

Dear Parents/Carers

This week has been action-packed for both staff and students beginning with last Friday's amazing STEM fair hosted by Barnwell at the leisure centre. Seven hundred children from local primary schools attended. Great fun was had by all as they took part in hands on activities to learn more about science and technology. Year 9 students did a fabulous job manning the stands, demonstrating experiments and helping the younger children to take part.



Staff too have had fun! On Saturday fifteen members of staff competed as two teams at a venue in London in "The Crystal Maze". Well done to Miss Hull's team who won the event.

Year 9 have had a busy week with their parents evening which was very well attended. Also as they make their important decisions about option subjects for next year they were fortunate to see a theatre performance provided by the Aim Higher initiative from Hertfordshire University. A group of year 9 girls attended the Emerging Schools Netball tournament and were successful enough to get through to the cup final - congratulations to them!

Finally, a group of year 8 students will be visiting Ossington Bay this weekend for a geography trip - we hope they have an enjoyable time.

Regards

Mrs Latta

Assistant Head

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 17th March - Year 11 Drama exam

Wednesday 18th March - We Will Rock You rehearsals - middle campus

Thursday 19th March - Year 10 Parents Evening

W/C 23rd March - Wellbeing Week

Monday 23rd March - Year 11 GCSE Dance exam

Tuesday 24th March - Year 11 GCSE Dance exam &

Year 11 "Up the Anti" Evening



Celebrating Student Achievement

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

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

Kaya R - DFA Tarlia S - DLE Liam C - RAW Sarah N - EB Harry S - EB Malackey A-H - PPE
Callum B - JEL Karol Z - JEL Melek B - LCA Scott P - DLE Paige B - JEL Eduard A - SGO Indi I - HP
Cameron B - DD Imogen S - DFA Dylan B - JM Katie M - KP Archie C - DFA Josh O - DL Kai R - CS
Zoe P - ACH Reem A-H - PN Scarlett R - ER Taryn R - SAH Shyla-Mae D - JLJ Lily R - SAH Tia S - PN
Abigail G - AMW Ross G - EB Kai-Phoenix S - ER Harry H-D - SF Rebecca S - SB Ashleigh H - GW I

Congratulations to our highest credit achievers this week:

Keira C - SAH Sara A - ER Gabriel Y - DFA Ashlee F - SC James D-S - RAW Kiana A - SGO
Cameron B - DD Sila M - JM Edward T - DD Deavion-Antwon S-S - DFA Angelee K - LPA
Mckenzie W - RFR Frankie M - GW Kadie P - NHA Daniel G - SGO Jack B - DD Stanley C - SAH
Jaden K - NHA Hannah W - RAW Ellie-May L - HR Tabitha L - KP Demi W - ANC Hannah S - DD
Keane S - SGO Michael W - HR Erin A - KP Sophie G - RAW Ben G - RFR Camerson B - EB Amy W - JM





Word of the Week



‘Interpret’

(Tier 2 word)

Explain and comment on a subject and make a judgement (evaluation).

Use the Word of the Week in context as many times as possible throughout the week and you could receive #WOW positive points every time!

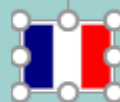
Synonyms

- Understand
- Infer
- Read between the lines
- Deduce

Similar words in MFL...



interpretar



interpréter



verstehen



This Weeks PE News



TUESDAY 10TH MARCH - Y7 BASKETBALL - An impressive performance from an ever improving team. Beaten on the day by a very strong @KJARPESPORT side but lots of positives to build on. #alwaysimproving #teambarnwell



THURSDAY 12TH MARCH - SPORT RELIEF- Just some of the amazing @sportrelief #bakeoff entries from our competition today. Our fundraising continues tomorrow with rowing & basketball challenges as well as the Year 7 table tennis competition.

