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Dear Parents



STEM Day On Tuesday of this week, our Year Seven students were joined by an array of STEM ambassadors. These are volunteer experts from the business world and in what is a first for our school – a STEM day (Science Technology Engineering Maths). Our students in year 7 study these subjects separately and do have a lesson each week of STEM activities. This superb day allowed them to bring these skills together, plan collaboratively and then compete against their peers to create the winning presentation. Congratulations go to all the students but especially the winning team: Emily

Thatcher, Kelly Langdon, Daisy Crane, Matthew Dunwoody and Charlie Guttridge.

Geography Field Work. And such is the life of a Geographer, to look forward to a set of fieldwork trips to the beach at Littlehampton in the summer month of June – and it rained - every day! However nothing can dampen the spirits of a true Geographer, armed only with a ranging pole and a soggy sandwich. A good time was had by all, and more importantly some genuine learning by our Year 10s about those all-important coastal processes in their GCSE exam. Our grateful thanks to Miss Self and Mr Tidd for all the organisation and determination over several days.



BYOD When parents were surveyed some time ago about the Bring Your Own Device scheme, there was very strong support for the programme. In light of this, we have sought to improve the offer in partnership with RM our IT support and system management company. To that end, our incoming Year 7s will be offered an excellent HP device which will be comparable in size and price to the Stone machines



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– but an improved piece of equipment. This will be available to other years too, although the current Stone and Toshiba devices will continue to be supported throughout. Additionally, as an option for GCSE and highly recommended for Sixth Formers, we'll be offering a more advanced HP machine which would be sufficient for University level study. All the details about this excellent opportunity will be circulated to parents shortly, so do be alert to a forthcoming communication from our Business Manager, Chris Tombs.



Joe Di Gangi “Turn it off, wait a while and then turn it back on again” is not always the most helpful advice when you're working on your PC (and even less so if you're on a life-support machine). After a tricky few months with an understaffed and over-stressed ICT network team and very frustrated teachers, in walked Joe Di Gangi. Humble and hard-working, Joe set about solving the problems across the whole site from monitors to mice and spyware to spam, tackling every unique problem in his stride. Joe has impressed everyone in the school with his cheerful 'can-do' attitude and has become something of a caped crusader; coming to everyone's rescue in the nick of time. The complaints have stopped, the smiles have returned, the network is solid, the hardware is working, the software is smooth and Joe is the common factor! Cheers Joe!

Sam Keys Congratulations to Sam Keys from 11 WS who set a personal best for Hampshire Schools in the Inter Counties Championship – jumping an extraordinary 3m 40cm – all whilst carrying an inconvenient pole for the leap. Sam somehow managed to get this jump in between revision for his Further Maths GCSE (having finished all of his other GCSEs). Well done Sam, see you in Tokyo 2020 during your A-Levels!!



Student stars of the week On Saturday 8th June, Darwin students Molly Tzanetis (Year 10) and younger sister Sophie Ella Tzanetis (Year 8) took part in the National Army Cadet Athletics Championship in Grantham. Both girls qualified for this event having successfully competed at County and Regional events. Incredibly, both Molly and Sophie Ella medalled in more than one event. Molly won 2 Silver medals (800m and 300m) and 2 Bronze medals (Discus and Relay) while Sophie Ella won 2 Gold (100m and 200m) and Bronze in the relay. This is a fabulous achievement, and we are very proud of both girls.



It was an absolute pleasure to welcome the Year 6 pupils and staff from Westfields Junior, along with family and friends on Wednesday afternoon and evening. They performed a matinee and evening show of their wonderful summer production of 'Pirates of the Curry Bean', with plenty of slapstick and gags to match. It was a brilliant performance and a great opportunity for the schools to collaborate.

We'll also be looking forward to welcoming Year 5 pupils to our **taster days** on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week (25th and 26th June), with an evening for prospective parents at 7pm on the Wednesday. These days are booked full, which is great. However, if you know of someone who is interested and hasn't been able to book in, please contact reception and we'll see what we can do for you personally.



