

Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Dear Parents and Carers



Summer School. Although it may seem something of a distant memory now, the first and last weeks of the summer holiday were filled with 240 plus of our new Year 7 students and a number of existing students. They were getting involved in a huge number of activities which taught them new skills, underpinned their learning and importantly, helped to get them ready for secondary school life. Many new friendships were formed and it has had a large part to play in developing the confidence and teamwork that we are seeing in our Year 7 students. This was the remarkable brainchild of Mrs Uttley and her

extraordinary team of helpers and I would like to pay tribute to an excellent piece of work, which I know was appreciated far and wide in our community.

It is equally pleasing to see learning well underway in our classrooms too. Students have returned with a calm determination to succeed and it is lovely to witness such focus and endeavour in their work. Equally excellent, is the joy with which they are able to socialise that bit more and of course interacting to some extent with students in other year groups. It is such a vital part of our school structure - both formally and informally, that young people get to work with others in different year groups. The House and extra-curricular system depends on it and although we are proceeding with care, many of our activities are running as well or even better than they were before. The number of students turning up for sports activities and trials for example is phenomenal.



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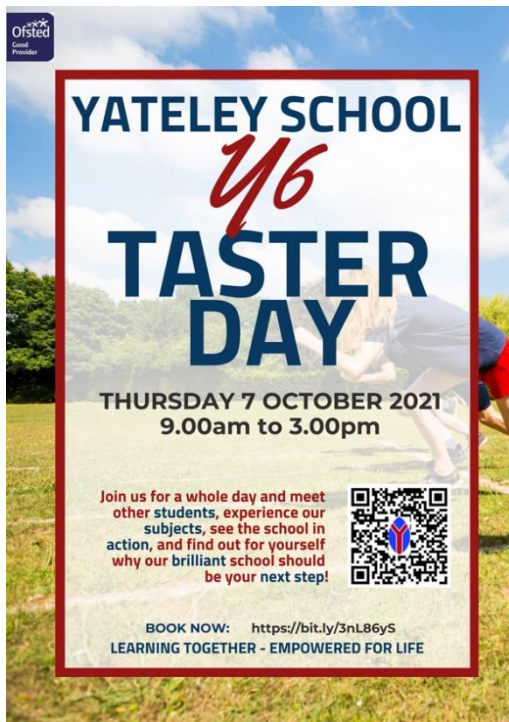
Skills Grids (Key Stage 3)

Year 10 GCSE Information Evening

It was great to see a full school hall for the Year 10 GCSE information evening on Thursday. Mr Hill, Mrs J Williams, Mr Tidd and I were able to talk with parents about the challenges and opportunities of the two years ahead. From a personal perspective, the chance to re-engage face-to-face with parents once again was superb and the evening obviously came along at a key time, when we want our super Year 10s to maximise their chances at GCSE and prepare for Sixth Form study beyond. As a reminder, other such information evenings will be face to face too. As you already know however, following such overwhelming parent approval, Parents' Consultation evenings will remain online. That process clearly works better and was universally popular.

Open Events

Following communication earlier in the week, you are hopefully all aware of our various open events for prospective students and families. The picture to the left is a clickable [link](#) to the Eventbrite booking system for our Year 6 taster day on Thursday 7 October. This is already proving hugely popular, even though it only went live yesterday, so early booking is advised. Similarly, the open mornings to tour the school in action on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th October are almost sold out, so we can expect to be extremely busy - such is the level of interest and excitement in our school!



Student star of the week. Is Harry Ellis in 8PN. Very recently, Harry competed in the Hampshire County Athletics Championships in Portsmouth and achieved a bronze medal in the U13 Long Jump. Also, last weekend he competed at the County Multi Events where he also achieved a bronze medal. He trains with and competes for Aldershot, Farnham and District Athletics Club. Harry is a modest young man, but he is rightly very proud of his recent achievements and Mrs Evans and the PE team are excited about the developing prospects of this very talented young athlete. Congratulations Harry and we look forward to further triumphs in the future.



Yours sincerely

Paul German
Headteacher

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Elevate Education – Year 11 Parent Seminar at Yateley School

We are glad this year to welcome back Elevate Education to come into school and do support work with our students. This year they will be working not just with Year 11 but also Year 10 as well. We also have the well-attended Year 11 parent seminar taking place again. This will be on:

Monday September 27th @ 19.00 to 20.00pm, Yateley School Main Hall

We encourage as many parents as possible to attend the parent seminar where Elevate will guide and provide information to parents in who you can best support your child through Year 11 and their studies to maximise their potential. The plan is currently for this seminar to be in person in the main hall but of course if things needed to change we might be able to move this to a live online session. Please just keep the date free at the moment and more details will follow in the next week along with further details about the Year 10 and 11 student session in school time.



