

Dear Parents/Carers

There have been several important events and activities on the agenda at Barnwell this week. The Remembrance theme has continued with bespoke lessons in KS3 history reminding students of the reasons for this annual event.



It is also Anti-bullying week which is an opportunity for the pastoral teams to give this theme priority in dedicated assemblies. The important messages are carried through into Pride lessons giving students the chance to discuss and reflect.

A small number of students have been able to take up the unique opportunity of taking part in the Life course at Stevenage fire station. The course lasts a week and involves students working with the fire service on resilience and confidence building activities.

Finally, two year 8 teams competed with teams from Marriotts school and The Nobel school in a science day run at Barnwell by the IET. The teams were set an engineering challenge to complete using electrical circuits. They were then required to present their design. The winner will go through to the regional final.

Mrs Latta - Assistant Head

Dates for the Diary

W/C 18th November - Year 11 into 12 Taster Sessions

Wednesday 20th November - Rock Challenge Rehearsals - Middle Campus

Friday 22nd November - Post 16 Media Trip



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'

Eduard A - SGO Niamh C - JM Brandon N - SGO Raul T - ANC Stacey P - ER Angelee K - LPA
 Jessica B - RAW Frankie L - ANC Ellie-May L - HR Stevie-Jean F - SAH Shane P - EB Ben G - GW
 Lily - SAH Liam G - NHA Rhea V - HR Grace H - DD Ella K - DSM Katerina B - DFA Daniel W - ANC
 George S - SC Lenny B - SC Erinjoy N - SC Lucy A - NHA Charlie R - SAH Shahziab B - SGO

Congratulations to our highest credit achievers this week:

Billy J - TRT Mckenzie W - RFR Charlie R - SAH Owen R - DLE Amy P - AMW
 Deavon-Antwon S-S - DFA Keane S - SGO Stanley M - BI Caitlin R - JLJ Tae P - DFA
 Hadley S - RAW Emma-Louise T - NHA Owen S - EB Ellie K - JME Jaziah R-L - DFA
 Bayleigh W - ER Amber D - CS Beck B - SAH Jude A - DFA Lillie-Rose D - KP





Word of the Week



'hysteria'

(Noun)

exaggerated or uncontrollable emotion or excitement.

Sentences containing the word 'hysteria'...

- There was mass **hysteria** when the band came on stage.
- Tabloid **hysteria** about the murders has increased public fears.

Synonyms

- panic
- frenzy
- madness
- excitement

Use this word, or the similar words in MFL correctly in your work in any subject this week for a #WOW Credit.

Similar words in MFL...



histeria



L'hystérie (f)



die Hysterie



Remembrance Parade



On Sunday, Jeremi and Jemimah our head boy and girl joined Mr Roberts for the Remembrance parade in Stevenage Old Town. It was a very poignant event and it was lovely to see so many of our students involved with the service and community groups.

On Monday the whole school held a 2 minute silence at 11am.





Remembrance Day



The amazing picture below was created by Mr Cozens' Princes Trust Students in tribute to Remembrance Day. The artwork is on display in the Upper Campus Learning Resource Centre.



