



## Next Week - Week 1

**Attendance reporting procedures** Please 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 should also be used to report future absence e.g. dentist appointments.

## Y11 Study

As we come to the end of the first half term in Yr 11 we would like to take the opportunity to congratulate our Year 11s on their work ethic and attitude to study and to recap the school's expectations in regards to independent study as they work towards their trial examinations in November. Students in Yr 11 should be aiming at 2 hours of study, including home learning, each evening. Session 6 is available Mon-Thursday at school in the LRC to help support students with the first hour. Session 6 will now run until 4:30pm, allowing students to get a full hour of revision after settling in and being registered from arrival.

## Careers

### NHS Virtual Work Experience

The NHS are running a virtual work experience opportunity for students between 24 Oct - 7 November covering healthcare science and non-clinical roles. The programme is open to students in Years 10-13 and the deadline for application is 19 October. More information can be found [here](#).

### Year 7 Careers in Engineering

On Tuesday 8 November we are repeating our recent one-day HS2 Engineering event exclusively for Year 7 students. This interactive event is for students who are interested in exploring engineering career pathways. If you would like to register your interest in a place, please discuss this event with your child and then complete the form [here](#). Please note that the event programme will follow the normal school timetable and should we be oversubscribed then we will offer places via a ballot system. An email will be sent nearer the time confirming a place and the arrangements.

### Careers in the Police Force

Last week, Hertfordshire Constabulary visited Ashlyns to talk about the variety of roles in policing to a packed audience of Year 9 and 10 students. PC Dewey and PC Munn gave students an insight into the process of qualifying as a police officer and the skills needed to succeed in the role.

### CSI Forensic Science Careers Event

This week a group of our Year 8 students learned first hand what a job in Forensic Science involves. The LRC was turned into a 'crime scene' for 2 hours and working in groups, dressed as crime scene investigators, students forensically analysed evidence to find the perpetrator of a crime. Our speaker commented: 'The students made great Scene Of Crime Officers, and showed real enthusiasm in solving the case; they are a credit to the school and it was a pleasure working with them.'

## Key Dates

- 19 Oct: ASA Y7 & 8 Halloween Disco
- 20 Oct: Into The Sixth Evening
- 22-25 Oct: Y11 Sports Tour
- 24-28 Oct: Half Term

## Communications

- [A Level Geography Fieldwork Trip](#)
- [Woman in Black Theatre Trip Y11,12,13](#)
- [Y12&13 Parliament Debate Competition](#)

## House Points

Current house points

Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
7575	7525	7561	7586
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>

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## Vacancies

- [Learning Mentor](#)
- [Attendance Officer](#)
- [Aspire Gym Administrators- Casuals](#)
- [Foreign Language Assistant - French](#)

## Local Primary School Vacancies

- [Thomas Coram - Class Teacher](#)
- [Victoria - ASC Assistant Supervisor](#)

## ASA News

**AGM + MEETING** - Wednesday 2nd November 7pm - Boardroom at Ashlyns  
We are asking for as many members as possible to attend our AGM and meeting, where we will be voting on Trustee roles, as well as

## Safeguarding

Please find a [link](#) providing advice on staying safe online, with particular reference to the risk of radicalisation and extremism.

## Sports Results

Y8 Boys Rugby @Tring	2nd
Y10 Boys Football vs Hitchin Boys	Lost 4-0
U13 Girls Football vs St Michael's	Won 11-0
Y7 Boys Rugby @Tring	1st
Y10B, 11A and Senior Netball vs JFK	Lost
Y8A&B Netball vs Kings Langley	A - Won 22-20, B- won 23-2
U12 Girls Football vs Wycombe High School	Won 8-0

## Berkhamsted Rotary Fireworks

The [Rotary firework event](#) will be held on Saturday 5th November; tickets are on sale now and can be purchased from the Ashlyns school office. Tickets cost £9 for adults, £6 for children and £23 for a family ticket; prices are higher on the night so it is worth buying in advance. Please pay with the correct cash or cheques made payable to RCB.

## Music Lessons

If you wish to withdraw or change music lessons for the Spring Term 2023 (as of the 5th Jan 2023), please email: [SchoolsDirectInvoicing@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:SchoolsDirectInvoicing@hertfordshire.gov.uk) by **Monday 10 October**. If you have any queries regarding music lessons please email [musictuition@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:musictuition@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk)

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



Books to Cultivate Kindness and Empathy



100 Acts of Kindness



Friendship Issues in the Primary Years: 15 Reflective Questions for Parents

It's Black History Month, an event which celebrates the achievements of important people in the history of the African diaspora and the continued contributions of Black people around the world. It also promotes continued action in tackling racism and ensuring that Black history is represented in our schools. It's key to involve the most important community members in this annual celebration: our children. The Tooled Up library offers various booklists, articles and activities that are there to support you in doing just that.

- [issues of race, racism, tolerance and acceptance](#)
- [reduce bias](#)
- [expose to diversity](#)
- [cultivate kindness and empathy](#)
- [challenge harmful talk](#)
- [far-reaching psychological and social consequences of kindness](#)
- [kindness challenge](#)
- [qualities that make someone a good friend](#)
- [resilient children](#).

discussing fundraising events.

## ASA Co-Chair VACANCY

We are urgently looking for our next co-chair to assist the Trustee team and continue the amazing work we do! There will be a full handover, with support from the current chairs and trustees team. This is a shared role for a limited tenure, so you're not signing up for life! We would really like to hear from you BEFORE the next AGM, so send us an email to register your interest and find out more

[asa@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:asa@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk)

## Halloween Party Wed 19th October - 7-8.30pm

Tickets for Yr7 & Yr8 now on ParentPay, numbers are limited so please buy asap. Entrance is £5 including a drink & snack. Fancy dress prizes plus a sweet stall. Please bring any donations of nut-free, shop-bought, pre-packaged treats to school by Tuesday 18th October. Any questions please email [asa@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:asa@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk)

## 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](mailto:ASA100CLUB@gmail.com) for more info.

Congratulations to the winners of the September draw:

1st prize - J Parr  
2nd prize - E Robson  
3rd prize - E Jelf