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GETTING STARTED

'The secret to getting ahead is getting started'. Whether, the American writer Mark Twain said this or not is up for debate. What is not up for debate, however, is the truth behind the expression, especially when it comes to personal statement writing. This week we saw over 80 students put pen to paper in application for their University applications. The picture enclosed shows Mr Conway leading the Sixth Form workshop - there are a lot of bright futures!

Paul German
Headteacher

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SPORTS RESULTS

YEAR 10 CRICKET

Congratulations to the Year 10 Cricket Team who made it to the Play Off Final by winning their Division of the local Cricket League which they are due to play in next Wednesday.

They have also just reached the Semi-Final of the Hampshire Cup competition by beating Eggars School in the Quarter Final in a very exciting match on Monday winning with a run off the last ball of the game. They are due to travel to Sandown, Isle of Wight on Monday 1st July to play their Semi-Final tie and hopefully come away with a victory which would make it 3 Finals in 3 years having won the County Cup in Year 8 and the County Plate in Year 9. A tremendous achievement by the boys.

YEAR 8 ATHLETICS

Well done to all the year 8 students who took part in the Athletics meeting at Downe Grange on Tuesday. It was an extremely wet afternoon, but there were some great performances from all the competitors.

JUNIOR DISTRICT SPORTS: REMINDER

Junior District Sports is on Monday 24th June at Aldershot Military Stadium. All competitors have received their invites this week and need to be at the front of the school at 8.30am on Monday morning.

SPORTS DAY – FRIDAY 28TH JUNE PARENT INVITATION

All parents are welcome to attend this year's Sports Day on A block field. Please could we ask that you sit in the designated area provided. Please make sure that your child is appropriately dressed, whatever the weather, with sunscreen if necessary. An approximate running order for the afternoon's events is attached. Please note that this may be subject to slight change.

Sports Day Afternoon – Friday 28th June 2019 - PLEASE NOTE THESE TIMES ARE ONLY APPROXIMATE

1.00– 1.20

- Year 7 Boys 600m
- Year 7 Girls 600m
- Year 8 Boys 800m
- Year 8 Girls 800m

1.20- 1.40

- Year 8 Boys 300m
- Year 9 Boys 300m
- Year 9 Girls 300m
- Senior Girls 300m
- Senior Boys 400m

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1.40-2.00

➤ Year 7 Girls	80m
➤ Year 7 Boys	80m
➤ Year 8 Girls	100m
➤ Year 8 Boys	100m
➤ Year 9 Girls	100m
➤ Year 9 Boys	100m
➤ Senior Girls	100m
➤ Senior Boys	100m

2.00- 2.20

➤ Year 7 Girls	150m
➤ Year 7 Boys	150m
➤ Year 7 Boys	200m
➤ Year 8 Girls	200m
➤ Year 8 Boys	200m
➤ Year 9 Girls	200m
➤ Year 9 Boys	200m
➤ Senior Girls	200m
➤ Senior Boys	200m

2.20-2.50

➤ 4x100m Relays	Year 7 Boys & Girls	Year 8 Boys & Girls
	Year 9 Girls	Year 9 Boys
	Senior Girls	Senior Boys

2.50-3.05

Presentation

SPORTS DAY MUFTI & FACE PAINTING

We would like to encourage all students to wear 'House Colour Mufti' for a £1.00 donation on Sports Day, Friday June 28th June, to raise money for our House Charities. Please ensure that dress is appropriate for school - no 'beachwear' please. (Darwin = green, Nightingale = red, Pankhurst = yellow, Wilberforce = blue.)

We will also be offering face painting in House colours during the lunch break for 50p (Snazaroo Face Paints will be used. Please do not take part if there could be allergy issues). The forecast is looking promising and we have fingers crossed for sun - please also ensure that sun cream is used on the day.

As usual, the Sixth Form team will be selling sweets and drinks throughout the afternoon. Please bring plenty of loose change. We look forward to a competitive, fun filled, noisy day!

