



## Next Week, After Half Term, Week 2

26 February: 7pm Booking for Y10 Parent-Teacher Consultation Evening opens

28 February: Y9 Options Evening

A full calendar is available on our website.

## School News and Notices

### Y9 Reports

Year 9 full reports will be available on Insight on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

### Y9 Options

Options booklets will be sent out via email on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

### Philosophy and Ethics Trip

Last Friday the year 12 Philosophy and Ethics students attended a conference in London hosted by Dr Peter Vardy, one of the country's foremost Philosophers of Religion. The theme of the conference was 'Happiness' and was presented with the student's A level exams very much in mind. Previous conferences have shown their value in the preparation of the students.

Dr Vardy is a knowledgeable and approachable speaker and was happy to sign copies of his books that students bought at the venue. Despite the wind and rain this was an excellent event.

### School Policies update

The following policies have recently been reviewed and are on our website under "Policies and Statutory Information":

Attendance, Exclusion, Behaviour, Behaviour Principles Statement, Concerns and Complaints, Medical.

### Learning Ambassadors

This week Mrs Lambert and Mrs Kingston accompanied 32 KS3 Learning Ambassadors to Thomas Coram. The ambassadors very ably taught a creative writing class to 4 classes of year 5 students. Our Learning Ambassadors were incredibly impressed with the enthusiasm and creativity shown by the year 5 students and we were equally impressed and very proud of the well planned and carefully thought out lessons that our students delivered.

### Normandy Trip

On Sunday 24 February 52 of our Year 10 students will be travelling to Normandy to spend the week experiencing fun activities and improving their language skills. We hope they have a fantastic time and look forward to hearing about it when they return.

### Table Tennis

Ashlyns girls U13 Table Tennis Team have made it to the National finals in March after winning the Regional finals in Bristol last Saturday. Huge congratulation to Aliya P, Bella T, Izzy L, Alice O and Sophie M. This is a fantastic achievement and we'd like to wish the girls all the best for the finals.

### Parent Forum

This week the members of Parent Forum met to discuss home learning and the school curriculum. As ever, the discussion was lively and engaging and very helpful in our aim of continually moving the school forward. The members of Parent Forum had some extremely interesting ideas about the skills students need to enjoy school, and be successful both in and out of school, and we are very grateful for their contributions as we continually review our curriculum. If you are interested in joining our Parent Forum, which discusses various strategic items on a termly basis, please contact Fiona Thompson on [fthompson@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:fthompson@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk).

## Key dates:

- 28 February: Y9 Options Evening
- 7 March: Y10 Parent-Teacher Consultation Evening

## This week's attachments:

- ASA 100 Club
- ASA Easyfundraising
- GCSE Revision Sessions Timetable
- Pepper Foundation Quiz

## Staff Vacancies:

- Teacher of Photography
- Teacher of Maths
- Senior Science Technician
- Science Technician

## Parenting Courses and Support in Dacorum – Spring 2019

Dacorum County Council offer a wide range of parenting courses and support groups for parents/carers of children with SPLD. Please follow the link for the full Spring schedule:

<https://www.ashlyns.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Dacorum-Parenting-Course-Brochure-Spring-2019.pdf>

## Pepper Foundation Quiz

The Pepper Foundation, a local charity, have asked us to let you know about their annual quiz which will be taking place at Ashlyns School on Saturday 2 March. Please see the attached flyer for further details.

## Good news and Celebrations

### Drama

Congratulations to the following students for successfully auditioning for the Berkhamsted Youth Theatre production of Honk: Gabi C, Georgie D, Phoebe D, Ben H, Laura H, Finn M, Jasmine F, Emily L, Rafael P, Emelia S, Amiee E, Amelia T(stage manager). They will be performing at The Court Theatre at Pendley Tring from Thursday 2nd May-Saturday 4th May.

### Judo

Well done again to Sam C for not only getting a mention in last week's e-Bulletin for achieving his Judo Black Belt but also featuring in the local paper.

<https://www.berkhamstedtoday.co.uk/sport/more-sport/rush-marks-10th-birthday-as-sam-earns-his-black-belt-1-8807868>

### Archery

Last Sunday, Jamie S Y10 entered the Herts Indoor County Archery tournament and won his category! So he is now U18 Recurve Indoor County Champion.

His archery 'career' all initially stemmed from the Y8 PGL trip so thanks to Miss Bjornsgaard!

### Spanish Exchange

Review from James S:

'We arrived to school at 3 in the morning in typical British rain and before long we were on the coach on our way to the airport to fly to Spain. Once in Spain we spent 6 days visiting historic sites such as mosques, cathedrals and churches as well as having permission to explore the city of Cordoba and all it has to offer. We also had many opportunities to try traditional Spanish dishes such as paella and flamenquin and most of us thoroughly enjoyed the tapas style dinners on offer. On the Saturday we spent our time individually with our exchange partner and their family and many of us used the day to practise our Spanish in a comfortable and relaxed environment, before we gathered in the evening for our final goodbyes. It was an interesting, exciting and informative trip that we will never forget and are very thankful for having had the opportunity to enjoy.'



### House Competitions

This week has seen houses compete against one another in inter-house dodgeball. Well done to those who have given their lunchtimes to represent their houses.

