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Learning together – Empowered for life.

Dear Parents

World Book Day. The school TV screens tuned to 'Bookflix' and the importance of reading shot to prominence as we participated in World Book Day. Amongst a host of activities, Mrs Hood and Mrs Roaf from the Library ensured that a wonderful short story was read in instalments to all of Years 7 and 8 throughout the course of the day on Thursday; six sections across the six periods of the day.



STEM Careers Fair. On Thursday, we welcomed six STEM ambassadors from local companies who



supported us with a careers speed networking event for year 7/8 students. We welcomed representatives from Balfour Beatty, Qinetiq and TE connectivity. The students asked a lot of probing questions and learned some interesting facts about STEM careers. This was part of our school STEM ambassadors programme which has been running this term. Our visitors were very impressed with the students' enthusiasm and also with the

number of girls showing an interest in STEM subjects.

On Thursday 28th February the second round of the **Yateley Year 5 Maths Challenge** took place. Charles Kingsley's CE Primary School, Cove Junior School, Cranford Park CE Primary School, Elvetham Heath Primary School, Fernhill School, Hawley Primary School, and Westfields Junior School all sent teams of four. In this two hour session, students had to plan a tour of the UK for 30 tourists. This included managing the budget, transport, accommodation and the interests of the tourists. The teams were scored on customer satisfaction and profit made by the tour company. Striking the



balance between spending big to raise the satisfaction score but keeping profits proved the trick. Massive congratulations go to Hawley's team who ended up on top. They are pictured here with Thomas Hurst, their year 8 helper.











Year 11 Parents' Information Evening We were joined on Thursday evening by Year 11 parents to discover more about quelling those exam nerves and developing the most effective strategies and techniques for maximum success in the summer. After a main talk in the Hall, parents dispersed to optional sessions run by staff covering different areas of interest or concern. Thank you to parents and staff for your support.

Funding Many parents will have heard items on the national news about the funding crisis which is having such a damaging effect on schools up and down the country. In a number of areas, Headteachers are issuing a letter to parents explaining the perilous state of affairs. This is not an area issuing the letter. However, I feel it right to say that we are no less affected than anyone else and I spend a considerable amount of my time trying and ensure the continuity and improvement of high quality education whilst at the same time attempting to balance the books.

In no way does money raised by donation or parental contribution make up for or excuse the lack of central funding, but it really does help and is hugely appreciated. Thank you to those parents who have responded to my previous pleas on behalf of YET, the Yateley Education Trust. The main purpose of the trust has always been to bring that additional benefit to the learning in our community that in an underfunded system we would never otherwise be able to offer. YET is the reason that we have whole site Wi-Fi, the refurbished main hall, and any number of items of equipment across the school. Alongside the Yateley 50 fundraising, YET are also the sole reason why we will be able to refurbish the student toilets this year with no capital funding from the local authority. If you would consider donating from as little as £5 per month, we would be extremely grateful. There is a direct debit mandate form as a separate attachment alongside this bulletin. <u>Please consider printing and signing the form and then send it into school for the attention of my PA, Mrs Elder</u>.



Student stars of the week.

Amelia Jarvis and Ella Bishop have both had exceptional success in auditioning successfully for the Italia Conti Academy of Theatre Arts, a world leading centre of excellence. After a gruelling set of interviews, tasks and performances they emerged successfully amongst a huge number of applicants.

Yours sincerely. Paul German















STEM Careers Fair Photos











Sports Results

Basketball U 14 girls won 28-12 v Court moor POM C.Ryan

Football

Year 7 Lost 2-0 v Weydon POM I. McGeachie Year 7 Lost 1-0 v Cove Year 8 lost 6-2 v Kings School Year 8 Lost 4-2 v Collingwood ~(Quarter final of District cup) Year 9 Lost 2-1 v Collingwood Year 9 Won 4-0 v Fernhill













Netball

Year 7 Won 11-7 v Farnborough Hill B POM C.Burnett Year 8 Lost 10-8 v Farnborough Hill B POM D.Mitchel and A.Williams Year 9 Lost 27-12 v Farnborough Hill A POM A.Ellis Year 9 Won 8-6 v Alton B POM A.Ellis Year 10 Lost 8-7 v Farnborough Hill A POM C.Milsom

YEAR 9 DISTRICT NETBALL TOURNAMENT:

Well done to all the girls who represented Yateley at the year 9 District Netball Tournament last Wednesday. In a tough Pool A league, they had to play 6 matches, back to back, without a rest. The standard of play was very high by the whole team and every member of the squad played their part. Despite only winning 1 match, the girls never gave up and lost several other games by 3 goals or less. Well done girls. It was a fantastic team effort against very strong opposition. Thank you, also, to Kat Milsom and Issy Callaway in year 10 for coming along to umpire.

