

# Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Learning Together – Empowered for Life

Dear parents and carers

Somehow five days of activity have concertinaed into four days in what has been a busy week. After the bank holiday on Monday for the funeral of her late majesty the Queen, we have had time to reflect as a school as well as with the nation. A book of condolence is in the final stages of construction, with each of the tutor groups having taken

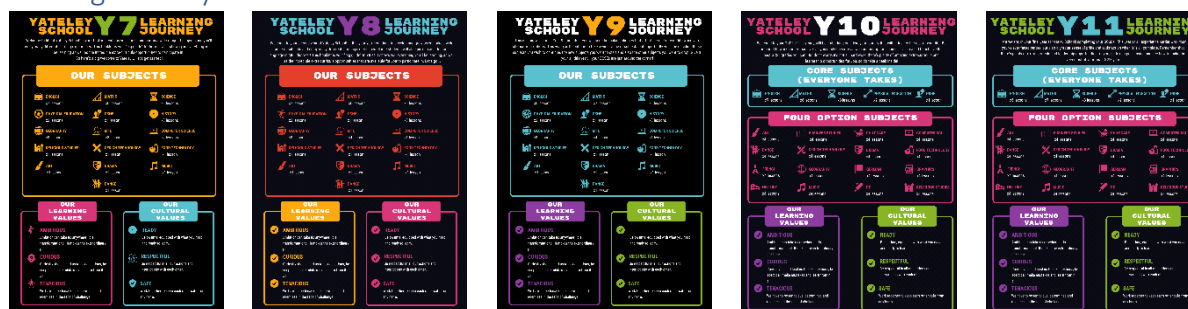
responsibility for their own page. We have also raised some of the issues in tutor times, PSHE and assemblies.

Pictured are the front and back covers which have been produced by two of our amazingly talented artists in Year 10. Matilda Taylor – the Crown. Paula Farcas - the pencil drawing portrait. Absolutely superb art-work I'm sure you will agree.

I mentioned in last week's bulletin the Year 10 parents' information evening. If you missed the event (or loved it so much you want to re-live the whole experience!) the PowerPoint used on the evening is available to view [here](#).



## Learning Journeys



We were so pleased with the 350+ responses from our 2022 Parent Survey last year, but one thing jumped out as needing improvement at Yateley School. When asked *"The School makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year"* almost 50% of parents either disagreed or felt this could be improved upon. After months of work, we are delighted to present to you our Learning Journeys (personalised for every year group). Our Learning Journeys cover all the key dates in the year, all of our subjects and what students are learning this year. We also explain how parents/carers can help, give details of our tutor program and PSHE, identify all extra curricula opportunities available and also highlight the teams, clubs and societies that we run. We know it can be busy as a parent, so having everything in one place should make life a lot easier in this hectic world! By the time this bulletin hits your inbox, every family should have received a physical and electronic copy of this next week, so do please look out. Students should have brought them home on either Thursday or Friday of this week. Finally, if you have any feedback (positive or otherwise) then please do get in touch.

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## Open Evening

There's a lot of awareness now about the Year 6 taster day on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> and then the Open Evening on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September. Every space (350 of them) has been allocated for the taster day and we are currently expecting well over 600 people on Thursday evening! Despite our best efforts, there is bound to be some congestion in and around School Lane, so thank you in advance for your patience with that as we have a lot of current students helping us on the night. May I also reiterate the key points from the SchoolComms messages? On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>, Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 are **not** in school and their work will be set on Satchel:One; Years 11 and 13 **are** in school as normal. On Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September, we have an early finish at 12.50; further detail can be found in the most recent [SchoolComms](#) message.

## Excellence...

Last year, Dr Case undertook the monumental task of interviewing, joint planning and constructively challenging a significant proportion of Year 11 students, with a series of one-to-one discussions throughout the year. She then remained in regular contact with students and parents throughout the year, trouble shooting and supporting all the while. The impact of this intervention has been plain to see and is one of the factors behind improved 2022 GCSE results. Consequently, the program is already underway for the current Year 11 and Dr Case tells me that the early signs are very positive indeed and the year group are in a very good place for this time in the year and with plenty of ambition. It'll be a lot of hard work, but hopes are very high for this year group.