THURSDAY 12TH MARCH - LEADERSHIP - Outstanding umpiring today by these @BarnwellSchool students at the @stevenageSFT mini tennis tournament #teambarnwell



Year 9 'Theatre in Education' Performance

As part of our continued Year 9 into 10 options support programme, and in collaboration with the University of Hertfordshire, we were very fortunate to be able to welcome the 'Theatre in Education' theatre company to Barnwell on Wednesday 11th March to perform their '*Steps to Success*' options presentation to our Year 9 students.

It was a very engaging and interactive way to look at the various options open to our students after GCSEs. Huge thanks to the actors for their brilliant performances.

Please check out the 'Performance in Education' website to see more details of what they do.
<https://www.pie.uk.com/default.asp>

Mr Patching



Science & Technology Fair

Almost 100 year 9 students took on the challenge of delivering activities to about 650 year 5 and 6 students throughout the day on Friday at our annual Science and Technology Fair. In pairs or threes, the students taught groups of up to 10 primary school visitors at a time, delivering Science, Technology, Maths, ICT and Art activities in 10-minute slots. Each visitor took part in 6 or more different activities and left the event bubbling with comments about their learning.

We are really proud of the students who represented Barnwell School at this event. It was a real pleasure to see our students making the activities their own, explaining the activity and the reasoning behind the activity really effectively. They were creative in their suggestions of extension tasks and in how they presented the task, and almost all have commented on how they have increased in confidence through teaching, or how rewarded they felt, by working with the younger students.



Year 9 Quotes – “I enjoyed talking to the kids” “It was a great day” “It was fun” “It provided a valuable insight into what being a teacher is like” “Me and My partner worked well together to make a good lesson” “It was rewarding to see the smiles on the kids faces and to see they were enjoying their activity” “I loved teaching, it made me feel smart and helpful”

Year 5/6 quotes “I didn’t know vinegar was an acid” “I loved making paper aeroplanes” “Food tech sounds fun” “I didn’t think that was going to happen!” “I enjoy maths” “That’s so cool” about making fruity batteries. “Wooahh” after seeing salt through a microscope!

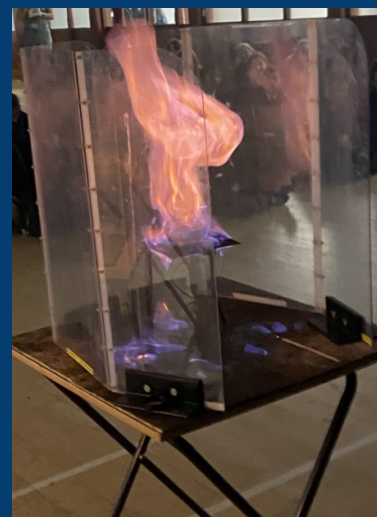


The Mr Lund Show

Mr Lund entertained over 100 middle school students on Tuesday, with flashes, bangs and whooshes, as they ate their lunch!

There were oohs and ahhs as Mr Lund sprayed ethanol laced with different metal ions into the Bunsen burner flame, demonstrating the typical lilac colour of potassium, scarlet for Lithium and Cyan for Copper.

We were required to cover our ears while a Hydrogen Balloon exploded, but also with the demonstration of cannon fire, a reaction between hydrogen peroxide and ethanol which requires some potassium permanganate to get started and continues popping for several seconds.



The woosh bottle reaction makes a big flame inside a large bottle, due to ethanol burning in air, in an enclosed space. As the flame escapes through the opening, the typical whoosh sound.

The students really enjoyed the event and ranged from year 7's who had not seen many of these reactions before to year 9's who were being challenged with Mr Lund's expert explanations.

Thank you, Mr Lund!



The Science Week Quiz

Mrs Turner once again prepared an excellent Science Week Quiz for students on Middle Campus on Thursday lunch time. The event was so popular that the venue had to be changed from SM1 to the hall to be able to seat all the teams comfortably.

