by an adult
- Never go into any houses
- Only knock on doors of homes displaying Halloween decorations
- Don't throw eggs or flour
- Respect people's right to not participate

If you don't want trick or treaters to knock at your door, you can download a "no trick or treaters" poster by visiting <a href="https://www.safernh.co.uk">www.safernh.co.uk</a>.

#### Fly-tipping fines increased in Basingstoke

If it's your rubbish, you're responsible- that's the message from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council as it launches a campaign to crack down on those who illegally dump waste and to warn residents about the risk of paying rogue waste carriers.

The council is appealing to residents to choose carefully before paying someone to take their junk away as they can be held responsible if it is fly-tipped.

If you have any doubts, please visit a website such as <a href="https://environment.data.gov.uk/public-register/view/search-waste-carriers-brokers">https://environment.data.gov.uk/public-register/view/search-waste-carriers-brokers</a> or simply search "waste carrier licence check". For help with choosing a reputable waste carrier, use Checkatrade or Buy With Confidence to make a better decision.

The campaign has been launched in the wake of the council imposing the maximum possible fine on fly-tippers, with new fixed penalty notices raised from £200 to £400. The enforcement team investigates all reported incidents of fly-tipping and take action against anyone responsible.

To make a report, visit <a href="https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/report">www.basingstoke.gov.uk/report</a>. For more information on local recycling sites, please visit <a href="https://www.hants.gov.uk/wasteandrecycling/recyclingcentres">www.hants.gov.uk/wasteandrecycling/recyclingcentres</a>.

#### Firework Safety

Around 1000 people a year are injured by fireworks. Attending an organised display is the best way to enjoy them, but if you do use them at home remember:



- Plan your display
- Buy fireworks that comply with British Standards (BS7114)
- Keep fireworks in a closed box and use one at a time
- Read the instructions carefully
- Light the firework at arm's length and stand well back
- Never return to a firework once it has been lit
- Don't put fireworks in your pocket or throw them
- Direct fireworks well away from spectators
- Never use paraffin or petrol on a bonfire
- Make sure the fire is out/made safe before leaving

For more information about firework safety visit: http://www.saferfireworks.com/family/index.htm.





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# Hampshire learning in libraries



# Family Halloween Workshop using Powertex

at Yateley Library and Learning Centre

Saturday 21st October

10am - 12pm (Ages 6+ with accompanying adults)

£17

Booking is essential so contact the Library, call the Booking Line 01252 875728 or visit <a href="www.hants.gov.uk/shop">www.hants.gov.uk/shop</a> to guarantee a place.

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#### Vicky Tzanetis

**England Athletics Mental Health** Ambassador & running coach



Vicky's amazing journey has led her to be featured in Women's Running, Runners World, Your Pace or Mine, The Divorce Survival Guide, Body and Soul, BBC Radio Berkshire & BBC documentary Mind Over Marathon.

Vicky was the 10th British female to run over 52 marathons in 52 weeks and ran 57 marathons in 2014.

Vicky is now working with local authorities to try and tackle the issues of obesity and mental health in the

#### STUDENT BENEFITS

- Improve your physical and mental health
- · Discover a tool to combat stress
- · Boost your confidence and self esteem

#### SCHOOL BENEFITS

- · An additional resource for mental health
- · An opportunity for the inactive
- · A fruitful investment of Pupil Premium
- · Will cost the school nothing!

#### **COUCH TO 5K COURSE**

£30 per student 6 week course

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the non-runners running club

#### Reply Slip - House Dance Tickets (Return to Reception)

Performance Date	No of tickets required at £5
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	
Wednesday, 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	

Form

Tickets sold are limited to 2 per family for the first week of sales only for the Wednesday night show. Priority will be given priority to those taking part in the show. After the bulletin on October 5<sup>th</sup>, tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis for both performances.

Please note: There is no allocated seating in the Main Hall.