## Sixth Form Open Evening

Calling all Year 11 students and their families in Yateley School and beyond! On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October we are holding



our hugely important Sixth Form Open Evening and we are looking forward to welcoming all the prospective Sixth Formers, both from our own school and from other secondary schools in the area. Publicity for this event is every bit as important as the main school open evening and I would really appreciate parent help with this – 'liking and sharing' Social Media posts and ensuring that any families with Year 11 students within travelling distance come along to see what life in an outstanding sixth form is really like. I hope it goes without saying that we're looking forward to seeing all of our own Year 11s and their families.

## Student Stars of the week



This week, a group make up our students of the week, namely: Ashley Edwards in 7PS, Ollie Spencer in 8PS, Bea Taylor in 8WN and Grace Shedden in 11WS. They are all members of the Camberley Stagecoach who practise here at Yateley School on Friday afternoons. As members of the group, they had the wonderful opportunity to perform in the Camberley Theatre centre stage with world famous quartet, The Opera Boys. In a program that extended from Les Miserables, Phantom of the Opera and Westside Story, to



smash hits such as Jersey Boys, We Will Rock You and the Greatest Showman, it was a very diverse programme. Conquering any backstage nerves, our performers did brilliantly and had the experience of a lifetime.

Yours sincerely

Paul German  
Headteacher

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## Student Committees

This week all year groups via the year assemblies have had the pleasure of our senior students presenting to them about our four student committees in the school. These committees are fundamental in the further development of the school and allow the students to have their say in the school's journey and future. Please could you ask your child about these committees and encourage them to take part and represent not just their tutor group but their school.

Details of the committees and their meetings time are below:

- **Student Voice:** Week A Tuesdays during Tutor Time in B1.4
- **Anti-Bullying:** Week B Thursdays during Tutor Time in B1.4
- **Well-being and Welfare:** Week A Fridays during Tutor Time in B1.4
- **Inclusivity and Diversity:** Week B Wednesdays during Tutor Time in B1.4

## Uniform reminders

Just to remind everyone about the expectations when it comes to uniform in the school. It has been great to see how many of our students are meeting this, but there has been the odd small number of exceptions this week where we have had to speak to individuals.

The full uniform guidance can be found on our school policy page (Policy Page – [CLICK HERE](#), Uniform Guidance – [CLICK HERE](#)).

Main things which we have had to remind a small number of students about are no nail extensions/colour, no eye lash extensions, no extreme makeup, no nose studs, only a single stud allowed in each ear, no bracelets, no rings, no trainers, no leggings, mobile phones not allowed out in the school day, etc.

We will be confiscating items which only parent will be able to collect and also issuing detentions for those students choosing not to follow the expectations.

## Tutor Time – Week of 19th September

We have altered our tutor time programme for 2022/23 to have an increased focus on important aspects of students' life education. Each week we will share with parents the summary details of what has been covered so you are aware. What was covered this week is summarised below:

- **National Focus Week – Youth Mental Health Day** - <https://stem4.org.uk/youthmentalhealthday/>
- **Wellbeing Tip** – 'Do more feel good things'
- **House Assemblies from Heads of House**
- **CAMHS Best Version of You (Session 3)** – Year 7 looked at battling bullying and how Child on Child abuse is not OK
- **Safeguarding (Effects of Bullying)** – Year 8 to 11 looked into the effects of bullying
- **Careers** – Careers programme for Year 10 students looking at plans for their future.
- **Study Skills** – Year 11 getting support for their final year and preparing for their exams and getting the most out of their studies.
- **Literacy** – Year 8 and 9 continued their reading and literacy development

To provide parents with further information about what your child will learn in tutor time in 2022/23 (and how it is very much connected to PSHE/RSE this year) we have provided information on our website about the topics and learning journeys for your child's time at Yateley:

- **Learning Journeys (what a child in Year 7 to 11 will learn while at Yateley school)** - <https://www.yateleyschool.net/curriculum/>
- **Tutor Time KS3 Plan** – [CLICK HERE](#)
- **Tutor Time KS4 Plan** – [CLICK HERE](#)

*Mr R. Keeble, Deputy Headteacher - Culture*

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## Wellbeing tip of the week:

Do more feel  
good things

Have fun, make time to do the things you enjoy most, it will keep you calm, happy, focused and increase confidence. Try listing the things you enjoy doing and start doing some each day whether you feel like it or not.