There were 4 rounds of questions based on the theme of 'Our Diverse Planet' and students needed to recall their learning about the structure of the Earth, the arrangement of the solar system and the parts of the body. The round on the human body was a range of cryptic clues the teams had to solve, and there was also a 50/50 round where all students were standing up and had to sit down if they went for the wrong answer. The round got down to 2 students and Esther S in Year 8 was the eventual Winner, which helped her team to leap into first place.

Well done to the Chameleons, comprised of Imogen S Esther S, Eloise B, Kamila S, Holly K and Jasmin C, along with Miss Ahmed.

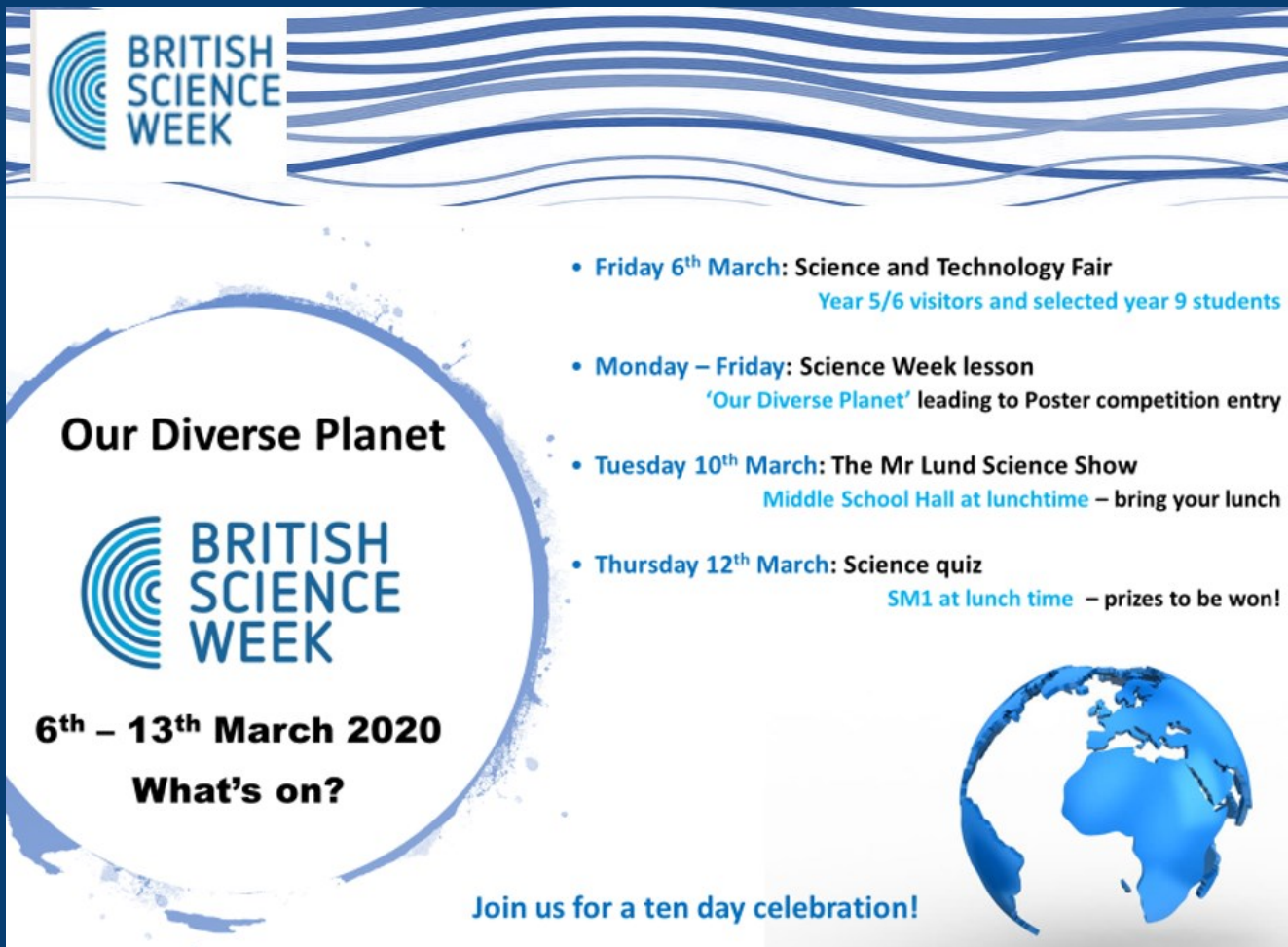
Thank you to all who took part, and to Mrs Turner for preparing and running the quiz.



