

Yateley School Parents' Bulletin

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Dear Parents

Year 7 meet the tutor evening We've been delighted by the attendance at the 'meet the tutor' evening on Thursday. The eight tutors were joined by Heads of House to gain a first check on how our Year Seven students have settled in. They are an absolutely super year group and have made a brilliant start to their secondary school career here at Yateley. Parent feedback has been phenomenal and we're very pleased at the level of partnership when over 95% of families attended. Thank you for this support.

Wellbeing Walk I would imagine that it would be a rare sight in schools to see the Social Media feed from members of the public copied and then displayed in reception. Not at Yateley! Such has been the overwhelming support for the walk last week that Facebook came alive over the weekend with messages of congratulation and support. Clearly the community have appreciated the obvious well-being and team benefits of doing an event such as this and have been struck by the courtesy and respect to the local area shown by each and every one of our students. I was extremely proud of the whole team that day and clearly that view was shared.



Open Mornings Our Sixth Form Open Evening was such a resounding success that it has become apparent that alongside the taster day for our own Yateley Year 11 students, we need to run open mornings for external students, such is the volume of interest. We've had enquiries from students in all of the local secondary schools and therefore open mornings will be planned from Thursday 21st November onwards, in order that prospective students can meet the application deadline of 6th December. If readers of this bulletin know of students from elsewhere who may be interested, please ask them to contact Mrs Ellis in the Sixth Form office.

Dance Show/House Dance Excitement is mounting – as is the tension for next week's House Dance and Dance Show on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The rehearsals have been continuing apace and we are assured of a first class set of performances, real talent and boundless enthusiasm. Well done to the House Captains in advance and we're looking forward to welcoming the audiences next week.



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Student Star of the week is Faith Schultz in 12PRS. Faith has shown enormous resilience over the years and is truly one of our amazing students. She demonstrated a natural flair for engaging with guests as leading member of our introductions team at the Sixth Form Open Evening. I have received numerous commendations from different visitors about how engaging she was; confident and communicative and above all, showing enormous commitment and passion for our school and Sixth Form. Well done and thank you Faith.

Yours sincerely

Paul German

Headteacher



SPORTS RESULTS

FOOTBALL

Year 8 won v Courtmoor 0 - 7

Scorers: R.Cole (3), A David Carter (2), S Rutter (1), M Dunwoody (1)

Year 11 won v Calthorpe Park 4 - 2 (District Cup) Scorers: White (2), Smith, Hussain

NETBALL

Year 9 lost v Alderwood 3 - 18 POM: Emma Jasikova

HOUSE NETBALL AND FOOTBALL

On Thursday, we had nearly 200 students taking part in the first house sport event, House Netball and Football. It was great to see so many students representing their houses and enjoying themselves. The overall results finished with Nightingale winning both events. Well done Nightingale!

House Football:

- 1st Nightingale
- 2nd Pankhurst
- 3rd Wilberforce
- 4th Darwin

House Netball:

- 1st Nightingale
- 2nd Darwin
- 3rd Pankhurst
- 4th Wilberforce

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UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

It is so pleasing to see how the vast majority of our students wear their school uniform with pride.

As we are sure you will all agree, it is important that all students are meeting the expectations of Yateley School's uniform standards. It has become apparent that a small proportion of students are deciding to push the boundaries, especially when it comes to areas like skirt length, jewellery and foot wear. Over the next few weeks, we will be asking all staff to ensure that the consistency of expectations for these areas are met by all students. To help this, we are asking all parents to ensure students are aware and are meeting the expectations before they leave home for school.

Some guidance of what we expect for the three key areas we have listed are:

- **Jewellery:** If students are wearing what they should not be, the items will be confiscated and held in main reception for parents to collect at their earliest convenience.
- **Skirt Length:** If girls are not wearing their skirt at the correct length (i.e. it is rolled up) they will be asked to correct this there and then.
- **Foot Wear:** If students are not wearing proper leather school shoes (no trainers) then they will be asked to either change into plimsolls from the Wellbeing Centre or we will ask parents to come in with shoes ASAP for the students to change into.

