



## 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 an informative [guide](#) that supports conversations between parents/carers and children around online sexual harassment.

## Spring Chill

Well done to all the students who participated in this week's Spring Chill concert! There was a huge variety of talent on display, ranging from classical guitar performances to ABBA duets. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported our musicians.

## Assembly Theme

This week assemblies have been led by Mrs Gee, head of Year 9, on the subject of racism and prejudice, relating particularly to racism in sport and football.

## A Midsummer Night's Dream Auditions

The Drama department is putting on a performance of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' by William Shakespeare and we would love all students to get involved! There will be a workshop audition on **Monday 27th March 3:30pm to 4:30pm in DR1** and students do not need to pre-prepare anything. If students are unable to attend the audition but would like to be in the performance, they can still see one of the Drama teachers to register their interest. **The performances will be on the 12th and 13th of July.**

## LRC

The Carnegie Medal is one of the oldest children's literary awards featuring a shortlist of 7 books culminating with the winner announcement at the end of June. We will be starting our book shadowing after Easter for students in Year 8. Any students interested in joining the Tuesday lunchtime book club are welcome to pop into the LRC to find out more. The shortlisted books with synopsis are available to view [here](#).

The Hay Festival is the UK's largest literary celebration which takes place each year in Hay-on-Wye. More details on this year's programme can be found [here](#).

## Careers

Our Year 12 Politics students had the opportunity this week to listen to a lively and engaging presentation by an experienced member of Haringey Council. The fascinating talk outlined the wide range of services provided by local councils and gave an insight into pressures and demands associated with the role. The students enjoyed the experience and had the opportunity of finding out about potential career paths in local government.

## Key Dates

- 30 March: ASA Y9 silent Disco
- 31 March: Easter Holiday, school finishes at 3.20
- 17 April: Start of School Term
- 18 April: Y10 Trial Assessment Week
- 22/23 April: Y9 Bronze DofE Practice Expedition
- 27 April: Y8 Parent-Teacher Consultation Evening
- 1 May: Bank Holiday
- 8 May: Coronation Bank Holiday

## Communications

- [Y9 Bronze DofE Practice Expedition](#)
- [Sustainable Travel](#)
- [Y8 Activity Days](#)

## Next Week Lunch Menu: Week 3

## House Points

Current house points			
Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
32603	32679	32615	33809
4 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>

24/03/2023

## Attendance

Forms with the highest attendance week ending 17 Mar:

- 7B2 97%
- 8C2 99%
- 9R2 98%
- 10H2 100%
- 11H1 93%

## Graduate Careers Live

Please click [here](#) for more information about a special TV programme for Year 12 sixth form students on the graduate job market & degree apprenticeships.

## Iftar Boxes

The kitchen team at Ashlyns are producing daily boxes for students who are fasting for Ramadan. These boxes can be collected after school from the canteen every day between 22 March-21 April. Boxes are £2.50 or free for students entitled to free school meals. Please click [here](#) for more information.

## Unlocking Potential Trip

A group of students from Year 10 are taking part in Unlocking Potential, a joint initiative between AQA and the Dame Kelly Holmes Trust. The project involves working with an elite athlete mentor to put together a social action project. This week involved the midpoint trip to meet up with other schools taking part in the initiative, and to present their social action ideas. Our students were excellent ambassadors for the school.

## Rugby Tournament

Congratulations to the Y9+10 girls who took part in the Rugby tournament at Eton Manor this week. They were overall winners having won every single one of their games.



## Sports Results

U13 Girls County Cricket Finals	3rd in County
Y8A Boys Football vs Kings Langley	Won 2-1
U18 Boys Football vs Tring	Lost 1-0
Y7 Netball Versatility Tournament	A- District Champions, B-5th
Y8 Netball Versatility Tournament	A- District Champions, B -3rd in group
Y10A Boys Football vs Tring	Won 2-0
Y7 Boys Rugby vs Astley Cooper	Lost 6-1
U18 Boys Football vs Aylesbury Grammar	Won 3-2
Y9 Netball Versatility Tournament	A - District Champions, B - 4th
U18 Basketball vs Berkhamsted	Won 66-37
Y10 Netball Versatility Tournament	3rd in District
Y8B Boys Football vs Hemel	TBC

