

Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Dear Parents

Despite the unremittingly gloomy weather, it was fantastic to see so many Year 10 parents at the subject review evening on Thursday December 6. The vast majority of the year group were present and it is always a pleasure to report on good progress and a good start to the GCSE courses. In some instances, there is change still needed, but most of the students are clearly enjoying their studies, making strong progress and demonstrating a mature attitude to study. Thank you, as always to parents for your support of the school and the students; we recognise that it is a team effort!



Year 8 students were treated to an excellent and stylised performance of the very familiar Christmas Carol from the Ginificent Theatre Company on Thursday of this week. The performance was strong and clearly the students enjoyed it very much and were completely engaged. They also got a time at the end of the afternoon performance to ask questions of the actors and the questions were thoughtful and perceptive. With a bit of a spoiler alert to students – if you like this story, you might see a bit more of it in a different format before the end of term...

Year 11 students have been an absolute credit to themselves and to the school throughout the mock exams so far, which are set to run throughout next week too. Despite dodging the rain and having unusual time in and out of lessons they have conducted themselves with dignity and maturity. We'll now look to the results and see how effective the preparation and revision has been to date. The mocks are a hugely important indicator, but equally the next five months are critical too and a lot can change in that time.

The run up to Christmas begins of course and I'm pleased to be attending events in our own school and to receive invitations from our partner primary schools too. In amongst proper hard work in class, we've also got House Drama forthcoming on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week and the Yateley Glow on Tuesday 18th December, to all of which you are warmly invited (details elsewhere in this bulletin). Furthermore, there are details from Mrs Williams about the mufti day on Monday 17th December and the charity appeal that will benefit.



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Student star of the week

Dan Kennedy in 10WN. Dan has been an absolute stalwart behind the scenes on many school and house productions. By working with the incomparable Matt Davis, he has acquired impressive skills in the lighting and sound field, yet by the nature of his work, tends not to get formal recognition – something of an unsung hero! Congratulations Dan and we'll look forward to more of your skill in the House Drama performances next week.

With my very best wishes.

Paul German



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DIARY DATES

11 th December	House Drama Performance 7pm
12 th December	House Drama Performance 7pm
13 th December	Sixth Form Christmas Party 8pm
18 th December	Year 9 Review Sheets Out
21 st December	School Finishes at 12.45pm
7 th January	INSET Day
8 th January	Students Return to School

SPORTS RESULTS

Basketball

Year 8 Won 46-12 V Wavell POM Alfie Pascoe

Year 8 Won 24-13 V RMS POM Dan Treacy and Luke Kennedy

Year 10 Won 43-24 V Court Moor

Thank you to all the students that have attended our extra-curricular sessions this term.

A new timetable will be released for January 2019. We hope to see all of you back and rearing to go.

House Drama Competition

The House Drama competition is fast approaching and will be showcased on Tuesday 11th December and Wednesday 12th December (judging night). Tickets for this event will be priced at £5 per person and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. This is an event written and run by the House Captains and is always a great night out as we have so much talent here.

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. Tickets will be sent out via your child's register.



Mrs K Ellis, Front of House



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CHRISTMAS MUFTI DAY MONDAY DECEMBER 17th

Last year, our students elected to support a local charity, Step-By-Step at Christmas. We would like to assist them again this year. This is an organisation that helps young people in our local community with many types of support; from offering counselling services to sheltered accommodation for 16 - 21 year olds who find themselves unable to live at home.

Step-By-Step are based in Aldershot and provide outreach work and services to many Yateley families, so this is a worthy charity close to home.



Over Christmas, they will have 239 young people in residential care. Rather than sending money, we would like to buy 'All4One' vouchers as a gift for as many of their residents as possible. These would be purchased in denominations of £10.

To raise funds for this worthy cause, we are holding a Christmas Mufti Day on Monday 17th December. We would like to encourage the wearing of Christmas Jumpers, tinsel, Christmas colours etc for a donation of £1. (Please make sure no large slogans or beachwear).

We look forward to starting the last week of term in a festive mood!



Mrs Williams, Head of House, Wilberforce & Charity Lead



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Christmas Lunch – Monday 17th December

A Christmas lunch with festive music and crackers will be available for students on Monday 17th December. The lunch will be priced at £2.30 and will be deducted from your son/daughter's lunch account on the day. A limited number of lunches will be available so get there early – first come, first served.



Alternative snack items will still be available for students to purchase if they do not wish to order a Christmas lunch.