We are positive that students will of course follow and meet the expectations, however any student that refuses will of course be issued with a suitable consequence (i.e. school detention, etc) until the matter is resolved. We will also ensure that parents are fully aware and communicated with if this is the case in order to resolve any issues quickly and amicably. We will also issue consequences if students are persistently not meeting the expectations and are repeatedly being dealt with by staff. We have copied and pasted below the guidance from our uniform policy for these three key areas for your reference, but of course you can access the whole uniform policy on the schools VLE at the following link:

https://moodle.yateley.hants.sch.uk/pluginfile.php/49114/mod_page/content/33/Uniform%20Guidance.pdf

Skirt:

- Year 7 to 10 = Plain navy-blue
- Year 11 = Plain black
- Standard school uniform stitch down box pleated style at least 18 inches in length, no jersey or pencil skirts. The hem of the skirt should be no higher than 4 inches from the top of the knee

Shoes

- Black, polishable, formal, low heel, plain, traditional style (no logos, trainers, boots, canvas or similar styled shoes like Vans and Converse)

Jewellery

- No jewellery is allowed except a wristwatch; a single small plain stud in each ear.
- No other visible piercings, no spacers



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Maths Corner 7

Greedy Girls!

Anna has just got her pocket money. She goes straight to the Sweet Shop and buys 3 Curly Wurlies and 2 tubes of Smarties. They cost her £1.49. Beth has just won £5 in a raffle. She went to the same Sweet Shop and bought 6 Curly Wurlies and 3 tubes of Smarties. She got £2.39 change.

How much is a Curly Wurly?
How much is a tube of Smarties?



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 6 – Jack and Jill!

Jack = £88, Jill = £66



Chess Puzzle



Last week's to use your queen to interfere with the attack white is launching in the g and h files. After some exchanges white loses both the bishop and the queen eradicating that threat.



This week: find the best move for white.



Bring your solution to Chess Club on Thursdays at lunchtime in C21.

