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Learning Together – Empowered for Life

Dear Parents and Carers

We were delighted on Monday to welcome the professional photographers into school on Monday for the final and



formal picture of Year 11, in the week before their exams get underway and all the stresses of the next month or so. The weather held beautifully – and equally beautiful was the immaculately coiffured hair and impeccable uniform! The students genuinely seemed to enjoy the experience and

the photographers were suitably complimentary. So they should be! The picture shown here is a draft proof copy received in school – not the final version. That will be available soon, so parents don't panic, you will be able to purchase this brilliant memento.

Senior students

Mr Conway, Mrs D'Alton, Mrs Goldwater and I had the pleasure and privilege of interviewing and then appointing our new team of senior students. They had a gruelling and rigorous process consisting of presentations, campaigns, written applications and interviews to reach the prestigious 'top jobs', which they richly deserve. It may be a cliché to talk of having such a difficult decision to make, but when we are blessed with such able, enthusiastic, committed and ambitious young people, it is extremely challenging! What has shone through from all the candidates is their pride and affection for the school and their commitment to continued improvement. I include below their candidate statements in full.

Cobi Shambrook – Head Student. My name is Cobi Shambrook and I'm delighted to have been appointed to the position of Head Student of Yateley School and Sixth Form. The Senior Student team and I are extremely excited to get started, utilizing the opportunities afforded by this position to support the entirety of the student body with an enhanced environment, ways of working and policies that ensure our school continues to be a supportive, nurturing and stimulating environment for all.

Since joining Yateley School as a slightly anxious 12-year-old in year 7, I have grown in confidence, expanded my knowledge and gained friendships that will stay with me for years to come. I credit my time here at Yateley for shaping and influencing the individual I am today, and I will use my appreciation and motivation to be a deserving Head Student.



Currently, I'm studying Criminology, English, History and Drama A levels. Around my studies I have participated in events where I'm fortunate enough to have met and worked alongside many of our students. I've thoroughly enjoyed















leading our Wilberforce house drama victory of 2022, participating in house council discussions, and working collectively in Main school. Furthermore, I was a proud House Captain for Wilberforce in Year 11. I'm incredibly grateful to have been given this opportunity to represent our school and sixth form, and seek to induce real changes within Yateley, by building on the foundations laid by our current Senior Students and implementing new policies that will benefit Yateley School on a community level and pave the way for lasting change.

Will Moores – Head Student. I'm Will Moores and I'm excited to get started as your new head student. I've had an incredibly rewarding and enjoyable time at Yateley school so I'm eager to give back and really throw myself into the role.

A bit about me, I've done both the main school production and house drama every year that they've run since year 7, I referee football on the weekends, I play the drums and I go to the gym.

I hope to do a good job representing you as head boy and I will work hard to make the school and wider community a better place. My door will always be open, not that I currently have a door, and I will try my best to help with any issue a student comes to me with.

Ella Morrison – Deputy Head Student. I'm Ella Morrison and I'm delighted to be one of your new deputy head students for the year ahead.

I'm looking forward to tackling any upcoming challenges and tasks at hand.

There is a value we have here at Yateley, and it is "Learning together, Empowered for life" and this saying could not run more true as this school. It doesn't just teach you how to get a grade or expect you to do something by yourself. Instead, this school prepares you for the real world and helps you branch out into it. And I'm thrilled to be a part of this!

I hope to soon become a familiar face to you all, and be someone you can come to whenever, for whatever. To help you get to know me a bit, I'm studying Chemistry, Biology and Maths with hopes to be a dentist one day. I'm hard working and determined and ready to make a positive difference and I believe now more than ever as we leave behind a pandemic controlled era, that change can be made, and we can take a much more active part in one another's lives again.

I'm so proud to be representing Yateley School and to be a part of and working alongside your senior student team.



I've had such an amazing experience in Yateley so far and I'm eager to make you all feel the same way!

Izzie Rowe – Deputy Head Student. Hello, I'm Izzie and I am delighted to be one of your new deputy head students. Although my interests lie with the STEM subjects I take here at Yateley and playing rugby. I hope to see and get to know as many of you as possible over my time as a senior student.

My aims for this coming year is to develop the Yateley School Committee Programme and make your time at school as comfortable as possible.

Please feel free to let me know if you have any ideas or just want to get to know me a bit better.















