



Next week- Week 1/A

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 click [here](#) for more information on Incel Culture, recently highlighted by the Adolescence Netflix series.

Spanish Trip

We welcomed back our Y10 students from the Spanish trip today. They all had a fantastic time in Girona and were able to put their language skills to the test. Thank you to all the staff who helped with the trip.

Character

This week, our incredible team of Learning Ambassadors demonstrated true character in action, stepping out of their comfort zones to support younger students in our local community. On Wednesday, they visited Thomas Coram School alongside Miss Hirst and Miss Jackson to deliver engaging Geography sessions to Year 4 pupils. On Thursday, a different group headed to St Mary's with Mr Chan, leading an exciting Music session for another group of Year 4 students.

The feedback from both primary schools was fantastic — staff praised not only our students' knowledge and enthusiasm but also their kindness, patience, and the way they acted as positive role models. This is exactly what we mean when we talk about character at Ashlyns: showing integrity, leadership, and the confidence to help others succeed.

Opportunities like these develop essential skills in communication, teamwork, and empathy, and we are incredibly proud of the way our students represented the school.

Careers

Year 10 Work Experience – Support for Finding a Placement

We know that securing a work experience placement can be easier for some families than others, and we want to ensure that all students have access to a meaningful opportunity.

It's important that students remain flexible in their approach—work experience is as much about being in a professional environment and developing key workplace skills as it is about the specific tasks they will be doing. Gaining exposure to a real-world setting, teamwork, communication, and responsibility is invaluable, regardless of the industry.

If you feel you may need support in securing a placement, we may be able to assist a limited number of students. Please complete the form [here](#) with your child's name and their areas of interest.

Key Dates

- 4 Apr: last day of Term, school closes 15.20
- 7-18 Apr: Easter Holiday
- 21 Apr: Bank Holiday, School Closed
- 22 Apr: First Day of Term

Next Week

[Autumn/Winter Lunch](#)

Menu: Week 1

House Points

Current house points			
Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
34640	34408	36207	36336
3 rd	4 th	1 st	2 nd
28/03/2025			

Vacancies

- [Teacher of English](#)

ASA News

Quiz Night: Thank you to everyone who came and who supported the Quiz Night last Friday. It was a great ASA success, and raised another £2,000 for the school!

Date for your diary: our next event is our fabulous **Comedy Night on Friday 11th July**. See the brilliant line up [here](#) and buy your tickets [here](#). This is another event that tends to sell out, so don't miss out!

Opportunities:

Co-Treasurer: We're seeking a new **co-Treasurer**. If you're good with numbers and would like to support the School and join our team. A job description can be found [here](#).

Sponsorship: We're inviting local businesses to explore

HMS Music Lessons

If you wish to stop Music Lessons from September please email HMS.customersupport@hertfordshire.gov.uk or use this [form](#) to withdraw from lessons. Insufficient notice will incur costs.

If you wish to register for music lessons please go to [HMS Music Lesson Registration](#)

Sports Results

U13 & U15 Girls' Indoor County Cricket Finals	U13 - 3rd U15 - 2nd
U15 Girls Football vs Tring	Won 6-2
Y8 Boys Football vs KLS	Won 4-0
Y7 Boys Rugby vs KLS	Lost 5-4
Y7 Rugby Girls Rugby Tournament	3rd
Y7&8 Girls Football vs Longdean	Y7 - Lost 2-1 Y8 - Lost 1-0
Y9B Boys Football vs Tring	Lost 4-3

sponsorship opportunities with us; if you're a parent with a small business, it's a great way to get involved and help the ASA raise significant funds. If you're interested in hearing more, please get in touch.

For either of these, please contact us at asa@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk.

100 Club Private lottery: Still recruiting - the more who sign up, the greater the size of the prize pot! Just £2/month to join our private lottery and be in with a chance to win a CASH prize and help the school. 50% of the proceeds goes to the prize fund, and 50% goes directly to the ASA. Sign up here: [this form](#).

Tooled Up at Ashlyns - resources from Dr Kathy Weston: School PIN 4989



Misogynistic Content on TikTok



Andrew Tate and Toxic Influencers



Netflix's Adolescence: Resources

We understand many parents and schools are currently navigating concerns sparked by the themes highlighted in Netflix's series *Adolescence*.

At **Tooled Up**, we are committed to supporting parents and carers when it comes to the issues raised in the programme and **have a host of resources on** topics including **misogyny, incel culture, social media** and the **rise of violence against women and girls**.

If you worry about information on **TikTok**, listen to our **podcast** [Misogynistic Content on TikTok](#), which explores **how incel ideology covertly proliferates on mainstream social media** and **what parents might do to counter** this.

Every parent has heard of Andrew Tate, the self-confessed misogynist whose videos have been viewed billions of times. **Our webinar** [Andrew Tate and Toxic Influencers: A Guide](#) looks at his **methodologies and appeal** and **examines what can be done to mitigate** the risk that exposure to this type of material can bring.

For **access to all Tooled Up resources on themes** raised in *Adolescence* click [Netflix's Adolescence: Related Resources in Tooled Up](#) where we have collated a **comprehensive list to support you**.

IMPORTANT: UPCOMING WEBINAR

[Adolescence on Netflix - Action Points for Parents and Staff: 23rd April, 19:00 BST](#)

Join Dr Kathy Weston for this **interactive session** reflecting on **essential lessons**, **key takeaways**, and the **practical actions** that **parents** and **educators** can **implement** on the issues raised by Netflix's *Adolescence* series. There will also be a Q&A at the end of the season. **To register click here:** **[Adolescence on Netflix: Action Points for Parents and Staff](#)**