

Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Learning Together – Empowered for Life

Dear parents and carers

Remembrance

We were very proud and honoured to represent the school community as part of the Yateley town service and ceremony of remembrance on Sunday 13th November. I have had the pleasure of receiving a number of complimentary emails about our students, which are a joy to read.

I was joined in St Swithun's for the service by a representative group of students and Head Student Will Moores delivered a reading. We were then joined by others for the walk to the war memorial and the laying of wreaths. The turnout was excellent and our students were widely represented, both as part of the school group and also in the many uniformed organisations who thrive in this area. Well done and thank you to all who took part and with a particular mention to Mrs J. Williams who led the school's acts of remembrance and organised the group for the parade.



Tom King
Ben King
Pia Harris
Keziah Gurung
Giramia Thuambe
Jayden Latham
Samuel Trevatt

Ruby Sobey
Elsie Murphy
Leah Dawson
Ella Arnold
Jayden Chan
Brooke Scully Davies
Aaron Smith

Katherine Mellor
Dominika Kolelis
Jessica Mellor
Will Moores
Cobi Shambrook

MACE Debate This week three Yateley students participated in the first round of the MACE Debate Competition - the longest running debate competition in the UK which is offered to all schools from year 7 to year 13. The first round was done via Zoom with five other schools participating in three separate debates. Leo, Abdalla and Charlie had joined the Debate Club only five weeks ago and were given only three weeks to prepare for the Motion of "The House would ban digital manipulation of advertising including social media ads" as the Opposing Team. They performed amazingly well against Collingwood College and won their debate! Yateley are now through, along with Wellington College, to the second round which will take place live at another school (tbc) at the end of January. We should also add that they were fully supported by the other members of the Debate Club who had prepared some tough questions in order to encourage stronger rebuttals.



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It was a really exciting evening with all 'delegates' doing an outstanding job.

Debate Club is held every Tuesday in D18 after school for any year 9 or year 10 student who would like to join.

Senior Maths Challenge



Following the previous report, we can now report on the Senior Maths Challenge. The results this year are as follows: Year 13 received 5 Bronze awards; Year 12 received 2 Silvers for Kushal Vadicharla and Thomas Hurst, plus 5 Bronze awards. Year 11 received 2 Bronzes for Matthew Jarrett-Walker and Beth Nwachukwu. The stand out result is a Gold for Elliot Casselton. Elliot has qualified for the follow-on challenge, which is an amazing achievement. Also, there was an Olympiad Challenge for Girls, in which Neve Donohoe, Sophie Prior, Daisy Hedges and Emily Chandler took part. Sophie and Daisy receive a Merit award and Emily achieved a Distinction.



RAG (Raising and Giving) Week



Throughout this week our Sixth Formers have been involved in a wide array of fundraising activities from Movie Night, Quiz Night, 'Hide and Seek', 'Guess the Weight of the Cake' and the four-legged race - all to raise money for BBC's Children in Need.



Throughout the week a number of fundraising activities were held. One as such was the 'guess the weight of the cake', the events raised over £350! A huge thank you to Mr Conway's wife who baked the masterpiece shown in the picture.



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The winner of the cake was Karim Hussien (pictured).

The week was drawn to a close with the 36th edition of the 4-legged race.

Students have thrown themselves into the event and the pictures show some of our sixth formers throughout the week.

We have created a JustGiving page with all money going to BBC's Children in Need. If you would like to donate, please find the following link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/yateleysixthformfundraising?newPage=True>

Cambridge Interview!

University offers for our Year 13 students are flooding in. From as far away as Plymouth and Newcastle, via Cardiff, Birmingham and York along the way, top universities are offering our students degree courses in the most varied and interesting array of subjects. Amongst many superb opportunities being offered, a special mention this week goes to Charlotte Payne, who has been selected for interview at Peterhouse College, Cambridge University to study English. Peterhouse is the oldest of the Cambridge colleges, founded by Hugh de Balsham, Bishop of Ely in 1284 and granted its charter by King Edward I. We wish her every success.

Poetry Competition This week I had the great pleasure of presenting a number of students with prizes and certificates for their entries in the Library's annual poetry competition. The competition ties in with National Poetry Day which was celebrated on 6th October. This year's theme was the environment and the competition attracted 112 entries. Judging the shortlist proved to be extremely difficult, such was the high standard and the powerful use of language.



April Wheddon, 7NS, with her poem titled 'Our Environment Matters' was the outright winner. Runners-up were Angus Rennie, 7PN, Cerys Findlay, 9PN and Lucie Williams, 9DN (pictured).

The following students will all be receiving a Highly Commended certificate: Jonathan Payne, 8DN, Ben Sealey, 8PS, Fotios Tsardidis, 8WN, Leah Goddard,

9DN, Dorothea Spinoae, 9NS, Teddie Harris, 7DS, Benjamin Meadows, 9WN, Amy-Rose Maloney, 7WN and Aurelia Whitfield, 8NN.

