



Next Week – Week 1

17 November: ASA Craft Fair

A full calendar is available on our website

School News and Notices

Bus Survey

Berkhamsted Town Council is considering introducing a community 'hopper' bus service with the aim of helping to reduce private car journeys into town (and the associated congestion and air pollution). The survey results will be used to help design the route, frequency and cost of the service. To help decide how best to operate such a service the council are asking people over the age of 16 who live, work or are educated in Berkhamsted to complete an online survey on their website:

<https://www.berkhamstedtowncouncil.gov.uk/news/2019/10/berkhamsted-community-bus-surveywe-need-your-help>

Routes into STEM

North Herts College, The University of Hertfordshire and Affinity Water are offering a 3 day course during February half term for students in Years 9 and 10. Students will get a hands-on experience understanding the diverse routes available to them after studying their GCSEs—including apprenticeships and degree apprenticeships talks. If you are interested, please apply directly through the Engineering Development Trust (EDT) website www.etrust.org.uk
More details are attached.

LRC Author Event

Award-winning New Zealand author Joanna Grochowicz visited Ashlyns on Wednesday to talk to Year 7 and 8 about her books *Into the White* and *Amundsen's Way*. Joanna commented, "It was such a privilege to visit Ashlyns School to share tales of early Antarctic exploration. My books aim to make these stories relevant to a new generation in an accessible and entertaining way. I hope many of the students at Ashlyns will find time to read about these real life heroes and, in the process, find much to inspire them!"

New LRC App

This week the LRC launched a new app on Google Classroom enabling our students to search our library catalogue to find books to read for pleasure; or to access digital content and resources to help with homework. This user-friendly system features a variety of daily news items such as author visits, recommendations, competitions, student reviews, new releases and booklists.

French and Spanish

We would like to draw your attention to the exciting new initiative about high frequency vocabulary in Years 7-9 French and Spanish. Research into frequently used vocabulary suggests that a small number of common words and phrases make up a significant percentage of written and spoken language. There is a list of 125 high frequency French/Spanish words, split into groups of 25, in the student handbook. Each half term there will be vocabulary tests on these blocks. Please encourage your child to practise these on a weekly basis. If you have any questions, please contact the Languages department.

County Lines

Channel 4 showed a documentary on Wednesday evening on County Lines. The programme dealt with the topic in detail and was a very accurate depiction of the risks and dangers young people face. It is still available via TV catch up services and also available online via the link below.

<https://www.channel4.com/programmes/britains-child-drug-runners>

Key dates this half term:

- 29 November: Occasional Day
School Closed

This Week's Attachments

- Routes into STEM
- ASA Craft Fair
- ASA Creative Classroom

Staff Vacancies

- Teaching Assistant

Attendance

Forms with highest attendance Week ending 8/11/2019

7C1 100%

8C2 99.58%

9B2 100%

10R2 99.04%

11B1 99.52%

Forms with the highest attendance receive 20 house points.

Extended Learning Day

Well done to all for another excellent ELD, including flashmob dancing in Y7, Museums for Y8 and Y12, Work Shadowing for Y9, Careers and Interviews for Y10, a travelling theatre company production of A Christmas Carol and focused revision in Y11, and UCAS work for Y13.

House Competition News

Interhouse Cross Country will be completed the W/C 25 November during PE lessons. Please bring appropriate footwear and clothing

Current house points			
Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
10654	11154	10686	9861
3 rd	1 st	2 nd	4 th
11/11/2019			

SPORTS RESULTS

Date	Fixture	Result
Wed 6 Nov	Y9 Rugby V Queens	L 12-41
	Y11 Cup Football V ACS	W 3-1
	Y8 A & B Netball @ Longdean	W 12-7, D 7-7
	Y11 Netball (h) Longdean	L 5-11
Fri 8 Nov	U14 Girls Football V ME	L 3-5



Year 8 Netball Team

Student Achievement

Summa-Jo, in year 10, was selected by Tottenham Hotspur football club on Saturday to walk out onto their 64000 seat stadium to lay a poppy wreath on behalf of our Armed forces. This was seen live on television and photographed across the world.

Student of The Week

w/c 11 November 2019

PE

Lucy B, Y8
Phoebe G, Y8
Ella H, Y8
Bella W, Y8
Indie F, Y9

MATHS

Jack T, Y8
Lucas B, Y10
Daniel G, Y10

TECHNOLOGY

Leon B, Y9
Niamh S, Y9

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Lily C, Y8
Aicha L, Y10
Mollie D, Y11
Daisy G, Y11
Ruby H, Y13

YEAR 8

Anna H
Ethan G
Jack T

YEAR 9

Poppy B
Sammy T

YEAR 10

Oliver H

YEAR 11

Olivia C

YEAR 13

Katie C
Laura H

NEWS from The ASA

Firstly - a HUGE THANK YOU to the event organisers and volunteers for the Halloween Party and Quiz Night - we hope our students, parents and staff enjoyed yourselves!

