

# Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Dear Parents

What a difference a week makes... When I wrote to you last week, we were anticipating an Ofsted inspection in the not too distant future. We've now had the inspection and lived to tell the tale! It was a gruelling two days, but led and managed by a strong, thoughtful and positive team of inspectors. You will no doubt be aware that I am not permitted to disclose the outcome of the inspection until after publication of the report (probably in about three weeks). This is because the document has legal status and needs to be quality assured first. Suffice it to say that we are very pleased with the inspection and believe that it allows us to move forward securely and confidently towards a great future. The inspectors recognised the quality, strength and depth of our students, staff and community and were very fair in their analysis. They've recognised the improvements that have been made and the extent to which this is embedded. As a community you have been brilliant and I am very proud of our school. Now we can get on with the real work of improving the community we serve!

I would also like to offer my personal thanks to the many parents who responded to Ofsted on Parentview. This was strongly positive and I gather that a lot of the free text comments were highly complimentary while also suggesting ongoing improvements and a level of ambition for the school which chime in entirely with our own internal self-evaluation. Onwards and upwards!

We have been really pleased to invite Elevate back to present to our Year 11 students. 'Ace your Exams' is the second session that they've run this year to support Year 11 with tips and guidance on how to use their experience of the recent mocks to progress forward in preparation for their final examinations. The next five Tuesday tutor sessions will enable students to focus on the follow-up material which will really help them to prepare.

Sticking with Year 11, it was fantastic to see so many parents at our subject review evening on Thursday. It is certainly true that our Year 11s are in a place where they can excel in the summer and this is made all the more likely with the degree of parental support that they are receiving. Clearly, establishing the correct level of ambition and self-discipline now will enable them to pace themselves over the next thirteen weeks and peak at the right time!

May I remind you that the **BYOD (Bring Your Own Device)** survey is live until Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January and we would really welcome your views on its strengths and weaknesses as a scheme before we take a firm view in our future planning? There are many arguments for and against such a scheme, a number of which are included in the attached document ([link](#)). I would therefore be very grateful if you would talk to them and spend a few minutes completing the questions on this survey. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/VCHD36F>.



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## Student Star of the Week

Mia Stephenson 9PN. Mia competed in the Hampshire County Swimming Championships over the weekend winning a gold for her 50m Fly holding onto the title for a second year running and also a silver for her 50m Backstroke plus a silver and bronze for her two relays. She also gained an amazing 4 Personal Bests! A huge achievement off the back of a lot of hard work!

After an exhausting but rewarding week, I'd like to wish my whole team, students and staff alike, a wonderful weekend.

**P German**  
**Headteacher**



## Graphics Students gain University offers

Great news from some of our A Level Graphics students this week who have been offered places at university. The strength of their existing portfolios and the wealth of transferable skills they have picked up, clearly placed them in pole position for a place on their chosen courses. To think it all started with an option choice of Graphics at GCSE level #empoweredforlife



Pictured are...

**Emily Carpenter** – BA Hons Interior Architecture at Nottingham Trent

**Stan Whetlor** – BSc Hons Business Management in Brighton

**Amy van Oostrum** – BA Hons Interior Design at Gloucestershire University

**Nathan Miller**- BA Hons Archaeology at Canterbury Christchurch

**Lauren Mason**- BA Hons Interior Design at Southampton Solent and Bournemouth Arts

**Emma Walton**- BA Hons Graphic Arts at Winchester School of Arts and BA Hons Graphic Communication at Reading University

