

Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Dear Parents

It has been a busy and successful week. Before the working week even got under way, I'm delighted to praise the outstanding number of our students took part in the Yateley Remembrance parade last Sunday which included representation from the Scouts, Guides and Air Cadets. A willingness to think of the sacrifice of others, to remember and to give of their time does them huge credit. Well done! The theme of remembrance has continued into the week and a big thank you goes to Mrs Goredema for leading on the house assemblies this week. The topic has been remembrance with a focus on friendship and the Accrington Pals.

Thank you to all house council reps for their hard work last half term. The focus was on the reward systems at Yateley School. Due to the fantastic work of the house council we have now evolved our house rewards system which has been put into action since the start of this half term. We are keen to keep the rewards system responsive and of value and would ask students and parents to continue sharing your views. The focus this half term is 'Yateley at 50'. We are asking the student body to think about ways in which we can as a school and community celebrate our forthcoming 50th Birthday! Watch this space for further details.

It's been another busy week in the sixth form. In the last few days we have welcomed students from other local schools for an open morning and Student Finance England for an evening event as well as lots of Children In Need activities. Our external applicants had a tour of the school, met our year 12 and 13 students and spoke to them about our subjects. They also spent time with some of our marvellous year 11 students who plan to join us in September. Our visitors left with a really great feel of why Yateley Sixth Form really is unique in the area, commenting positively on our students' friendliness and excitement about their studies.

As ever our students did us proud and were welcoming, friendly and open to these prospective applicants. In the evening we welcomed Student Finance England representative Isaac who spoke to year 13 parents about the ins and outs of student finance. These talks are invariable short, but are to the point and serve the purpose of dispelling university finance myths very effectively. I was glad to see that despite the recent uncertainty, the interest rate paid by students remains unchanged and the threshold for repayment has risen to £25000. What this means is that a graduate earning £27000 a year will pay £15 per month in student loan repayment. Very affordable and a great investment.



It is also Rag Week in the Sixth Form. As a result we have had 4 days of fancy dress with students coming in their pyjamas (except most seem to prefer a onesie), dressed for a festival, in sportswear and other treats. Cake sales have been going on too, and Friday has seen the 2017 edition of the famous Four Legged Race which has been going strong for 30 years now! The result of all of these Children In Need goings on should be a sizable

donation. Over £500 last year, let's hope we can top that! Lastly, as I wrote last week Friday is our Sixth Form application deadline: don't hang around! At the time of writing over 169 students have taken the plunge, and I expect that to climb quite a bit higher yet.



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An absolute highlight of the week has been the GCSE celebration evening on Thursday 16 November. We were delighted to welcome back the Year 11 class of 2017 and celebrate their phenomenal achievements. Many of the young people are, of course, in our Sixth Form, others have moved on to pastures new. We had youngsters who gained results that will set them amongst the highest in the country; we had young people who made enormous strides from shaky beginnings and we had students who have made



extraordinary progress. 21 students achieved 8 or more A and A* grades or their equivalent and they received a Governors' award. A further 19 students made the most significant progress over their time in years 7-11 at Yateley and they received a Headteacher's award. My thanks go out to our superb staff for the organisation, the unsung heroes behind the scenes and of course to the incomparable Mr Keeble. Our guest speaker, Paralympian athlete Kate Grey was an absolute inspiration and left us with a powerful message about having strong goals in life and learning from the set-backs along the way.

Finally, if you have any amazing news about our students which you think would be worth sharing in our parent bulletin, please could you direct these towards Mrs Short at the school. In this spirit, congratulations go out to Tom Holden in 10DS who has been accepted for the Surrey under 15 Cricket Club.

Yours sincerely

Paul German
Headteacher

STUDENT STAR OF THE WEEK

Each week we will look to celebrate the achievement and endeavour of one of our students.

I am delighted to report on the superb attitude and commitment of Eleanor Treverton in 9DN. Eleanor sold poppies for nine hours last Saturday and then took part in the Remembrance parade on Sunday in Camberley.

Such wonderful commitment and care for others is a pleasure to see.



