

Dear Parents/Carers

The last time I wrote to you there were only two weeks until the public exams started, now they are all but over. Year 11, as of today are on leave, having completed most of their exams, with the exception of a few more next week and year 13 are coming to the end of their Barnwell careers too. The students have embraced the grade booster sessions and have worked extremely hard. We wish them well for the future but whatever the results in August we would ask you to remember that 'exam grades do not define you'.



While the KS4 students have been sitting public exams KS3 students have had their own internal exams which is all part of the preparation for KS4. The students have worked really hard for these exams and we are proud of the way they have conducted themselves.

As we come into the last five weeks of the summer term there are still many extracurricular activities coming up. The fun run, Summer show (this year it is 'Chicago'), Barnfest and Community Day to name a few.

I would encourage parents/carer(s) to make full use of Schoolcomms to keep abreast of school activities.



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

Lewis C - NHA Erinjoy N - SC Ashton W - NHA Demi-Mae - LB Omo A - JME Diya L - FWH Eren A - ER Nathan P - ER Reem A-H - DL Kamila S - HF Jake A - EB Amber H - ASA Kayleigh-Mai A-T - ND Bobby M - BI Daniel B - EPO Eldean A - LB Devonte B - BI Lukas R - PN Jade B - EB Esther S - GW Jessica B - LB Rares T - BI Sophie B - ANC Natalie W - GW Ines C - NHA

Congratulations to our highest credit achievers this week:



Luke H - ANC Kristian M - IC Phoebe P - JM Luke W - DL Skye S - EPO Mante S - ND Connor N - PN Shaun O - ANC Mason L - LB Daniel G - RPA Kieran F - JEL Ajay S - ER Frankie M - GW Aiden W - DSM Alfie M - JH Angelee K - EPO Dylan W - EPO Hannah W - LB Lilly R - RPA Oscar W - GW







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<u>Exams</u>

Monday 17th June

<u>Date</u>	<u>Start</u>	Length	<u>Component Title</u>	Years	<u>Venue</u>
Mon 17 Jun	08:45	01:15	German Writing Test Tier F/H	Year 11	B4
Mon 17 Jun	08:45	01:45	Citizenship - Paper Two	Year 11	
Mon 17 Jun	08:45	02:00	Biology - General & Practical Apps.	Year 13	В3

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

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.





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<u>Learning Resource Centre:</u> 'Reading Around the World'



Come along and chose a book to read from this months display!





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STEM News

The Big Bang Eastern at Hertfordshire University is on Thursday 4th July and as usual, year 9 students who have opted for Science and Technology subjects have been invited to attend. There are still a few places left, so if you are eligible, please reserve your place as soon as possible.

We have three teams taking projects to the Big Bang this year: 6 Students in year 9 who are working on the maths in science Enthuse project have been designing a classroom of the future with windows which will be coated with nanoparticles which generate electricity as the sunlight passes through, as well as many other features.

The students are currently making prototype models of their designs to decide which one will be their final choice. The team, Matthew H, George B, Lewis R, Kaira S, Taylah J and Kathleen S, will be explaining how the topics of nanotechnology, electricity and coding have been incorporated into their design.

Ecoschools have been putting a campaign together to encourage our community to use less single use plastic. They have surveyed middle school to find out who uses a reusable bottle and how many students buy single use plastic bottles on a regular basis. Branwen R, Ayla S, Megan M, Ardi J and Jack W will be explaining how they increased awareness in our school and whether their campaign had an impact on the numbers of bottles used.

STEM club and Lego club have been working together to use understanding of gears to increase the speed of the Lego robot. This is a project in itself, but it will also inform the model used for the speed race at next year's Lego Mindstorms competition. Callum-Mac D, Marko B, Tamsin P and Leah T will explain how they changed the gear ratio on the robot and measured the time it took to travel each metre over 10 metres. They will be using this to calculate top speed and acceleration to help decide the optimum gear ratio for each aspect of the competition.

Photo's and more updates to come between now and the end of term!





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Food Technology

On Monday some year 9s the year 10 GCSE food group and photography group were lucky to have a visit from an outside speaker called Giulia, (Pictured below with students) an Italian food writer, photographer and blogger living in London.



