

Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Dear Parents

As you will be probably be aware, there is an ever greater awareness nationally about students' progress as well as their attainment, in other words recognition of the distance travelled as well as academic ability. I applaud this. It therefore has given me enormous pleasure to be able to meet the young people in years 10 and 11 (so far) who've made the best progress in their year. The cakes and drinks may have helped, but the pleasure and appreciation was a joy to see. Well done all! It may also interest you to know that with school performance on 2017 results now published, our school performed in the top 25% of schools in Hampshire on progress. A good outcome in anyone's book!



We have just enjoyed the school's Christmas Concert and what an exceptional treat that was. The sheer breadth and scale of the talent in this school never fails to amaze me and we really excel in developing our creative talent and generating exceptional achievement. My thanks go to Ms Pejovic and her excellent team on putting on a superb evening's entertainment; the culmination of countless hours of hard work. It was particularly encouraging to have so much parent support, both performing and in the audience and to have such excellent tuition from our peripatetic music teachers, many of whom were present. Alongside our own superb musicians, we were delighted to welcome the Westfields Junior School choir, who performed beautifully.

Last week I mentioned the Christmas box appeal. Those many of you who follow us on Twitter may have seen already the joy this has brought to many of Yateley's elderly residents. A section from an email from one of the 88 year old recipients sums it up. "Today was extra special, and will be with me not just over the Christmas holiday, but throughout the year to come, I thank you all for making today and Christmas 2017 extra special, I will remember this Christmas as very special for years to come. I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year. God Bless. Much love from Nanny Upton." My thanks to all the students and staff who've participated – another example of the great work of our school in the community.

Student Star of the Week



Isaiah Mallet is an active member of Wilberforce House – last year he showed great initiative when supporting the charity rep and this year he asked to take on the role himself. He has shown excellent organisational skills and led a team in raising more than £182 with his form over the last week. Isaiah played a major part for Wilberforce in the House Dance competition this year.

It just falls on me to wish you all a very happy, restful and enjoyable Christmas holiday. Thank you for your welcome which I so appreciate. I'll be looking forward to the challenges and opportunities of 2018, but

wish all students, staff and families a well-earned break in the meantime!

Happy Christmas

Paul German
Headteacher



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YATELEY STUDENTS GOOD NEWS STORIES

YATELEY SCHOOL SHOE BOX APPEAL

The goodwill of Christmas time has been embraced by the Year 7 and 8 pupils at Yateley School. Over the past 3 weeks they have really appreciated the spirit of Christmas and worked tirelessly in their forms to produce Christmas boxes for our elderly neighbours - the residents at Fiske Court, Hanover House and Hedgecroft. Each class were given 6 boxes to create a mixture of male, female or couples boxes. They were also given a rough idea, by the wardens of the residences, what they could put in the boxes. From that moment on it was all down to them in their small groups to create the gift boxes. The team work was fantastic and a number of students also made things as gifts.



120 shoe boxes were expertly wrapped with care and attention and each gift box included a Christmas message thoughtfully written by the students. The gifts were delivered in person by selected students, who had made an extra special effort, along with Yateley School staff and Mayor Spencer.

Mayor Spencer commented 'I value what gestures like this project brings to both age groups and I think everyone, including the Nightingale House children, had as much fun preparing and giving, as the Fiske Court folk had receiving



and looking over their presents afterwards. I am sure that every time they use those little gifts they will remember the exchange for some time to come'.

The look on the faces of the ladies and gentlemen receiving the gifts in thanks and appreciation will stay with all who attended. They were overwhelmed by what the students had done for them. The students we took were a credit to the school and spent a while chatting with them about what they had done and how they had done it.

It was a pleasure to see our students taking the time out of their busy lives to give back to a part of the community who have already given so much themselves. Christmas is a time for sharing and this was certainly achieved with this community activity. We all look forward to doing this again next year.



Mrs Short and Mrs Bailey



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CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

We were delighted to receive the following email from a lady who received one of our boxes.

Sorry to have missed your visit today as I had appointments in Yateley then over to Fleet.