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DIARY DATES

17 th Nov	Meet the Author Programme
21 st Nov	6 th Form Trip – Behind Bars Conference Fleet
23 rd Nov	Careers Fair – 6.30pm
24 th Nov	Yr 7/11/12 and 13 Subject Review Day
24 ^t Nov	Yr 8/9/10 Home Study Day
24 th Nov	Twilight Christmas Market 6pm – 8pm
30 th Nov	Yr 8 Subject Review Evening.

SPORTS RESULTS

U16 Girls' Basketball Lost v Bohunt 68 - 5 POM: Abi Mallet

Netball

Year 8 Won v Robert Mays 7-5

POM: April Ellis

Year 9 Won V Robert Mays 17-6

POM: Cat Milsom



HOUSE DRAMA COMPETITION – TUESDAY 5TH AND WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER 7.00PM

The House Drama Competition is being held on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December at 7.00pm in the Drama Studio. Tickets for this show are priced at £5 each and will be sold on a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED basis and will be placed in your child's register. Please complete the reply slip at the end of the bulletin and return it in an envelope marked for the attention of Mrs Ellis to Reception.

Mrs Ellis, Front of House

DESIGN VENTURA



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A group of Year 8 and 9 students have been working with Mr Sibbald after school since the start of term on the prestigious DESIGN VENTURA competition organised by The Design Museum. Three groups submitted designs and prototypes for a product to be sold in the Museum's shop after weeks of work.

" The standard of their work is extremely high " Mr Sibbald commented.
" Innovative, risky, challenging and thoroughly saleable. That they not only worked so hard but also managed to design, manufacture and package their designs shows remarkable application."

Now that this initiative has ended Mr Sibbald will now be restarting the Architecture Group which was successful last year. In it students will experience the methods used in Higher Education to develop knowledge, skills and confidence in Architecture.



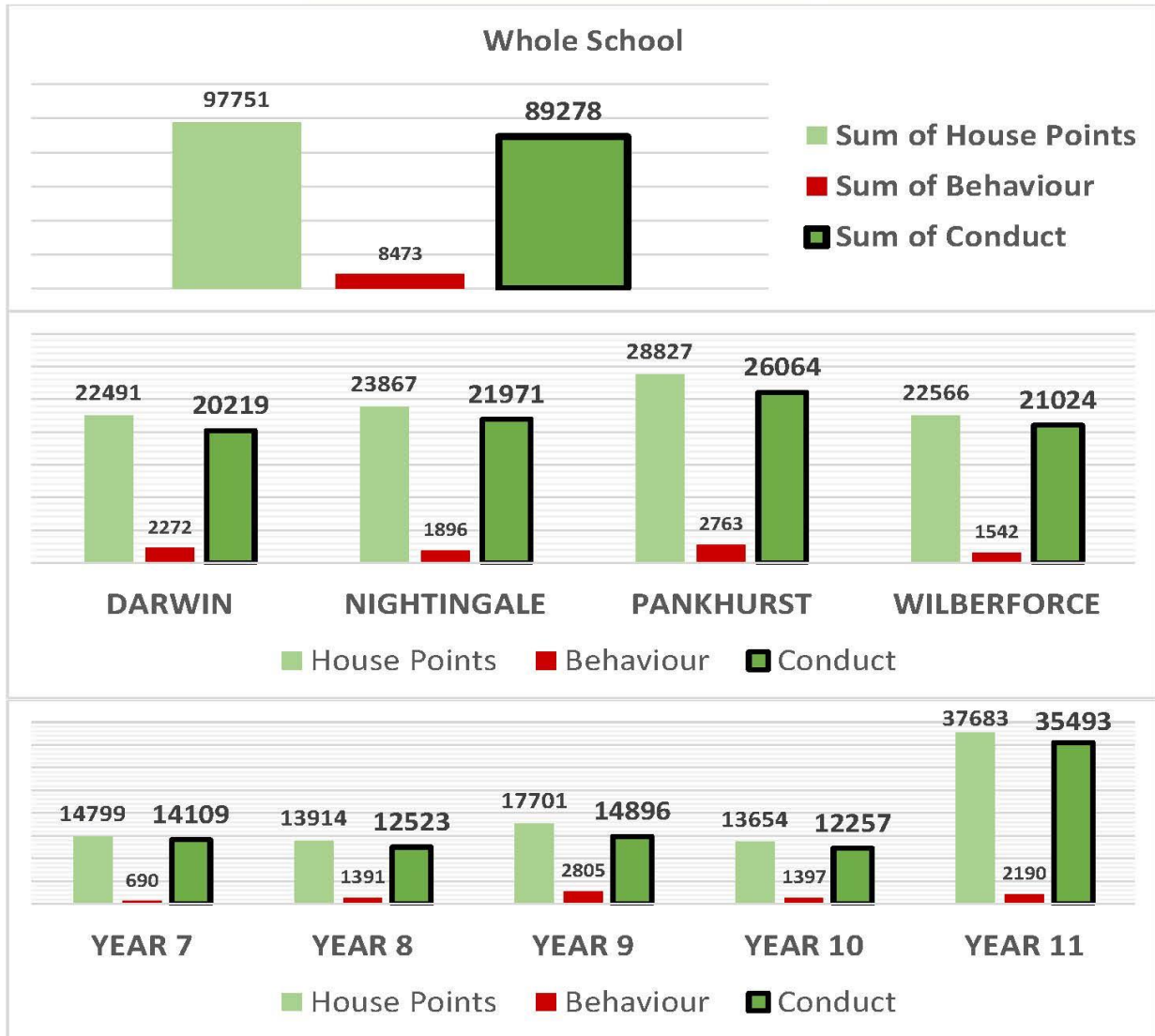
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HOUSE PERFORMANCE