## PSHE: Term 1

Over the last couple of weeks, all students have been introduced to the new PSHE curriculum running in school. We have spoken about the importance of knowledge of the world and skills beyond school and hopefully helped them to understand why we teach PSHE. Students were given the opportunity to let us know what they want to learn in these lessons so we can build a curriculum that is 'fit for purpose' and helps them navigate the world around them as they go through their teens to reach adulthood.

Further details of our plan can be found using the link:

<https://www.yateleyschool.net/curriculum/>

Over the coming term, the following topics are being covered:

**Year 7:** What is your identity? The Equality Act, multicultural Britain, prejudice and discrimination.

Useful links for this topic:

<https://www.kooth.com>

<https://equalityhumanrights.com/en>

<https://amnesty.org.uk>

**Year 8:** Rights and responsibilities within society, what makes a community, how laws are made and the criminal justice system.

Useful links for this topic:

<https://www.parliament.uk>

<https://www.police.uk>

<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk>

**Year 9:** What are British Values? Conspiracy and fake news, extremism and radicalisation.

Useful links for this topic:

<https://www.gov.uk/terrorism-national-emergency/reporting-suspected-terrorism>

<https://www.gov.uk/report-terrorism>

**Year 10:** Human Rights and their importance, balancing human rights, cults.

Useful links for this topic:

<https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en>

<https://www.amnesty.org.uk>

<https://www.coe.int/en/web/portal>

<https://www.un.org/en/>

**Year 11:** Dealing with exam stress and anxiety, time management and technology.

Useful links for this topic:

<https://www.kooth.com/>

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

<https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/>

I would also like to invite parents to a coffee morning consultation at 10am on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October in school to discuss the PSHE changes. Further details and sign-up information to follow.

If you have any questions about these lessons, please do not hesitate to contact me.

*Mrs J Williams, Head of PSHE*

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## HOMEWORK DROP-IN

The Homework Drop-In is held in the Library Schoolroom daily during term time from 3:10pm to 4:30pm Monday to Thursday and from 3:10pm to 4:00pm on Fridays. Students can stay for as long or as little as they wish. Mrs Roaf or I supervise these sessions and it is a great way for students to keep on top of their homework.

Please note that students wishing to attend on Wednesdays or Thursdays must use the back-door entry via the Library Schoolroom.

All year groups are welcome.

*Mrs Hood, School Library Manager*

## LOST PROPERTY – Please label

Please label everything including water bottles. If an item is labelled and handed into lost property then it will be returned immediately to the student. If it is not labelled then without a student coming to claim it, it will sadly end up being disposed of. We keep items for a maximum of 4 weeks.

This week we have a list of items that need to be reunited with their owners. If you recognise one of them, then please email [admin@yateley.hants.sch.uk](mailto:admin@yateley.hants.sch.uk)

PE shorts 22/24

Leggings 24/26

Tracksuit bottoms 26/28

Black hooded TU coat, size 8

Grey MegaTex hooded coat, size XL

Black TU hooded coat, size M

Black & grey Next hooded coat, age 9

Black & grey Nike jacket, XL

Black hoodie, age 10

Sleeping bag

Black M&S trousers age 14-15

Wilberforce jumper, 34"

Yr 11 Darwin jumper, 36"

Pankhurst summer polo, age 14-15

Darwin jumper, 322

Black bracelet with anchor charm

## HOUSE DANCE COMPETITION

The first event of the new school year is nearly here with the ever-popular House Dance competition. Four houses have been eagerly preparing and will showcase their talents on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm in the Main Hall. The show is the same both nights, with judging taking place on Tuesday. Tickets are priced at £5.00 for adults and children under 16 will be £2.50 and can be purchased via our online payment system. No tickets will be sold on the door. We look forward to seeing you there.

