

Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Dear Parents



Welcome back to the new school term and a very happy New Year. I hope you've enjoyed a restful and pleasant Christmas holiday and that the students have 're-charged their batteries' ready for the term ahead. Certainly, the students have made a calm and purposeful start to 2019 which bodes well.

There have been assemblies running throughout the week informing students of the next stage of our evolving behaviour for learning expectations and systems. Can I draw your attention to a very important section later in this bulletin which explains clearly what we are introducing and why? In essence, we are very pleased with the positive impact on behaviour and attitudes to learning following the introduction of the Ready, Respectful, Safe initiative from September. However, this needs to be matched by greater clarity, simplicity and immediacy in our sanction system. The expectation, of course, is that youngsters don't infringe the rules and warrant sanctioning. However, on the hopefully rare occasions when this happens, detentions in particular need to happen swiftly. Additionally, a single school detention, operating each evening, rather than a multitude of subject and House detentions, needs to be administered centrally to avoid mixed messages and unhelpful delays – hence a 'one-detention system'. I am certain that both parents and students will see the obvious advantages and intent with this improved system. Again, can I encourage you to familiarise yourself carefully with the explanation from Mr Keeble later in this bulletin? We are counting on your support to enable smooth operation.

MENSA During the week before the Christmas break 16 students were given the opportunity to sit the timed Mensa IQ test. Firstly, we would like to say a big well done to you all as the test paper was mind boggling for some of our senior staff - even Mr Hill declared it impossible! This week we have had the greatest pleasure in receiving the results achieved by our students. In particular, huge congratulations go to Megan Scotford, Jonathan Willis, Phoebe Shea and Isabelle Cole who achieved results that put them in the top 2% of the population. As a result they have been offered Membership



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of Mensa; a fantastic achievement! The young members of Mensa receive the monthly national Mensa magazine and regional newsletters, and they will have access to hundreds of special interest groups covering a host of hobbies and interests. All of the remaining students did exceptionally well and four narrowly missed out on membership by just 1%.

What a wonderful accomplishment for all the students that took part – and a timely reminder to never stop pushing yourself!

Thursday 10 January saw our Sixth Form celebration evening. This is a super occasion and an opportunity to recognise the amazing achievements both of our current Sixth Form and those who have moved on to further education and training. There were prize winners for each of the subjects detailed below and for exceptional achievement, both academically and in embodying the spirit and ethos of the Sixth Form. I'd like to add my personal thanks to the Sixth Form staff team both for hosting the event and for their daily work in developing such a proud and accomplished area of our school.

Headteacher's Awards

Scheharazade Al-Ahmad
Jade Blackmore
Michael Chacko
Eloise Cocking
Katie Day
Zachary Dodsworth

Joshua Elsey
Caitlin Farrell
Christopher Lai
Janine Lanek
Bethany Robinson
James Short

Outstanding Progress Award

Amber Haseeb

The Keith Cottam Performing Arts Award

Thomas Harris

Spirit of the Sixth Form Award

Eleanor Thomas and Lewis Sheddon



Prize Winners

Art & Design
Biology
Business Studies
Btec Business Studies
Btec Business 1 Year
CACHE Diploma
Chemistry
Classics
Computer Science

Year 12

Laura Davies
Lauren Woodman
Holly Gray
Charlotte Bird
Abigail Caley
Halle Webster
Lauren Woodman
-
Joseph Harrison

Year 13

Eiza Abid
James Linton
Daniel Simmons
Roshan Tilija
-
Morgan Coalter
Robin Shome
-
Sean Escreet



