

Dear Parents/Carers



This week our year 11, 12 and 13 students have continued to impress us with their motivation and determination to succeed in their exams. We look forward to welcoming some of our year 11 and 13 students over the half term for additional Grade Boosters, however we also hope they find some time for a well-earned break before their final exams in June.

Today a group of our year 9 students have departed for Paris for the long weekend. This is a fantastic opportunity for the students to experience a riverboat cruise on the River Seine, a visit to Montmartre and the Sacre Coeur, a climb up the Eiffel Tower and a full day at Euro Disney and MGM Studios. We're sure they will have an amazing time.

Mrs Collier - Senior Lead - KS4 Student Progress

Dates for the Diary



Week Commencing Monday 3rd June

Year 7 exams

Monday 3rd June

Geography GCSE Trip Year 10

Wednesday 5th June

Mock Food Exam Year 10

Week Commencing Monday 10th June

Year 8 exams

Week Commencing Monday 17th June

Year 10 & 12 exams

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'

Alfie M - JH Owen D - SAH Bobby M - Joshua M - NHA Tyler B - KP Rares T - BI Ashleigh H - GW
 Natalie W - GW Libby B - AM Branwen R - HF David O - KP Luke C - ND Imogen S - HF Oillie C - EB
 Katie M - KP Natalie C - LB Owen P-P - HR Frazer C - ANC Tia S - IC Ashleigh C - SF Jessica T - ER
 Sophie D - BI Melek B - SOC Caulum-Mac D - FWH Ellie N - SC Gabriel A-F - EB Taylor P - HO

Congratulations to our highest credit achievers this week:

Esther S - GW Anisa A - DD Stanley M - BI Daniel G - RPA Holly K - JH Reggie H -
 RPA Raul T - ANC Angelee K - EPO Imogen S - HF Matas K - NHA Diya L - FWH
 Jessica P - SOC Benjamin D - NHA Logan A - KP Billy G - JME Dylan B - BI Ashleigh
 H - GW Jasmin C - ER Archie C - HF Keane M - KP





Sporadic (adjective)



happening sometimes;
not regular or continuous.

Synonyms

- infrequent
- irregular
- random
- occasional

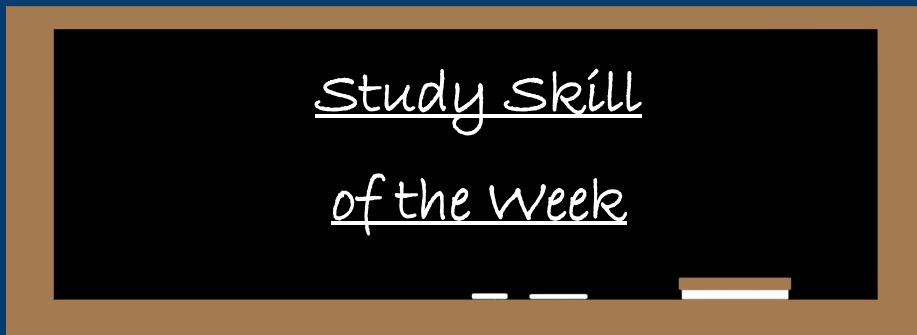
Similar words in MFL...



esporádico
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sporadisch

Sentences containing the adjective 'sporadic'...

- Tom felt panicked before his final exam because his revision had been too **sporadic**.
- The weather today is a mix of sunshine and rain showers. It is quite **sporadic**.