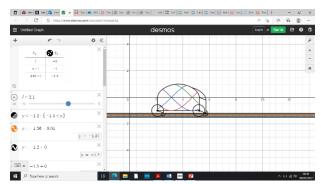
Proud Mum moment. Every now and again, we get to hear of the successes and accomplishments of a former student, so it was a huge pleasure to see Adam Dart back in school, proudly escorted by his beaming Mum who works in our Learning Support team. As many of you will remember, Adam is an extremely talented athlete and for him, the International race scene started in Denmark for Adam in 2018 - it was timely that he returned for his first podium place at the weekend where he represented Great Britain in Viborg, Denmark for the Powerman Middle distance World Duathlon Championships. This gruelling event consisted of a 10km run, followed by a 60km bike with a 10k run to finish. Adam's hard work, determination and dedication paid off as he rewarded with a silver medal in the 20-24 age group.

For his Mum - tracking the race on her phone made for a very tense couple of hours - 2hr 45 mins worth, as it was a keenly contested race. He isn't normally lost for words, but it was a while before he could speak afterwards on the phone as he was so exhausted!

Adam has been involved in the Triathlon/Duathlon scene since he was 14, but he quickly learned his strengths lie in Running and cycling. The future is looking bright for Adam and his aim is be selected for the Elite team within the next couple of years. For now, it is back to Portsmouth University where Adam is in his 3rd and final year of his Interior Architecture & Design degree - final deadlines looming!! He works best under pressure and is well used to juggling training and study.



Student Star of the week this week is Moki Elhaggagi in 8NN. Moki is an enthusiast in the best sense of the word; always keen to explore; always intellectually curious and always going 'above and beyond' in class. A couple of months ago, during a Maths topic on graphs, Mrs James used the Desmos website to display electronic



versions of the graphs that the class were generating on

paper. Moki asked if there was a way to draw a circle on the graph. From this beginning Moki's natural curiosity then led them to go away and explore, completing advanced YouTube tutorials over many hours to research and try out all sorts of functions and this car is the outcome.

Yours sincerely Paul German **Headteacher**



Year 11 Exam Guidance

As we know the Year 11 students are soon to embark on their final exams.

Mr Hill has kindly put together a guidance document for student and parents around the exam season. This has been shared with Year 11 students and parents before, but we wanted to share again. Exam Guidance — CLICK HERE

















House Assemblies - Best Advice for Year 11

For some fun in the house assemblies this week, the Heads of House asked staff to share with Year 11 their 'best advice' that they have been given over the years.

Please see the assembly here – CLICK HERE



Hoodies & Uniform Reminder

Since students have been able to wear the school Summer uniform (mainly the house polo shirt) we have seen a large increase in students wearing hoodies and other non-school jumpers to school. Please can we remind all parents and students that hoodies are not allowed in school and will be confiscated for parents to collect. If students wear the Summer uniform they can still choose to wear a coat as normal which meets the school guidelines.

If students are wearing the normal uniform then the jumper must be the school jumper and no other jumper.

School Uniform Guidance – CLICK HERE



Theme of the Week - Mental Health Awareness Week – 9th to 15th May 2022

Mental Health Awareness Week takes place this year from 9th May to 15th May. The theme for this year is 'Loneliness'. It looks at the experience of feeling lonely, its effect on our mental health and how we can play a part in

reducing loneliness in our communities. Students can think about their friendships, relationships and support system, about how best to support others, and self-care strategies to employ if they ever feel lonely. The below resource from Anna Freud is useful for all schools and parents to look at with their students/children around this topic so please do take a look. We have also listed other links to various other agencies and websites with the focus of this important week.

- Mentally Healthy Schools Anna Freud, Resource Toolkit CLICK HERE
- Mind Website CLICK HERE
- Mental Health Foundation Website <u>CLICK HERE</u>
- Mental Health UK Website CLICK HERE
- Twinkl Resources <u>CLICK HERE</u>



Year 8 Disco

Where? Yateley School Drama Studio; **When**? Thursday 26th May 6.30pm-8.30pm. Year 8 come along and dance with your friends to your favourite songs!

How much? Tickets are £5, please purchase these on the door on the night. Bring some extra money along on the night for drinks and snacks and a raffle.

Why? This is a charity event, to raise money for the Camps International expedition to help those in need in Kenya. Donations are very welcome.

If you would like your child to attend this event then please signup via the online form – <u>CLICK HERE</u>. Deadline for signing up is Thursday 19^{th} May 2022.

