British Science Week

All KS3 students have taken part in a National competition during lessons to produce a poster inspired by the title 'Our Diverse Planet'.

The deadline to hand any finished posters to your science teacher is Friday 20th March.



BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

Our Diverse Planet


BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

6th – 13th March 2020

What's on?

- **Friday 6th March: Science and Technology Fair**
Year 5/6 visitors and selected year 9 students
- **Monday – Friday: Science Week lesson**
'Our Diverse Planet' leading to Poster competition entry
- **Tuesday 10th March: The Mr Lund Science Show**
Middle School Hall at lunchtime – bring your lunch
- **Thursday 12th March: Science quiz**
SM1 at lunch time – prizes to be won!

Join us for a ten day celebration!





Information Technology & Computing Faculty



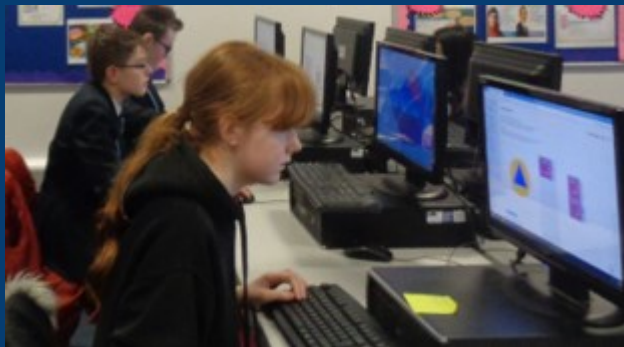
TCS Oxford Computing Challenge – 4th March 2020

On Wednesday 4th March, 17 of our Info Tech and Computing students from Years 7, 8 and 9 took part in the Oxford Computing Challenge. The TCS Oxford Computing Challenge has been created by TCS and Oxford University.

It is an invitation event which aims to encourage students who have achieved a top 10% score in the UK Bebras Challenge to develop their skills further and produce programmed solutions to computational thinking problems.



This year there was a new format of questions incorporating the Blockly programming language.



Extremely well done to the following Barnwell students and we wait to see if any have made it through to the third round for the top 20 students in each age group.

Leo C	William C
Ardi J	Jenna M
Liam C	Amelia B
Ayla S	Diya L
Blu A	Melissa G
Jaden K	Paige W
Joshua W	Hannah S

Let's Celebrate Success!

In July 2019 Natasha W (Year 7) won an on the spot award for her performance of Adelaide in Martins Wood Primary School in the Year 6 production of 'Guys and Dolls' from NODA (National operatic and amateur dramatic association).

From there she was then put forward to the regional awards where she was nominated for the best young performer. This category includes performers up to age 21.

Natasha and her family attended the award ceremony last month with Natasha saying, "I'm not going to win but I'm proud of my achievement to be nominated". Then, to Natasha and her family's surprise, Natasha won the best young performer for district 9 of NODA 2019!

Well done Natasha – All of Barnwell are so proud of you!



Staff Crystal Maze Trip!

On Saturday 11th March, 16 brave staff took on the 'Crystal Maze Live' Experience in London's West End. (Just like the TV series if you are old enough to remember it!) It was great fun taking on various challenge rooms to gain time in the famous Crystal Dome! We had so much fun testing our skills, solving mysteries and facing mental and physical challenges in the Industrial, Futuristic, Medieval and Aztec zones.

A fab day was had by all and we very much recommend the experience to you all. One of our ex-students is now the Corporate Manager so it was great to catch up with him too.