Active Learning



Exams

Monday 3rd June - Friday 7th June

<u>Date</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Component Title</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Mon 03 Jun	08:45	02:30	English Lang and Lit ADV Paper 2	Year 12/13	Hall
Mon 03 Jun	08:45	03:00	English Literature B ADV Paper 2A		
Mon 03 Jun	08:45	01:30	Physics A - Unified Physics		
Mon 03 Jun	08:45	01:15	History - Medicine in Britain	Year 11	Gym/B4
Mon 03 Jun	13:30	01:30	Media Studies COMP1 Exploring Media	Year 11	Hall/B4
Mon 03 Jun	13:30	01:15	Italian Writing Test		B4
Tue 04 Jun	08:45	02:00	Economics ADV Paper 3	Year 13	B3
Tue 04 Jun	08:45	01:45	English Language Paper 1	Year 11	Hall/Gym/ D2/B4
Tue 04 Jun	13:30	01:45	Music - Appraising	Year 11	Hall
Tue 04 Jun	13:30	01:30	Business - Building A Business		gym/B4
Tue 04 Jun	13:30	01:30	The Business of Sport	Year 12/13	B3
Wed 05 Jun	08:45	01:00	Construction - Safety and Security	Year 11	gym
Wed 05 Jun	08:45	02:15	Media Studies Comp 1 Media Products	Year 13	Hall
Wed 05 Jun	08:45	02:00	Mathematics - Pure Mathematics 1		B3
Wed 05 Jun	08:45	03:00	Philosophy ADV Paper 1		
Wed 05 Jun	13:30	02:30	History ADV Paper 2 Option R	Year 13	B3
Wed 05 Jun	13:30	01:30	UK Geographical Issues	Year 11	Hall/B4
Thu 06 Jun	08:45	02:00	Information Technology Systems	Year 12/13	B3
Thu 06 Jun	08:45	02:00	Biology - Nat.Env. & Species Surv.	Year 13	
Thu 06 Jun	08:45	01:30	Mathematics Paper 2 Tier F	Year 11	Hall / B3
Thu 06 Jun	08:45	01:30	Mathematics Paper 2 Tier H		Gym / B3
Thu 06 Jun	13:30	00:00	History - Henry VIII Ministers	Year 11	Gym/B4
Thu 06 Jun	13:30	00:00	History - The American West		
Thu 06 Jun	13:30	01:45	History - American W., Henry		
Thu 06 Jun	13:30	02:15	Geography Paper Two	Year 13	B3
Fri 07 Jun	08:45	01:45	English Language Paper 2	Year 12/13	Hall/Gym/ D2/B3
Fri 07 Jun	08:45	02:30	Drama - Theatre Makers in Prac.	Year 13	B4
Fri 07 Jun	13:30	01:45	Biology Paper 2 Tier F	Year 11	Gym/B3
Fri 07 Jun	13:30	01:45	Biology Paper 2 Tier H		
Fri 07 Jun	13:30	01:15	Combined Sci Trilogy Biology P2F		
Fri 07 Jun	13:30	01:15	Combined Sci Trilogy Biology P2H	Year 11	Hall/B3
Fri 07 Jun	13:30	02:00	Psychlgy: Psychlgl Thm Thrgh Std Wtn	Year 13	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.

English:

Class 7x1 - Globe Theatres

7X1 have been studying their new unit called 'An Introduction to Shakespeare' and were set the challenge to try and build a replica of the famous Globe Theatre using a variety of materials.

They did a fabulous job and a lot of time and effort was put into their creations.

A big well done to Jessica P who came 3rd, Lily R who came 2nd and Eliza Li who won 1st place!



Pictured above: Favour, Timmy, Tyler & Lily from 7x1

Dance Celebration 2019!

This year, Thursday 16th May was the day of **Barnwell's Annual Dance Celebration 2019!**

We were able to showcase a wide variety of performances from all year groups and in lots of different dance styles. We had over 70 students involved in rehearsals in the lead up to the big day and each and every student demonstrated high levels of talent, creativity, determination and commitment to their performances.

Some of the performances were entirely or partly choreographed by the students in very short spaces of rehearsal time which was an incredible achievement and all students had the opportunity to add in their own ideas and work with students from other classes. From Street Dance to Bollywood and Contemporary to SportsAcro, all students involved worked really hard to produce their performances.

Both the matinee and evening performance were a great success. All the dancers performed with a high level of energy, maturity and commitment. For some it was their first ever experience of performing on a stage with an audience and professional lighting!

I would just like to say a massive thank you and well done to all the students that took part in the Dance Celebration 2019 and also to those who came and supported in the audience.

Let's make next years even bigger!

Miss Blackwell



More pictures on the next page...

Dance Celebration 2019 - Continued



Dance Celebration 2019 - Continued



Creative & Media

British Film Institute - The Story Continues...



On Tuesday 21st May, our trusty Year 12 Media crew returned to Peartree Spring Primary School to continue their creative project with pupils in KS2.

In response to the challenging task of producing and co-producing a dual film competition entry, this week's focus has moved from pre-production to shooting and gathering footage.

As you can see from the photos they are all working extremely hard, but there is always time for a smile and a sing-song!

The next few weeks are scheduled for editing, which is definitely the most time-consuming, frustrating, but fulfilling stage of the production process. And finally...it should be a double wrap!



Y12 Creative & Media crew

Drama

Year 12 A Level Drama students were able to develop their devising skills this week, with the help of Roberta Zuric from the Directors Charitable Foundation.

The Directors in School programme supports students who are interested in working within the Arts industry, and it was great to see so many of our Barnwell students sharing their aspirations of being actors, directors and film makers.