The students learnt some life skills in resilience through, food, travel and setting up a blog. Giulia explained that through determination and hard work you can be successful. Giulia has met Jamie Oliver, Yotam Ottolenghi, and has strong connections with some Great British Bake Off chefs. She also writes articles in the London metro and Evening standard. Giulia has also travelled and photographed extensively.

Hopefully the students were inspired by her visit, which was the first time for her in a school.





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Food Technology - continued

On Wednesday, Mary from Animal Aid visited the year 10 GCSE group and three year 8 vegetarian students. The session was very informative and very interactive with the students helping prepare a chilli non carne vegan recipe.

The students all tried the dish, and other vegan food. They watched a short film on intensive pig and chicken farming, that supports their current GCSE course which was invaluable.

Mary gave a short talk on nutrition and vegetarian and a vegan lifestyle.

This session was very interesting and we look forward to inviting Animal Aid back to Barnwell at a later date.





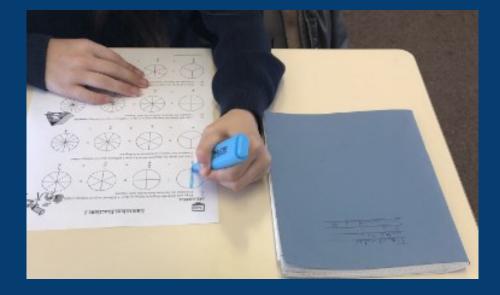




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<u>Maths</u>

Class 7x4 - Equivalent fractions this week:









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Barnwell School presents



26th, 27th & 28th June 7pm **Barnwell Middle School Hall**

To book tickets: www.trybooking.co.uk/KSZ

Adults £6

Children £3

VIP tables available







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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

Friday 7th June Monday 10th June Friday 14th June Monday 1st July Friday 5th July

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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Barnwell Turns 60!



Calling all ex-students:

As we prepare to celebrate Barnwell School's 60th bírthday,

we'd like anyone with old Barnwell photographs to share them with us.

Please email contributions to:

communication@barnwell.herts.sch.uk











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Advance Warning:

May Bank Holiday 2020

Has Been Changed for VE Day Anniversary

Advance warning the May Day Bank Holiday will be moved to a Friday next year to fall on the 75th anniversary of VE Day.

The day will move from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May in 2020, the same day in 1945 that victory was secured in Europe in the Second World War.





<u>SHEPHALL FETE, Shephall Green</u> <u>SATURDAY 6th JULY From 1pm – 4pm</u>

A great afternoon out, lots of sideshows and stalls for all the Family at reasonable prices!



Media Music:

Barnwell Bulletin



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Oaklands College Come along and discover all you need to take on the world St Albans Campus Hatfield Road, St Albans, Herts AL4 0XR Welwyn Garden City Campus The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts Al **Oaklands** College Choose your course and campus... Welwyn Garden City **Open Evenings 2019** The Campus, Welwyn GC, Herts AL8 6AH Access to Higher Education Next event Apprenticeships Applied Science Wednesday 19th June Business Childcare Computing & Technology Construction & Civil Engineering. 05-7pm Engineering Hair & Beauty Health & Social Care Higher Education Performing Arts Supportive Learning Travel & Tourism Welding St Albans Campus **Open Evenings 2019** Hattleid Road, St Albans, Herts AL4 OKR Adult Short Courses Next event A Levels Agriculture Tuesday Animal Management Apprenticeships 18th Juńe Art, Fashion & Design Brickwork & Construction Trades Business 05-7pm Carpentry Computing & Technology EFL / ESOL Electrical Equine Studies Higher Education Hospitality & Catering Horticulture Motor Vehicle Plumbing ients Public Services Sports Studies & Academies Supportive Learning Find out more and register your interest at: www.oaklands.ac.uk or call us on: 01727 737000





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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









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BREAKFAST CLUB

A very busy week at Breakfast club this week. Bagels have been flying out! Thank You!

Magic Beakfast and ourselves are keen to receive parent and pupil feedback on Breakfast Club. Please keep an eye out for an invitation for a focus group meeting or feedback form.

Are you a parent and looking to go back to work? Ever considered volunteering? Need a reference? Barnwell School are welcoming parent volunteers who would like to be involved with supporting Breakfast Club and Barnwell School Community.