	7	8	9	10	11	Sixth	TOTAL POINTS
<b>Bourne</b>	3	3	2			3	<b>11</b>
<b>Coram</b>	4	4	3			4	<b>15</b>
<b>Handel</b>	3	4	1			1	<b>9</b>
<b>Raven</b>	4	4	4			2	<b>14</b>

**Overall results: Coram 1<sup>st</sup>, Raven 2<sup>nd</sup>, Bourne 3<sup>rd</sup>, Handel 4<sup>th</sup>**



## Student of The Week

w/c 11 February 2019

### ENGLISH

Honey B, Y7  
James N, Y8  
Holly S, Y9  
Daniel C, Y11  
Kyle M, Y11  
Harriet W, Y11

### MATHS

Sophie M, Y7  
Aliya P, Y7  
Sam B, Y11

### TECHNOLOGY

Christopher M, Y7  
Daniel F, Y9  
Livia W, Y9  
Kyle M, Y11

### MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Lillie S, Y7  
Lizzie J, Y8  
Niamh S, Y8  
Joshua D, Y9  
Amy E, Y9  
Jamie P, Y9  
Theo G, Y9  
Pierce R, Y9  
Parisa R, Y9  
Zoe M, Y11

### YEAR 7

Lottie B  
Luca B  
Rex C  
Esther D  
Angelica E  
Martha F  
Georgina H  
Sophie M-M  
Yasmin P  
Aliya P

### YEAR 8

Maddie B  
Albert E  
Grace J  
Jazmyne L  
Margot R  
Toby W

### YEAR 9

Megan C  
Ruby G  
Ella G  
Liberty R

### YEAR 10

Jack B  
Sylvia P  
**YEAR 12**  
Jasmine H  
Molly J  
Darcey P  
Rohan W

## ASA News

### ASA MEETING - Wednesday 27th February – 7.30pm

WE NEED YOU! Have your say in new fund raising ideas that directly benefit our school and our students

### ROCK 'N' ROLL BINGO - Friday 29th March - 8pm SAVE THE DATE!

Exciting new event and a brilliant social evening for everyone to get together and fundraise for our school. More details to follow with booking from after half term.

### BRILLIANT FUNDRAISING with WOODS OF BERKHAMSTED

At our last meeting, the school expressed a wish to improve the outdoor facilities for all the students to enjoy.

Woods Garden Centre is offering the ASA vouchers in return for receipts from your shopping. So if you have gardening plans for the Spring please hand in any receipts from Woods at the school office. It's a fantastic way to raise funds for outdoor improvements, ensuring ASA fundraising goes even further towards providing other necessary and vital resources for our students - SO PLEASE REMEMBER TO HAND THOSE RECEIPTS IN!

A promotional graphic for the ASA 100 Club lottery. The background is a vibrant lime green. In the center, a large, stylized number '100' is rendered in a dark green, hollow font with a white outline. To the left of the '100', the text 'ASA 100 Club' is written vertically in white on a dark green rectangular background. Above the '100', several green bingo balls with white numbers are scattered. The numbers on the balls include 20, 14, 6, 19, 23, 35, 26, 48, and 7. In the background, behind the '100', is a faint silhouette of a school building with a central tower. At the bottom of the graphic, there is a block of text in white and dark green.

**Introducing our new fundraising initiative coming in the New Year - the ASA 100 CLUB lottery.**

Choosing your number costs £2 per month. After each draw, a percentage of profits is given out in monthly cash prizes, with the remainder donated to Ashlyns School

It's an easy and fun way to support school, email [ASA100CLUB@gmail.com](mailto:ASA100CLUB@gmail.com) now to register your interest.



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## GCSE 2018-2019 Revision Sessions Timetable

Day	Lunchtime	After school
<b>Monday</b>	Religious Studies, 115 Citizenship, F74 Art drop in, F36 Business Studies, F68	Music coursework catch up, Music Block Film Studies, 123 English Language revision, 119 Art, F36 Study session LRC (including help with Maths)
<b>Tuesday</b>	PE coursework catch up, G142 Art drop in, F36 Lit Lunch, F99	PE Topic by topic Music coursework catch up, Music Block Spanish drop-in, 106 French drop-in, 108 Study session LRC
<b>Wednesday</b>	English Literature drop-in, 119 Geographical Skills drop-in, F92 Computer Studies exam and practical coursework, F107 Spanish drop-in, 109 Art drop in, F36	Computer Science exam and practical coursework revision/support, F107 Drama Comp 2 and Comp 3 rehearsal and revision (ends at 5.00pm) Study session LRC (including help with Maths) Religious Studies, 114
<b>Thursday</b>	PE coursework catch up, G142 Film coursework catch up, 123 Business Studies, F68	Geography, F92 History, F83 Art, F36 Textiles, F42 Product Design (week 2 only), 67 Study session LRC
<b>Friday</b>	Food NEA catch up, G142 French drop-in, 108 Film coursework catch up, 123 Drama Comp 2 and Comp 3 rehearsal and revision	Citizenship Music coursework catch up, Music Block





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# 2019 Pepper Quiz

Saturday 2nd March 2019

## **It's back!**

Our annual quiz will be in the dining hall of Ashlyns School,  
Chesham Road, Berkhamsted

£16.00 per person including fish and chip supper (veggie  
option available)

Prizes for the winning team, spoon of doom for the losers!

## **Raffle**

Dining hall opens 7pm, with quiz starting promptly at 7.30pm

Bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles

Teams of up to 8 quizzers

For a team entry form, contact [roy.massingale@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:roy.massingale@hotmail.co.uk) or the  
Pepper office on 01442 507311

Event organised by Pepper Events Ltd, Registration No 03410826  
Profits will go to The Pepper Foundation, 01056823