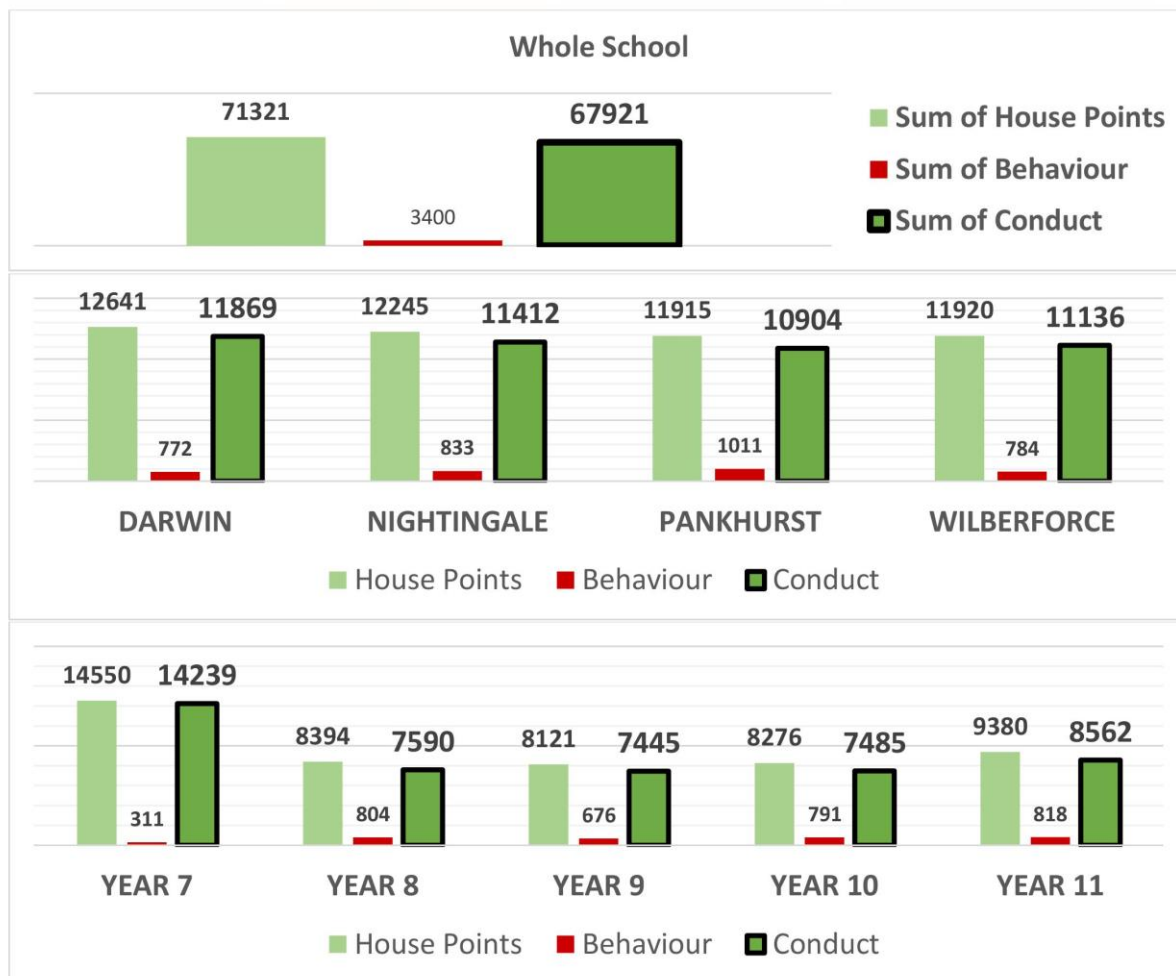


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House Points, Behaviour & Conduct: Weekly Update 05.09.19 to 11.10.19



Please note that all Year 11 students were given 100 House Points at the start of Sep 2019 due to the new Prom Points initiative for Year 11 this year, and therefore why they have more than any other year group.

Tutor Groups With The Highest Conduct Points (House Points – Behaviour)

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7DN	8PN	9NN	10PS	11NN

Tutor Groups With The Highest Average Conduct Points (House Points – Behaviour)

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7DN	8PN	9NN	10PS	11DS

House With The Highest Average Conduct Points (House Points – Behaviour)

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	OVERALL
Darwin	Pankhurst	Nightingale	Pankhurst	Wilberforce	Darwin

Whole School Attendance: 96.63%

Tutor Groups With The Highest Attendance

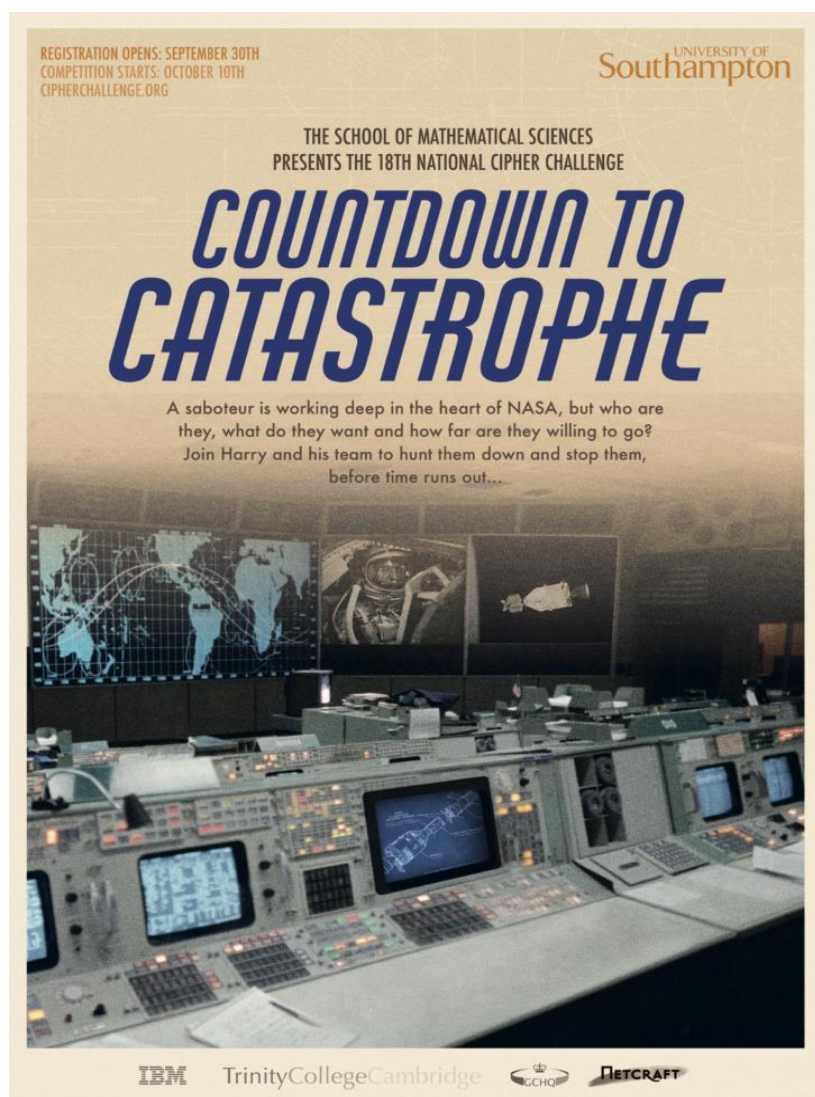
Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7WS	8DS	9DN	10NN	11NN



