



## Next Week, after bank holiday Monday- Week 1

**Attendance reporting procedures** - to speed up the process of recording morning daily absence, late arrivals and appointments, and ensure we have accurate records of symptoms, we are now asking parents to report children's absence by 08:30 each morning using our [online google form](#) which can also be found on the school website. This form can also be used to report future absence e.g. dentist appointments.

### Careers

This week we welcomed the Intelligence Corps to Ashlyns to talk about their specialist work in gathering, analysing and disseminating military intelligence and the variety of job roles within their division. Our guest speaker commented: *'It was a pleasure to visit today and to have so many insightful questions about our work; your students are a credit to Ashlyns School.'*

We hosted a virtual Investing to Improve Climate Change careers workshop this week where students had the opportunity to find more about the different roles in investment management and how the industry invests in climate change solutions to help the environment and the economy.

On Monday 16 May from 5 - 6pm, Young Professionals are hosting a free virtual event with Jaguar Land Rover for students who are interested in a career in the automotive industry. Jaguar Land Rover is the UK's largest investor in automotive research, development and engineering. The session will cover how the company has become what it is today, their vision for the future with sustainable technologies and the variety of roles available in the company. Registration for this free event can be found [here](#).

### Mobile Phone Usage

Please remind your children that if they bring a mobile phone to school, the phone must remain switched off during the school day both for safeguarding reasons and because they disturb learning and distract other students. Mobile phones must be kept out of sight and may not be used, for any purpose, on school premises, grounds or during approved off-site activities (such as sports fixtures or educational trips). The only exception to this would follow express approval by a member of school staff such as [usage to monitor glucose levels remotely](#).

If students feel the need to contact parents/carers at any time during the school day they may go to Student Reception at break time or lunchtime and ask to use the school phone. They should not use their mobile phone, even if they think it is an emergency.

### Uniform

At Ashlyns we are currently aiming to further improve the standards of uniform worn by students around the school. It would be greatly appreciated if you could support this by ensuring that your child is equipped with the necessary uniform items, and that they are wearing them to the expected standard. As a gentle reminder please find the links for both the [Years 7 to 11](#) and [Sixth Form](#) dress requirement. Thank you for your support.

### Key Dates

- 29 May: Half Term

### Communications

- [Y11 Exams and Study Leave](#)
- [Letter Regarding Exam Timetables](#)
- [DofE Silver Practice Expedition](#)
- [DofE Bronze Assessed Expedition](#)

### House Points

Current house points			
Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
37287	36826	34355	35620
1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
29/04/2022			

### Attendance

Forms with the highest attendance week ending 22 April:

7B1 97.4%  
8R1 97.7%  
9R2 97.5%  
10R2 99%  
11H2 98%

### Vacancies Support Staff

- [Premises Site Support](#)

### Public Health Service

Herts county council are running a tick awareness campaign, please click [here](#) for more information on how to stay safe from ticks this spring.

### Dacorum Families SEND Information Fayre

The first SEND Fayre will be Thursday 12 May and will offer the opportunity to talk to local SEND services providers all in one place!

## Black History Month Online Forum

Herts for learning is hosting a free online forum that will give parents and carers who are and/or have children from Black and mixed heritage backgrounds the opportunity to participate in a facilitated discussion (with Wellbeing and Race Equality Advisers) about Black History Month. They want to hear direct experiences, find out what is working well and hear suggestions about where improvements could be made. They will share our findings and use the feedback to provide further resources and support to maintained schools in Herts for BHM 2022 and beyond. Please click [here](#) to book.

This day is aimed at families with children with Special Education Needs and Disabilities (with or without a diagnosis), however you are welcome to bring a friend with you to join you at the event. Please click [here](#) to register your place.

## Safeguarding

As mentioned in last week's e-Bulletin students received assemblies this week with regards to misogyny and harmful sexualised language. These assemblies provided students with the tools to take a stand against this and report it to staff within school. For further information and support upon this subject please click [here](#).

## Sports Results, week commencing 25 April

U13B Girls Football vs Longdean	Drew 1-1
Y11 Boys Football Districts Cup Final vs Hemel	Lost 2-1
U13 A Girls Football vs Longdean	Won 10-0, League Champions

## Tooled Up at Ashlyns - resources from Dr Kathy Weston



- [webinar](#) on balancing academic achievement with good mental health
- Read evidence-based advice on talking to [primary-aged children about assessments](#),
- 30 tips for parents of tweens in [years 7 and 8](#) (or watch our [video](#))
- preparing teens in their GCSE year (both as a [tip sheet](#) and [video](#) you can share with them)
- help your 16-18 year old manage [A level](#) exam anxiety.
- [list of questions to use with older teens](#) at various stages of the revision process, to help them feel exam-ready.
- podcast with [Dr Duncan Astle](#), for some fantastic revision tips, straight from a brain and memory expert!
- [Coping Menu](#) for exam anxiety
- [mindfulness apps](#), [30 drawing ideas](#), [breathing exercises](#)
- [apps that help to connect children with nature](#)