*Karen Ellis, Front of House*

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## THIS WEEK'S SPORTS RESULTS

### Football

The football teams had some mixed fortunes this week. The highlight was the U13 girls playing their first fixture for the school and winning 7 -0 which is an amazing result.

U13 Girls – Alderwood 0 – 7 Yateley - Win

Year 9 Boys - Y9 Football Cup - Court Moor 2-1 Yateley. Loss

Year 10 Boys - Court Moor 3 – 2 Yateley. Loss

### Rugby

Year 10 Boys – The Year 10 boys played only their 3<sup>rd</sup> fixture since being at the school and lost to Court Moor however there was lots of positives to be seen.

### Next Week's Fixtures.

#### Football

Year 7 Boys – Yateley Vs Calthorpe Park (A). Mon

Y9 Football v Weydon (H) Wed

U13 Girls – Fernhill Vs Yateley (A) Wed

Y8 Football v All FHES (Tbc) Fri

### Afterschool Clubs

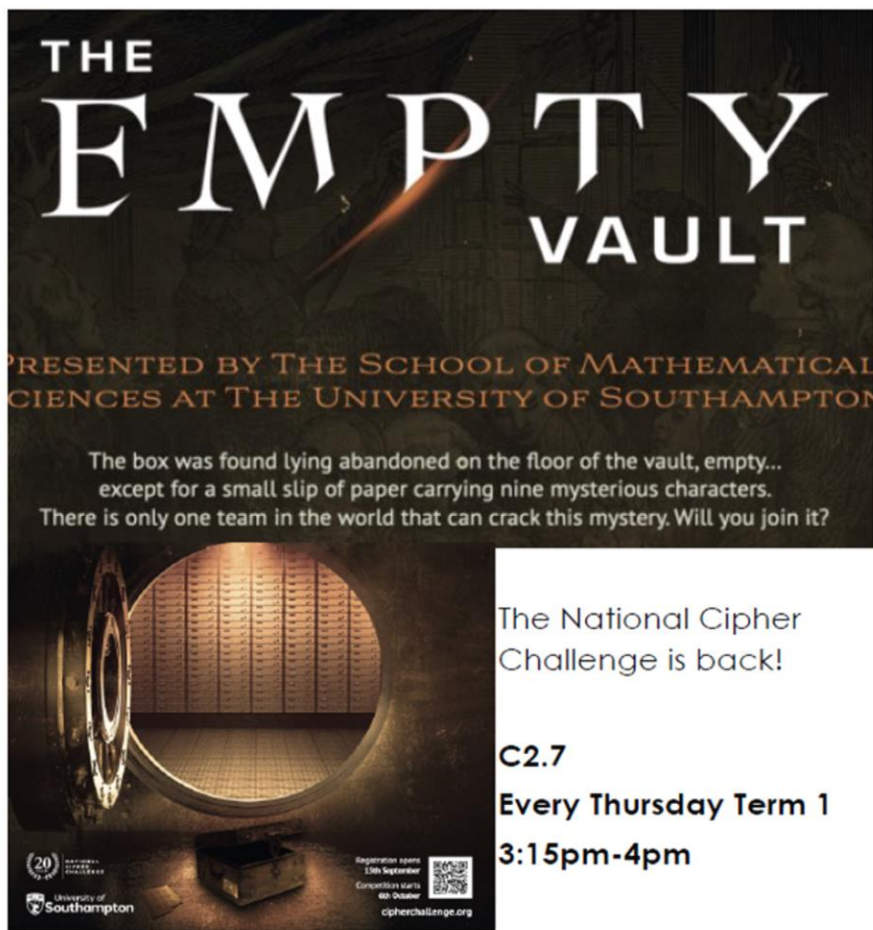
Afterschool clubs were well attended again this week seeing numbers continuing to grow, make sure you are taking advantage of the clubs on offer as they go to support your Me in Pe assessment.