SQUAD: Julie Cros, Zoë Bingham-Wilson, Poppy Bourne, Abbie Whenman, Grace Hampshire, Kirsten Matthews, April Ellis,

Grace Stafford, Emily Sales, Cobi Stambrook

Confirmed Fixtures for next week

Football

Year 9 v Wavell Home Monday 11th Year 9 v Calthorpe Park Away Wednesday 13th **Netball** Year 7&8 v Court moor Away Monday 11th Year 9 v Weydon Home Tuesday 12th Year 7 District tournament Wednesday 13th

Mrs Kerrie Evans, Deputy Head of PE /School Gifted and Talented Coordinator

Main School Production of Peter Pan 26-29 March at 7.00pm

The Main School Production of Peter Pan is fast approaching. This is a very popular event which showcases the talents of three departments within the school - Drama, Music and Dance - and is a guaranteed great night out for all the family with this immensely popular musical. Follow the second star to the right, straight on till morning and be transported to Never Never Land with Peter Pan, Captain Hook and Tinkerbell – all you need is "faith, trust and little bit of pixie dust".

Tickets are priced at £8 each and are sold on a **first come, first served** basis. Please send your payment in an envelope to Reception for the attention of Mrs Ellis on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 8.30am until 9.00am and at break times. The tickets will be distributed via your child's register.

Mrs Ellis, Front of House













Main School Production – Can you help?

This year's main school production is in desperate need of old white school shirts and old grey school trousers (to fit ages ranging from 10-16) to dye and rip for use in this year's production of Peter Pan. If you have either (or both) of the aforementioned items of clothing that you would be happy to donate, please could you drop them off at the school's reception sometime next week (where they will be collected by the costume department). All donations gratefully received - thank you in advance.

Miss Tottman, Mrs Dixon and Miss Parish



Yateley School Fund Raising Quiz

Please support this event – 26th April 7pm –

We are hoping to run a raffle at this event and would be very grateful for any donations of raffle prizes.

Please can these be handed in to the school Reception or D16. Thank you.

REPLY SLIP

Main School Production of Peter Pan 26-29 March at 7.00pm

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Form

	Tuesday 26 th March	Wednesday 27 th March	Thursday 28 th March	Friday 29 th March
Number of				
tickets required				
at £8 each				













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Wed 30 th Jan	Biology - Organisation	A21	Chemistry - Organic Chemistry	A35
Wed 6 th Feb	Chemistry - Chemical Change	A35	MA	21
Thur 7 th Feb			Physics - Electricity	A32
Wed 13 th Feb	Physics - Energy	A24	Biology - Inheritance, variation & evolution	A21
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Wed 27 th Feb	Biology - Infection & response	A21	Chemistry - Rates & Equilibrium	A35
Wed 6 th Mar	Chemistry - Organic Chemistry	A35	XAZ	1
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Wed 13 th Mar	Physics - P1 Required Practicals	A24	Biology - Cell Biology	A21
Wed 20 th Mar	Biology - P1 Required Practicals	A21	Chemistry - Chemical Analysis	A35

*Triple Science students are more than welcome to join in the double science sessions if they wish to and pre-work (set on SMHW) must be completed in order to attend these sessions.

Year 10 – 137 Visit one of our new lunchtime drop-in Science Clinics:

Monday - Chemistry in A3.5 Tuesday - Physics in A2.4 Wednesday - Biology in A22

Teachers will be on hand to support students with completion of homework, revision or independent study.

WE HAVE SOLUTIONS...



Hampshire County Council













March - April















March - April















STEM Event – Siemens Healthineers Next Big Thing 2019 Launch Event



On Friday 1st of March a team of selected students

attended the launch event for the 2019 Siemens Healthineers Next Big Thing challenge. Edward Cole, Adam Croll, Troy Rixon, Scarlett Heaton, Cerys Parkes and Imogen Spicer (all year 8) will take part in a competition to design and create a wearable device to help a patient with various



conditions live independently. Siemens have given us the latest Raspberry Pi device which we will be able to programme to do various things such as measure heart rate, measure temperature, send out alerts if there is a change to heart rhythm etc. This is a real cross curricular project incorporating many skills from maths, computing, science, and graphics. We will be meeting weekly to work on the project and produce our final competition entry. The final event takes place in May. Please look out for an update then!

Mrs McCarthy, STEM

STEM Icons

Over the next few months we will continue to share our STEM icons with you. Staff have been asked to identify the person or product that has amazed, inspired or had a positive technological impact on their life! Our next STEM icon is from Mr Rickey Teacher of English. STEM icon – **Banting and Best**





Discovered how insulin can be isolated/used to save the lives of diabetics. Made findings public to keep cost of insulin competitive so everyone could afford it (giving up the chance to become very wealthy).