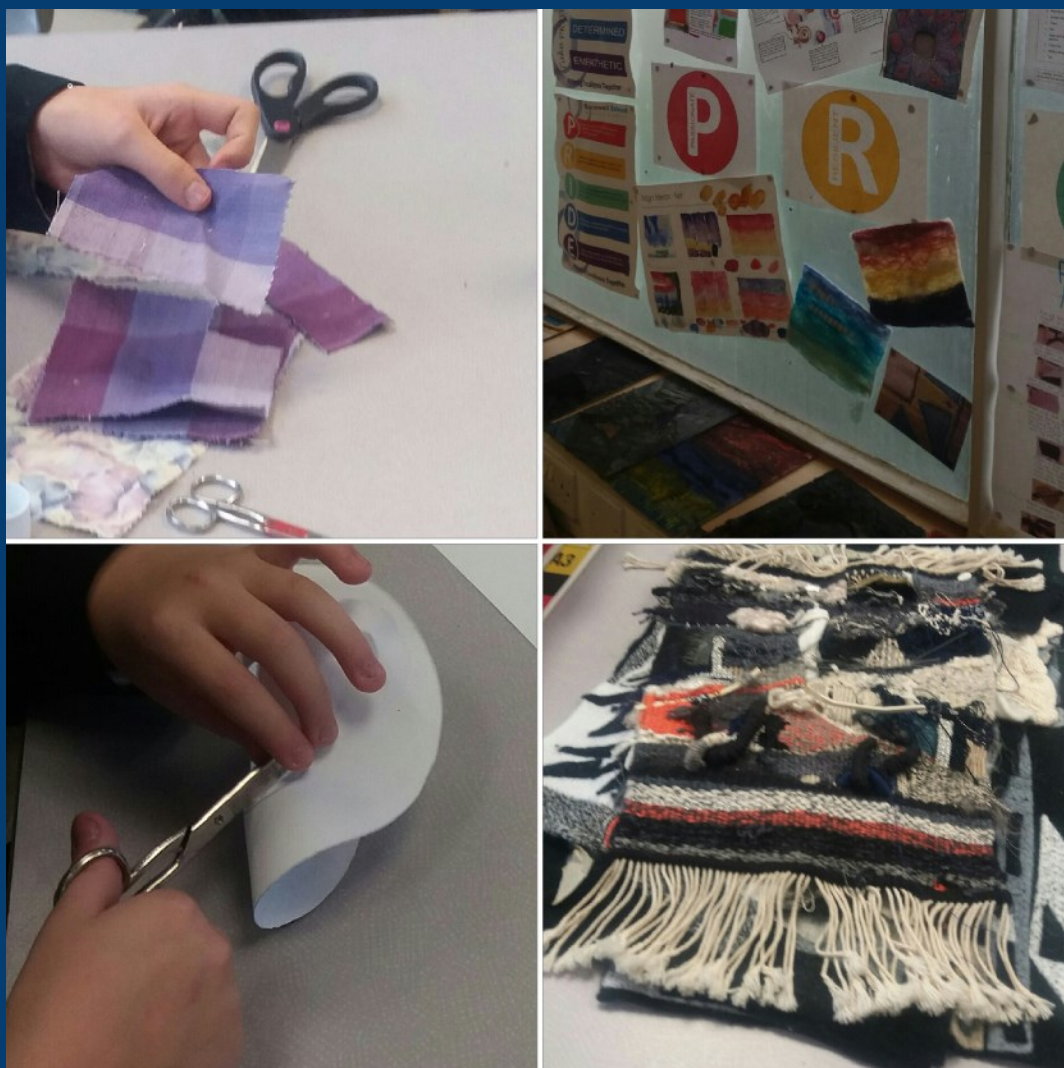
Creative & Media

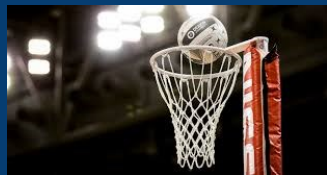
To Artsmark and beyond...!

Last week students from Year 9 were invited to participate in an introductory workshop with our visiting artist and cultural provider Anji Archer. They were introduced to the principles of Artsmark thinking, and listened intently as Anji described her own journey as an artist.

We explored the connotations of our PRIDE culture using colour and textures, and applied specific skills following live demonstrations of different artistic processes. We also had healthy eating biscuits to sustain all our hard work and generate even more wellbeing!

This session will be transformed into an Insta-Gallery as part of the final installation - so no spoilers - but here is a little taster...





This Week's PE News



Thursday - Y10 SPORTS LEADERSHIP - 15 of our Year 10 sports leaders did a great job supporting Year 3 & 4 pupils at the [@stevenageSFT](#) KS2 mini Olympics [#rolemodels](#)
[#teambarnwell](#) [#BarnwellSchool](#)



Let's Celebrate Success!

On the 2nd & 3rd November 2019 year 9 student Charlize H starred in the Rare production of Annie at the Gordon Craig Theatre. Charlize took the lead role of Annie. Both nights were sold out to packed Audience of 500 people! Well done Charlize!



Let's Celebrate Success!

We would like to celebrate your child's outside achievements in school.

If you would like your child's outside achievements celebrated and recognised by the school, please email details, with photo's if



Learning Resource Centre



NEW BOOK CLUB FOR MIDDLE AND UPPER!!

We are pleased to announce that our Autumn Scholastic Book Club is now online at <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk>.