Relationships and Sex Education at Yateley School

We would like to make parents aware of new DfE guidance regarding sex education and the implications this has for our PSHE lessons. The government has issued guidance requiring schools to address a range of topics that may not have been covered in the past these include Pornography, FGM, Sexual Harassment and Sexual pleasure (as opposed to just sexual safety); and rightly

imply a greater emphasis be placed on the female experience of sex and sexuality than has perhaps, been traditional.

We would like to assure parents that we will be approaching these areas with caution and care while at the same time not shying away from important topics that simply must be covered in a modern and at times dangerous world.

A key unit to be introduced will be in year 8 addressing Sexual Harassment following a survey of our year 10 students and work with our sixth form students to develop a valuable set of lessons. Trial lessons have made it apparent that a unit on the "Basics of Sexual Issues" will be needed to give students the complex vocabulary and knowledge needed to access this learning. At all times the emphasis will be as much on Relationships as it is on Sex; hence the topic is now known as RSE: Relationships and Sex Education. Any questions or concerns may be addressed to the head of PSHE Mr Donohoe on <a href="mailto:grant_gra



Yateley School Student Committees

We just wanted to remind about the four student committees we have in the school. They have so far been amazing with the work and ideas they have for the school. They have a great representation of students in all four committees, but there is always room for more to join if students are interested. Please see below for further details on them.

- Promotional Video CLICK HERE
- Student Committee PowerPoint Details CLICK HERE

Mr R.Keeble
Deputy Headteacher - Culture















This week's sports results











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Basketball - U13 Hampshire Cup Final

Yateley 45 - 25 Kings School

The boys topped off their fantastic season with a great win to become the County Champions! Freddie Edwards led from the front scoring 15 points of which three were 3 pointers and picked up the man of the match. He was supported by the whole squad, with scores from Rylee Kendrick, Josh Spilsbury, Justin Obanor, Zack Johnson, Luke Barrow, Ben Pomfrett and Harry Lawrence. They thoroughly deserved the win for all of their hard work over the year and showed a great team effort to get the victory! Well done boys we are so very proud of you.

Today we have 5 of our students representing the District football teams in the National Cup final. We wish them and their team mates the very best of luck.

Next Weeks Fixtures

Tuesday 17th May Senior Track and Field friendly @ LWC

Date for the diary - Senior Districts All Day Tuesday 24th May @ Aldershot Military Stadium

Mrs Kerrie Evans, Head of Physical Education

Hampshire Youth Orchestra

Mr Carl Clausen, the Director of the Hampshire Youth Orchestra, has written to us to highlight a huge progress that our year 10 student, Elliot Casselton has achieved during Easter break. Elliot is a talented pianist and cellist. He plays for the HCYO and has opted to take part in the residential music course during recent holidays which has resulted in rigorous, week long rehearsing for the final concert that was held at the Anvil, Basingstoke. During this time young musicians have work intensely on hugely challenging repertoire which this year included Mahler's Adagietto, Korngold Violin Concerto and Hindemith Metamorphosis on Themes by Weber.

Elliot is equally active in the music life of the Yateley School. He takes part in every concert, House Music and production as a soloist, band and ensemble player and accompanist. We are very proud of his achievements as his music is a joy to listen to!

HCYO is open to all Hampshire based young musicians. Anyone who plays an orchestral instrument at a higher level of grade 4/5+ is welcome to audition. May I also use this opportunity to remind you that applications for HCYO is now open. Auditions are held in late June, early July and application form can be found on the HCYO website.

Ms T Pejovic, Music















Computer Science - Where are they now?

Matthew Stratford started his Computer Science journey studying the GCSE at Yateley School. It was always obvious even then that he enjoyed the subject and I was really pleased to hear that he achieved a BEng in Computer Science (with year in industry) 2.1 Honours from University of York in 2020. Due to Covid he has just had his graduation.

Since graduating he has been working for Darktrace, a cyber security company based in Cambridge, as a Dev Ops Engineer. His main activities are cloud infrastructure, product roll outs, system administration and automation. In the 18 months he has worked for them he has had several promotions and been able to buy his first house! What a brilliant start to his career in Computer Science.



