



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.

Dragons Apprentice

Year 12 Ashlyns students have been working hard this year on the Dacorum Dragons apprentice challenge. Working with local businesses and charities together they have raised £5341.31 for local charities Waterways Experience and Community Action Dacorum, winning the award for Most Money Raised! Well done!



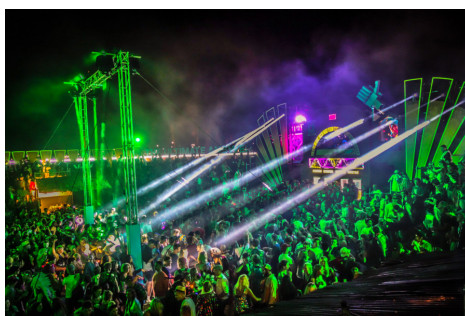
Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Good luck to the 82 year 9s completing their Bronze Assessed Expedition this weekend. Students will be walking around 30km across the weekend and camping overnight. Thanks to all the staff and volunteers who are supporting students in completing their expedition.

Safeguarding

Some of our older teenagers may be packing up their tents and wellies ready to attend their first festival this summer. The Festival Safe website aims to help first-time festival-goers to have a safe experience. Amongst other topics, the site includes a section on alcohol and other drugs, including:

- Understanding The Law
- General Harm Reduction Guide
- Alcohol Harm Reduction Guide
- Drugs Harm Reduction Guide
- Drug Testing



Festival Safe can be found [here](#).

Careers

International Women in Engineering Day

The Science Department has organised two virtual career events to celebrate International Women in Engineering Day on 23 June. Both sessions feature inspiring talks from STEM Ambassadors who work in the industry and will be followed by a live Q&A session.

The first session for **Year 7/8** in P2 will be hosted by Harshini Jogia who will talk about her career in engineering, the subjects she studied at school and will provide an insight into the STEM business she works in. The second session in

Key Dates

- 21 May: Y9 Bronze DofE Expedition
- 23 May: A Level Exams Commence
- 30 May: Half Term
- 15 July: ASA Comedy Night

Communications

- [Y11 Yearbook](#)
- [Y7 Activity Days](#)

House Points



Current house points



Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
41386	40430	37638	38917
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20/05/2022



Attendance

Forms with the highest attendance week ending 13 May:

7C2 97.9%
8H1 98%
9R1 98%
10R2 95%
11B2 87.8%

Vacancies

Teaching Staff

- [Teacher of English](#)
- [Teacher of Sociology](#)

Support Staff

- [Premises Assistant](#)
- [Finance Assistant](#)

Inclusion

From the 6th June 2022, the SENCO will be running a parent/carer Inclusion surgery where any concerns about your child's learning, development or well-being can be discussed. The Inclusion team ensures that all students with special needs and disabilities are

P4 for **Year 9/10** will be hosted by Niamh Pamment who will talk about her work as an Environmental Engineering Degree Apprentice. Please discuss this opportunity with your daughter and complete the form [here](#). An email will be sent a week before confirming the event details.

NHS Insight Career Talks

On **Wednesday 25 May** from 5-6.30pm students can find out more about a career in Radiology/Radiography. Please click [here](#) to register for this free virtual event.

Young Professionals Conference

On **Thursday 7 July**, Young Professionals are holding their Conference in Westminster, London for students in Year 11 and 13. Students will be able to meet global employers, network with leading professionals and take part in workshops. Details on how to register for this event can be found [here](#).

well-supported, nurtured and able to succeed academically and socially.

The sessions will take place on Mondays between 2:30 and 3:30pm and can be booked to be in person or remotely (this must be stated when booking). If you would like to book a slot, please contact Mrs Milne via the school office on 01442 863605 or jmilne@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk.

ASA News

[COMEDY NIGHT](#) - SAVE THE DATE - FRIDAY 15th JULY

Save the date for the return of one of our best and most popular events - tickets will be on sale soon. Don't miss out!

ASA 100 CLUB

This is a great way to raise money for Ashlyns with a chance to win a prize. Anyone can buy one or more numbers in our monthly draw. Each number is £2 per month or £24 a year, half of this money is used for 3 cash prizes and half to the ASA. You have to be in to win, so sign up today to be in the next draw. Email ASA100CLUB@gmail.com for more info. The more members we have, the more we raise for Ashlyns.

Congratulations to the winners of the April draw:

1st prize - J Rollit
2nd prize - G Okin
3rd prize - J Howe

Tooled Up at Ashlyns - resources from Dr Kathy Weston



Turning Over Stones:
How to 'Audit' Family
Life and Have Difficult
Conversations



Family Audit
Template



Dr Weston Talks with
Professor Susan
Golombok: Non-
Traditional Family
Forms

United Nations' [International Day of Families](#) on May 15th. This year, the focus was on urbanisation and its impact on family life and wellbeing. Resources in the Tooled Up library which are designed to kickstart tricky conversations about the good and the bad in family life:

- [top ten tips](#) on making family conversation more productive, accompanying
- [template](#) to use before and during these family audit meetings. If you have younger children, our
- [My Family Life](#) activity is a great way to prompt reflections on the positives and negatives of everyday life.
- podcasts with [Professor Susan Golombok](#) on non-traditional family forms
- [Professor Kathryn Almack](#) on same-sex parenting, or check out our
- [list of books](#) that celebrate different families in all their wonderful variety.

webinars on different aspects of family life:

- Sociologist Dr Laura Towers spoke to us about **supporting young people through sibling bereavement** and then we were joined by
- Dr Sarah Foley's discussion on **post-separation parenting** and what the research suggests to be optimal approaches.

If these subjects are of interest to you but you missed them live, recordings will be in the library soon, complete with accompanying notes.