The House Team



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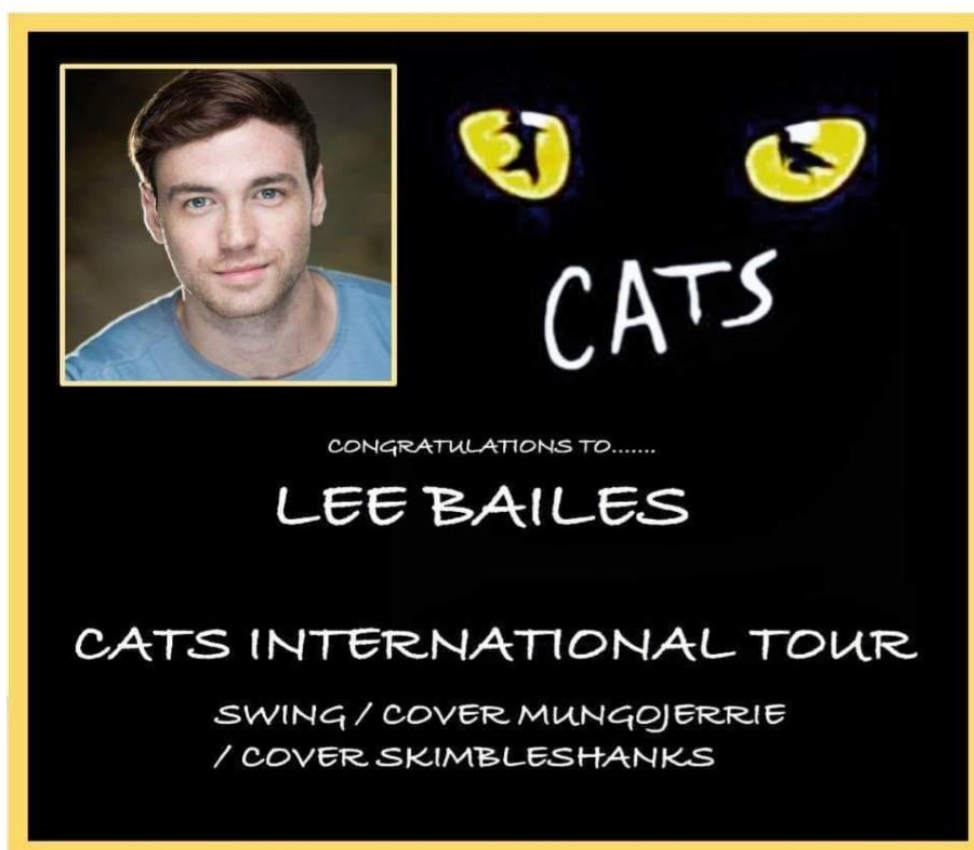
DANCE UPDATE!

This week we take a look at 'where are they now...?'

Two incredibly talented ex-students of Yateley School studied Dance at Yateley 6th form College before completing professional training.

Lee Bailes

Lee Bailes went onto study at **Urdang Academy** for three years and then pursued a career performing in a number of amazing shows on Cruise ships taking him all over the world. When back in Hampshire, Lee would jump at the chance of giving our students a masterclass and audition tips!



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Luke Yates

Luke Yates studied Dance, Drama and English at Yateley. He then went onto study BA Hons Degree in Musical

Theatre at **The Guildford School of Acting** for three years where he achieved a First Class honours degree.

He then went straight on tour with the Birmingham Repertory company before being snapped up for a leading role in the International tour for *Cats the Musical*!



IN THE ROLE OF MUNKUSTRAP

Theatre credits: *ITV's All Star Musicals 2019* (London Palladium); *The Wizard of Oz* (Birmingham Repertory Theatre) and ensemble in *Peter Pan* (Camberley Theatre).



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Picture taken
backstage in
rehearsals...

Lee Bailes
(left) and
Luke Yates
(right)

**Anyone can have a dream, but to make it come
true you have to work hard for it!**

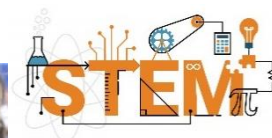


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Year 7 STEM Challenge Day



THE WINNING TEAM

Congratulations to - Emily Thatcher, Kelly Langdon, Daisy Crane, Matthew Dunwoody, Charlie Guttridge



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YEAR 7 STEM CHALLENGE DAY

On Tuesday all of our year 7 students took part in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) challenge day that required them to research and design a prototype model of a 'wild creation' – a sculpture for the heart of Yateley that would celebrate the culture of our community.