Once through please select Barnwell Middle School. There are hundreds of fantastic children's books to choose from, and every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club will earn 25p for our school in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place and pay for your order online with Scholastic by 22nd November 2019. Orders will be delivered to Barnwell and distributed to students 5-7 working days after the deadline.

Happy reading!

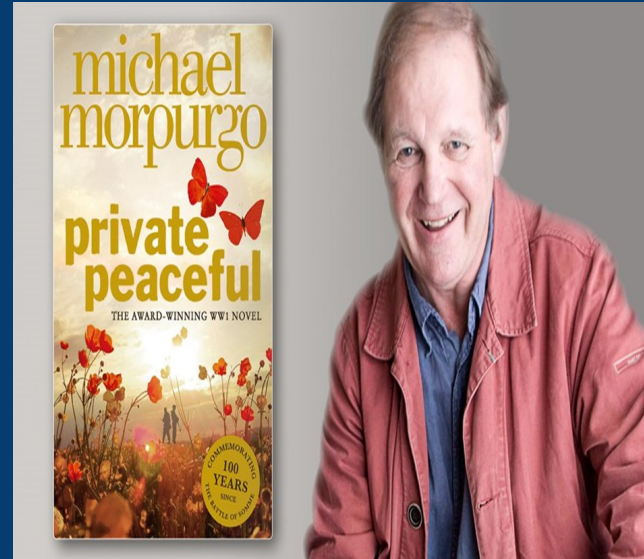


Author of the Month

Michael Morpurgo

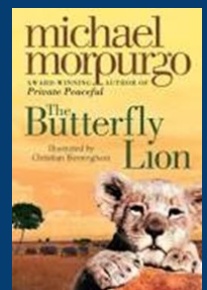
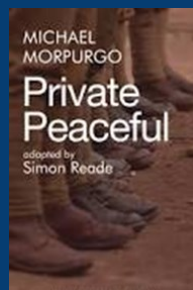
Michael Morpurgo is a British writer and author of over one hundred books, mostly for children, many of which have given many prizes and awards. .

Michael is a famous and award-winning English author and poet who is known best for children's novels including *Private Peaceful*, *War Horse*, and *The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips*.



Interesting Facts about Michael Morpurgo

- Michael Morpurgo was born in St Albans, Hertfordshire on October 5th, 1943.
- He set up “Farms for City Children” charity with his wife Clare in 1976 after leaving his job as a teacher that he held for ten years.
- Michael Morpurgo has written over 120 books. His 100th book, *Private Peaceful*, was first published in 2003 and was adapted into a play in 2004 which was later revived in 2014.
- He became a primary school teacher in Kent after graduating from the university of London.
- Many of Michael Morpurgo's books have been adapted. Film versions have been made of *Friend or Foe*, *Private Peaceful*, and *Why the Whales Came* – which was also adapted to a stage play. *My Friend Walter*, *Purple Penguins* and *Out of the Ashes* were also adapted for TV. *War Horse*, one of Michael's bestselling novels, has been adapted as a radio broadcast and stage play.
- *War Horse* was also adapted into a 2011 British film directed by the world-famous director, Steven Spielberg.
- Michael Morpurgo has revealed that he writes all of his books in exercise books. He also doesn't work from a desk, instead choosing to write sitting on his bed, propped up with pillows.
- His favourite animal is the elephant and he enjoys reading works by his favourite authors, including Rudyard Kipling, Robert Louis Stevenson and Ted Hughes.





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 18th November

Monday 25th November

Monday 2nd December

Monday 9th December

Monday 16th December

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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OAKLANDS COLLEGE TWILIGHT TASTERS



St Albans Campus
Wednesday 20th November
4.45 – 6.00 pm



Welwyn Garden City Campus
Thursday 21st November
4.45 – 6.00 pm

FOR YEAR 11 STUDENTS

This is a great opportunity for you to gain some hands-on experience in a taster from a wide selection of subjects and find out what college life is really like.