Huge congratulations go to the Captain of the winning team, Mrs Bolter!

Mr Patching





School Closure Notification System



Hertfordshire County Council operate a Schools Closure Notification System for advising parents should schools have to close for any reason.

This system is operated by Everbridge and parents are able to register with Everbridge to receive emails and/or texts sent by schools.

Once registered parents can sign up for any school in Hertfordshire. To register please copy and paste the following link into your browser:

<https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489#/login>

This link will direct you to the **“Sign Up”** page where you should click on the **“sign up”** button located at the top right hand side of the page on the black strip and from there follow the instructions. It should take no more than 5 minutes to register and you can edit your information should it change at any time.

Parents/carers are urged to sign up for this service as we will be contacting Everbridge as soon as a decision is made to close the school for whatever reason, such as heavy snow. The system will only be used for School Closures or other serious issues and is a supplement to information currently provided via the Herts Direct website and local radio stations. Our website will also be updated regularly.

Each contact within the system can have 2 devices added for each communication type. This means that in addition to adding your own mobile number and email address, you could include the mobile number and email address of a partner or a grandparent in your registration process. They too would then receive any messages in relation to your school's closure. Alternatively, interested parties could register themselves separately.

If you have children at more than one school you can register for those schools too in a single registration process by selecting all schools you have children at. Once you are signed up you will receive messages relating to the status of each selected school.

If you no longer want to receive messages sent by the school you can remove your registration details from the system by logging on to Everbridge and deleting your record.

Many thanks

Barnwell School

Coronavirus Update - March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are all very aware of the level of concern surrounding the current Coronavirus outbreak. Over the past fortnight we have tried to keep you updated with information as we receive it to reassure you that all staff, students are kept safe. While we do hope that more serious measures are not required, it does feel important to share with you what we would do in the instance of required school closure or a significant outbreak of cases within our school community.

As you are aware, staff, visitors and students have been encouraged to wash their hands regularly and school has fortunately been able to operate as normal. These messages will continue to be reinforced on a regular basis. Over the last few days, we have been working to formulate a full business continuity plan to ensure that we are best placed should the situation regarding the Coronavirus escalate.

Any communication regarding school closure, reduced school hours or remote working requirements would always be sent to you via Schoolcomms, Everbridge, social media and placed on the school website. Parents are encouraged to read school emails regularly and check our website.

Contingency Planning – Remote Education

As the UK prepares to move into the 'delay' phase of the national action plan, we have been developing our preparations for maintaining a reasonable level of educational continuity for students if Public Health England or the Government decides that the school has to close for a period of time.

What happens if we get to a point where a significant portion of students are required to stay away from school, or the school has to close completely?

The school would only be closed on the direction of Public Health England or the Government and following their advice. In the event of high levels of sickness amongst the staff and/or the student body full or part closure or reduced hours may be a necessary step to secure the safety and well-being of our school community.

Our online portal Show My Homework would become essential at this stage. Subject teachers, under direction of their Curriculum Leaders, would set work by class as per the school curriculum. This would ensure that a reasonable level of continuity of provision is in place for our students. Students will be requested to submit work tasks via Show My Homework or email, as appropriate. If any family does not have access to the Internet and would therefore find accessing Show My Homework difficult, please get in touch with the school as soon as possible so that alternative means of communication can be considered.

What if my child is in Years 11,12 or 13?

With regard to public exams, neither JCQ nor individual examination boards have issued any instructions regarding possible disruption to the summer series at the time of writing. It is important to remember that if public examinations are to be affected, we will take our lead from the Government and JCQ on the correct procedures. Currently, coursework completion remains the top priority for students where this is appropriate. Students are urged to work with their subject teachers to ensure coursework is completed promptly and in line with deadlines. We are mindful that the next few months will be a challenging period. At Barnwell School, we pride ourselves on our pastoral support for students and families. If you need to speak to someone during this time, please do not hesitate to continue to contact staff via the usual email addresses.