Prior to the day students were set up in their teams, each member having a specific role to play including Project Manager, Design Engineer, Graphic Designer and Finance Manager. They were then introduced to

the challenge and had some time to research possible sites for the sculpture and what they felt would reflect the culture of their community. Also during Maths, Science and STEM lessons they had the opportunity to develop their knowledge and understanding of real life materials, costings, scale and modelling techniques to help with their planning.

On the day the students were put into their teams, and set about designing and making their creations, with the support of 12 STEM ambassadors, who joined us from local industries. Our Year 7 students also had support from our very talented 6th Formers who were there to offer some practical advice and support. I am pleased to report that the Years 7's all worked tirelessly throughout the day to design and make their sculptures.

They started by developing a theme and drawing a range of design ideas. Then they calculated costings and the scale the model would need to be. When ready they used a wide range of recycled materials (donated by you the parents) and construction techniques to produce their models.

Having to work to a very tight timescale the students managed to keep to the deadlines and completed the challenge by presenting their models and ideas to their teachers and the STEM ambassadors.

There were prizes for highly commended teams, the student's choice and the best overall design as judged by our teachers and the STEM ambassadors. Congratulations go to all the students but especially the winning team: Emily Thatcher, Kelly Langdon, Daisy Crane, Matthew Dunwoody and Charlie Guttridge.

We were overwhelmed not only by the standard of the work produced, but also the amazing effort shown by our Year 7 students thought out the day. Students who successfully completed all aspects of the challenge, will receive the 'Crest Discovery Award' for completing this 5 hour STEM challenge.



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YATELEY YOUNG DESIGNERS



Also as many as 15 of the designs will be on display at our 'Young Designers' exhibition that runs from Tuesday 16th July to Thursday 18th July.

We do hope you can pop in at some point to see the amazing work from our students in Art, Graphics, Food, Photography and Design Technology departments.



CRANFORD PARK TO WIN?



As you may be aware Cranford Park one of our local primary schools is currently in the race to win a fully installed playground, courtesy of Colgate if they win the most votes! We're really keen to help in any way we can, so whip out your mobile and or visit <https://t.co/rsLFdOT45O?amp=1> to get involved. It'll take less than a minute and you can help secure better facilities for a quite wonderful primary school!



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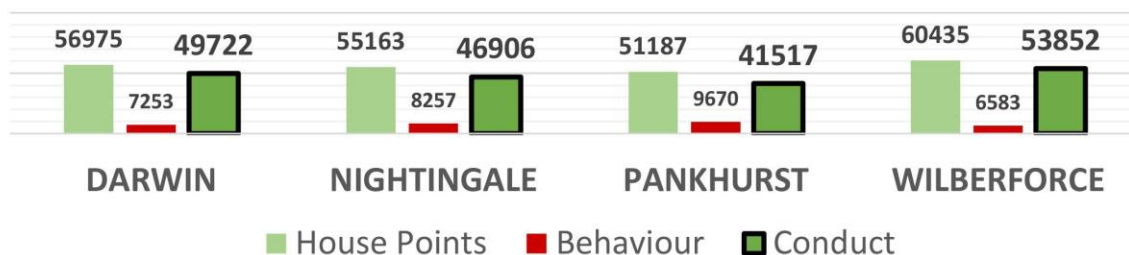


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House Points, Behaviour & Conduct: Weekly Update 05.09.18 to 14.06.19



Whole School



Please note that all Year 11 students were given 100 House Points at the start of Sep 2018 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	8WN	9DS	10WN	11WN

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

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

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

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

Whole School Attendance: 94.61%

Tutor Groups With The Highest Attendance

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
7NN	8NS	9WN	10WN	11NS



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Summer holiday children's creative writing days (8–11s)

A unique and inspirational day for children aged 8–11 who want to have fun with words and keep their imaginations active until September!

Run by award-winning children's writer James Carter – one of the most high-profile children's poets/non-fiction writers in the UK. James has visited over 1100 schools and delivered workshops at the Edinburgh, Hay, Oxford and Cheltenham Literature Festivals.

