



Next week- Week 2

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.

Safeguarding

Please find a [resource](#) that helps support conversations between you and your child with regards to body image.

Uniform Supplier

We have been informed this week that our uniform supplier, Essential Schoolwear, has ceased trading with immediate effect. We are in the process of appointing a new supplier and will notify parents/carers when this is in place. In the meantime, the ASA has a supply of 'New to You' uniform items for purchase; they can be contacted at ASA@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Assembly Theme

This week our KS3 assemblies were led by Mr Roberts on the character strength of leadership, exploring what makes a good leader and the leadership opportunities that are available in our school community such as Learning Ambassadors, Sports Leaders, Duke of Edinburgh award, Prefects and House Captains. For KS4 this week, Oaklands College visited to talk about educational pathways available to students.

Learning Ambassadors - visit to Swing Gate School

This week our Learning Ambassadors visited Swing Gate with Mr Roberts and Mr Crean to deliver a Science themed lesson about the effects of exercise on our bodies. The Year 2 students very much enjoyed the lesson and activities.



National Apprenticeship Week: 6-10 February

We are delighted that ASK Apprenticeship Assessment Centre will be working with Year 10 students next week to coincide with National Apprenticeship Week, alongside a variety of careers talks taking place. We have been asked to share [this letter](#) with all **parents/carers of students in Years 10 to 13**. This gives more information about the opportunities and benefits apprenticeships can bring to young people and encourages them to consider apprenticeships when they are thinking about career choices.

Community Fridge

Please click [here](#) for more information on the Community Fridge run by Open Door Cafe, Berkhamsted. The Community Fridge aims to redistribute surplus food to help reduce food waste.

Key Dates

- 9 Feb: Year 9 Options Evening
- 13 Feb: Half Term
- 23 Feb: Y9 Parent-teacher Consultation Evening
- 17 March: ASA Quiz Night

Communications

- [Y10 Work Shadow Letter to Employer](#)
- [Y11 Extended Learning Day Trial Exams](#)

Next Week Lunch Menu: Week 3

House Points

Current house points			
Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
25566	25062	26077	27211
3 rd	4 th	2 nd	1 st
03/02/2023			

Attendance

Forms with the highest attendance week ending 27 Jan:

7R1 98%
 8H1 98%
 9B1 97%
 10R2 98%
 11R2 98%

Vacancies

- [Teacher of French part time](#)
- [LRC Assistant](#)
- [Science Technician](#)
- [Premises Assistant](#)

DSPL

Please click [here](#) for the DSPL Dacorum Spring Newsletter with full details of all upcoming courses and support for parents/carers of children with additional needs.

Berkhamsted Raiders Free Inclusive Football Training

Berkhamsted Raiders offers [FREE Inclusive Football](#) training sessions every Saturday morning from 10.30am to 11.30am at Ashlyns School Astro. We cater for children with any physical and neurological conditions including Cerebral Palsy, ADHD, Autism, Dyspraxia. Our sessions are run by experienced coaches who ensure that the training is adapted to everyone's needs, experience and abilities. We focus on general fitness, ball skills and matches all whilst having fun! If you are interested in finding out more please email us at inclusive@berkhamstedraiders.com.

Careers

Oaklands College presented to Year 10 and Year 11 students this week in assembly. Oaklands has two open evening events scheduled where students can find out more about college life, explore the facilities and meet the tutors. Details on how to book can be found [here](#).

Welwyn Garden City Campus: 7 February 2023, 5-7pm

St Albans Campus: 9 February 2023, 5-7pm

Careers Webinar

Speakers for Schools is holding an evening webinar for parents and carers of all students aged 14-19 years. This virtual open evening will showcase career insight sessions and work experience placements, both virtual and face to face, across all industries and sectors. You will also have the chance to hear from employers including Bentley Motors, NHS, and Tesco about the opportunities they deliver through Speakers for Schools. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Sports Results

Y7 A&B Boys Football vs KLSSe	A - Lost 3-1, B- Drew 3-3
Y9A & 10A Netball vs Berkhamsted	Y9A- Lost, Y10A- Lost
U15 Girls Football vs Tring	Lost
Y7 A&C Netball vs KLS	7A-Won 23-3, 7C-Won 23-2
Y11 Boys Rugby vs KLS	Won 19-0
U13B Girls Football vs Tring	Lost
Y7A Boys Football vs JFK	Won 5-1
Y8 A&B Netball vs Tring	A - Won 32-7, B - Won 15-4
U15 Girls Football vs Abbot's	TBC
Y9B Boys Football vs Adeyfield	TBC
11A vs 11B Netball	TBC

ASA News

ASA Quiz – 17 March - tickets are still on sale. Individual tickets and tables of ten can be purchased via ParentPay, together with food bags. Quizzers can bring their own drinks and food, and there will be a licensed top-up bar. We still need offers of homemade cakes for the cake auction – please email the ASA if you can make and bring a cake to donate. ASA@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk

Bags2School – Thank you to everyone who donated to the Bags2School collection. We will let you know how much it raised.

Tooled Up at Ashlyns - resources from Dr Kathy Weston



Spellings and Creative Writing



Developing an Understanding of Disability and Self-advocacy skills for Children and Young People



Q&A with Rugby Great, Floyd Steadman OBE

Did you know that it's *National Storytelling Week*? Encouraging storytelling and a love of reading, writing and telling stories is something that we continuously advocate here at Tooled Up. Take a look at all of our [book lists](#) and check out our top tips on cultivating a [love of reading](#) and [creative writing](#).

Here's what's on next week:

[Practical Strategies for Parents in Supporting Children with Dyslexia: February 7, 2023, 7:30pm GMT](#)
[REGISTER NOW](#)

[Developing an Understanding of Disability and Self-advocacy Skills for Children and Young People: February 10, 2023, 12:30pm GMT](#)
[REGISTER NOW](#)

We upload all recordings of our webinars to the Tooled Up [library](#). You can, for instance, find last week's interview with trailblazing [Rugby](#) player and ex-headteacher, Floyd Steadman OBE, who will inspire interested parents or budding young athletes with his astonishing story.

And just to remind you: If you don't want to miss any of our latest news, resource updates or upcoming events, make sure to follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) or [LinkedIn](#)!