## Netball Season

This year has been the most successful year ever for our Ashlyns Netball teams; we have played around 100 fixtures across all year groups! The season has drawn to a close with the District Versatility Tournaments for Years



## Vacancies

Teaching:

- [Teacher of English \(full or Part-time\)](#)

Support Staff:

- [Premises Assistant](#)

## ASA News

**Quiz night** – Thank you to everyone who supported our first quiz night since 2019! Last Friday was a really good night, with some very competitive quizzing and the cake auction alone making some £400 for the ASA. We will report on final takings in due course, but in the meantime a special thank you to our organisers, quiz masters and bakers.

## Year 9 Silent Disco - 30th March

Don't miss next week's 1-off event for this Year group. Ticket sales (£3 including drink and snack) close on Tuesday.

As a reminder, this is the first opportunity for the whole of year 9 to socialise together since joining the school.

The silent disco element removes the usual awkwardness of a regular disco; immerse yourself in the music...and if you don't like what you're listening to, simply change the channel to find something that grabs you more. All the details are on the [flyer attached](#).

## 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

7-10 across four days. Ashlyns had two teams competing for each year group and were winners in the Year 7, 8 and 9 tournaments! The Year 7 and Year 8A teams, as well as the 11B team, were also Dacorum Cup winners and we have had some very good results in the District Leagues as well. A big well done to all of the students who have represented the school in Netball this year; you should all be so proud of your achievements!



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

Congratulations to the winners of the February draw:

- 1st prize - D Bull
- 2nd prize - R Kempster
- 3rd prize - F Ripley

**ASHLYNS FESTIVAL - 14th and 15th July - pre-registration now open!**

Pre-register now via our website to get the early-bird ticket deals when they go on general release:

[ashlynsfestival.co.uk](http://ashlynsfestival.co.uk)

Make sure you LIKE and FOLLOW our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages

If you have or know a business interested in sponsorship and support, please email [ashlynsfestival@gmail.com](mailto:ashlynsfestival@gmail.com)

	League	Cup	Versatility
<b>Year 7</b>	A - Champions B - 5th C - 3rd	A - Champions B - Semi-finals	A - Champions B - 5th
<b>Year 8</b>	A - 2nd B - 2nd	A - Champions	A - Champions
<b>Year 9</b>	A - 2nd B - 4th	A - 2nd round B - 2nd round	A - Champions
<b>Year 10</b>	A - 6th B - 4th	B - Plate winners	A - 3rd
<b>Year 11</b>	A - 2nd B - 3rd	B - Champions A - Runners up	A - 2nd B - 3rd

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



Teens and Appearance-based Interactions on Social Media



50 Questions to Ask Your Teen about Their Digital Diet



TikTok Explained



Our Top Ten Digital Resources

Sadly, appearance-related concerns are very high among teens in the UK. We also know that visual social media platform design encourages both image creation/sharing and interactions about these images. In [this interview](#), we talk to cyberpsychologist Dr Danielle Paddock about her fascinating examination of how teens converse with each other about appearance on social media. Dr Paddock chats about key themes that have emerged in her work, fruitful ways to talk to teens about this issue, and the positive impact of a brief school-based intervention about appearance-based interactions on young people's body image.

If you'd like to learn more about all things digital, why not take a look at the multitude of topical resources in our [library](#)? We provide advice on things you can [ask your teen about their digital diet](#), help you to understand [how TikTok works](#) or you can just take a look at an [overview](#) of our top digital resources

On a different note - **April** is just around the corner, so here's a reminder of the live webinars and events that we have coming up over the next month:

**17th April, 7.30pm BST: [How Breathing Techniques can Help Children to Master a Stammer or Stutter](#)**

**21st April, 9am - 4.15pm BST: [Online Autism Conference](#)**

**25th April, 7.30pm BST: [Andrew Tate and Toxic Influencers: A Guide for Parents and Educators](#)**

**27th April, 7.30pm BST: [Eco-Anxiety, Sustainable Fashion and Wonderful Ways Forward](#)**

And as always, don't forget to follow us on social media for more updates! You will find us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and even [LinkedIn](#).