Elevate Education Parent Online Seminars

We're excited to announce that parents of our school have exclusive access to Elevate Education's Parent Webinar Series. Elevate works with our students, delivering high impact workshops on study skills, motivation, wellbeing, and exam preparation. By tuning into their webinar series you will learn how to better support your children at home through reinforcing the skills they learn at school. The next online seminar and resources is as follows:

September 21st @ 18.00pm - Webinar 1: How to Get (and Keep) Your Child Motivated – [CLICK HERE to register for FREE!](#)

In *How to Get (and Keep) Your Child Motivated*, Elevate will provide you with the tips and tools for how to get (and keep!) your child motivated, including:

- Share the best types of goals to boost motivation;
- Show parents how to identify which types of goals their child is currently setting and help them set better goals;
- Give parents practical strategies to use at home to motivate their child to study, and sustain that motivation.

"I just wanted to thank you for a thoroughly well thought out and interesting talk on motivation yesterday. Indeed, you came up with some great real-life examples to help motivate our children that is not purely through a grade drive approach which I know will benefit them hugely."

The webinar is run live online from 6pm – 7pm where the presenter will share Elevate's key research and skills, and will conduct a live Q&A so you can ask them questions directly.

You might also find the below resources from Elevate of use:

- Elevate's TedX Talk in Tallinn – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Misunderstanding Motivation – [CLICK HERE](#)

Should you have questions or would like to contact Elevate directly, their details are listed below.

- ☎ 01865 987 732
- ✉ charlotte@elevateeducation.com
- 💻 <https://get.elevatecoaching.info/uk/register>
- 👍 www.facebook.com/ElevateParentsUK/

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Music Extra Curricular Activities 2021/22

The Music Department is already busy organising live(!) Christmas House Music which is due on 15th December 2021 in the Main Hall.

Students are welcome to come and sample any of the activities on offer: House Rock Choir, Garlands Vocal Ensemble, Jazz Band and Samba/Ukulele Ensemble. Everyone is welcome to join so please encourage your child to attend first rehearsal and sample music on offer. The ensembles and bands listed here rehearse throughout the school year starting with Tuesday, 7th of September.

House Music 2021/22

If your child would like to take part in House Music, please encourage them to audition for me on the following dates:

1. Wednesday 29th of September 2021 in M1, 3:10pm until 4:30
2. Wednesday 6th of October 2021 in M1, 3:10pm until 4:30pm

They can audition a solo, duet, small ensemble piece but the performance needs to be rehearsed and performed with the students from the same house.

Students need to attend the audition with their instrument, sheet music and suitable backing track/sheet music if they require piano accompaniment.

MUSIC EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAMME 2021/22

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE				
DAY	TIME	ROOM	ACTIVITY	TEACHER IN CHARGE
MONDAY	12.45 – 1.20 PM	M1 M2	Garlands: KS4 vocal ensemble Pankhurst solo/ensembles	PJC Captains
	3.10 – 4.00 PM	M3 M1	GCSE: Composing catch up House Music Band rehearsals:	PJC Captains
		M2	Pankhurst House Music Band Rehearsals: Wilberforce	Captains
TUESDAY	12.45 – 1.20 PM	M1	Rock Choir/Joint House Music Choir	PJC
	3.10 – 4.30 PM	M1/ M2	Jazz Band (with parents)	PJC
WEDNESDAY	12.45 – 1.20 PM	M1 M2	Rock Choir/Joint House Music Choir Darwin: solo/ensembles	PJC Captains
	3.10 – 4:30 PM	M1/M2	GCSE Music: Performing rehearsals	PJC
THURSDAY	12.45 – 1.20 PM	M1 M2	Garlands: KS4 vocal ensemble Nightingale: solo/ensemble	PJC Captains
	3.10 - 4.30 PM	Whole building	GCSE solo and ensemble performance rehearsals and composing catch up	PJC
FRIDAY	12.45 – 1.20 PM	M1 M2 M3	Ukulele/Samba Band Wilberforce solo/ensembles GCSE composing catch-up	PJC Captains
	3.10 – 4.00 pm	M2	House Music Band rehearsals: Nightingale	Captains Captains
		M1	House Music Band Rehearsals: Darwin	

Ms Pejovic, Music Department

All 2021-22 House Music/GCSE/Music rehearsals start on Monday, 13th of September 2021.