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Btec Creative Media	Louis Saunders/Lucy Cuthbert	Maya Kirwin
Btec Criminology	Chloe Amey	-
Btec Dance	-	Charlotte Prendiville
English Language	Sophie Widman	Harriet Phipps-Bruniges
English Literature	Anny Cros	Ellie Spencer
Food Science & Nutrition	Zoe Furze	-
French	-	-
Geography	Poppy Barlow	Sam Perry
Government & Politics	-	Rob Wiltshire
Graphics	Catrin Williams	Jonny Gan
History	Connor Turner	Dan Allen
Law	-	Caitlin Jordan
Maths	Lauren Woodman	Josh Potter
Further Maths	Alex Harrison	Oliver Ross
Core Maths	Holly Gray	-
Media Studies	-	-
Music	-	-
Btec Music Technology	-	Lily Rose
Photography	Catrin Williams	El Hoyle
Physical Education	Tom Salmon/Maisy Hunt	Clementina Tuck
Physics	Younes Al-Ahmad	Josh Potter
Psychology	Chloe Amey	Sian Kite
Religious Studies	-	Caitlin Jordan
Sociology	Matt Church	Eiza Abid
Btec Sport	-	-
Theatre Production	-	Lily Mae Ealing
Theatre Studies	Louis Saunders	George Kite-Williams
Btec Travel & Tourism	Marcus Boxhall	Clara Coultrip



Student star of the week. A phenomenal offer to study mathematics at Trinity College Oxford has been made to Oliver Ross, one of our outstanding students in Yateley Sixth Form. He has succeeded in a rigorous entry process, including tests and interviews at the College of his choice.

This exceptional achievement is down to the specialised support offered but mostly down to the hard work and attitude of Oliver. He has been supported through the whole process and encouraged to aim high. We are incredibly proud him.

The majority of Y13 students at Yateley have been applying to a range of universities and higher education courses through the UCAS system for entry later this year. Overall 71 applications for university have been made by students. Others are planning for gap years and have been successful in obtaining apprenticeships in many fields.

With my very best wishes.

Paul German



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NEW SIMPLIFIED SANCTION SYSTEM

At the start of September we launched our new behaviour initiative that focused on a more positive approach to behaviour with a greater emphasis on restoration. In partnership with the student body, we created the behaviour principles of Ready, Respectful and Safe. It is pleasing to see that these principles have been embraced by the whole school and local community and have already shown a positive impact on student behaviour and learning within the school. The vast majority of our students have impeccable conduct.

The next stage in our culture shift has been to review the sanction system in the school. It was felt that in some places the current system lacked immediacy and opportunities for restoration if poor behaviour occurred. Starting from Monday 14th January 2019 we have simplified and strengthened our sanction system, ensuring it is easier to understand, more immediate and places emphasis on the restoration work that needs to take place.

The details of the new system can be found within page 10 of our behaviour policy and also in chart form (both documents linked below on the school VLE)

- Chart of Sanction System - https://moodle.yateley.hants.sch.uk/pluginfile.php/49114/mod_page/content/30/New%20Sanction%20Structure.docx
- Behaviour Policy - https://moodle.yateley.hants.sch.uk/pluginfile.php/49114/mod_page/content/29/Behaviour%20Policy.docx

To ensure immediacy, there is one single afterschool detention, but it will always be set for the following night. This is the most significant change and one where we need full parental support. If a detention was set, parents would be notified via the school gateway app and also by email the night before the detention is due to take place.