CRAFT FAIR - Sunday 17th November - 11am - 4pm - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - PLEASE SIGN UP AND HELP

One of the biggest and best Craft Fairs around, and a perfect opportunity to nail that Christmas shopping with a wonderful selection of handmade gifts, as well as the (bigger and better) Craft Cafe serving delicious hot and cold food and drink all day. Don't forget - you can still book onto a workshop in the Creative Classroom with Bergin&Bath.

SIGN UP LINK (First Aiders + Café included):

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094eaea823a1f85-ashlyns4>

CAFE HELPERS: email asa@ashlyns.sch.herts.uk

BAKERS: email asa@ashlyns.sch.herts.uk and drop off your bakes at school Sunday morning by 11am.

ASA MEETING - Wednesday 20th November - 7.30pm at school

Everyone welcome - looking for ideas for fundraising events next year

BERKHAMSTED FESTIVAL of LIGHT - TOMBOLA STALL - Sunday 24th November - 3.30-6pm

Drop off your donations of bottles and chocolates at the ASA stand at the Craft Fair this Sunday, or to the school office by Friday 22nd November (alcohol needs to be brought in by a parent) for this very popular stall at Berkhamsted's annual town event.

Volunteers required - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094eaea823a1f85-berkhamsted>

SANTA SLEIGH COLLECTION (with Berkhamsted Rotary Club) - Tuesday 3rd December - 6-8pm

We need volunteers for this traditional Christmas charity collection - please use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094eaea823a1f85-tues>

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ENCOUNTERS WITH EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES

- provide opportunities for pupils to learn from employers every year
- develop links with local employers
- keep it exciting with a range of enrichment opportunities

WHAT SUPPORT CAN I GET?

- STEM Ambassadors deliver a range of activities including networking, site visits and career talks
- ENTHUSE Partnerships develop sustainable links between employers and schools or colleges
 - the STEM directory highlights over 270 STEM enrichment activities



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EXPERIENCES OF WORKPLACES

- every pupil should have first-hand experience of the workplace
- ensure students by the age of 16 have had one work experience
- by age 18, students should have an additional experience

WHAT SUPPORT CAN I GET?

- STDM Insight opens up opportunities for pupil placements
- STDM Ambassadors provide real world context and insight into STDM Careers
- local STDM Ambassador Hubs may facilitate workplace visits





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ENCOUNTERS WITH FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION

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- All pupils should understand the range of opportunities available to them – both academic and vocational
- By the age of 16, pupils should have encountered the full range of learning opportunities
- By the age of 18, those considering university should have at least two visits to universities to meet staff and pupils

WHAT SUPPORT CAN I GET?

- STEM Learning CPD and study visits embeds researchers from universities and research establishments
- STEM Insight placements at universities to encourage more pupils to apply
- Local STEM Ambassador Hubs can facilitate visits from university STEM practitioners



CRAFT FAIR

70 stalls in **3** halls

Huge variety of quality local
crafts and handmade gifts

Free
parking

£2

admission
Children
free

Sunday 17 November

From 11am to 4pm

Ashlyns School, Chesham Road, Berkhamsted

Cafe open all day for hot snacks, cakes and drinks

Ashlyns School Association
Charity number: 289788



Ashlyns Craft Fair



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CREATIVE CLASSROOM

@ASHLYNS CRAFT FAIR

Run by BERGIN & BATH with help from OGLEE POGLEE!

Drop-in Craft Workshops from 11.00am - 4.00pm:

NEEDLE-FELTED SCANDI DECORATIONS
LINO-PRINTED TAGS AND CARDS
EXCITING CRAFTS FOR KIDS

Plus an hour-long workshop: 12.00 - 1.00pm

PAPER FLOWER WREATH

Please book in advance to guarantee a spot

www.berginandbath.co.uk/workshops



COME AND FIND US IN G115 OFF THE MAIN HALL



Berkhamsted Festival of Lights

**SUNDAY 24TH
NOVEMBER**

Its only 6 weeks till Christmas (sorry!) and 2 weeks till the towns annual turning on of the Christmas lights and Festival.

Every year the ASA runs the very popular tombola stall to help raise vital funds for school. We are currently saving for an extra minibus due to the schools' expansion.

For new parents and a reminder for the rest of us, we run 2 stalls, a chocolate one and an Alcohol tombola, each donation needs to be worth min £2 please. All donations are made by the Ashlyn's families and in return the children get a house point for each donation.

So please send your child to the office with their donations over the next 2 weeks and make sure Ashlyns stall looks this fantastic again. (Note: Alcohol has to be handed in by an adult, but we will also be at the craft fair this Sunday if you want to bring in then and drop at the ASA stall in the main hall)



Thank you

ASA Committee

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