Mrs Cobbold, Head of ICT & Computing

Upcoming Important dates		
Thursday 12 th May 2022	Year 9	Reports Issued
Monday 9 th May – Friday 24 th June	Years 11, 12 + 13	External Exams GCSE, AS + A2
Friday 27 th May 2022	ALL	Last day before Half Term break
Monday 6 th June 2022	ALL	Start of Term
Thursday 30 th June	Year 7	Reports issued
Thursday 30 th June	Sixth Form	Sixth Form Prom venue tbc
Friday 1 st July	Year 11	Year 11 Prom (7.00 pm – 11.00pm) MH



It is possible to have a triangle which has angles (in degrees) which are three square numbers.
What are these angles?

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 25 – Jake Bakes Cakes
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THE HOUSE DANCE COMPETITION IS BACK (AGAIN!)

Following on from the success of our House Dance Competition in March, the competition is back again and will take place just before October Half term! This means new teams will form and start rehearsing after June Half term. The event is open to all students and there are NO AUDITIONS. If your child has an interest in dance and would like to take part, the more the merrier! All they need to do is remember their dance kit and turn up at the first rehearsal date! (see below)

Here is some very important information about timings and dates:

REHEARSAL NIGHTS! –Please check you will be able to make the night of the rehearsal for your house. Rehearsals start week commencing 6th June.

Mondays 3.10-4.30pm Nightingale House and Wilberforce House Tuesdays 3.10-4.30pm Darwin House and Pankhurst House

After the Summer, we will head straight back into the rehearsals to prepare for the show! Rehearsals will start Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th September!

The House Dance Competition will take part in our Annual Dance Show in the Main Hall on Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th October 2022 at 7pm. (Judging will take place on Tuesday 18th October).

Mrs Wearing, Head of Dance and the House Dance Captains

I am delighted to announce the following students have been selected to represent their house as a House Dance Captain, I am sure they are going to be great role models:

Darwin House: Zoe Boorman, Sophie Heard and Jacob Russell

Nightingale House: Daisy Crane, Brooke Scully-Davis and Giramia Thuambe

Pankhurst House: Dilly Amarasuriya, Zara Bonner and Emma Beard

Wilberforce House: Chloe Badenhorst, Gracie Henderson and Alexandrina Ionas













FOOD INSPIRATIONS

by Nick Wood

Anyone interested in cookery classes?

I will be holding 3 cookery classes during May Half Term at Yateley School Start time around 11am & will be for 2 hours +.

Monday 30th May: Student kitchen, getting ready for Uni.

This is aimed at students going of to Uni & I will have great tips to show them how to cook & also how you can adapt things.

Tuesday 31st May: Chefs tips, how you can utilise food waste (vegetable peelings, left over sauces etc) & turn them into great dishes.

Wednesday 1st June: Bread making, understanding gluten & pizza making.

Please email me on nickwood715@gmail.com

Check out my website for more details & everything I offer. www.foodinspirations.co.uk





























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Go to the website below to start your free, family adventure.

Yateley, Frogmore and Darby Green 30th April - 12th June 2022 JubileeBeaconTrail.com























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Monday 30th May - Wednesday 1st June



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IS YOUR YEAR 7 CHILD LOOKING FOR A NEW FOOTBALL CLUB?

Darby Green & Potley FC Strikers are looking to recruit new team members to prepare for the step up to 11-aside next season (2022/23).

If your child loves playing football and wants to be part of a welcoming & fun-loving team, then we'd love to hear from you. Please email dgstrikers@outlook.com if you'd like to join us for some free training sessions (or have any questions!).

Luke & Paul (Joint Managers)

COMMON QUESTIONS

What age group are we looking for?

We're looking for players that are currently in year 7 at school (born 2009/10).

When & where are matches?

Saturdays, normally mornings. The EBFA league & cup season normally runs from September to May, with friendlies scheduled in the surrounding months. Home matches are in Darby Green (GU17 0DT). Away matches are normally 15-30 mins drive of Yateley. Halves are 35 mins long.

When & where is training?

Training is 90 mins on Wednesday evenings, most weeks of the year (there are breaks for bank holidays and the peak of summer). Start time varies with the time of year (it's currently 18:00). In summer, training is at Darby Green (GU17 0DT). In autumn/winter, we normally hire an astroturf pitch within a few miles of Darby Green.

How much does it cost?

The 2022/23 membership fee is yet to be confirmed, but Darby Green & Potley FC will remain one of the most affordable clubs in the area.

























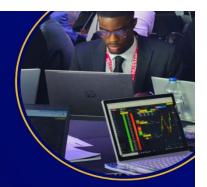




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