For further details please contact Miss Sayer s.sayer@barnwell.herts.sch.uk

We look forward to seeing students at Breakfast Club again next week.

Location: LRC

Time: 8am - 8.25am

Food Available:

Bagels, Cheerios, Shreddies, Cornflakes, Rice Crispies











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<u>Clubs</u>

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.







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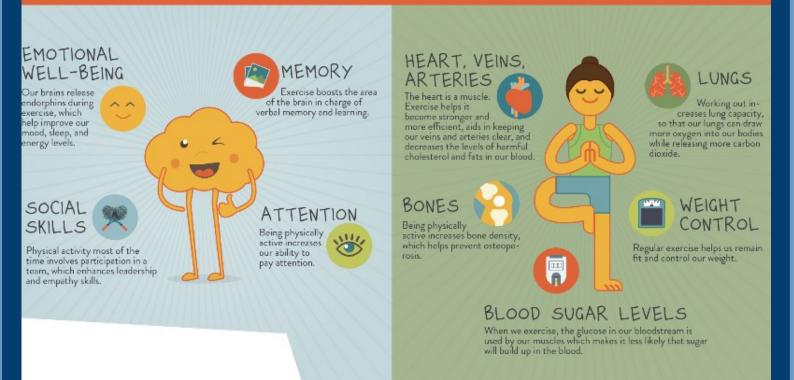
<u>New for Summer:</u> Extra Curricular Sports on Middle Campus

PE and school sport is about so much more that 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

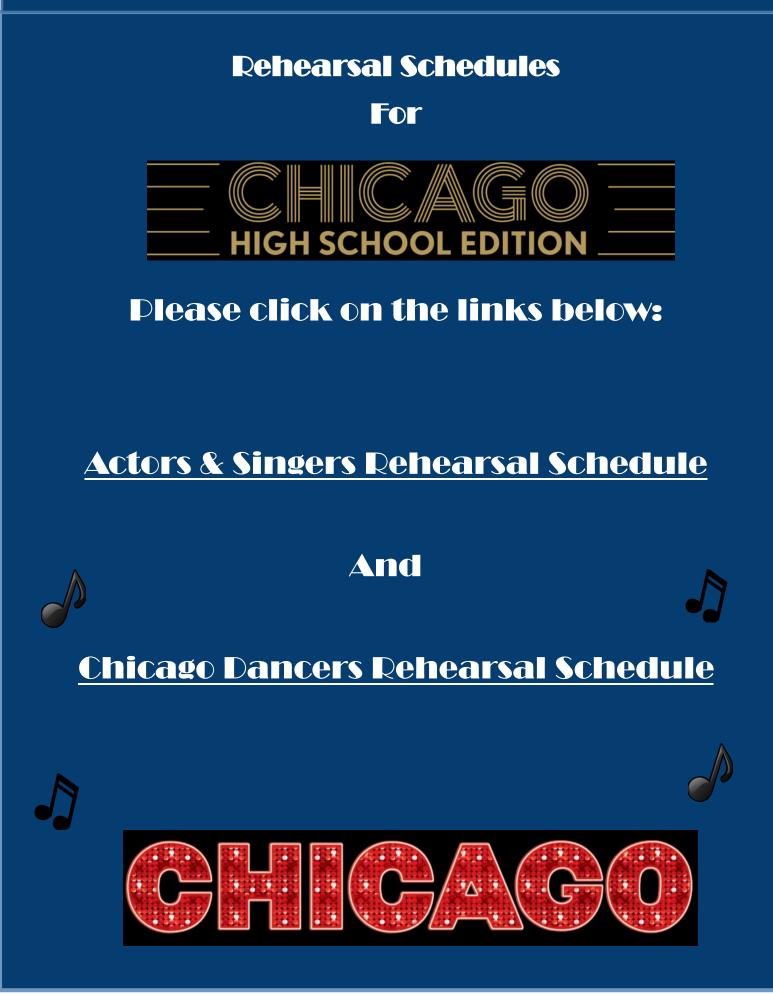
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY STRENGTHENS THE MIND & THE BODY







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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.







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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.

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.

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Barnwell Social Media

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





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





@Barnwell School (Official)





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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.





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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



Free school meals