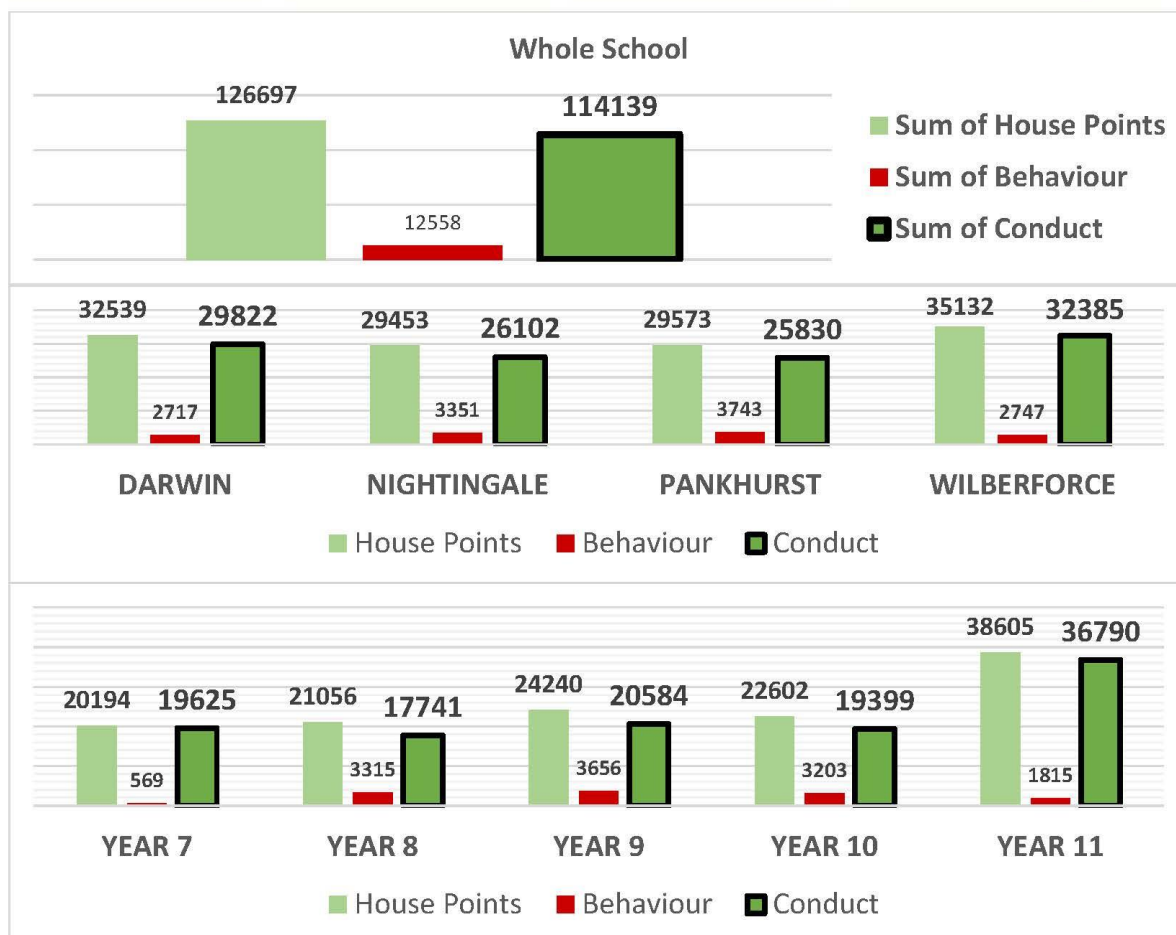
Having improved the sanction system, we have updated our Home School Agreement and we will be communicating this to all parents (ideally mid-way through next week). It is not expected for parents to sign this new agreement, but we will look for signed agreements to be completed in September 2019.

I do want to emphasise that the vast majority of the student body will not need to worry themselves about the new system; they are unlikely to be put in detention anyway and appreciate the increased clarity and immediacy. I am always pleased to see the amount of house points and positive letters and certificates that are issued to our students on a regular basis.

Mr R Keeble, Assistant Headteacher

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House Points, Behaviour & Conduct: Weekly Update 05.09.18 to 21.12.18



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	8NN	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: 95.32%

Tutor Groups With The Highest Attendance

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



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HOUSE MUSIC 2019

House Music, our popular annual competition is fast approaching! House Music is run by Mrs Pejovic with help of the House Music Captains, usually students from our year 12 and 13 or year 11 and 10 as co-captains. Rehearsals will start on Tuesday, 8th January 2019.

This competition is inclusive, as everyone is welcome to take part. Solo/ensemble performances will be auditioned in front of Mrs Pejovic and the House Music Captains. Auditions will be held on 7th and 14th February 2019, in M1 between 3:15pm and 5pm.