FEEDBACK FROM PREVIOUS TASTERS

'It was great to try something I've never done before'

'It was interesting and fun. Now I know what I want to do at college'

'It was great to experience the college vibe'



BOOKING ESSENTIAL
visit www.oaklands.ac.uk/tasters

Please book early as places are limited



OAKLANDS COLLEGE

Continued overleaf



St Albans Campus - Wednesday 20th November

Curriculum Area	Description of Activity
Animal Management	All creatures great and small
Art & Design	Discover your creative flair
Brickwork	Build a brick pyramid
Carpentry	Carving a career in carpentry
Electrical	Get switched on
Equine	Horse handling skills
Horticulture	Design your own garden
Hospitality & Catering	Stir up a stir fry
Motor Vehicle	Under the bonet
Plumbing	Go plumb crazy
Public Services	Explore a future in the uniformed services
Sports Studies	Fitness testing



Welwyn Garden City Campus - Thursday 21st November

Curriculum Area	Description of Activity
Applied Science	Profile a criminal
Business	Brand power
Childcare/Health & Social Care	Child development & working in a caring profession
Computing & Technology	Developing computer games
Engineering	Manufacturing keyrings
Hair & Beauty	Hair & beauty secrets revealed
Media	Make the cut in our film making workshop
Music Production	Create your own music
Performing Arts	So you want to be a star?
Travel & Tourism	Around the world in 60 minutes

For further details and to book please visit our website www.oaklands.ac.uk/tasters



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OPEN EVENING

18th November 2019 | 5pm - 7.30pm

Come along and chat with our team and see the range of courses available at our Hitchin, Stevenage and Engineering & Construction Campuses.

www.nhc.ac.uk

Extra Curricular Activities

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

Extra-curricular sport and physical activity Autumn term 2019 – Middle Campus



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning (8.00-8.25am)		Just Dance CA (Hall)		Just Dance HF (Hall) Table tennis CHA (Hall)	
Lunch (12.30-1.00pm)	Table Tennis SGO (Hall)	Y7 Basketball CHA (gym)	Volleyball RFR (hall)	Table Tennis RFR (Hall)	Y8&9 Basketball CHA (gym)
After school (3.00-4.00pm)	Y7,8&9 Netball HF/KHU (courts)	Y7 Football SGO (field) Y8&9 Basketball RFR (gym) Girls Football CA (field)	Y8 Football SGO (field) Y7 Basketball CHA (gym) Trampolining JEL (upper hall)	Y9 Football SGO (field)	Rugby CHA & SGO (field)

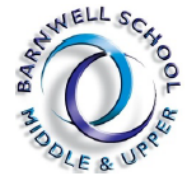


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GET INVOLVED



ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

Extra-curricular sport and physical activity Autumn term 2019 – Upper Campus



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning (8.00-8.25am)					
Lunch (12.30-1.00pm)	Y11 Football CHA (LC)		Y10 Football RC (LC)		
After school (3.00-4.00pm)	Y11 Sports Leaders CHA (D4)	Duke of Edinburgh JEL	Seniors football KNE (field) Y10 Basketball AL (LC) Trampolining JEL (hall)	Y10 Football RC (field) Seniors Basketball AL (LC) Y10 & Seniors Netball JEL (courts)	Y11 BTEC Intervention KNE (LRC) MPA (C4) CTEC Intervention JEL (B1)



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Extra Curricular Activities

Science Enrichment – Middle Campus



When?			Where?	What?
Week 1 & 2	Tuesday	Lunchtime	Lab 3	LEGO Robots
Week 1 & 2	Wednesday	Period 7	Lab 1	STEM club
Week 1 & 2	Friday	Period 7	Lab 1	Eco-schools
Week 1 & 2	Friday	Period 7	Lab 3	Geek club



Science Enrichment – Upper Campus



When?			Where?	Who?
Week 1	Tuesday	Period 7	D14	Y Band
Week 1	Thursday	Period 7	D14	X Band
Week 1	Everyday	Lunchtime	Homework drop in D14	Anyone
Week 2	Wednesday	Period 7	D14	Triple Science
Week 1 & 2	Tuesday	Period 7	D11	Applied Science
Week 1 & 2	Wednesday	Period 7	D17	A level Biology