*Mr Wills, PE Department*

<b>Upcoming Important Dates</b>		
<b>Tuesday 27 September 2022</b>	Yrs. 7, 8, 9, 10+12	Home Study Day
<b>Tuesday 27 September 2022</b>	Y6	Year 6 Taster Day (Only Y11 + 13 attending School)
<b>Thursday 29 September</b>	ALL YEARS	School closes at 12.50
<b>Thursday 29 September</b>	-	Open Evening – (18:15 – 21:00)
<b>Tues 4, Wed 5 September</b>	-	Open Mornings
<b>Thursday 6 October</b>	-	Sixth Form Open Evening



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**THE  
EMPTY  
VAULT**

PRESENTED BY THE SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICAL  
SCIENCES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON

The box was found lying abandoned on the floor of the vault, empty...  
except for a small slip of paper carrying nine mysterious characters.  
There is only one team in the world that can crack this mystery. Will you join it?

The National Cipher  
Challenge is back!

**C2.7**  
**Every Thursday Term 1**  
**3:15pm-4pm**

20th Anniversary  
University of Southampton

Registration opens  
15th September  
Competition starts  
4th October  
cipherchallenge.org

Skills in mathematics, computing, puzzles and languages  
are all useful.

Come to C27 every Thursday this term to work together to  
crack the code!

<https://www.cipherchallenge.org/challenge/introduction/>

## Maths Corner 3



### Monkeys and Bananas



Suppose 8 monkeys take 8 minutes to eat 8  
bananas.

1. How many minutes would it take 4 monkeys to  
eat 4 bananas?
2. How many monkeys would it take to eat 64  
bananas in 64 minutes?

**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 2 – Dinner Dilemma**

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## Become a **STEM Ambassador** for Yateley School

Do you enjoy Design and Technology, Maths, Science and Computing?

- **Represent the school**- looks great on your CV
- STEM is a huge National initiative- we need more **designers, engineers, scientists** for Britain to continue to be successful.
- **Support us** with challenges, activities and events
- Find out more about **STEM careers**



If you are interested in finding out more about STEM and getting involved in the STEM Master classes, that we will have on offer throughout the year, please give your name to Miss Williams in the Graphics Department or to your Design and Technology Teacher. Thankyou

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# DEBATE CLUB

**Yrs 9 and 10**

**EVERY TUESDAY 3:15 TO 4:15**

**STARTS October 2022. With Miss Robinson in D1.8. House Debate Competition In June 2023. MACE Schools' Debate Competition**

**Come and see Miss Robinson in D1.8 in you'd like more information**

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Beginners are  
very welcome  
to attend!

## TRIALS 2022

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October  
U14's 10:30 - 11:30  
U16's 11:30 - 12:30

Toynbee School,  
Chandlers Ford,  
SO53 2PL

To register interest, please contact:  
[handballhampshire@gmail.com](mailto:handballhampshire@gmail.com)

For more info  
about handball,  
scan here!



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## Yateley Hockey Juniors

Eversley Sports Association, RG27 0NQ



Club Day 2022 - Sunday 11th September

Come along, try hockey for **FREE** and find yourself a new active hobby!

Years 5 and below - 09:45 to 11:00

Years 6 to 9 - 11:00 to 12:30

BBQ and Tuck Shop available!

No commitment for the season ahead, just come down and give it a try!



For Ages 5-8

8 weeks £40\*

\*requires sign up prior to attendance



For Ages 9-12

4 weeks **FREE!**

Runs 2nd October to 27th November  
09:30 to 10:30



Eight week hockey programme aimed at beginners  
Develop physical hockey superpowers such as  
dribbling, passing and goal scoring!

Runs 28th September to 19th October  
16:00 to 17:30



FREE 4 week hockey programme aimed at  
introducing hockey to those in upper junior school  
or starting secondary school

**Sessions available for all ages. All abilities welcome!**

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