You cannot imagine my surprise to find such a beautiful box full of the most wonderful gifts, including a lovely glass for the bottle of Ginger beer(special brew!!☐) When I'm happy, especially happy! I have a bubble in my tummy, which reminds me of surprises and today was extra special, and will be with me not just over the Christmas holiday, but throughout the year to come, I thank you all for making today and Christmas2017 Extra special, I will remember this Christmas as very special for years to come

I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year God Bless, much love from Nanny Upton

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SANTA RUN

Well done to Olivia Turner 8WN who has raised £500 for Phyllis Tuckwell by participating in the Santa Fun Run in Aldershot.



CHRISTMAS CHARITY UPDATE



The run up to Christmas has very busy, with students getting involved with three different Christmas charity projects.

Today, we have had the pleasure (!) of seeing our students in Mufti rather than uniform. For this, they were asked to contribute a minimum of £1 in support of local Yateley boy, Harry Rampton. We are been raising money to go towards a Pacer, a walking frame on wheels that his parents and physiotherapists have identified as something that would improve his quality of life.

As already mentioned in this Bulletin, Year 7 and 8 students have spent the last few weeks organising and making Christmas Boxes for residents of Fiske Court, Hannover House and Hedgecroft.

Next Tuesday, Years 9, 10 and 11 are being asked to donate £1 minimum in small change to enable Christmas presents to be bought in support of a local Homeless charity, Step-By-Step, based in Aldershot. This organisation provides shelter for local young people aged 16 - 24 who find themselves with no permanent address, especially tough at this time of year. They also provide lots of help and support to young people in our community throughout -reach work, helping them make good life choices. Each Tutor group will make a coin trail with the money donated; the form with the longest trail wins a prize!



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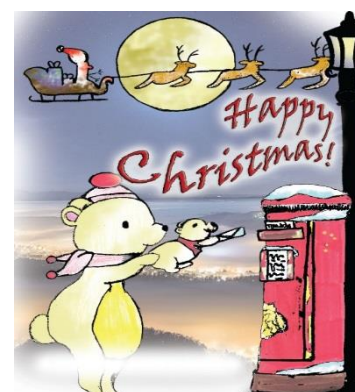


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CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGN COMPETITION



Thank you to all students who entered the Christmas card design competition and congratulation to **Grace Dias in 7DN** for producing the winning design. Well done Grace, we look forward to seeing more of your great design work in the future.



EDUCATIONAL TRIPS

Trip to Fern Howard

The Graphics department took 3 trips out last week to Fern Howard, plastics manufacturers in Alton. The year 12 students were able to see industrial processes, such as injection moulding, in action and learn about the stages in manufacture of a product from raw materials through to disposal. This will benefit them in their coursework and final exam. Thank you very much to everyone involved. If any parents have links with design companies or manufacturers we would love to hear from you graphics@yateley.hants.sch.uk



Ms Williams and Mr Evans, Graphics Department

YEAR 10 FOOD TECHNOLOGY PRACTICAL LESSON

Fresh Cream Gateaux

Year 10's were given the task of designing and making fresh cream gateaux to demonstrate a range of high level skills in their practical lesson. Mrs Quick, Head Of Food Technology states 'both Mr Scanlon and myself have been really impressed by the enthusiasm and high levels of skills demonstrated by all the year 10 students and in particular the work of Kimberley Hughes, Naomi Bewick and Liv Frank which was outstanding'.



