



Next Week - Week 2

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

The NHS Insight Programme is a fantastic opportunity for students interested in a career in front line services in the community such as the ambulance service, midwifery or in pharmacy to get more information on these roles. This virtual event is being held on Tuesday 17 May from 5-6pm. To register please click [here](#).

InvestIN are running Summer career experiences for students aged 12-18 for aspiring doctors, engineers, architects and filmmakers. More details on the wide range of courses on offer and costs can be found [here](#).

Drumming Lesson Bursary

Each year Ashlyns School is lucky enough to receive a Drumming Bursary for a student who has an interest in music, and in particular learning to play the drums.

Founded in 2012, the Bursary is in memory of ex-student Cedric Sharpley who was the drummer for Druid - a 1970's progressive rock band and later joined Tubeway Army - Gary Numan's band. Cedric went on to play drums on the infamous 'Cars' track by Gary Numan.

With some fundraising from Cedric's friends and family we are thrilled to have been informed we can offer **two Drumming Bursaries** for the academic year 2022-2023, any student can apply for this fabulous opportunity to receive one to one drumming lessons.

For more information or to apply please email Kerene Marval at musictuition@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk.

Pastoral Focus - Rewards

Thank you for your support with our recent uniform pastoral focus. In the next fortnight we are going to put an extra focus upon rewarding our students for the great effort, progress, achievement and contribution to the school they demonstrate. Please click [here](#) for the behaviour policy.

Changes to Statutory SEND

Herts County Council are launching changes to their Statutory SEND service. They are confident that these changes will, in time, improve the Education, Health and Care Plan experience for families.

You can read all about what's changing and how these changes might affect you, in their [latest blogpost](#) on the Local offer.

Key Dates

- 16 May: GCSE Exams Commence
- 30 May: Half Term

Communications

- [Y9 Activity Days](#)
- [Y8 Activity Days](#)

House Points

Current house points			
Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
38761	38092	35478	36732
1 st	2 nd	4 th	3 rd
06/05/2022			

Attendance

Forms with the highest attendance week ending 29 April:

7C1 98.8%
 8C2 97.9%
 9C1 97.9%
 10R2 98.8%
 11B2 99.3%

Vacancies Support Staff

- [Premises Site Support](#)
- [Teaching Assistant 18hrs](#)
- [Teaching Assistant 30hrs](#)

Music Lessons

If you wish to withdraw or change music lessons for the Autumn Term 2022, please email

SchoolsDirectInvoicing@hertfordshire.gov.uk by **MONDAY 16th MAY**.

Sports Results, week commencing 3 May

Athletics County League 1st Meet Results:

U14 Girls (Y7 & Y8)

Overall: 2nd place

Notable performances:

Mollie R, 1st in 200m & 1st in Long Jump

Edie F, 3rd in High Jump

Lily M-L, 3rd in 100m

Florence H, 1st in 800m

Ruby D, 3rd in Hurdles

Rose M, 3rd in 1500m

Relay Team, 1st in 4 x 100m

U14 Boys (Y7 & Y8)

Overall: 2nd place

Notable performances:

Robin S, 3rd in 100m and 1st in Triple Jump

Jobe G, 1st in 300m

Olly C, 2nd in 800m

Oscar H, 3rd in 1500m

Riad A, 2nd in Hurdles and 2nd in High Jump

Archie W, 2nd in Long Jump

Relay Team, 3rd in 4 x 100m

U16 Girls (Y9 & Y10)

Overall: 2nd place

Notable performances:

Lucy B, 1st in 200m and 1st in Triple Jump

Nina G, 1st in 300m and 3rd in Shot Put

Gracie L, 1st in Hurdles and 1st in High Jump

Aliya P, 1st in Discus

Relay Team, 2nd in 4 x 100m

U16 Boys (Y9 & Y10)

Overall: 1st place!

Notable performances:

Rex C, 1st in Hurdles

James S, 1st in 100m and 1st in Long Jump

Freddie B, 1st in 200m

Josh M, 1st in 400m

Jacob T, 2nd in 800m

Harry D, 1st in Javelin

Leon D, 2nd in 1500m

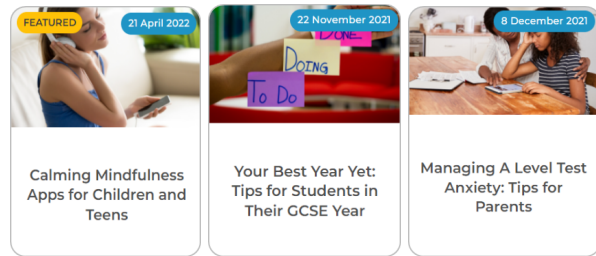
David A, 2nd in Shot Put

Tam H, 4th in Discus and part of winning relay team

Relay Team, 1st in 4 x 100m

Y10 Cricket V St Columba's	Lost
County League Athletics	U14 Girls - 2nd, U14 Boys - 2nd, U16 Girls - 2nd, U16 Boys - 1st
Y11 Rounders	Winners

Tooled Up at Ashlyns - resources from Dr Kathy Weston



Next week is Mental Health Awareness Week. This year, it runs from May 9th-15th and the theme is loneliness. Feeling a sense of connection to other people and to our community is crucial for mental health, both for adults and children.

- [Making Friends](#) prompts provide some great icebreakers to get conversations flowing
- [10 Strategies for Making Friends](#) is perfect for older teens

Podcasts

- [Dr Jess Datu](#)
- [Professor Robin Banerjee](#)
- Acts of kindness [list](#)
- [compilation of books](#) to promote kindness and empathy

If your child feels lonely, it can be helpful to remind them of all those who love and support them.

- [Who is There for Me?](#) activity
- [list of support groups and services](#)
- [podcast](#) on suicide prevention and postvention with Dr Chris Bowden