A big thank you to the English department for supporting the competition and to Mrs Hood and Mrs Roaf for organising the event. A selection of the poems will be displayed in the school reception and the library over the coming weeks.

April's winning poem is shown below:

Our environment matters.

Our earth, our dearest mother, withers away.
Though it is we who are responsible for this death and decay
The earth still turns despite its grazes and gashes.
Though we still turn our back and leave her in smoke and ashes.
Indeed, the world was once a harmonious venue,
but then we came and introduced moribund to the menu.
The rural, now urban,
We caused this disturbance,
the future is uncertain,
so let us take an excursion along the suburban
and ponder this new version
Which we have deemed certain

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Though it won't always be stuck that way,
it can change, but only if we take action today.
So let us take advantage of the situation
and prove to our mother our dedication.
Let us reach out a lush green hand,
so the original beauty of nature can expand.
Let us restore her exquisite array.
If we get second chances, why can't they?

April Wheddon 7NS

Year 9 Options This week our Year 9 students began the first week of the Option Process. In order to provide appropriate information and guidance in making choices, we have devised a full programme to support Y9 students in making their option choices. The first two stages of this are the launch of our [options booklet](#) and also our [options video](#) for parents and students. We're looking forward to meeting parents and students on Thursday 1 December at Parents' Evening where you'll get even more great advice about course suitability, but if you're hungry to find out more in the meantime then you can always check out our Y9 Options Website [here](#).



Student Stars of the week Our stars of the week need no further introduction after the bulletin item earlier. Abdalla Ali, Charlie Bastow and Leo Alberici have distinguished themselves in the MACE debating competition so far and have very good prospects for the future rounds, albeit with some stiff competition ahead. Very well done and with every good wish for the rest of the competition.

Yours sincerely

Paul German
Headteacher

Anti-Bullying Week

This week has been the focus on national Anti-Bullying Week in school. This has also just come off the back of the recently 'It's Not OK' event we held in school.

This week allowed tutors to share with their tutees a presentation created and led by Jamie Adams and Ella Morrison (our senior student leaders of the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors) all about the importance of this week and the Anti Bullying Student Committee.

You can see this presentation along with various others suitable resources below:

- Anti-Bullying Presentation – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Anti-Bullying Alliance - <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week>
- Parent resources - <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/parents-and-carers>
- Diana Award Anti Bullying - <https://www.antibullyingpro.com/>
- Support - <https://www.antibullyingpro.com/support>
- Resources - <https://www.antibullyingpro.com/resources>

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Tutor Time – Week of 14th November

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:

- **Focus Week** - Anti Bullying Week - *(please see all links and resources within the Anti Bullying section of this week bulletin)*
- **Wellbeing Tip** - 'Embrace caring for others'
- **Year Assemblies** - Year 7 and 8 were focused on our Christmas Charity Box Appeal led by Mrs Short while Year 9, 10 and 11 all had careers assemblies organised by Mr Tidd focusing on careers in the armed forces.
- **Safeguarding (Cybercrime)** - Year 8 to 11 had a session on cybercrime.
- **CAMHS Best Version of You** - Year 7 working on session 9 which looked at the areas of boredom and feeling bored and what can be done about this.
- **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 7, 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

Wellbeing tip of the week:

Embrace caring
for others

Volunteering is a great way to meet new people and helping others regularly can have real benefits for your mental health over time. It might be as simple as helping a neighbour with their shopping, saying hello to others you meet, helping someone solve a problem or inviting someone to join your group.

PSHE LESSONS THIS TERM:

Year 7 - Politics and Parliament

Why is politics important, how is the country run, political parties and campaigning, what is parliament.

Helpful websites for parents:

- <https://www.parliament.uk> Home of the UK Parliament
- <https://www.politics.co.uk>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/politics> BBC News Politics Section
- <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/portal/en> European Parliament
- <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk> Electoral Commission Website
- <https://hansard.parliament.uk> Official reports of all Parliamentary debates

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Year 8 - Enterprise

What am I good at, what are my strengths, how will these attributes affect my future, a first look at job sectors and qualifications required.

Helpful websites for parents:

- <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk>
- <https://vinspired.com> young people's volunteering charity
- <https://www.ncsyes.co.uk> 15-17 Year old's National Citizen Service
- <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/> Explore career opportunities
- <https://www.startprofile.com/> Explore your dream job!

Year 9 – Life Skills

Theory and practical lessons covering the basics of first aid: CPR, recovery position, how to administer an EpiPen, how to stop a bleed, how to tie a sling, what goes into a first aid kit. Introduction to saving and managing money.