Kimberley Hughes



Naomi Bewick

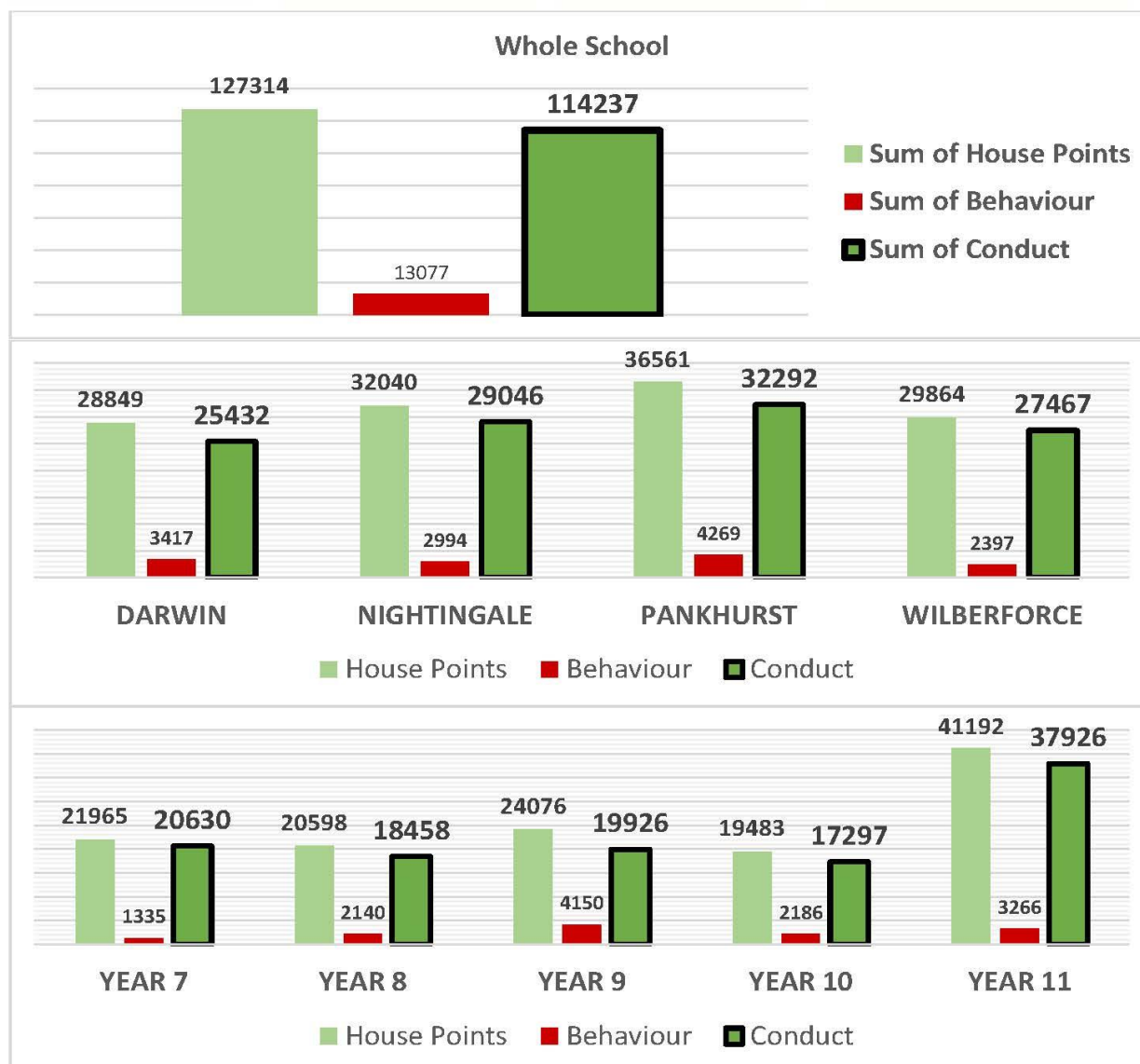


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House Points, Behaviour & Conduct: Weekly Update 06.09.17 to 08.12.17



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
7NN	8PS	9NN	10WN	11WS

Whole School Attendance: 06.09.17 to 08.12.17 = 95.48%

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Mathematics Tutor Times Tables

Congratulation go to the following students all won the Tutor Times Table Challenge Autumn 1st half term.

<div style="border: 1px solid purple; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 7</div> <p>7DN Sophie-Ella Tzanetis and Matthew Capp 7NN Charley Macfarlane and Emma Jasikova 7NS Casey Hyatt and Thomas Hurst 7PN Becky Joseph-Harden and Rhys Jones 7PS Harriett Jacob and Jacob Sealey 7WN Nerys Iltott and Peter James</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid purple; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 8</div> <p>8DN Samuel Burnett and Kaitlin Elliot 8NN Liam Coxhead and Leanne Perera 8NS Nicole Harding and Oliver Wareham 8PN Rhys King and Libby McCabe 8PS Lucy Talbot and Callum Wiltshire 8WN April Ellis and William Moores 8WS Isobel Anstey and Brandon Vangrove</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid purple; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 9</div> <p>9DN Zacary Madge and Grace Cunninghame 9DS Matthew Collins and Scarlett Hall 9DE Nathan Edwards and Alice Taylor 9NN Thomas Haustead and Noah Joyner 9NS Luke cherry and Rachel Plowman 9PS Alexander Bufton and Natasha Day 9WN Molly Cole and Kiran Shome 9WS William Tucker and Tia Holloway</p>
<div style="border: 1px solid purple; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 11</div> <p>11NN Jordan Carter 11NS Luke Woodward and Laura Staves 11PN Jack Gaubert 11WN Chloe Bradley Turner and Connor Hibbert 11WS Joshua Anders and Olivia Treacy</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid purple; padding: 2px; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">Year 10</div> <p>10DN Amber Coventry and Charlie Lamport 10DS Emily Benson and Marcus Tuck 10NN Ellie Yule and Fabio Melis 10PN Matthew Spencer and Ameila Oxlade 10WN Kimberley Hughes and Lewis Dutton 10WE Bradley Shedden and Samantha Cartwright</p>	