**Jasmine Windsor**- BA Hons Interior Architecture at Portsmouth University

**Luke Wilton**- BA Hons Sports Coaching at Twickenham University

**Hannah Barnard**- BA Hons Interior Architecture Portsmouth University

Congratulations from

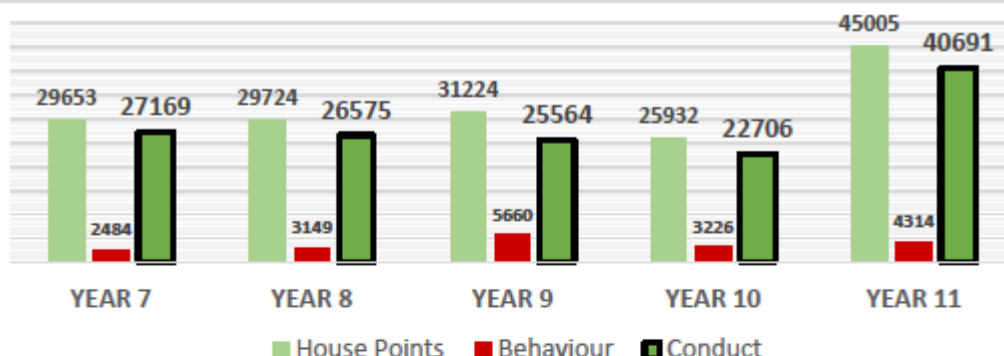
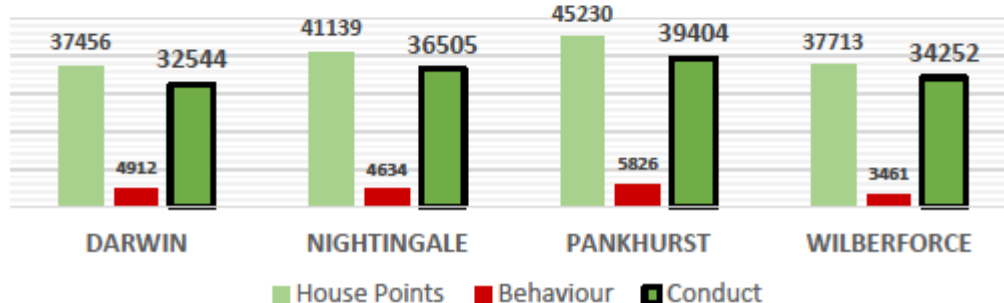
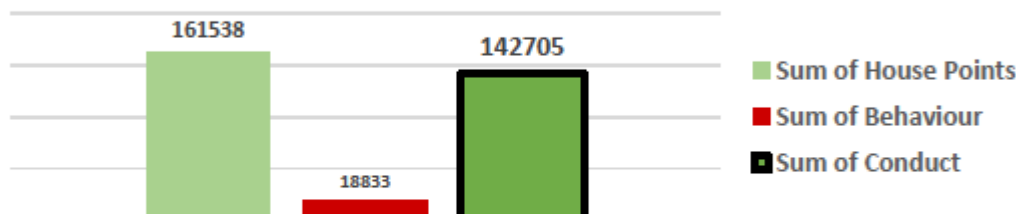
**Mr Evans, Miss Williams and Mr Pettengell**

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House Points, Behaviour & Conduct: Weekly Update 06.09.17 to 26.01.18



## Whole School



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	8PN	9NN	10WN	11WS

Whole School Attendance: 06.09.17 to 26.01.18 = 94.49%

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Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7NS	8PS	9NN	10DS	11PE



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## MEDICATION

If medication prescribed or non-prescribed is to be administered during school hours, please could the medication be sent in with the original packaging along with a completed consent form which are held in reception or in the medical room.

*School Nurse*

## HOUSE MUSIC COMPETITION – WEDS 7<sup>TH</sup> FEB

The House Music event is fast approaching and it will be held on Wednesday 7th February at 7.00pm in the Main Hall. Tickets are priced at £5 per person and are sold on a first come, first served basis so, to avoid disappointment, please order early. Competition is fierce and it is a great night out showcasing the musical talents of our students. If you would like to purchase tickets, please complete the reply slip at the end of the bulletin and return it with your payment to Reception in an envelope marked for the attention of Mrs Ellis.

