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**YATELEY SCHOOL**



A PERFORMING ARTS COLLEGE

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## Parents' Bulletin

### Dear Parents

#### Year 7 Football Team

Our Year 7 boy's football team have excelled this year. Their latest achievement was to win the District Cup Final against Weydon, which they won 4-0, against a strong side.

They have completed a treble this term – The 5-aside, league and now the District Cup. We are very proud of them all – the players involved in the District Cup were Dominic Ballard, Leo Bonte, Evan Delaney (C), Chris Dunwoody, Jack Holmwood, Tom Lynskey (GK), Dillon Neighbour, Ben Rowlinson, Freddie Sharkey, Luke Stacey (GK), Brandon Vangrove, Callum Wiltshire and Taylor Woods.

#### Grammar Schools

One of the counties that maintained Grammar schools all through the years is Kent and this provides a useful case study in the discussions about the introduction of more Grammar schools. The Education Secretary, Justine Greening states "we want to see more children from disadvantaged families get into Grammars".

In Kent, Primary schools are explicitly asked not to prepare their pupils' for the 11-plus tests. This, of course favours children whose parents can pay for private schools or tutoring. A study into the reflection process in Kent says that as a result "securing access to a grammar school in Kent is like rolling a loaded dice". The evidence shows that only 12% of students on free schools meals passed the test, compared with 30% not on free school meals.

The study did not investigate the other major question about grammar schools – while they are no doubt good for the minority who gain access, what do they achieve for the majority?

#### Fidget Toys

There are a few students in our school who have been assessed by the Learning Support Department and who do have permission for items that might be classified as fidget toys. This permission does not extend to everyone else, however, as these toys can serve as a distraction and do not aid the concentration of students around the user. Therefore, these toys are not, allowed to be used in classrooms, except for those few as above.

#### European Computer Driving License

We asked parents of Year 11 students if they would like the option of their child taking and extra GCSE equivalent. This qualification recognises all the work the students have done in



ICT in their time here. The large majority of parents accepted and so we have proceeded. Taking two days (less for the more accomplished), of the 56 students who have already sat it, 52 achieved the equivalent of an A\* and the 4 the equivalent of an A. Nearly all students will have the opportunity to sit this qualification – for some it will have to be after the busy exam period as we don't want to distract them from their other qualifications.

Mr Hill has run the sessions with year 11 and has almost single handedly delivered this success and our thanks go to him.

**Mr M F Jackman**  
**Headteacher**

**DIARY DATES**

10 <sup>th</sup> May	Yr 12 Parents Information Evening UCAS and Apprenticeships – 7pm
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 8 House Cricket / Rounders
12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 7 House Cricket / Rounders
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 8 exams start
15 <sup>th</sup> May	External exams start
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 8 and 9 exams finish
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 9 House Cricket / Rounders
22 <sup>nd</sup> may	Year 7 exams start
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Yr 11 Maths (Foundation / Higher Tier Paper 1)
29 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday

**CROATIA MUSIC TOUR PARENT’S EVENING**

Please, note that Parent’s Evening will be held for all tour participants and their parents on Thursday, 25th May, between 6pm and 6:30pm in M2.

We are looking forward seeing as many of you there as possible. All members of staff and myself will be there to answer any questions you may have. In preparation, please check you’re in box in anticipation of the final letter with important information included.

I would recommend printing at least two copies, one for your kitchen fridge and the other for your son/daughter to bring with them on the tour.

*Ms Pejovic, Trip Organiser*

**RS - London Study Day Trip - 8th June. Yr9 & 10.**

Neasden Hindu Temple.  
 St Sophia's Greek Orthodox Cathedral.  
 Lunch in the Park.  
 Buddhist Temple Wimbledon.




Letters available from Mr Bristow.




## READING UNIVERSITY RESEARCH PROJECT (IN PARTNERSHIP WITH YATELEY SCHOOL)

Anxiety and depression are two of the most common mental health issues which children and adolescents face and, while treatments are available, many individuals do not access the help they need. In order to improve young people's access to treatment, we are developing a brief screening measure to help diagnose anxiety and depression. To do this, researchers from the University of Reading are asking all pupils aged 11-18 to complete questionnaires about their feelings and behaviour. Teachers will be asked to complete similar questionnaires about their students and parents are also asked to take part by filling in the questionnaires about their children. Participation is not compulsory and opt-out forms are available should a family wish not to take part. All responses will be entirely anonymised and kept confidential. More information about this project can be found in the information leaflets, as well as contact information should you have any questions.

If you would like to opt-out of this project then please can you complete the on-line opt-out form (link below) by **Friday 19th May 2017**. After this date all students/parents that have chosen to take part will have the relevant surveys e-mailed to them to complete.