Extra Curricular Activities

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Lunchtime	Middle School		DJ Club in MSM2 (EB and sixth form)	Bollywood Dance Club (<u>SAH</u>) H8			
Afterschool Open to all Upper & Middle School students unless indicated 3:15 – 4:30 <u>Underlined = Invitation Only</u>			<u>Year 9 Accelerate Dance Company (KB) H8 (Invite Only)</u> <u>Year 8 Elevate Dance Company (COP) H9 (Invite Only)</u> Choir/Vocal Group (EB) MSM1 Upper School Drama Club (JLJ) M1 Summer Production Feb – July (all faculty staff) Middle School Hall	Rock Challenge Sept - Feb (KB/COP/EAB) Middle School Hall Summer Production Feb – July (all faculty staff) Middle School Hall <u>Year 8&9 G&T Band (EB)</u> Y7 Pantomime acting rehearsals: Oct-Dec (JLJ) G1	Summer Production Feb – July (all faculty staff) Middle School Hall <u>Year 9 G&T Drama (EAB) G1 – Invite only</u>		
		Drama	Music	Dance	All Arts		

Clubs will commence week beginning 23rd September

STEM Club is changing.....

....Just as fun and challenging, but with more choice and plenty of opportunities for reward.

All year groups welcome, 7-13

CREST award opportunities – run your own investigation, as an individual, or part of a team at **Bronze, Silver or Gold** Level and gain recognition for your work.



Enter the Big Bang Competition with your project, for more opportunities to win.



The Big Bang
UK Young Scientists & Engineers Fair

Wednesdays 3pm-4.15pm in Lab 1



Lunch Pass available – please ask at the science office

Years 7-9



LEGO ROBOTS CLUB

Tuesday lunch times – 12.45-1.15pm in Lab 3



If you are good at building Lego or simple programming tasks, come and try this club.

We enter competitions where Lego robots have to be able to perform different challenges under timed conditions.

See Mr. Lund or Mrs. Butterfield for details



For students in Years 7, 8 and 9

Thursday lunchtimes in H1

Students can bring their packed lunch or see Art Department to get a queue jump pass.

Theme of the fortnight is 'Day of the Dead'.





Barnwell Cooking Club

Starts November 7th

3.05 – 4.30pm (Middle)

If you require an information letter, please see Mr.

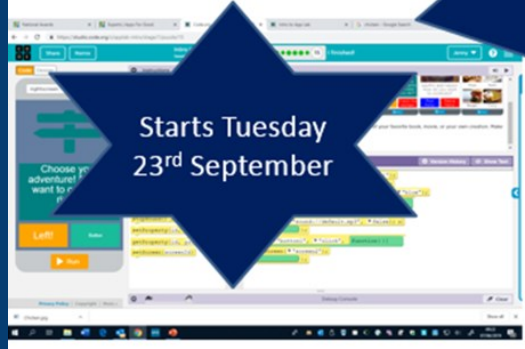
Mendelsohn in H5

Come to Apps for Good club!

- Work together to design and build an app that solves a problem.
- Back up your idea with market research and consult users.
- Design and create an app prototype and pitch it.



Where: N10
Day: Tuesday
Time: 12.30-1.15pm
Get you queue jumper for lunch from Mrs Maynard



Starts Tuesday
23rd September

Meet New Friends



FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS

5 – a – side football

Where? – Middle (Y7 pitch)

When? – Thursday

What do I need?

- Boots
- PE Kit
- Shin Pads

If you do not have the above kit, you will not be allowed to play

Format?

Small sided games; team sizes are dependent on numbers.

You can create your own teams prior to the day, if you want

FLAG FOOTBALL



Come and try something new!
Branched off American Football, Flag Football is a highly tactical but thoroughly enjoyable team game.



Any questions, please see Mr Goodman in the PE Department





Lunch pass available

Bollywood Dance Club

Wednesday Lunchtimes 12.45 - 1.15pm

H8 (Dance Studio) with Miss Ahmed

All students welcome! 😊

BREAKFAST CLUB

Dear Parents/Carers,

Form Breakfast is well under way! We have had an incredible 308 students engage with breakfast through out the week. The feedback has been incredibly positive. We are now seeing more students attend breakfast club following the opportunity to try the breakfast bagels at form time.

Now winter has arrived and the days are getting shorter, we highly encourage students to have a healthy breakfast to fuel their learning and support classroom engagement.

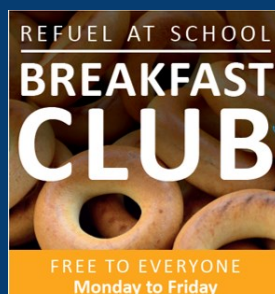
Breakfast Club is FREE and available to students on both middle and upper campus.