Helpful websites for parents:

- <https://wja.org.uk/get-advice/> St Johns Ambulance
- <https://www.barclays.co.uk/moments/children-and-money/teaching-teens-about-money/> Introduction to managing money

Year 10 – World Issues

International organisations (United Nations, NATO, Commonwealth, World Trade Organisation, EU, International Criminal Court), supporting other countries and peace, war and conflict.

Helpful websites for parents:

- <https://www.un.org/en/> United Nations Website
- <http://thecommonwealth.org> The Commonwealth website
- <https://www.nato.int> NATO website
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/departments-for-international-development> Department DFID Government Website
- <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk> Fair Trade foundation website

Year 11 – Making Wise Choices

Alcohol, parties and poor choices, importance of sexual health, STI's and contraception revisited, respectful relationships

- <https://www.brook.org.uk/> Information about sexual health
- <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/sexual-health/>
- <https://www.disrespectnobody.co.uk/> Government information site about sexting, relationship abuse, consent, rape, porn and harassment
- <https://www.childline.org.uk/>
- <https://www.talktofrank.com/> Information about drugs

Mrs J Williams, Head of PSHE

Uniform Purchases

- Uniform can be purchased at your convenience via the Scopay app or website.
- Orders should be collected by students, from the uniform store (B block, on the corridor to the side of the main hall) at the specified times below.
 - **Tuesday lunchtime** (12.50–1.30pm) for orders received before the end of school Friday.
 - **Thursday lunchtime** (12.50-1.30pm) for orders received before the end of school Tuesday.
- Reception do not have access to uniform orders.

Students should be encouraged to be proactive in taking responsibility for communicating to you in good time when they need new items, and ensuring they collect it at the correct times.

Uniform queries can be emailed to uniform@yateley.hants.sch.uk and this includes requests to use pupil.



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This Weeks' Sports Results



It was a busy week for fixtures this week and also saw the continuation of the House Cross Country events.

Cross Country

Our Y8/9s competed on a tough course and came away with some great results. Hannah Bardsley came 6th and Oscar Pender came 15th with potential to be selected to represent the district at the County Championships. Our girls' team came 4th, narrowly missing out on a medal.

Basketball

Y7 Basketball v All Hallows 10-18. Loss – POM, Kaysie Boakye.

Y8 Basketball Hampshire Cup v Kings School 35-20. Win – POM, Zack Johnson

Netball

Yr10 Netball V Bohunt Liphook 3 – 21. Loss – POM, Scarlett Henderson and Olivia Yeboah.

Next Week In PE:

Wednesday

All Hallows Vs Year 8 Basketball (A)

Other Sporting info:

Do not forget the men's football World Cup starts on Sunday 20th November at 16:00 with Qatar Vs Ecuador the first game.

Mr Wills, PE Department

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES		
Tuesday 22 November	Year 12 + 13	Driving Safety
Thursday 24 th November	Year 9	Year 9 Reports issued
Thursday 24 th November	Year 8	Year 8 Parents' Evening (online)
Thursday 24 th November	Year 9	Year 9 Parents' Evening/New Options Evening (Online booking system open – 5pm)
Thursday 1 st December	Year 7	Year 7 Reports issued
Thursday 1 st December	Year 9	Year 9 Parents' and New Options Evening (1900 - 20.30)
Tuesday 6 th December	-	House Drama (19.00 – 21.30)
Thursday 8 th December	-	House Drama (19.00 – 21.30)
Thursday 8 th December	Year 10	Year 10 Reports issued
Tuesday 13 th December	Sixth Form	Sixth Form Christmas Party
Wednesday 14 th December	-	Christmas House Music (19.00 – 22.00)
Friday 16 th December	-	School finishes at 12.45

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Calling all students in Years 7, 8 and 9 who enjoy performing....

This academic year we are entering the **Gremlin Dance Challenge** which will take place on Thursday 16th March 2023 at The Princes Hall in Aldershot. It is an exciting opportunity for students in Key Stage 3 to perform and compete against other Secondary Schools. The theme of the competition is 'Time' and this year we are going to look at the film 'Hunger Games'. Rehearsals will start at the beginning of January and will take place on Tuesdays 3.10-4.30pm in the Dance Studio. There are only 30 places in this competition so we will be holding an audition.

GREMLIN DANCE COMPETITION

FOR KS3 – YEAR 7 TO 9

AUDITIONS FRIDAY THE 9TH OF DECEMBER

BRING YOUR DANCE/PE KIT

DANCE STUDIO 3:10 TILL 4.30pm

Rehearsals start January 2023 on Tuesdays 3.10-4.30pm



THE HUNGER GAMES

If your child would like to audition, they will need to sign up on the dance noticeboard outside the Dance studio from Monday 21st November onwards.