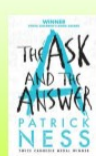
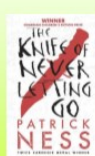
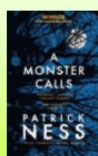
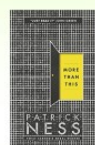
Finally, we would like to thank all our students, parents and staff for their understanding and support during this difficult time for all.

Learning Resource Centre

Author of the month

March 2020

Patrick Ness



To borrow the books visit the LRC



Barnwell Whole School Read.

'Of Mice and Men', by John Steinbeck.

The compelling story of two outsiders striving to find their place in an unforgiving world.

Available in both Middle and Upper LRC's



Stevenage Music Centre



Nobel School, Mobbsbury Way, Stevenage, SG2 OHS

Tel No: 01438-844518

stevenagemusicenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk

We currently have availability for **Violin Lessons**

Suitable for ages 6 and above.

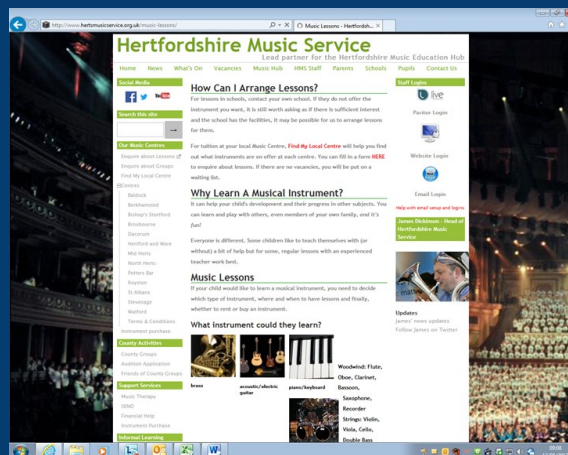
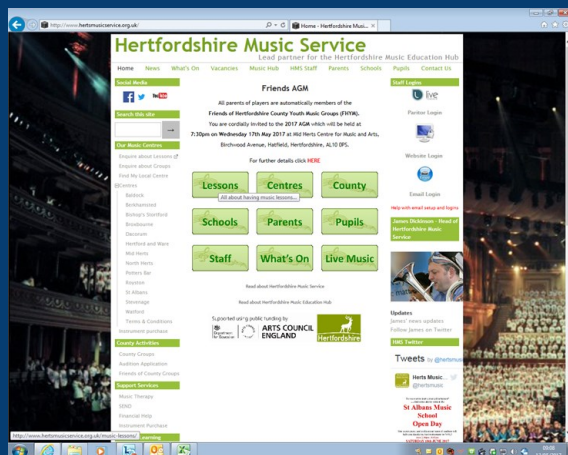
Wednesday 4 – 4.30pm & 5.50 – 6.10pm

Thursday 6.10 – 6.30pm, 6.30-6.50pm

Please click on the link below to apply on-line

Go to <http://www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk/>

How to Apply:



If you have any queries - please contact Amanda on 01438-844518 or

Email – Amanda.Jackson-Gardiner@hertfordshire.gov.uk for more information and how to book.

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 sport and physical activity Spring term 2019 – Middle Campus



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning (8.00-8.25am)		KS3 Just Dance CA (Hall)		KS3 Just Dance HF (Hall)	
Lunch (12.30-1.00pm)	KS3 Table Tennis SGO (Hall) KS3 Dodgeball League RFR (Gym)	Y7 Basketball CHA (Gym) KS3 Volleyball RFR (Hall) (Wk1)	KS3 Table Tennis SGO (Hall) KS3 Volleyball RFR (Gym) (Wk2)	KS3 Table Tennis RFR (Hall)	Y8&9 Basketball RFR (Gym) KS3 Table tennis CHA (Hall)
After school (3.00-4.00pm)	Y7,8&9 Netball HF/KHU (Courts)	Y8&9 Basketball RFR (Gym) KS3 Girls Football CA (Field)	Y7 Basketball CHA (gym) KS3 Trampoline JEL (Upper Hall)	KS3 Badminton SGO (Middle Hall)	KS3 Rugby CHA (Field)