However, for participation in the choir item and backstage help no audition is required at all. Please encourage the members of your house to attend the rehearsals and to make contact with Mrs Pejovic and their House Music Captains asap, particularly if they have already been involved last year. This is a wonderful opportunity to taste the music Yateley School can offer, enjoy the music-making and even form everlasting friendships while rehearsing. We would like to see as many students take part as possible.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

RULES....House Music must feature:

1. All House Choir – 2 songs (all 4 houses)
2. 1 rock or fusion band entry (individual house)
3. 1 original composition (individual house)
4. Varied representation of music styles/genres and student's ages (individual house)

<p><u>Darwin House</u></p> <p>CAPTAINS:</p> <p>Zack Madge, Harvey Mills, Matthew Collins</p>	<p><u>Nightingale House</u></p> <p>CAPTAINS:</p> <p>James Gan, Sophie Tulip, Luke Cherry</p>
<p><u>Pankhurst House</u></p> <p>CAPTAINS:</p> <p>Johnny Gan, Moira Rennie, Eleanor Thomas</p>	<p><u>Wilberforce House</u></p> <p>CAPTAINS:</p> <p>Sophie Harding, Tara McGloin, Amy Chau, Isabelle Hickey, Lucy Baxter, Harry Harris</p>



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REHEARSALS

Rehearsals are scheduled during lunch times in the Music Block in the following order (this is where and when HM captains can be contacted too). Please note that the time-table below includes all other music rehearsals Music Department has at the same time!

MONDAY AND THURSDAY:	12:45-13:25	M1	ALL HOUSE CHOIR/ THE ALL HOUSE ROCK BAND
MONDAY:	12:45-13:25	M2	PANKHURST (solo/ensemble rehearsals)
TUESDAY:	12:45-13:25	M2	WILBERFORCE (solo/ensemble rehearsals)
TUESDAY:	12:45-13:25	M1	PERODUCTION REHEARSAL (Mrs Pejovic/Mrs Graham)
WEDNESDAY:	12:45-13:25	M2	NIGHTINGALE (solo/ensemble rehearsals)
WEDNESDAY:	12:45-13:25	M1	PRODUCTION REHEARSAL (Mrs Pejovic/Mrs Graham)
WEDNESDAY:	12:45-13:25	M3	BRASS ENSEMBLE (Mr Atkins)
THURSDAY:	12:50-13:30	M1	PRODUCTION REHEARSALS (Mrs Pejovic/Mrs Graham)
THURSDAY:	12:50-13:30	M2	ALL HOUSE CHOIR/ALL HOUSE ROCK BAND
FRIDAY:	12:45-13:25	M2	DARWIN (solo/ensemble rehearsals)
FRIDAY:	12:45-13:25	M1	PRODUCTION REHEARSAL (Mrs Pejovic/Mrs Graham)
FRIDAY:	15:10-17:00	M1	PRODUCTION CHORUS REHEARSALS (Mrs Pejovic/Mrs Graham)

In addition to the above rehearsals, inter-house JAZZ BAND rehearses on TUESDAY, after school in M1 and inter-house YATELEY SCHOOL ORCHESTRA rehearses after school on WEDNESDAYS in M1.

TECH REHEARSAL AND THE COMPETITION

House Music tech rehearsal is due on Wednesday, 8th May 2019 and the House Music Competition itself will take place in the evening concert on the same day.

Set up: 8.10am-9am House Captains to set up with Matt Davis.

Tech rehearsal and competition start at 9.00AM!

Period 1: Pankhurst and Darwin soloist/ensembles
Period 2: Wilberforce and Nightingale soloist/ensembles
Period 3: Jazz Band and Brass Ensemble
Period 4: Yateley School Orchestra
Period 5: All House Choir/All House rock Bands
Period 6: Blocking/walk through

After School: 5:30pm Charley Kingsley Choir

CONCERT/HOUSE MUSIC COMPETITION: 7pm- 10:30pm, Wednesday, 8th May 2019.



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DRESS CODE

Our performing dress code is ALL BLACK AND SMART, boys with ties of House colour/design and ladies with a splash of own House colour in neck scarves/hair bows, belts etc. No jeans, t-shirts, logos, high heels or trainers, please. Black, sensible shoes only. Our music is amazing so we aim to present it equally well in visual terms.

TICKETS

Tickets will be available for purchase closer to the time via Mrs Ellis, our Front of House so please, keep an eye for her advert in the school's Parent's Bulletin.