'OUTSTANDING!' Ofsted

'It was an amazing experience. You really helped me to develop my writing.' Year 6 girl

'Thank you so much – you've really inspired me!'
Year 5 boy

'The best visitor we've ever had!'
Prep School, Hampshire

James's books are published by Bloomsbury, Macmillan, Little Tiger Press and Harper Collins.
www.jamescarterpoet.co.uk

Tuesday 27 August

Crowmarsh Gifford CE Primary School, Wallingford OX10 8EN

Friday 30 August

Christ Church Centre,
Henley-on-Thames RG9 1AG

Monday 2 September

Park United Reformed Church,
Reading RG6 1DN

10am–4pm

Cost £45 per child

All adults DBS checked

To book a place or find out more please contact:

jamescarterpoet@btinternet.com
07812 174372



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Yateley School Library Newsletter



2019



The Reading Agency and Libraries Present



Summer Reading Challenge 2019

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Yateley Library is looking for volunteers to help with the Summer Reading Challenge over the summer holidays. Volunteers need to be 14 years or older. This is an ideal opportunity for students, parents and grandparents to help with this reading scheme. The hours are flexible – 4 or 40 hours over the summer – the choice is yours! Edinburgh award can use this towards their volunteering section. If you would like to help, please pop in or email the library on

yateley.library@hants.gov.uk

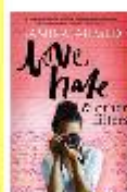
This is a great opportunity for students to boost their CV or university application.

NEW TEEN BOOKS 11-14 (M)



The Last Bus To
Everland
By Sophie Cameron

In Paris With You
By Clementine Beauvais



Love, Hate and Other
Filters
By Samira Ahmed

Beauty Sleep
By Kathryn Evans



The Wren Hunt
By Mary Watson

Voyages In The
Underworld Of
Orpheus Black
By Sedgwick,
Sedgwick, Deacon



NEW TEEN BOOKS 14-19 (T+)



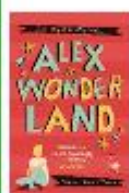
The Stolen Ones
By Vanessa Curtis

The Truth About
Alice
By Jennifer Matthieu



Breaking
By Danielle Rollins

The Weight Of A
Thousand Feathers
By Brian Conaghan



Alex In Wonderland
By Simon James
Green

Meat Market
By Juno Dawson



ANAGRAM

June anagram
A receding meal

answer from last issue
Q. Mike had a Pharos brow
A. Hampshire Book Award

Carnegie Medal Winner is 'The Pet X'
by Elizabeth Acevedo



World Refugee Day—20th June. Related Teen fiction books are on display in the library until end of June.
Hampshire Book Award regional voting event—3rd July. The winner will be announced in the next Library Newsletter



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**VITALITY NETBALL
WORLD CUP WARM-UP**
Saturday 6 July, 1pm
Wellington Health & Fitness Club, Crowthorne
Surrey Storm v Sri Lanka
Tickets: www.surreystormnetball.co.uk



NETBALL
WORLD CUP
LIVERPOOL 2019



TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

A Surrey Storm select squad led by Mikki Austin will host the Sri Lanka national side at Wellington Health and Fitness Club in Crowthorne on Saturday 6 July as part of their preparations for the 2019 Vitality Netball World Cup.

Tickets for the game, which starts at 1pm, are priced £8 for adults and £4 for concessions, and can be purchased online. Capacity is limited to 500.

Wellington Health and Fitness Club is on Duke's Ride in Crowthorne, postcode RG45 7PT.

Having won the Asian Championships for a fifth time last year, Sri Lanka now compete in their tenth World Cup as part of Group A alongside Northern Ireland, Zimbabwe and reigning World Champions Australia.

Led by Coach Thilaka Jinadasa, who also represented her country as a sprint hurdler at the 1988 Olympics Games, and Captain Chathurangi Jayasooriya, a Flight Lieutenant in the Sri Lankan Air Force, they beat Singapore 69-50 in the Final of the 2018 M1 Asian Netball Championships.

Ranked 19th in the world, their squad also features 6ft 10in Tharjini Sivalingam, who was named Best Shooter at the 2011 Netball World Cup.



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