We look forward to seeing student next week.

Best Wishes,
Magic Breakfast Club Staff

Location: LRC

Time: 8am - 8.25am



Breakfast Available

Bagels
Porridge
Cheerios,
Shreddies
Cornflakes
Rice Crispies

MUDDY MAYHEM 5K Obstacle Course



Saturday 29th Feb 2020

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Fundraising at Barnwell School



Our school community actively supports the school by raising money to benefit the school environment and enhancing every student's education.

We hope to raise £25,000 through our current fundraising campaign to generate funds to replace our school minibus. To help with this campaign, we intend to run a rolling calendar of fundraising events to be enjoyed by parents, staff and students.

As a school, we understand that with increasingly busy lifestyles it is not always easy to commit to events and activities, so we have also set up a donation scheme on Schoolcomms for our current fundraising campaign.

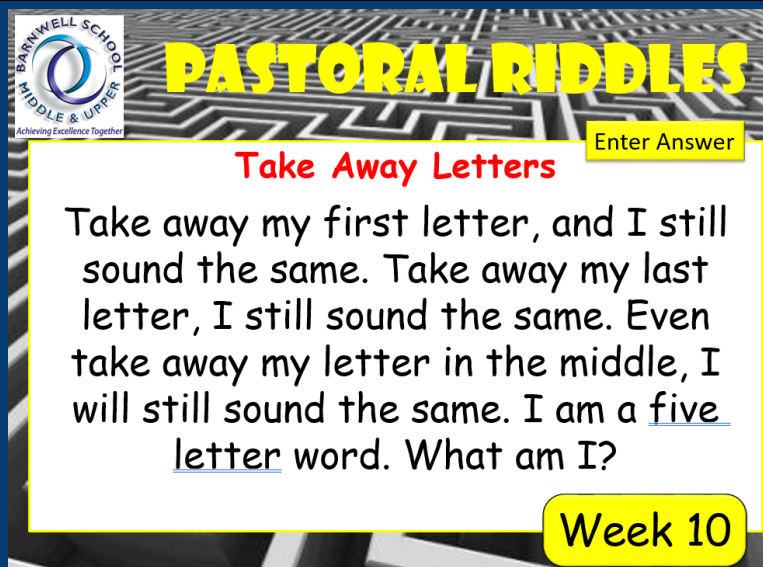
You can donate by going to the School Bus Donation page by using the [Schoolgateway Link Click Here](#)

Details for setting up a schoolgateway account can be found on the Barnwell website <https://www.barnwellschool.co.uk/parents-info/communications/>

If you are interested in getting more involved with the Schools activities, we are always on the look-out for new and enthusiastic people to join our Parent Partnership.

If you are interested in becoming involved or would like to suggest new fundraising ideas please contact us by e-mail: communication@barnwell.herts.sch.uk

Thank you, in advance, for your support.



PASTORAL RIDDLES

Enter Answer

Take Away Letters

Take away my first letter, and I still sound the same. Take away my last letter, I still sound the same. Even take away my letter in the middle, I will still sound the same. I am a five letter word. What am I?

Week 10

Look out for the answer in Edition 51

The answer to last weeks riddle was "18 - count the number of the letters in the digit"



The Young Women's Group



This term-time group provides a safe, social space for young women aged 13-16 to get together, share experiences and have fun. From encouraging health and emotional wellbeing to building communication skills, this project will encourage you to set personal goals and provides support as you work towards them.

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. the impact of social media on body image, online safety, bullying and sex and relationships.

Venue:
Bowes Lyon Young People's Centre, St Georges Way, SG1 1XY

When: Wednesdays

Time: 4.00pm – 6.00pm

For all young women in Stevenage aged 13-16



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St Albans Sleepout

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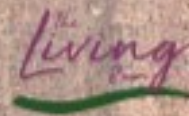
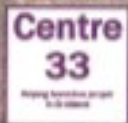
Friday 6th December 2019 9pm-7am
Oaklands College, St Albans



'One of the best experiences...really thought-provoking and a fantastic way to raise awareness and funds for homeless people' Lizzy Bell, Sleepout participant

Join us with family, friends or colleagues
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Do you have an old working bike?



We are currently seeking **fully 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



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.



THANK
YOU
TEACHERS
AND STAFF

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.

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