

Next Week - Week 1

Covid Testing and Reporting

It is important that students and staff continue to take twice-weekly Lateral Flow Tests to reduce the spread of the virus. Please continue to report positive, negative and void LFT results to both [NHS Test & Trace](#) and the school via the [online form](#). If the result of the test is unclear (void) you should do another test. **Students will be provided with more test kits on Monday.**

Driving into School

A polite reminder to parents that they should not drive onto the school site to drop students off in the morning, for safety and safeguarding reasons. If there is a medical need, please make sure this has been discussed with the matron in advance.

Student Achievements

Well done to Eva G, Y7, who has been a fantastic member of the community and taken on her own challenge of 'sleeping out' during February Half Term. Eva raised an incredible £302 for DENS.

Congratulations to Darcie W, 9C1, who competed in the Ladies' County Championship Strokeplay at Knebworth Golf Club on Thursday 3rd June. She won the Pyke Trophy for best net result played over 36 holes on the day. She came 4th in the gross competition. There was also a Team Championship event of which Darcie was part of the winning team. Darcie has a handicap of 5 and represents the Ladies' Scratch Team at Harewood Downs Golf club and Knebworth Golf Club. Darcie got her first hole-in-one on the 15th hole at Harewood Downs when she competed in the Ladies Stableford competition on 2nd May.

Water Bottles

As it is getting warmer please make sure your child brings a full water bottle each day, which can be refilled at the water fountains at breaks and lunchtimes; we will not be issuing students with single-use plastic cups.

Hertfordshire personal safety survey

Herts County Community Safety Unit (CCSU) are currently producing a needs assessment on violence against women and girls. As part of this work, they are undertaking a [public survey of Hertfordshire residents to understand their experiences and feelings of personal safety](#), which will help to inform recommendations for the needs assessment. The survey will remain open **until Friday 9th July**. It is really important that young people have an opportunity to respond (aged 10+). The survey is open to males and females of all ages. Please click on the link above.

Year 11 and 13 Next Steps

Year 11 and 13 will now find on their Intake Google Classroom some suggested next steps in terms of career planning and thinking about the future, including A level preparation, apprenticeships information, and preparing for college. Please do encourage them to go through the document and use some of the resources.

Key Dates

- 14 June: Y11 Bronze DofE Expedition
- 21 June: Y12 Assessments
- 19 July: Activity Day
- 20 July: Sports Day
- 21 July: Last Day of Term

House Points

[Current house points](#)

Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
32177	33817	31824	32774
3 rd	1 st	4 th	2 nd

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Attendance

Forms with the highest attendance week ending 28 May:

- 7B2 98%
- 8B2 98.3%
- 9H2 94.3%
- 10B1, H2 97.9%

Well done all!

Staff Vacancies

We are looking for a site assistant for a 1-year post; if you or anyone you know would be interested in joining the team please see the [school website](#) for full details. All other vacancies can be found [here](#).

Finance

Did you know that you can set up email alerts to let you know when your child's lunch account is running low? Log onto ParentPay and follow: Communication / Alert Settings / Balance Alerts - then enter the threshold balance and tick EMAIL.

Clean Air Day

Examples of how you can support Clean Air Day, held on 17 June:

Do – Go polluting vehicle free: Let's show our support for children in your neighbourhood by leaving your car at home today or not ordering any non-essential, polluting deliveries.

Say - Support your local council's clean air activities and tell them what you want to see happening to tackle air pollution, so that the children in your neighbourhood can learn and play free from polluting vehicles, by writing or tweeting at them.

For more information on what you can do to help please click [here](#).

Bedrock in Year 9

Thank you for your continued support with the Bedrock programme in Year 9. Attainment has been impressive, with over 50 students showing an average improvement above 45% since the programme started. In May 9x/En1 were the top performing class across the school and scored 6178 points. The average points per student in this class was 199.

County League Athletics

Congratulations to all those that competed on Thursday night. Facing some tough competition, U14 Boys came 5th, U14 Girls 4th, U16 Boys 5th and the U16 joint 1st!

Notable performances came from David A, Tam H, Natalie C, Indie F, Lucy B and Phoebe G, who won their respective events.

Good luck to those competing in the last event on Monday and those at the County Championships this Saturday.

Music Tuition

If your child is interested in taking music lessons from September, Hertfordshire Music Service offer tuition in a range of different instruments. For further information please go to; <http://www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk/music-lessons/> .

To guarantee lessons from September the deadline for booking is FRIDAY 25th JUNE.

Ashlyns contribute to the cost of lessons for any students taking GCSE or A' Level Music. For more information and any other queries regarding music tuition, please email musictuition@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk.

News from The ASA BAGS 2 SCHOOL

We are collecting your bags of donations (clothing, shoes and household linens etc) please drop them off at **30 Oakwood, Berkhamsted HP4 3NQ**. Bags for this purpose can be obtained from school reception, but your own bags are also accepted.

GOOD AS NEW UNIFORM

A huge thank you to year 11 parents for the fabulous quality and volume of uniform donated this week.

COVID regulations permitting, we will be holding our annual 'good as new' uniform sale on Monday 28 June, 4 to 7pm.

We will be selling good quality uniform and PE kit at half the price of brand new. Prices range from £15 for a blazer to £2.50 for a tie. Please note that we will only be able to take card payments.