House Points, Behaviour & Conduct: Weekly Update 06.09.17 to 10.11.17



Please note that all Year 11 students were given 100 House Points at the start of Sep 2017 due to the new Prom Points initiative for Year 11 this year, and therefore why they have more than any other year group.

Tutor Groups With The Highest Conduct Points (House Points – Behaviour)

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7WN	8PS	9PN	10DS	11WS

Whole School Attendance: 06.09.17 to 10.11.17 = 95.71%

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VACANCY

ICT Apprentice

Salary: EHCC Grade A (£15,015 - £15,267 FTE)
Hours of work: 37 hours per week
Closing date: **Friday 24th November 2017 @ 17:00**

We are looking to appoint an apprentice to work in our IT department, and join our dedicated and hardworking team. The successful candidate will be primarily based within our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Office, but will also have the opportunity to learn more about the schools IT system as a whole.

Applicants will need to have a basic understanding of computer hardware, ICT networks and various software packages, as well as being able to complete administration tasks linked to the role. With good interpersonal skills, they should have the ability to communicate on all levels as the successful candidate will be dealing directly with teachers, support staff, students and parents.

Do you have:

- a willingness to learn
- organisational skills
- initiative
- flexibility
- the ability to work well under pressure
- the ability to meet deadlines.



If you do and would like to join our team then we would love to hear from you.

We can offer you supportive team colleagues, continued professional development together with on-site Fitness and Health facilities & free onsite car parking. For an application pack, and further information, please email applications@yateley.hants.sch.uk Please note that suitable applicants may be shortlisted and interviewed before the closing date. We look forward to hearing from you.

Maths Corner 10

Find the Goal

Blyth Spartans centre forward scored 40 goals this season. That is 25% more goals than he scored last season.

How many goals did he score last season?



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

Answer to Maths Corner 9 – Music Mayhem!
CD=£8.50, DVD=£11.50

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We are delighted to welcome Sarah Dethick our new Work Experience Co-ordinator. She will be available during the careers fair to answer any questions you may have.



NOVEMBER 23RD
6.30-8.00PM

YATELEY SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM
CAREERS FAIR 2017

ALL YEARS
WELCOME

EMPLOYERS
UNIVERSITIES
APPRENTICESHIP
EXPERTS



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Reply Slip

House Drama Competition - Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December 7.00pm

Name _____ Form _____

	Tuesday 5th December	Wednesday 6th December
Number of tickets required @ £5ea.		



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