Maths Corner 16



First Day at School



It is your first day at school. The teacher suggests that it would be a good idea for each child to meet every other child in the class. The teacher said, "When you meet, please shake hands and introduce yourself by name."
If there were 20 children in the class, how many handshakes was there in total?

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 15 – Snail Problem
End of Day 13

Uniform & Equipment

Soon it will be the start of a new year, which brings new year's resolutions and time for reflection.

This message might be aimed at a small percentage of the students in the school, but we must ensure that coming back in January, all students are meeting the school expectations when it comes to uniform and equipment.

I wanted to particularly remind that students should have all the correct equipment they need for the school day and therefore be equipment for learning. Regarding uniform, we have noticed an increase in trainers, jewellery, brightly coloured & white coats, all of which are not allowed. Therefore please can we have your support in ensuring that from January all students are meeting our expectations for uniform and equipment. For more detailed guidance on what is and is not allowed regards uniform, please refer to the school uniform policy and guidance which can be found on our VLE (and also attached to this bulletin).
https://moodle.yateley.hants.sch.uk/pluginfile.php/49114/mod_page/content/20/Uniform%20Guidance.pdf

There is a detailed equipment list on page 14 of the student planner.



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Yateley School Uniform Guidance

Yateley School Uniform Details

Boys	Girls
Trousers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plain, black, standard school uniform style (only plain leather style belt, no "skinny", tight-fit, jeans, cord styles) 	Trousers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 to 10 = Plain navy-blue Year 11 = Plain black Standard school uniform style (no belts, studs, large zips, etc. no "skinny", tight-fit, jeans, cord styles)
Shirt <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plain white, long-sleeved or short sleeved, buttoned with collar, tucked in at the waist 	Blouse <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plain white, long-sleeved or short-sleeved, open neck reverse collar
Polo Shirt <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optional (only to be worn from after May Day Bank Holiday and until the end of September) Plain white polo shirt with school name and house name on chest 	
Jumper <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 to 10 = Navy-blue uniform jumper with school badge and house name on chest, house stripe on collar Year 11 = Plain black uniform jumper with school name initials in house colours on chest Not to be worn with polo shirts. On hot summer days can be taken off at break and lunchtime, can be taken off in lessons with teacher permission, however must be worn when walking between lessons. 	
Tie: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blue and red striped school tie worn to a standard length 	Skirt: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 to 10 = Plain navy-blue Year 11 = Plain black Standard school uniform stitch down box pleated style at least 18 inches in length, no jersey or pencil skirts. The hem of the skirt should be no higher than 4 inches from the top of the knee
Shoes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black, polishable, formal, low heel, plain, traditional style (no logos, trainers, boots, canvas or similar styled shoes like Vans and Converse) 	
Outer Coat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Denim jackets, "hoodies", tracksuit tops, body warmers are not allowed. An outdoor coat with sleeves in a plain, dark colour. No obvious badges or slogans 	
Hair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neat style, natural colours. Extremes of hairstyle are not allowed (e.g. unnatural colours, tramlines, grade 1.5 or lower) 	
Jewellery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No jewellery is allowed except a wristwatch; a single small plain stud in each ear. No other visible piercings, no spacers 	
Socks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plain (black or white) 	
School Bag <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be suitable for the student to fit their school equipment in for the day and at least fit a A4 book unfolded 	
	Make-up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A little discreet light make-up is allowed (nothing which is too visible). No nail polish, nail extensions, acrylic nails, false eyelashes, eye liner, lipstick
	Tights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plain navy-blue, black or natural



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Further Uniform Guidance

Girls Trousers

Rule of thumb when buying school uniform trousers is to avoid these words:

- 'tapered' - meaning that they will be shorter than acceptable and too tight at the ankle
- 'cropped' – they will be ankle length and therefore too short
- 'skinny' – these will be far too tight, both at the thigh, lower leg and ankle.
- 'jeggings' – basically thick leggings.