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This week's Sports results

Football

Year 8 v Collingwood, we lost 6-4 POM K. Allsopp

Netball

Year 10 v Court Moor we won 26-8, POM S. Aumonier

We have been overwhelmed with number of students that have taken up our extra-curricular offer, It has been amazing to see the enthusiasm and energy the students have brought with them to the clubs this week, we have loved it!

If you are yet to try out a club, please pop along, and give it ago.... "If you never try, you will never know!"

Mrs Evans, Head of Physical Education


PE EXTRA CURRICULAR

All Clubs start week beginning Monday 13th September 2021


	After School Activities 3.10 - 4.15	Year Group	Venue
Monday	Football Fixtures	Year 7	Sports Hall
Tuesday	Netball Training Football Fixtures Rugby Club Swimming club	All Years Year 8 Years 7- 9 All Years	Courts Sports Hall Gym Pool
Wednesday	Football Fixtures Gymnastics Club Cross country	Year 9 All Years All Years	Sports Hall Gym Gym
Thursday	Netball Fixtures Football Fixtures Fitness club Basketball Club	All Years Year 10 All Years Year 7-9	Sports Hall Sports Hall Gym Sports Hall
Friday	Badminton Football Club GCSE Clinic	All Years Year 7-9 Year 11	Sports Hall Sports Hall B11



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YEAR 11, 12 & 13 STUDENTS



BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE

Would you like help with Maths?
You can work through revision topics, exam questions and anything else at our drop in.

GCSE
Wednesday C2.1

A LEVEL
Thursday C2.6



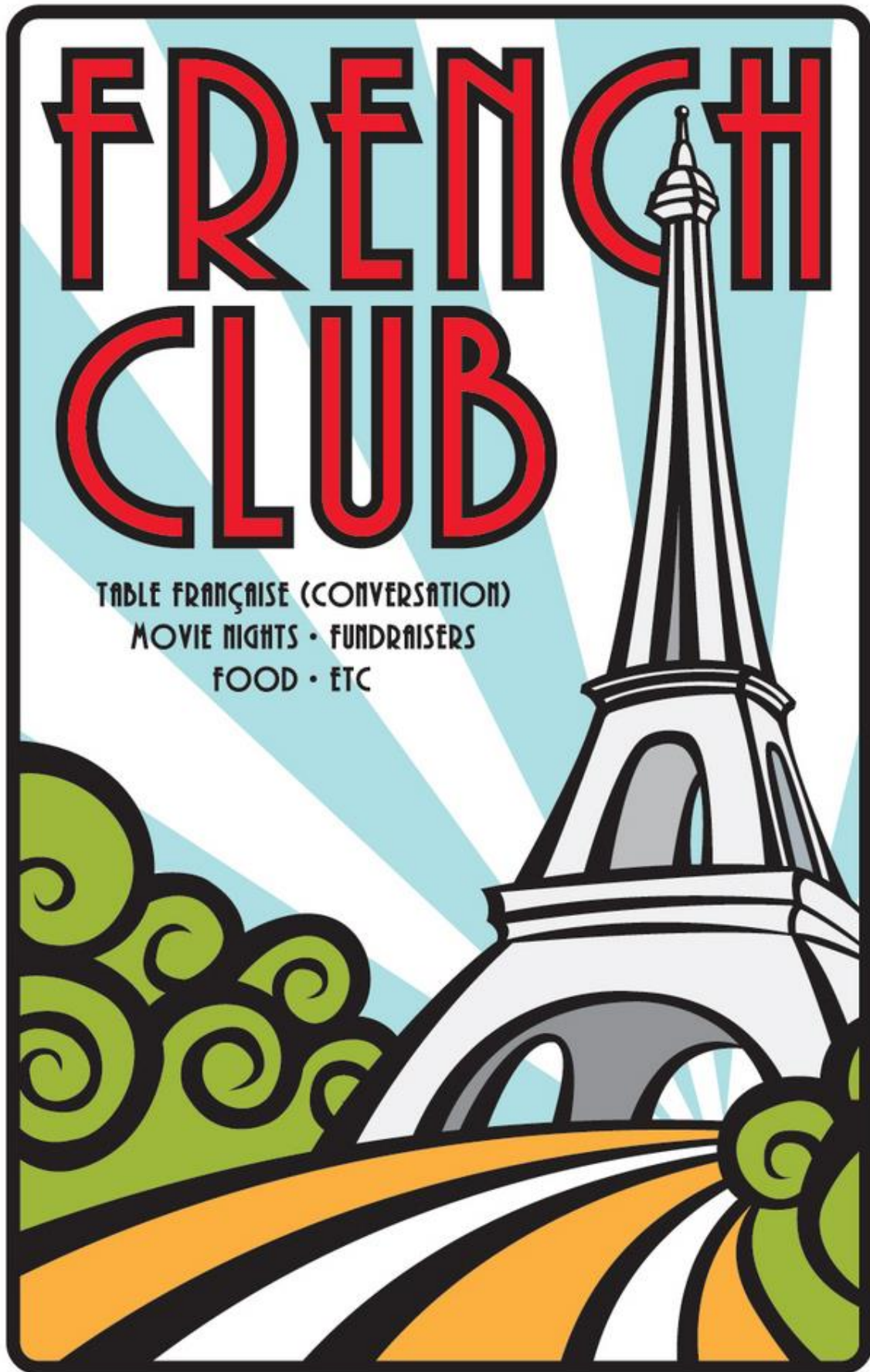
One of our own - Marathon Runner Natalie raising money for great causes