Christmas Menu 2018

MAINS
Sliced roast turkey with chipolata sausage
or
Roasted vegetable and cranberry wellington with vegetarian sausage

Served with
garlic roasted thyme potatoes, carrots batons
garden peas, stuffing ball and gravy

TO FINISH
Crispy Christmas pudding
cracknell or
Christmas biscuit

£2.30

STREETS
Turkey, stuffing and cranberry wrap
or
Quorn turkey and cranberry balls served warm in a sub roll
£1.40

Freshly prepared



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STAGE CREW WANTED FOR ROCK CHALLENGE!

Stage Crew are responsible for the construction of the set, placement and movement during the performance. The stage crew get awarded points during the competition for team work, co-operation, planning and problem solving, safe movement of the set and communication.

YOU MUST BE AVAILABLE ON
Thursday 17 January afterschool
Thursday 24 January afterschool
Thursday 31st January afterschool
Thursday 7 February afterschool
Tuesday 12 February—All day at
Portsmouth Guildhall showcase



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STAGE CREW NEEDED PLEASE – ROCK CHALLENGE

I am contacting you to encourage your daughter or son to be involved in the school community. I am sure you are aware that as a school, we have celebrated lots of success at the Rock Challenge Dance Competition over the years. This success is only achieved by a strong team effort. Whilst the dancers play a huge part in bringing the piece alive, it is the stage crew that are key to providing the right location and feel to the piece by moving set and transporting the audience into the concept. We have a small number of students who have already signed up to be part of the stage crew team for Yateley School, **but we do need more!**

Students can be part of the set building team that meet every Wednesday afterschool to help Mr Davis construct flats, paint and make props. In addition to this, if students would like to be part of the performance, they would need to attend a number of Thursday rehearsals afterschool in the studio to work in the space, practicing moving the set in time with the soundtrack. On Tuesday 12th February the team travel by coach to Portsmouth and showcase their piece. This is a full day and evening event. After half term, the team will rehearse again ready for the Southern Premier Competition (in Portsmouth) on Saturday 27 April.

It would be lovely to have more support in this school event. Please discuss this with your child if they have interest in designing, volunteering and being creative. If your child is interested, please contact me at dance@yateley.ants.sch.uk with the subject title: stage crew.

Mrs Wearing, Head of Dance



A LEVEL PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS

Students of Religious Studies had an opportunity to attend an A level Philosophy conference in central London last week. Guest speaker, and philosopher, Stephen Law spoke on Atheism. 'Is Atheism more reasonable than a belief in God?' he asked students. A Twitter poll on the day suggested he was right, but only just. Whilst Peter Vardy gave students a history of western philosophy from Socrates to Richard Dawkins. **Mr A Bristow, Trip Leader**

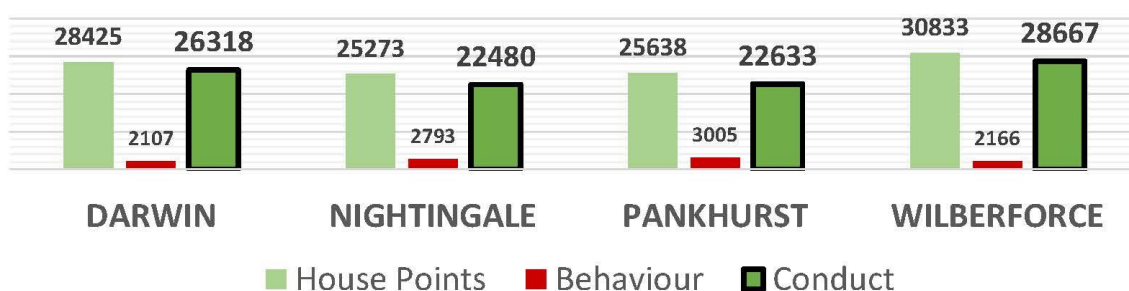
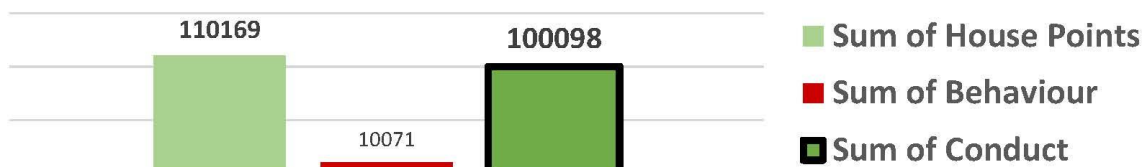


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House Points, Behaviour & Conduct: Weekly Update 05.09.18 to 30.11.18



Whole School



Please note that all Year 11 students were given 100 House Points at the start of Sep 2018 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
7DN	8WN	9DS	10PN	11WN