Do look for the words: Tailored and bootcut.

Boys Trousers

Not 'chino trousers, 'jean trousers' or 'combat trousers'. Typically these types of informal trousers tend to have:

- Metal studs
- Metal buttons
- Horizontal pockets
- Thick material
- and are less formal looking

Suitable trousers are generally called 'flat' or 'pleat' trousers. Typically these types of formal trousers have:

- Suit material
- Vertical pockets
- Straight-legged
- and are more formal looking

Shoes

Inevitably shoe manufacturers develop and market as school shoes, styles which circumnavigate our description of what is acceptable for our uniform i.e. introducing informal style, leather, black pumps and it can be confusing as to which are acceptable. If you are not certain based on our guidance then please do contact the school.

Sanctions Following Non-compliance with the Uniform Guidance

Skirts

Failure to comply with the required skirt length will incur a warning. If a student receives a third warning within the academic year for non-compliance, parents will be notified in writing to say that the student will be required to wear school trousers for the rest of the academic year.

Shoes

Failure to comply with the required school shoes will require the student to wear plimsolls as provide by the house centre for the day.

Hair

Not meeting our guidelines will result in a day's internal exclusion.

Persistent Refusal to Follow Guidance

Persistently refusing to follow the school uniform guidelines would result in the student being internally excluded until the matter was correctly rectified. In cases where matters are not rectified to our satisfaction we reserve the right to send a student home to dress themselves correctly for school. Where a student takes excessive time to achieve this, we would record an un-authorised absence.



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KT Textiles (our school uniform supplier)

Tel: 01252 877905

Website: <http://www.kttextiles.co.uk/>

Address: 3 The Parade, Reading Road, Yateley, GU46 7UN

Girls Skirts & Trouser Details: The following sizes are kept in stock:

- **Girls Trouser**
 - 22", 24", 25" and 26" Waist - S-28" or R-30" inside leg
 - 27", 28", 29", 30", 32", 34" Waist - S-28", R-30" and L-32" inside leg
- **Skirts**
 - 22", 24" Waist - 18" and 20" length
 - 26" Waist - 18", 20" and 22" length
 - 28", 30", 32", 34" Waist - 18", 20", 22", 24" length

The longer lengths are much less popular and therefore not many are held in stock. For very tall, slim girls KT Textiles can source a ladies work trouser from Alexandra which is plain and similar to the school trouser (this would not be kept in stock at KT Textiles). This would be available as small as a size 6 with an XL 36" inside leg, so KT Textiles can cater for any size in trousers. These non-stocked trousers would need to be on an order only basis and dependant on stock at the time. If a parent ordered then KT Textiles would usually get these within 3 working days if Alexandra have stock.

Photos of Suitable Yateley School Uniform Being Worn



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It's been a busy week in the sixth form as always-

We are fortunate enough to have 3 students applying for medicine this year. As a key part of the process, interview practice is critical. Medic interviews are often set up as a number of different stations where the potential doctors must move from station to station and be quizzed on different areas of their expertise (referred to as MMI).

To support our students we tried to replicate this situation within the Science department. Different stations were set up ranging from medical ethics to current issues within the NHS. Our future

Medics moved from station to station and were grilled for 10 minutes on each aspect.

I am pleased to say that all of our students performed exceptionally well, showcasing their mature attitude and articulate nature. We wish them all the best of luck for their real interviews in the not too distant future.

University applications continue to come in, the deadline is looming and many of our students are receiving offers.

Tuesday evening saw the sixth form enjoying their Christmas party at the Crown and Cushion (Meade Hall) It was lovely to see so many students there enjoying themselves, we would like to thank the staff there for all their help and support with making the evening a success. A great time was had by all.

We are all looking forward to the infamous Christmas lunch on Monday and the end of a very busy term.



VACANCY

Cleaners required – Yateley

AM 5.00am – 06.30am

PM 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Mon – Fri AM + PM

Sat – Sun AM

To clean a school in Yateley GU46

£8.00 per hour

Please call Liz Davis – 07739642079 or email your CV to liz.davis@hispecservices.co.uk



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