I am on run #84 of my training for this year's London Marathon on Sunday 3rd October. All is going well, but any runner will tell you it's not easy... But I am so committed as the charities I am running for mean so much to me: **Phyllis Tuckwell** who looked after my Dad so well a few years ago, they walk alongside families through their darkest days and, **Sebastians Action Trust** who my sister works for, and I have volunteered with. They provide emotional, social and practical care for life-limited and life-threatened children and their families. They are both such wonderful and worthy charities. Any support via donations to my page or a cheer if you see me out training would really be appreciated - Thank you

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/NataliePollard3> (and let me know if you spot me on TV on the day 😊)

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What's going on at your local

YOUTH CENTRE

@ the Tythings Youth Suite, Reading Road,
Yateley, GU46 7RP

CREATIVE CLUB

TUESDAY 6.30-8.30pm
Age 11-18 years (term time) £1

Come and hang out with friends whilst taking part in a variety of fun activities. There are several run at each session, including art & craft, music, photography, cooking and creative challenges and games. Tuck shop and drinks are also available.

FITNESS 4 YOUTH

WEDNESDAY 7.00pm
Age 11-18 years (term time) £1

Enjoy an evening with a focus on fitness and healthy body, mind and diet.
For both of these clubs, attendees must complete a registration form at their first session, stay for the duration of the evening.

THURSDAY CLUB

6.30-8.00pm Age 11-14 years (Yr 6,7,8) £1 fee
Come and hang out with friends whilst taking part in a variety of fun activities.

FREEDAY NIGHT CLUB

FRIDAY 7.00-9.00pm
Age 11-18 years (term time)
FREE

Just drop in - come and go as you wish.

Enjoy meeting your friends and listening to music, playing table tennis, pool, foosball and air hockey. There is a monthly movie night and in the warmer months, football, basketball and tennis on the tennis courts/green are on offer.

A tuck-shop, hot & cold drinks, free juice & toast are all available.



VISION4YOUTH

www.vision4youth.org.uk

Tel: 07540660866 (only available during Youth Club times)

Providing Youth Services for the local Community at
The Tythings Youth Suite, Reading Road, Yateley, GU46 7RP
Charity No. 1172352

ABOUT VISION4YOUTH

The Youth Clubs provide an engaging space where young people can socialise with friends, use the excellent facilities and take part in arranged activities in a safe and supervised environment. We are always looking for adult volunteers, please visit our website for more details.

Maths Corner 1

Bunk Beds

Six Boy-Scouts at a Summer Camp sleep in bunk beds. Each Scout has a different colour blanket on his bed. The beds are lined up in a row with red, black, yellow, brown, blue, and green blankets.

- Robert and Harry's bed is closest to the door.
- The colour of the blankets on the bottom bunks all begin with the same letter.
- The colour of Brian's blanket does not begin with the same letter as the beginning of his name.
- Robert's blanket colour does begin with the same letter as his name.
- The blue blanket is under the red blanket.
- Liam and Kevin like their lower bunks.
- Kevin is in the middle bed.
- Ian does not share a bunk with Kevin.
- The brown blanket is at the end of a row.
- The yellow blanket is above the black blanket.



What colour is each boy's blanket?

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

Answer to Maths Corner 1

In next week's bulletin