Mrs Wearing, Head of Dance

Maths Corner  **10**

 **Find the Goal** 

Blyth Spartans centre forward scored 40 goals this season. That is 25% more goals than he scored last season.

How many goals did he score last season?



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 9 – Music Mayhem!
CD=£8.50, DVD=£11.50

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Home from Home Manager

First Steps Nursery
Home from Home Manager

Closing date: 5th December 2022

Salary: Grade D: £23,703 FTE

Contract: Permanent 40 weeks / 26 hours per week

Start Date: January 2023 (December 2022 if possible)



Working Pattern: Monday to Friday term time

Breakfast Club from 7.30am to 9am and After School Club 2.45pm to 6pm

Additional hours to be worked during school holidays as required.

Are you enthusiastic and hardworking? Have Level 3 qualification, experience working with school age children. Then this is the job for you! Our home from home club caters for 30+ local school children age 4-11, and includes a walking bus to and from school.

Applicants should –

- Be organised and efficient
- Be patient, understanding and empathise with young children
- Have some experience working with children
- Ability to lead and motivate a team

Generous discount available on Gym & Swim membership at our on-site leisure centre 'Yateleys Health & Fitness'

For further details please contact Melissa Hudson HR Manager, Yateley School, School Lane, Yateley GU46 6NW or e-mail applications@yateley.hants.sch.uk

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Nursery Nurse/Nursery Assistant

First Steps Nursery
Nursery Nurse/Nursery Assistant

Closing date: 31st November 2022

Salary: Grade A-C depending on qualifications
Range £20,258-£22215

Contract: Permanent 52 weeks/37 hours per week



An exciting opportunity has arisen with First Steps Nursery for a **Nursery Nurse/Nursery Assistant**.

Our 112 place day nursery caters for babies and children from the age of 3 months to 5 years.

Applicants should –

- Ideally be qualified to NVQ level 3 (or equivalent) or be willing to learn and undertake training
- Be able to engage children in all aspects of the (EYFS) Early Years Foundation Stage
- Be patient, understanding and empathise with young children
- Have some experience with early years children

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Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust are working on an exciting project for local young people who would like to get involved with their local health and social care providers, influence how decisions are made and how services are shaped for children and young people.

They are working to bring together a group of young people to be part of our new Youth Board at NHS Frimley Integrated Care System, this board of young people will work with senior leaders at NHS Frimley to improve lives for children and young people.

As part of the project, they are running a series of webinars, designed for equip young people with the knowledge and understanding they will need should they wish to go on and join the Youth Board.

The online webinars start next Tuesday from 6-7pm and will run for the next four Tuesdays covering the following topics:

- What an Integrated Care Board (ICB) is and what they are meant to do.
- What NHS England does and how are they working to improve health outcomes for young people.
- What does governance mean and how do we make decisions about spending money.
- Introduction to the Youth Voice Award and other opportunities available to young people as board members.

Please scan the QR code for more details or contact Caroline Martin at Frimley Park Hospital (caroline.martin22@nhs.net).



YOUTH BOARD NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

Are you a young person with a passion for others?

Keen to get involved with local health and social care leaders and influence services for young people?

Scan the QR code below to find out more and how to sign up!

The poster features a lightbulb icon, a stack of books, a pencil, and a group of diverse young people at the bottom. A QR code is located in the bottom left corner of the poster.

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ASPIRE GYMNASTICS CLUB IS NOW AT YATELEY SCHOOL

IN
PARTNERSHIP
WITH
INSPIRE
GYMNASTICS
IN SCHOOLS



NEW CLASSES

FRIDAY:

GYM MINI: 5.15-6.15PM
AGES 5-7

GYM JUNIOR: 6.15-7.15PM
AGES 8+

SATURDAY:

GYM MINI: 11.30AM-
12.30PM- AGES 5-7

GYM JUNIOR: 11.30AM-
12.30PM- AGES 8+

HI-FLYERS: 10.30AM-
11.30AM- INVITE ONLY

CONTACT US:

INSPIREGYMNASTICSCHOOLS@GMAIL.COM

FACEBOOK: ASPIRE GYMNASTICS AT FROGMORE

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Christmas Trees

For sale

Raising funds for 3rd Bramshill Scout Group to support local young people.

Weekends in December!

Come and visit us on December weekends until sold out. We'll be at:

Saturdays: 09:30-13:00 on the green outside Dog & Partridge.
Sundays: 09:30-13:00 at the Scout Lodge Monteagle Lane

All our trees are fresh, top quality locally sourced (Guildford) Nordmann Fir.
Prices starting from just £30.
Delivery & disposal service.

Pre-order here to get free delivery!

(or type trees.3rdbramshill.org into your browser)



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FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 2022 7-10PM

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ALL SCHOOLS WELCOME (YEARS 7, 8 & 9)