**GET ACTIVE
GET INVOLVED**



Extra-Curricular Sport and Physical Activity Spring Term 2020 – Upper Campus



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning (8.00-8.25am)					
Lunch (12.30-1.00pm)	Y11 Football CHA (LC) Boys Dodgeball JEL (Gym)	Girls Dodgeball JEL (Gym)		Y10 Football RC (LC)	Girls Volleyball JEL (Gym)
After school (3.00-4.00pm)	Y11 Sports Leaders CHA (D4)	Duke of Edinburgh JEL	Seniors football KNE (field) Y10 Basketball AL (LC) Trampoline 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



Expressive and Performing Arts Extra-Curricular Activities Timetable 2019 – 2020

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	Middle School		DJ Club in MSM2 (EB and sixth form)	Bollywood Dance Club (SAH) 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

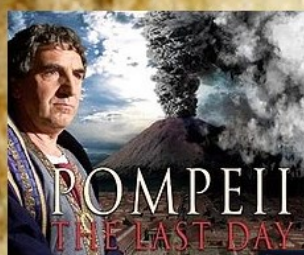
Badminton Club



Every Thursday in the Middle School Hall until 4pm
PE KIT REQUIRED

Any questions, please see Mr Goodman

HISTORY FILM CLUB



Every Wednesday
lunchtime, starting at
12:30 in N2, there will be
a variety of historical
films shown!

Please come along and
enjoy the films on offer
whilst eating your lunch.

Feel free to make
suggestions about what
films you would like to
watch as well!



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.

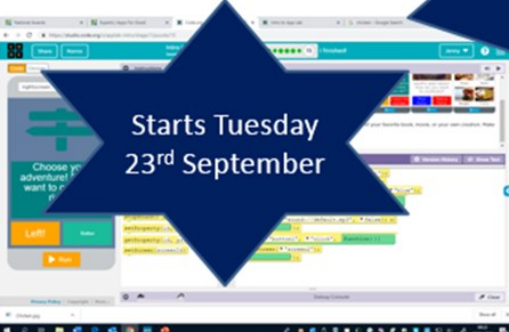
Be Creative

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

Apps for Good



Meet New Friends



Starts Tuesday
23rd September





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?

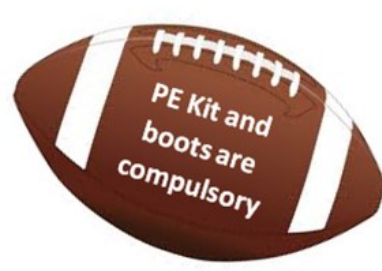
Small sided games; team sizes are dependent on numbers.

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





Bollywood Dance Club

Wednesday Lunchtimes 12.45 – 1.15pm

H8 (Dance Studio) with Miss Ahmed

All students welcome! 😊



ST PETER'S CHURCH
BROADWATER CRESCENT
NEXT TO MARYMEAD SHOPS

3PM-4:30PM WEDNESDAY
TERM TIME
YEARS 7-11



Website : www.stevenagescouting.org.uk

Stuart Leacy
Assistant District Commissioner (Cubs)
Email : cubs@stevenagescouting.org.uk



STEVENAGE CUB SCOUTS ENVIRONMENT DAY (Canyon and Local Area Clean-up)

Dear Cubs and local residents in Shephall,

On Saturday 28th March, two days after a massive Stevenage and villages primary schools Environment Action Day with the Mayor, Stevenage Scouting will be doing their bit, along with the residents of Shephall area in the Shackleton Spring Woods. Cubs will need to be in full uniform.