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

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7DN	8WN	9WN	10WN	11PN

House With The Highest Average Conduct Points (House Points – Behaviour)

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	OVERALL
Darwin	Wilberforce	Wilberforce	Darwin	Pankhurst	Darwin

Whole School Attendance: 95.74%

Tutor Groups With The Highest Attendance

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7PN	8NS	9WN	10WS	11NS



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Year 11 Maths Homework/Period 7 Timetable



Year 11 Homework Schedule
Homework help is available
Wednesday in C2.7 from 3:15

Year 11 Revision Sessions
Wednesday in C2.5 3:15-4:00pm

Date	Topic	Date	Topic
31 st Oct	Linear Graphs	31 st Oct	Algebra 1
7 th Nov	Ratio & Proportion	7 th Nov	Algebra 2
14 th Nov	Construction	14 th Nov	Sequences
21 st Nov	Shapes	21 st Nov	Mock Prep 1
28 th Nov	Mock Revision 2	28 th Nov	Mock Prep 2
5 th Dec	MOCK EXAMS	5 th Dec	MOCK EXAMS
12 th Dec	MOCK EXAMS	12 th Dec	MOCK EXAMS
19 th Dec	Christmas Break	19 th Dec	Christmas Break

Year 11 **Drop-in** is also available every **Wednesday in C2.1 from 3:15pm** for anyone who wants help with any GCSE Maths topics.

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Years 12 & 13 Maths Booster Sessions 2019



**Year 12 Revision Sessions
with Mrs Weakley
Wednesday in C2.4 3:20-4:00pm**

**Year 13 Revision Sessions
with Mr O'Neill
Wednesday in C2.2 3:20-4:00pm**

Date	Topic	Date	Topic
31 st Oct	Quadratics (Chapter 3)	31 st Oct	Proof (Chapter 1)
7 th Nov	Circles/Lines (Chapter 6)	7 th Nov	Binomial (Chapter 6)
14 th Nov	Polynomials (Chapter 4)	14 th Nov	Trigonometry (Chapter 8)
21 st Nov	Graphs (Chapter 5)	21 st Nov	Differentiation (Chapter 9)
28 th Nov	Trigonometry (Chapter 10/11)	28 th Nov	Differentiation (Chapter 10)
5 th Dec	Binomial (Chapter 9)	5 th Dec	Probability (Chapter 20)
12 th Dec	Mock Prep 1	12 th Dec	Mock Prep 1
19 th Dec	Mock Prep 2	19 th Dec	Mock Prep 2

Year 12 and 13 Drop-in available every **Wednesday in C2.6 from 3:20pm** for anyone who wants help with any Maths topics.

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Chess Puzzle



Last week's to use your queen to interfere with the attack white is launching in the g and h files. After some exchanges white loses both the bishop and the queen eradicating that threat.



This week: find the best move for white.



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

Maths Corner 14



Estate Agents Problem



Ann purchased a house for £135000.

She wants to sell it for a profit of exactly 12%.

However, she does not want to sell it herself. She wants an Estate Agent to sell it for her. The Agent must make a commission of exactly 5.5% (in addition to Ann's 12% profit). How much must the Agent sell the house for? Give your answer to the nearest Pound.

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 13 – The Pole in the Lake

66 feet



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IN PEOPLE

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CIPHER - Challenge Update!

Well done to these students for completing week eight of the national cipher challenge. Their national rankings are listed below:

1= Cryptic Coders

1 = Josh Potter

2 = MrG

2 = Further Maths/SFY

Only four teams at Yateley completed this tricky challenge - so tricky that from the 1500 teams that entered the competition only 237 are keeping up.

Reply Slip – House Drama Tickets 11th and 12th December 2019

Name		Form	
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	Please indicate the number of tickets @ £5 each required below
Performance Date	
Tuesday, 11th December 2018	
Wednesday, 12th December 2018	

Tickets are sold on a **first come first served basis**



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**CLASSES HELD IN THE
B BLOCK GYM**

ALL YEARS WELCOME

**PARENTS AND STAFF ARE
ALSO INVITED TO LEARN AND
TRAIN**

**DEVELOP RESPECT,
PERSONAL FITNESS,
DISCIPLINE AND
COORDINATION**

**AND MOST OF ALL
HAVE FUN !**

**CAN BE USED TO FULLFILL
PART OF THE DUKE OF
EDINBURGH
REQUIREMENTS FOR SPORT**

**THURSDAY EVENINGS
FROM 6:15 PM
UNTIL 7:30 PM**

**LOOSE FITTING WORKOUT CLOTHING
SUGGESTED**

**ALL CLASSES
ARE FREE**



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