Please look out for the next STEM icon next week....

Ms Williams, STEM













LITERATURE QUIZ



On Tuesday evening Elliot Casselton, 7NN, Jessica Brooker, 7WN, Hannah Carpenter, 7WN and Kiera Smith, 8NS took part in the School Library Service's regional round of its annual Literature Quiz. The students are all keen readers and had been meeting regularly to test themselves on their knowledge of children's literature. The event was held at Frogmore Community College and the Yateley team competed against four local schools.

Calthorpe Park School were the winners but I am delighted to say that the Yateley team scored enough points

to be invited to the county final at Winchester Discovery Centre on 27th March.

All participants received a book which was a nice surprise. Thanks to the parents for arranging transport and for staying to support the students.

Mrs Hood, Library

STORY TIME

To celebrate World Book Day our Year 12 Childcare students ran a special story time on Tuesday morning in the library. The students chose transport as their theme and read stories to the children about tractors, buses and dumper trucks. This theme continued with the songs and everyone joined in with the actions to 'The Wheels on the Bus' and 'Row, Row, Row your Boat'. The session ended with a colouring activity.

This is a great opportunity for our students to



practice the skills they have learnt on placement and in lessons and a lovely way to celebrate the importance of reading to children during World Book Day week.

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Mrs Hood, Library













Ski Trip 2020

In recent years prices for any trips abroad have soared; despite this we have actually kept our price in the last 3 years by changing travel companies, and have haggled the price down to well below brochure price. The company we are travelling with, Select, only uses good quality hotels so the standard will be at least as high as in previous years.

The trip is open to everyone in the present year 9 and above. In the event of over subscription, places will be offered firstly to sixth form students, then 2019-2020 year 11s, and then to the other two year groups. Places are reliant on good behaviour and attendance.

General Details Dates :	<u>Friday, 14 th February - Saturday, 22nd February 2020 (this is</u> <u>the week of the Spring half term break)</u>		
Skiing:	6 days skiing with all day ski instruction and supervision.		
Dry skiing:	A compulsory requirement for all beginners (Never skied on snow) on the trip. These will run after school during the autumn and spring term 2019/2020 We expect to be able to take most of the students using the school minibus.		

Allocation of places:

Skiing trips are always popular. As places are limited we cannot guarantee a place for everyone who applies. The deadline for applications is 3.10pm on *Thursday 15th March.*

The trip is open to everyone in the present year 9 and above. In the event of over subscription, places will be offered firstly to sixth form students, then 2018-2019 year 11s, and then to the other two year groups. Participation in the trip is also dependent on a good behaviour record in school and if their behaviour has resulted in their removal from the trip, your deposit and any other payment will only be refunded if the school can give up the place with no financial penalty. Places for this school trip are limited and therefore in the event of oversubscription, a place will be allocated on the basis of a) meeting the deadline, this includes the submission of <u>all payments and the return of fully completed forms</u>, b) behaviour record, c) attitude to learning and attendance. If none of these apply, names will be drawn at random.

If financial hardship prevents anyone from participating in the trip, please let me know of this in writing. This information will, of course, be treated as confidential. Limited funding is sometimes available to assist in such cases.

Breakdown of Cost

- Coach travel to and from resort
- 6 nights full board and accommodation











 Hire of skis, poles, helmets and boots 5 hours of instruction per day 	£899
Ski breakage insurance	
Ski lift pass	
Kitty money for incidental expenses, e.g. evening activities	
(skating, swimming, etc.), administration costs, ski awards, information booklet	
production.	
Tota	el £930

Additional Costs

Compulsory ski lessons at Alpine Ski Centre, Aldershot.	Approx
This is a Hampshire County Council requirement for all beginners on the trip.	£50
Depending on numbers this is an approximate cost.	
Pocket money is not included in the price, nor is the cost of ski clothing.	

Payment scheme

An initial deposit of £250 with the application form and then full amount paid in four installments, as outlined below, using the online payment system. Ski trip 2019. Cheques should be made payable to Yateley School. *Please write "2020 Ski Trip" on the back of the cheque, with your son/daughter's name and tutor group.*

After the decision has been made as to who will be going on the trip you will be notified and the finance office will set up an account to allow online payments through 'Scopay'. Please feel free to make payments whenever you wish, using the dates below as a guideline.

£250.00 (deposit)	15 th March 2019
£150.00	1 May 2019
£150.00	1 June 2019
£150.00	1 July 2019
£100.00	1 September 2019

£Final Balance (+£50 for ski lessons if applicable) 1 November 2019

Please note that once your son/daughter has been allocated a place on the Ski Trip **ALL** deposits are **non-returnable**.

Please complete these as soon as possible and return them to Reception. If you have any questions, or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Mr D Plummer, Ski Trip Organiser