We will be meeting at the Canyon Activity Centre at 12:30pm for a lunch all together, before then splitting into 2 groups. One group will be completing an activity in the Canyon and the other group will be completing a Spring Clean in Shackleton Spring Woods. After 45 minutes, we will swap the two groups over.

I am really hoping that parents will stay for the lunch, the activity and clean-up together with their children.

There will be no cost for this activity, though we do need to know if people are coming as we need to make sure that there is enough food and drink for everyone.

If you would like to take part in this event, please detach and return the slip below to your Leader or bring it along on the day.

Thanks Stuart
ADC Cubs - Stevenage

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I would like _____ to take part in the Canyon Activity and Local Area Clean-up on

Saturday 28th March 2020 together with _____ adults and _____ extra children.

Stevenage Scouting may take photos of people taking part in this event and with your permission these photos may be used for publicising Stevenage Scouting in newsletters, posters and on the Scout websites. Names will not be associated with photos and the Scout Associations guidelines will be followed at all times.

Do you give permission for photos of your son/daughter to be used as above? YES ☐ NO ☐ Please tick

Signed _____ Date _____ Contact number during event _____
Parent / Guardian (home or mobile.)

Medical information: _____

STEVENAGE DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL. Registered Charity No: 302590
District Commissioner: Simon Speller, 45 Shackleton Spring, Stevenage, Herts. SG2 9DF. Tel 01438 239459 District
Website: www.stevenagescouting.org.uk



SERVICES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



Megamix Project



At Megamix, you'll find a varied, term-time, programme of exciting activities specially designed for young people with learning disabilities. The activities are decided in consultation with the young people and include:-

- sports & games
- arts & crafts
- drama
- music
- topical discussion groups
- advice on relationships and sexual health ...

...and more, all designed to help you become happier and more independent.


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

When: Tuesday, term-time only


Time:
5.15-7.15pm for 13-17 year olds
7.45-9.45pm 18-24 year olds

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

Enabling young people to succeed



Healthy Relationships Project



This term-time group provides a safe, social space for young people 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: Mondays

Time: 6.00pm – 8.00pm
For all young people in Stevenage aged 13-16

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Bedwell Friday Night Project



Come along on Fridays to develop new interests, get advice and support, have fun and make new friends in a safe environment.

Activities include:
Sports
Music production
Healthy living
Arts & crafts
Topical discussions

Our youth workers are very friendly and would love to talk to you! So why not come along and meet them?

Venue:
Bowes Lyon Young Peoples Centre
St Georges Way
Stevenage
SG1 1XY

When: Friday

Time: 7.00pm – 9.00pm
For all young people aged 14 to 17

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More info at Student Services

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The Own It app comes with a special keyboard. This can be used like any other keyboard, but it also gives you helpful tips and friendly advice as you write!

- Track how you feel and improve your wellbeing.
- Packed full of gifs and emojis to help express yourself!
- Lots of fun quizzes, videos and articles to enjoy.

Best of all, the Own It keyboard and app is personal to you. Everything you type is kept completely private, and never leaves the Own It app on your phone.

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/own-it-app>

Pastoral Support

Dear parents/carers,



In order to ensure that pastoral queries continued to be followed up quickly and efficiently on the middle campus, we are changing the way in which parents can communicate with the pastoral teams. If you have a query or concerns regarding your child please email middlepastoral@barnwell.herts.sch.uk rather than contacting individual staff.

This account will be monitored closely and your email forwarded to the most appropriate staff member who will be able to respond within 1 working day.

Kind regards

Miss K Hull

KS3 Behaviour Lead





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 24th February
Monday 2nd March
Monday 9th March
Monday 16th March
Wednesday 25th March
Monday 30th March

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

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


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STEP 2:

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Payments are taken on the 1st or 15th of each month. The nearest direct debit date will be the default option available to choose. Please allow at least two weeks to register before the date of your first direct debit payment.

Sign up today or email us on

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Download the Arriva bus app & m-ticket app today!



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.

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 possible, to v.pettifer@barnwell.herts.sch.uk



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.

[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.

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