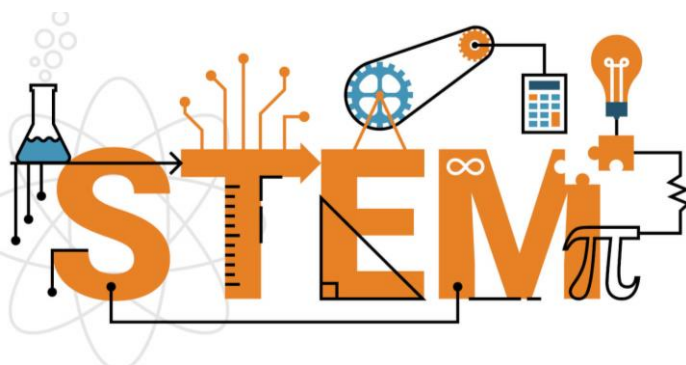
Ms Tanja Pejovic, Head of Music

STEM Icons

Over the next few months we are continuing to share our STEM icons with you. STEM stand for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths and is a focus for us this year. Staff have been asked to identify the person or product that has amazed, inspired or had a positive technological impact on their life!

Our next STEM icon is from Mr Sibbald head of Resistant Materials.

STEM icon – Mandy Haberman



A graphic designer by training she invented the Haberman Feeder, to help her child feed despite a cleft palate, which assisted thousands of children worldwide. Having been ripped off by major manufacturers despite selling millions worldwide her next invention 'The Anyway Up Cup' was so ring fenced by patent legislation that she successfully sued. She now campaigns for IP causes and champions women in invention.

She impacted on my life by visiting students, assessing their ideas and advising them on the patent potential of their designs.

Please look out for the next STEM icon next week....

Ms S Williams, Head of Design and Technology



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Chess Puzzle



Last week's solution was to advance the a file rook. It's protected by the pawn, which can be promoted. Do not worry about white checking you as the knight will save the king and win the rook.



This week: find the best move for black.



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

Maths Corner 15



Snail Problem



A snail creeps 6 ft up a wall during the daytime. After all the labour it does throughout the day, it stops to rest a while... but falls asleep!! The next morning it wakes up and discovers that it has slipped down 2 ft while sleeping. If this happens every day, how many days will the snail take to reach the top of a wall 54 ft in height?

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 14 – Estate Agent Problem

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Year 11 Maths Homework/Period 7 Timetable



Would you like to gain an extra 30 marks?

Please note that on the Green shaded dates Science have a priority on Period 7. Maths sessions are available for others

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
9 th Jan	Angles	9 th Jan	Linear Graphs
16 th Jan	Area & Perimeter	16 th Jan	Ratio & Proportion
23 rd Jan	Transformations	23 rd Jan	Construction
30 th Jan	Vectors	30 th Jan	Shapes
6 th Feb	Probability	6 th Feb	Angles
13 th Feb	Statistics	13 th Feb	Area & Perimeter

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 C2.5 3:20-4:00pm	
Date	Topic	Date	Topic
9 th Jan	Differentiation (Chapter 12)	9 th Jan	Integration (Chapter 11)
16 th Jan	MOCK 1 EXAMS	16 th Jan	MOCK 1 EXAMS
23 rd Jan	Differentiation (Chapter 13)	23 rd Jan	Mock Paper 1 Review
30 th Jan	Vectors (Chapter 15)	30 th Jan	Mock Paper 2 Review
6 th Feb	Probability (Chapter 21)	6 th Feb	Numerical Methods (<u>Ch 14/15</u>)
13 th Feb	Integration (Chapter 14)	13 th Feb	Probability (<u>Ch 20</u>)
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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Are you a Young Person who helps look after someone and you are between the age of 16-25?

If so, we would like to know what we can do to help you, what your needs are and how to support you in your caring role.



We are holding two events so you can let us know how we can help you.

**Monday 28 January 2019
Hart House Coffee Shop, 335-337 Fleet Rd,
Fleet GU51 3NT**

**Thursday 31 January 2019
Farnborough College of Technology, Room 6 of the UCF
building, Boundary Rd, Farnborough GU14 6SB**

**Both events are from 6.30-8.30pm
If you need any further information or need help
with transport please ring 01264 835246**



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