*Mrs Ellis, Front of House*

## BTEC Dance Show – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 7pm

The BTEC Dance show will be held on Wednesday 21st February at 7.00pm in the Main Hall. Those who have seen any dance performances know the high standards of our students and this is a great opportunity to come and see them in action. Tickets are priced at £5 each adult, £2 for students and there is a reply slip at the end of the bulletin for those who would like to purchase them. Please send in your payment in an envelope marked for the attention of Mrs Ellis to Reception.

*Mrs Ellis, Front of House*

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### Reply Slip - House Music

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Form \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets required at £5	
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Form \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adult tickets required at £5 each	
Number of student tickets required at £2 each	



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## Maths Corner 18

Prime of your life!

My age is a prime number. 2 years ago my age was also a prime number. Six years ago my age was an odd square number. I am old enough to vote, but I am not a pensioner.  
How old am I?

**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 17 – Maths Lunch  
£5, £1, £7, £3



## Chess Puzzle



Last week's solution was check the king with the queen, producing a fork. By defending their king black has to give up the rook on e8.



This week: find the best move for black.



Bring your solution to Chess Club on Thursdays at lunchtime in C21.



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## Community Safety News



### FOOTBALL IN THE COMMUNITY TRUST

February half-term football courses will run at Oakley Park, Fleet, from 10am to 3pm on:

**Tuesday 13—Thursday 15 February**

Football coaching is for those between five and 15 years old, of all skill levels, and is managed by F.A. qualified staff. Costs are £15 per day or £40 per week. There will be skills development, matches and a chance to win trophies and medals!

To book a place, or for more information, email [fitc@aldershotownfitc.co.uk](mailto:fitc@aldershotownfitc.co.uk) or visit [www.aldershotownfitc.co.uk](http://www.aldershotownfitc.co.uk).

### Positive Change

Our Positive Change campaign encourages residents of Aldershot to give to local charities rather than people begging on the streets.

As part of that, we have profiled the three local charities who will benefit from any money raised during the campaign. The charities are: Society of St. James, The Vine Centre and Step by Step. You can read the individual profiles on our website at [www.safernh.co.uk](http://www.safernh.co.uk).

If you would like to donate any spare change, you can do so at the following locations:

- Princes Hall, Princes Way, Aldershot
- Rushmoor Borough Council offices, Farnborough Road, Farnborough
- West End Centre, Queens Road, Aldershot
- Goldstation Jewellers, Victoria Road, Aldershot
- NatWest, Wellington Street, Aldershot
- Bridges Estate Agents, High Street, Aldershot
- Shree Lucky Jewellers, Victoria Road, Aldershot

### Bike security

Following an increase in theft of bikes in the Farnborough area, we'd like to remind residents of these important crime prevention tips:



- Buy an approved bike lock. Look for the Sold Secure logo on approved locks.
- Always lock your bike at home, even when it is in your garage or shed.
- When out and about, lock your bike up in a secure location at a bike rack or lamp post.
- Always lock your bike, even if you're only leaving it for a couple of minutes.
- Make the locked bike difficult to manoeuvre. Keep any gaps between the lock and bike frame small.
- If you have quick release wheels, lock them up or take them with you.
- Remove lights from the bike and take them with you.
- Identify and register your bike with Immobilise at [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com). Consider etching your post-code on to your bike frame or get a bike marking kit from [www.bikeregister.com](http://www.bikeregister.com).
- Thieves may use ride recording Apps (such as Strava, Endomondo, "Map my ride") to identify where high value bikes may be kept. The general advice is to start recording a short way from home, and stop the recording a short way before you arrive at your door. However, with Strava privacy zones for home, work or wherever, using a post code can be set up. To enable this, access "settings" on the account and go to "privacy". This option causes Strava to blank out the first 1/2 mile or so of the ride.
- If you have bike racks on your vehicle, remove them as this might be an indicator to thieves that a good quality bike is located at the property. If it is not practical to remove the racks, then ensure that your bicycle is securely locked and stored away.

You can get more tips at [www.thecrimepreventionwebsite.com](http://www.thecrimepreventionwebsite.com)



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