#PASSION



STEM Club

Stem club created and used their own solar cooker to melt marshmallows.



Callum D and Branwyn R pictured above.

A great day for it and the marshmallows definitely got a bit melty!

Mrs Butterfield



University of Cambridge Event – Women in STEM

University of Cambridge are hosting a Women in STEM event on **Saturday 29 June 2019**.

The event is a **Women in STEM Wikipedia Edit-a-thon**, where they will have a team of trained volunteers leading a Wikipedia editing session to add more females in science to Wikipedia and expand existing pages.

As it is a Saturday event, students will need to apply and attend independently. This is a free event, with lunch being provided as part of the day. They ask that attendees make their own way to and from the venue, but attendees who travel using public transport will be able to claim up to £20.00 after the event to reimburse any travel expenses. To be eligible for this event students must:

- Identify as female or non-binary
- Be attending a UK State School
- Currently be in Year 10, 11 or 12

Students coming along should be particularly interested in STEM subjects and this event aims to help them expand their subject knowledge and Science Capital in a friendly and welcoming environment.

The full event details can be found here, along with an application form:

<https://www.oxfordandcambridgeoutreach.co.uk/events/women-in-stem-wikipedia-edit-a-t>

Applications close on Sunday 2 June.

If you have any questions at all, you can email: DiscoveryDays@admin.cam.ac.uk



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My Teen Brain Workshops

FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN AGED 11 -18YRS

Wednesday 12th June 2019

(19th June, 26th June, and 3rd July)

Time: 7pm – 9pm

Topics covered in the My Teen Brain workshops:

Week 1 Being a Parent of a Teenager

The role of parents to teenagers

Responding to difficult feelings

Week 2 Understanding Your Teenager

Understanding teenage development

Parenting styles

Praise and criticism

Week 3 Communicating with your teenager

Talking and listening

Communicating clearly

Handling difficult issues

Week 4 Managing Conflict

Rules and boundaries

Choosing how to respond

Problem solving

Venue: Barnwell Upper School, Barnwell, Stevenage, SG2 9XT

For further information or book onto this free course please contact:

Jane Tyrrell 07808613199 j.tyrrell@barnwell.herts.sch.uk

or Lisa Lowe 07808613202 l.lowe@barnwell.herts.sch.uk

Barnwell School Community Gardening Day

THANK YOU



Last Saturday we held Barnwell School's Community Gardening Day. We were lucky enough to have great weather and fabulous volunteers.

I would like to say a big Thank You to those who took the time to come and support our school.

The progress that was made was remarkable. There is still a lot of work to be done. We hope to be working with Princes' Trust and Barnwell Pride over the next term.

We're keen to hold another Community Gardening Day in June. We will keep you posted with a new date.

If you were unable to come to our opening day and would like to still be involved. We would love to hear from you on the link below.

Here are some pictures of the day.



Do you have an old working bike?



We are currently seeking old working bikes that are suitable for young people over the height of 4ft 10.

If you have a functioning bike that you would like to donate, we would love to hear from you.

Contact Miss Sayer – s.sayer@barnwell.herts.sch.uk



BREAKFAST CLUB

Wow! What an incredible term of Breakfast Bagels on Middle and Upper Campus. Once again, I would like to thank all of our students and families for their continued support. It has been going from strength to strength.

After Half term, on Middle campus, we will be doing *Breakfast facts*. Did you know questions? Year 7, 8 and 9 Students, we would like to ask you to bring along a Breakfast fact the first week back after half term. We look forward to hearing them.

Just to remind you, BREAKFAST CLUB IS NOT ON, ON MONDAY 3RD JUNE 2019

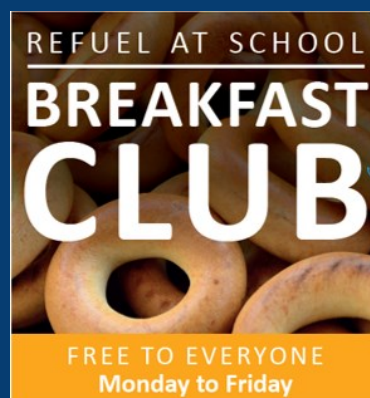
Best Wishes
Magic Breakfast Club Staff

Location: LRC

Time: 8am - 8.25am

Food Available:

Bagels, Cheerios, Shreddies, Cornflakes, Rice Crispies



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.

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.

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

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, multi-colored 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

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.

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, GSCEPod, 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](#)