

Dear Parents/Carers



It was so wonderful to see our students performing at Barnwell's Annual Dance Celebration on Thursday evening and it was lovely to see so many parents, carers and staff supporting our students in the audience. We would like to thank all those involved, especially the students who took part and the Expressive Arts team. Photo's and details about the event will be in next week's newsletter.

This week our year 11, 12 and 13 students have been non-stop preparing for and sitting their exams, in what has been their busiest exam week so far. Grade Boosters have been well attended and we had our busiest ever Breakfast Club attendance on Upper Campus on Thursday morning. The LRC was absolutely buzzing with both students and science teachers engaging in conversations about chemistry topics and questions.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Townsend - Deputy Head

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 21st May

Year 8 Parents Evening

Friday 24th May

Paris Rewards Trip

And

End of Term

Monday 3rd June

Geography GCSE Trip Year 10

Wednesday 5th June

Mock Food Exam Year 10



This week we celebrate the following students, who have the most PRIDE points for demonstrating our school values

Celebrating Student Achievement

'Passionate, Resilient, Innovative, Determined, Empathetic'.

Kasey-Lee P - ER Louis O - EPO Ruby-Ann M - ER Aiden W - DSM Daniel G - RPA Alessio T - SOC

Angelee K - EPO Ellie-May L - HR Tommy D - JME Imogen J - JME Archie C - HF Lenny C - HF

Tiffany P - HR Michael W - HR Kamila S - HF Daniel M - DD Muharrem M - DSM Sky L - JH Esther S - GW

Denisa T - BI Charlotte M - FWH Paige W - ANC Faith L - ANC Lilly P - HF Oscar W - JH

Congratulations to our highest credit achievers this week:

Devonte B-S - BI Katie P - ND Chanoi S - GW Jack B - DD Reilly A-H - NHA Holly K -

JH Sean T - ND Kayleigh-Mai A-T - ND Eliza L - DSM Chantelle B - ASA

Isaac R - PAD Tegan B - JH Leo W - ANC Layla B - DD Shianna L - GW

Chloe A - ASA Rhianna M - AM Jessica P - DSM Eren A - ER Ettie Q - ER





Application (noun)



The act of putting to a special use or purpose or the special use or purpose to which something is put.

Antonyms

- hinder
- obstruct
- limit

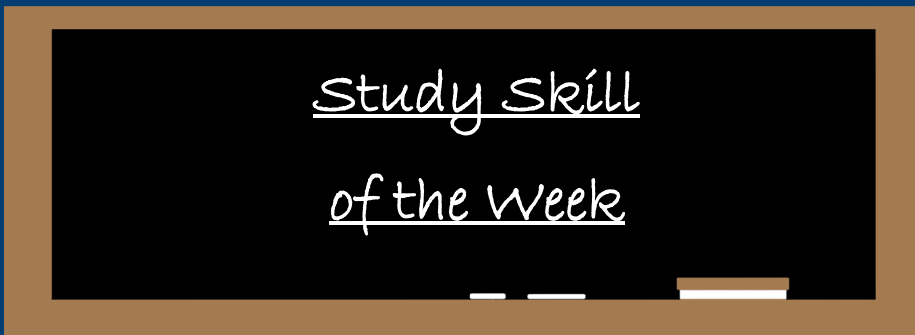
Synonyms

- implementation
- use
- practice

Sentences containing the noun 'application'

Nanotechnology has numerous **applications**, from cleaning up oil spills to treating cancer.

The **application** of mathematics to clinical trials can prove whether the drug is working on the condition.



Coping with exam anxiety



Exams

Monday 20th May - Friday 24th May

Date	Start	Length	Component Title	Year	Venue
Mon 20 May	08:45	02:00	Economics ADV Paper 1	Year 13	B4
Mon 20 May	13:30	01:45	Sociology Paper 1	Year 11	Hall/B4
Mon 20 May	13:30	02:15	Physics A - Modelling	Year 13	Gym
Mon 20 May	13:30	02:00	Psychology: Research Methods wtn		
Tue 21 May	08:45	01:30	Mathematics Paper 1 Tier F	Year 11	Hall/B3
Tue 21 May	08:45	01:30	Mathematics Paper 1 Tier H		Gym
Tue 21 May	13:30	02:30	History ADV Paper 1 Option C	Year 13	Gym
Tue 21 May	13:30	01:30	Global Geog. Issues	Year 11	Hall/B3
Wed 22 May	08:45	01:30	Working in Health & Social Care	Year 13	B4
Wed 22 May	13:30	01:45	Physics Paper 1 Tier F	Year 11	Gym
Wed 22 May	13:30	01:45	Physics Paper 1 Tier H		
Wed 22 May	13:30	01:30	Sport - Work Safe - Dip	Year 12&13	Gym
Wed 22 May	13:30	01:30	Sport - Work Safe - Ext Dip		Gym
Wed 22 May	13:30	01:15	Combined Sci Trilogy Physics P1F	Year 11	Hall/B3
Wed 22 May	13:30	01:15	Combined Sci Trilogy Physics P1H		
Wed 22 May	13:30	02:15	Geography Paper One	Year 13	B4
Thu 23 May	08:45	02:00	Economics ADV Paper 2	Year 13	B4
Thu 23 May	08:45	02:15	English Literature Paper 2	Year 12&13	Hall/Gym /D2/B4
Thu 23 May	13:30	02:30	English Literature B ADV Paper 1A	Year 13	B3
Thu 23 May	13:30	03:00	English Lang and Lit ADV Paper 1	Year 13	B3
Thu 23 May	13:30	02:30	English Literature B ADV Paper 1A	Year 13	B4
Thu 23 May	13:30	02:00	Personal and Business Finance	Year 12&13	Hall
Fri 24 May	08:45	02:15	Physics A - Exploring	Year 13	B4
Fri 24 May	08:45	00:45	Italian Listening Test H	Year 11	B3
Fri 24 May	08:45	01:00	Italian Reading Test H		
Fri 24 May	08:45	01:30	Business - Investigating Small Bus.		Hall/B4
Fri 24 May	13:30	02:00	Design and Technology Written Paper	Year 11	B3
Fri 24 May	13:30	01:45	Sociology Paper 2	Year 11	Hall/B4

Exams

Please help prepare students by ensuring that they are aware of the following rules:

- Any pencil cases brought into exams MUST be see through
- All written work MUST be in BLACK biro only
- Mobile phones MUST be switched off and handed in at the start of the exam and exchanged for a raffle ticket and can be collected after the exam has ended
- No watches of any kind are allowed in the exams and must also be handed in and exchanged for a raffle ticket
- Any water bottles brought into the exam must be clear plastic bottles and all labels must be removed before entering
- Exam invigilators do have some spare equipment but it is always best for students to bring their own to ensure they are not disadvantaged

Please encourage students to make themselves familiar with the **Examinations Student Handbook**.

This can be found by clicking the link below:

<https://www.barnwellschool.co.uk/students/examinations/>

Summer 2019 Exams Contingency Day

Summer exam timetables have now been sent out, but please be aware that candidates must remain available until Wednesday 26 June 2019 should an awarding body need to invoke a contingency plan.

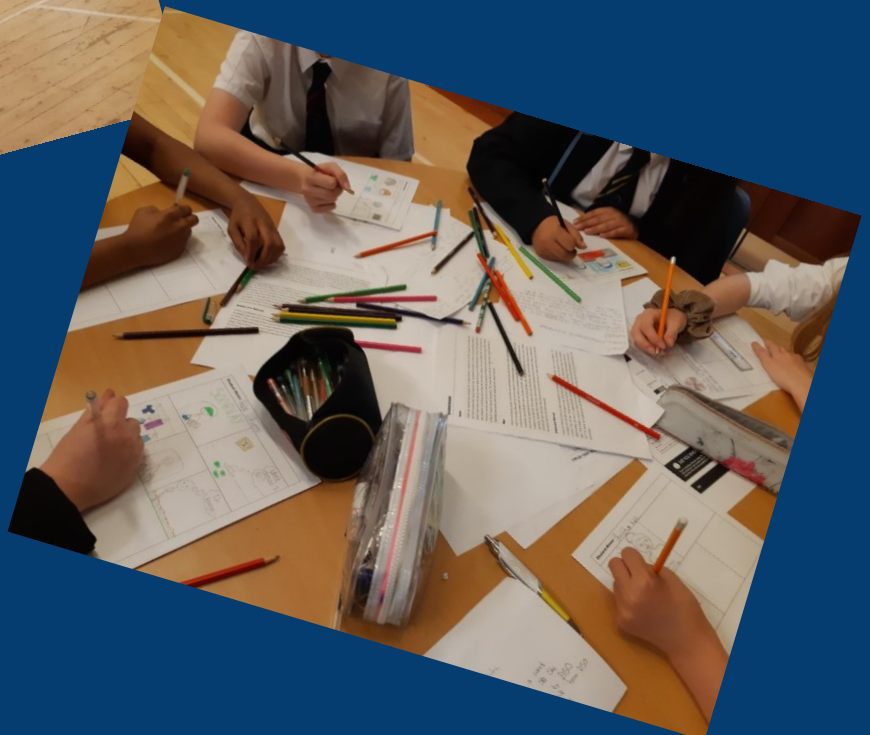
Maths: National Numeracy Day

To celebrate National Numeracy Day, we had some year 7 and year 8 students work together to enter a national finance competition. The students had to carry out some activities to help them understand about varying types of financial risk and reward. Once they had completed these activities and gained a better understanding, they were then tasked with creating their own comic strip story to highlight a specific financial risk, concluding with a relevant outcome, whether it be positive or negative.

Last year we entered a financial competition for the same organisation and one of our students won the runner up prize. So, we are hopeful this year! The students worked beautifully, and it was lovely to be able to introduce a topic that they may not have been exposed to.

Here are a few photographs from the day...

Miss Shearer



Food Technology

Year 8's this week had a visit from Ellie B's mum and uncle who joined the practical food lesson of Pizza making.

They both got involved in the lesson, and even helped Ellie wash up!

The lesson focused on making dough and knife skills.

Students in the class used some interesting toppings, including chorizo, olives and fresh herbs.

Kelis R was awarded chef of the day for her organizational and practical skills. Well done!



If you are a year 7 or year 8 parent / carer and would like to join any of your child's practical lessons, please contact Mr Mendelsohn, in advance.

Creative & Media

British Film Institute - The Story Continues...



On Tuesday 14th May, Year 12 Media students began working with pupils from Peartree Spring to produce a dual film competition entry.

Ms Pellen had the pleasure of visiting them while they were working with the KS2 students, as well as meeting their extremely appreciative class teacher!

Watch this space for further news and updates...

Y12 Creative & Media crew



Don't forget...

Barnwell School Community Gardening Day

Saturday 18th May 10am-2pm

Tomorrow we will be holding Barnwell School's Community Gardening Day.

If you can spare an hour or two, we would love to see you there.

We very much hope the weather is dry. If it does rain, Miss Sayer will make the decision whether we are able to continue or not.

Please feel free to bring along personal gardening equipment you may wish to use, such as gloves as we are unable to provide these. We recommend wearing suitable clothing as there are prickly bushes in the garden.

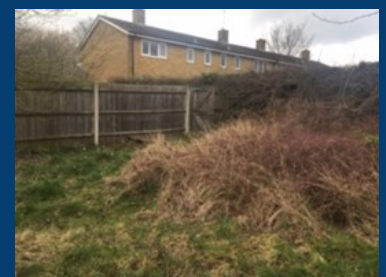
Please bring along drinks and refreshments you may wish to have.

The Community Gardening Day is being held On Barnwell Upper Campus.

There is plenty of parking available.

If you're a parent, member of the community, student, staff member and you have either the skills, experience, equipment, knowledge and or time to support this project, we would love to hear from you via the google doc below.

[Community Gardening Day Sign Up](#)



Do you have an old working bike?



If you have an old working bike that is no longer in use or you are no longer in need of, we would love to hear from you.

We are currently seeking functioning bike donations.

Please contact Miss Sayer –
s.sayer@barnwell.herts.sch.uk



BREAKFAST CLUB

Another successful week of Form Breakfast on upper campus. We have been reminding students that breakfast provides fuel for your learning and energy for the day.

We have seen a fantastic number of students attending Breakfast Club across both sites. Year 11's have been enjoying revision sessions whilst enjoying a bagel.

We look forward to seeing students next week.

PLEASE BE AWARE, BREAKFAST CLUB IS NOT ON, ON MONDAY 3RD JUNE 2019

Best Wishes

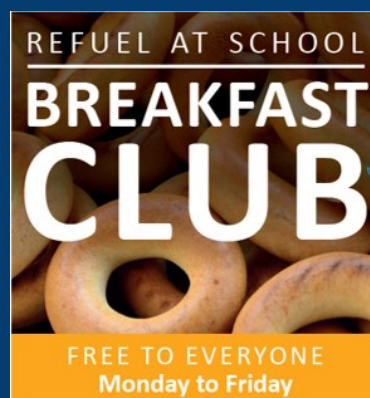
Magic Breakfast Club Staff

Location: LRC

Time: 8am - 8.25am

Food Available:

Bagels, Cheerios, Shreddies, Cornflakes, Rice Crispies





An outbreak of measles is an increasing risk for schools in Hertfordshire.

We have been asked by the Director of Public Health, Jim McManus, if we would share with parents the attached letter from Public Health England which contains advice about measles for schools and parents.

Measles Outbreak in Schools Letter May 2019



Public Health England NHS

think
measles
It's not just a kids' problem

Teenagers, young adults and anyone who has missed their MMR vaccination can get measles.

Symptoms such as:

- high fever
- rash – sometimes starting around the ears
- sore red eyes
- cough
- aching and feeling unwell

Remember, if it could be measles – they need to be in an area where they cannot pass the infection to vulnerable patients such as the immunocompromised and pregnant women.

For more information go to nhs.uk/vaccinations



Clubs

Modern Foreign Languages

Wednesday's 12.35 in L1 on Middle Campus



**MFL club- a place to learn and enjoy European culture.
Games, quizzes, food and theme days.
Come to MFL club and experience languages in a fun way!**



Coding Club

Coding Club takes place on Thursday lunchtimes in the IT & CS Suite.

If you are interested in developing your coding skills, please come along.



New for Summer: Extra Curricular Sports on Middle Campus

PE and school sport is about so much more than just physical health. So please encourage your children to sign up to this term's extra curricular sports.

Timetable available on the link below:

Middle Campus Extra Curricular Sports

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY STRENGTHENS THE MIND & THE BODY

EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING
Our brains release endorphins during exercise, which help improve our mood, sleep, and energy levels.

MEMORY
Exercise boosts the area of the brain in charge of verbal memory and learning.

ATTENTION
Being physically active increases our ability to pay attention.

SOCIAL SKILLS
Physical activity most of the time involves participation in a team, which enhances leadership and empathy skills.

HEART, VEINS, ARTERIES
The heart is a muscle. Exercise helps it become stronger and more efficient, aids in keeping our veins and arteries clear, and decreases the levels of harmful cholesterol and fats in our blood.

BONES
Being physically active increases bone density, which helps prevent osteoporosis.

LUNGS
Working out increases lung capacity, so that our lungs can draw more oxygen into our bodies while releasing more carbon dioxide.

WEIGHT CONTROL
Regular exercise helps us remain fit and control our weight.

BLOOD SUGAR LEVELS
When we exercise, the glucose in our bloodstream is used by our muscles which makes it less likely that sugar will build up in the blood.

Rehearsal Schedules

For



Please click on the links below:

[Actors & Singers Rehearsal Schedule](#)

And

[Chicago Dancers Rehearsal Schedule](#)



Take the Time to Thank a Member of Staff

As a new initiative, we would like to offer parents the opportunity to recognise the hard work individual members of staff put in on a daily basis to ensure your children thrive academically and pastorally.

The Barnwell Staff Thank You scheme will run throughout the year and will be available to access via newsletters and our new school website.

Staff that are nominated will be personally recognised in school.

Please click the picture below to be directed to a simple on-line form to register your nomination.

A graphic with the text 'THANK YOU TEACHERS AND STAFF' in large, colorful, block letters. The letters are arranged in four lines: 'THANK' (top), 'YOU' (second), 'TEACHERS' (third), and 'AND STAFF' (bottom). Each letter is a different color, creating a vibrant rainbow effect.

THANK
YOU
TEACHERS
AND STAFF



Show My Homework

Parents should log in weekly to check:

- What homework has been set.
- Students have handed in on time.
- Did homework meet expectation?
- Get reminders / updates from teachers.

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Research shows that student progress is more rapid when parents log in at least once a week!

Parents can check their login details by emailing d.smith@barnwell.herts.sch.uk

Download the free app to your mobile / device!

Monthly prize draw for parents regularly logging-in.

Barnwell School

M I D D L E & U P P E R

Achieving Excellence Together

Barnwell Social Media

If you aren't already, please make sure you follow our social media accounts below for the latest Barnwell news:



Twitter:

@BarnwellSchool
@Barnwell_PE
@Barnwell6thForm
@GOBarnwell
@BarnwellY7Adv
@Barnwell_Ski



Instagram

@barnwellperformingarts
@Barnwellfood

facebook

@Barnwell School (Official)

Stand By Me Teen Bereavement Support Group

If you feel your child would benefit from some bereavement counselling, referrals can now be made for the June group programme. Referrals are accepted from parents or carers however if you would like support with this process, please contact your child's Head of College or Head of Year.



Teen Bereavement Group Programme June 2019



PLACES NOW AVAILABLE!

Referrals are now being accepted for the 2019 Summer Teen Bereavement Group

Who is it for?

11- 16 year olds living in North Herts or Stevenage who have bereaved of a significant relationship at anytime in their childhood

Details

The therapeutic group programme takes place weekly over 6 consecutive weeks for between 90 mins and 2 hours

Find out more

Referrals from parents and carers are welcomed

CONTACT

E: info@stand-by-me.org.uk Mob: 07469 255139



Help from YC Hertfordshire

Deal with today and plan for tomorrow...

YC Hertfordshire Personal Advisers are here for you

If you want to see a Personal Adviser in school:

Drop in to the Upper LRC at lunchtime on

Monday 29th April
Friday 3rd May
Friday 10th May
Monday 13th May
Friday 17th May
Monday 20th May
Friday 24th May

Personal Adviser in your school is:
Emma Bumpus

Individual Careers Appointments regarding options post-16 can be organised through your Head of Year, Form Tutor or visiting the LRC.

If you want to speak to someone out of school, visit...

www.ychertfordshire.org >Advice and Support

...to find details of your local YC Hertfordshire One Stop Shop or Centre, where you directly message a Personal Adviser

www.ychertfordshire.org

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Uniform Donations Required




Do you have any outgrown good quality School Uniform and PE kit that you could donate to other Barnwell families?


If so, please send them into school for the attention of Shelagh MacKey.

Any help would be so much appreciated.

Projects in the Community




Stevenage Young Men's Project



This group provides a safe, social space for young men aged 11-14 to get together, share experiences and have fun.

From encouraging health and wellbeing to building communication skills, this project will encourage you to set personal goals and provides support as you work towards them. There'll be team games, table tennis and a bit of pool too!




Have an opinion? Join the conversation! Have your say about the things that matter to you and build confidence as you take part in discussions about current concerns e.g. online safety, bullying, sex & relationships.

When: Mondays

Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm

For all young men in Stevenage aged 11 to 14.
Get in touch if you'd like to join us.

01438 843340
www.ychertfordshire.org
yc.stevenage@hertfordshire.gov.uk
@StevenageTeam



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Stevenage Young Men's Project

The YC Hertfordshire Young Men's Project is designed to support referrals for young men (aged 11 – 14) who may be at risk of criminal exploitation. The aims are to explore how the group members would recognise exploitation and explore tools to tackle it if they were ever exposed to it.

The group will also offer a safe, social and confidential space to get together, share experiences and have fun.

From reducing risky behaviour and encouraging better decision making skills, the project will include building resilience to peer pressure and criminal exploitation as well as covering topics including managing anger, expressing emotions positively, healthy relationships and keeping safe. We aim to create an environment that will allow young people to reflect on their feelings, whilst encouraging developmental reflection.

Venue: Bowes Lyon Young People's Centre, St. George's Way, Stevenage, SG1 1XY

When: Mondays

Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm, term-time only.

To make a referral or if you have any questions please contact:
yc.stevenage@hertfordshire.gov.uk

01438 843340
www.ychertfordshire.org
@StevenageTeam



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If the above project is of interest to you or your child, please contact Miss Sayer to discuss further
s.sayer@barnwell.herts.sch.uk

Free School Meals

Your child could get a free school meal if you receive any of the following:

- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseekers Allowance**
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit**
- **Child Tax Credit** (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and you don't get more than £16,190 a year)
- **Working Tax Credit run-on** (paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- **Universal Credit** (with annual earned income of no more than £7,400 after tax and not including any benefits you get).



Apply today if you receive any of these benefits. It takes 5 mins and in most cases we can tell you straightaway if your child can get free meals at school.

[Click here for information about how to apply](#)



Barnwell have invested in the award winning resource, GCSEPod, to help your child reach their goals!

Join the thousands of parents encouraging their children to use GCSEPod to support learning, homework and revision.

[Click Here to Find Out More](#)