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CALL ME HARRY

I am a codebreaker. I am an engineer. I work at NASA.

Since 1958 we worked to get Alan Shepard into orbit, Jim Lovell behind the moon and Neil Armstrong to step on it. But we were not perfect. We came close to failure on many missions. Can you unlock our secrets? How close were we to losing our heroes?

Join me. Find the truth.

The National Cipher Challenge is back! Visit **www.cipherchallenge.org** to enter. Ask Mr Glendinning for more details.

There are cash prizes for the best teams and for the best individuals so you can enter a team or as an individual. Last year the winners received £1000.

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

Come to **C27** afterschool on the following dates for help cracking:

- **October: 24th**
- **November: 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th**
- **December: 5th and 12th**



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AUTHOR EVENT AT WINCHESTER

On Tuesday, I accompanied a group of our year 9 students to an event organised by Hampshire's School Library Service at the Middle Brook Centre in Winchester. The event had been arranged to present the winner of the Hampshire Book Award 2019 to author, Paula Rawsthorne, for her winning book 'Shell'. The students who attended the event were some of the group who had read, evaluated and discussed the six shortlisted books during the spring and summer term. The event is a great way of rewarding the students for their commitment to reading

all six books. The students enjoyed the experience, which is demonstrated in the following comments:

'I hope for more opportunities like this and loved the enthusiasm of the audience and author. The trip was enjoyable and definitely worth it.' - Scarlett Heaton, 9NS

'It was an interesting and unique experience and I would love to do it again.' - Adam Roche, 9NN

'Great talk, lots of audience involvement, great fun.' - Zara Hunt - 9NN

Paula also signed copies of her book for the students.

Mrs Hood, School Library Manager

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

I am pleased to announce that the annual Scholastic Book Fair is being held in the Library Schoolroom from Monday 21st to Thursday 24th October. This is an opportunity for students to purchase fiction or information books. Year 7 and 8 students will be visiting the Book Fair during designated English lessons and other year groups are more than welcome to visit the Book Fair during lunchtimes. Students must bring money with them should they wish to purchase books. Cash, cheques or Scholastic Book Fair vouchers can be used as payment. Please visit www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers should you wish to purchase a gift voucher for your child to spend at the book fair. If paying by cheque, please make it payable to Yateley School. Please note that most of the books are not discounted but there are usually a few bargains to be had. If your child comes home with a wish list this is because they have seen a book that appeals to them.

Commission earned on book purchases will be used to enhance the English Department's book stock.

Mrs Hood, School Library Manager



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HOUSE DANCE SHOW 22ND AND 23RD OCTOBER (23RD SOLD OUT) AT 7.00PM

The annual House Dance Show is fast approaching on the 22nd and 23rd October at 7.00pm in the main hall. This is a very popular event and tickets will be sold at £5 per person and on a first come, first served basis so do not delay in ordering yours. This is guaranteed to be a great night out and shows our talented dancers doing what they do best (please note that judging night is on Wednesday 23rd). If you would like tickets, please complete the reply slip and return it to Reception in an envelope marked for the attention of Mrs K Ellis – tickets will be sent out via your child's register.

Mrs K Ellis, Front of House

Reply Slip House Dance Show

Name _____ Form _____

Number of tickets at £5 each	Tuesday 22 nd October

House Dance - Fundraising for Camps International

For those who are attending House Dance next week, there will be fundraising buckets at the end of the show for the Camps International trip to Borneo, along with a brief explanation of what it is all about, so please if you can bring along some loose change to donate. Thank you in advance.

The Dance Department



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