### Parent opt-out form:

[https://reading.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/iada\\_opt\\_out](https://reading.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/iada_opt_out)

### Teacher information leaflet

[https://static.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/media/account/187/survey/255676/question/Info\\_Sheets\\_for\\_TEACHERS\\_in\\_I\\_iphgbm6.pdf](https://static.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/media/account/187/survey/255676/question/Info_Sheets_for_TEACHERS_in_I_iphgbm6.pdf)

### Parents information leaflet

[https://static.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/media/account/187/survey/262391/question/Second\\_Info\\_Sheets\\_for\\_PARENTS\\_b5mpzz3.pdf](https://static.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/media/account/187/survey/262391/question/Second_Info_Sheets_for_PARENTS_b5mpzz3.pdf)

*Mr Keeble, Assistant Headteacher*

## Maths Corner 30

# Hose Problem

If it takes one hose 20 minutes to fill a bucket and another hose 30 minutes to fill the bucket, how long does it take for both of them to fill the bucket together?



**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 29 – Leaving School**  
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## Hampshire Cricket Matchday Trip

As part of our continued work with Hampshire Cricket we are offering students, families and friends the chance to join our school and support Hampshire at a NatWest T20 Blast match at the Ageas Bowl on the evening of Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July.

**WE'RE HAVING A  
BLAST  
AT THE AGEAS BOWL**

**ON FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY AT 7PM**

**HAMPSHIRE v MIDDLESEX**

**CONTACT : [GROUP.EXPERIENCE@AGEASBOWL.COM](mailto:GROUP.EXPERIENCE@AGEASBOWL.COM)  
FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT HOW TO BOOK TICKETS**

Tickets are being offered at the special price of £18 per Adult and £4 for Under 17s. The match runs from 7-10pm but we'll be getting there a bit earlier to soak up the atmosphere and have a school group photo taken with a Hampshire Cricketer!

**This offer is open to all students, family members and friends and you can purchase tickets by simply contacting Hampshire Cricket:**

- Phone Hampshire Cricket direct on 02380 475606.
- Quote our school name and the match date (14<sup>th</sup> July ONLY).
- Tickets will then be sent directly to you at your home address approximately 5-10 days before the match
- Hampshire Cricket's Ticket Office is opening between 9am - 5pm, Monday - Friday
- The deadline for booking tickets is 2 weeks prior to the match - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June

# Yateley School Library Newsletter



## DATES TO REMEMBER

MON 29TH MAY BANK HOLIDAY  
W/C 29TH MAY HALF TERM  
MON 5TH JUNE BACK TO SCHOOL

## REMINDERS

The library catalogue can be searched, & books can be reserved and renewed online using your library card & PIN number.

For students under 16, there is a 10p reservation charge per book, payable upon collection of the reserved item.

Children's overdue charges are 5p per book per day up to £1 per book.

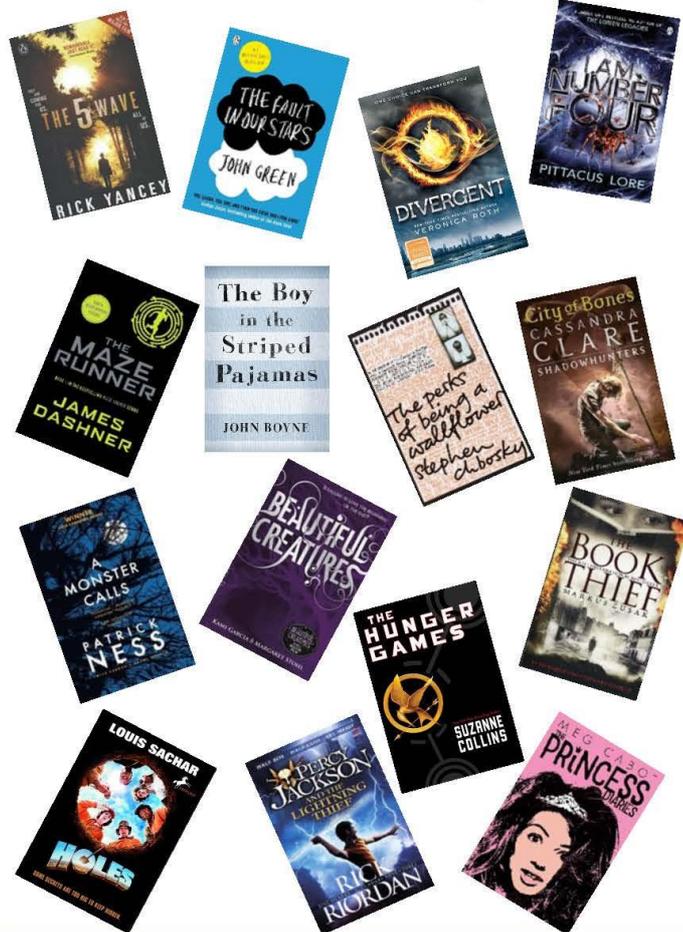
There is access to three public computers in the library, but students under 16 need to collect a permission form from the library staff which needs to be completed by a parent or Guardian and returned to the library before access can be given.

There is FREE WI-FI in the library



## BOOKS MADE INTO MOVIES

Here are a few examples of great books which have been made into movies  
And well worth reading!



## ANAGRAM

May anagram  
'Small ancestor'

answer from last issue  
Q. A receding meal  
A. Carnegie Medal

## HOMEWORK DROP-IN — ADVANCE NOTICE

Homework drop-in will not be available on the following dates due to exams in the library schoolroom:

MONDAY 22ND MAY  
SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE