# POST 16 BULLETIN (6)



# Week Beginning 19th November 2018

#### Remembrance Parade

Post 16 Head Students, Hannah Edgar and James Mays accompanied by Head of School, Matt Roberts joined with the Mayor of Stevenage, Stephen McPartland, MP for Stevenage and many other community organisations and dignitaries in Stevenage Old Town to remember those who have been affected by the conflicts of war on Sunday, 11 November. Hannah and James laid a wreath at the foot of the War Memorial at the Bowling Green in the Old Town on behalf of all students and staff at Barnwell School.





## **Amazing Apprenticeships**

For those students who are considering an Apprenticeship at the end of Year 13, please find below the link to the November Edition of the 'Amazing Apprenticeships' Parent Pack. It is full of resources, including questions to ask about degree apprenticeships on Open Days, the importance of keeping options open, employer advice with Nestle and much more.

https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resource/parents-pack-november-2018/?utm\_source=Newsletter&utm\_medium=AAA%20Mailchimp&utm\_campaign=AAA\_mailchimp\_PP%20November

#### Year 13 Mock Examinations

Please find below the timetable for the Year 13 mock examinations which will take place in the week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> December in the Year 11 common room.

	Monday 3rd December	Tuesday 4th December	Wednesday 5th December	Thursday 6th December	Friday 7th December
Periods 1 and 2	English Lit/Lang English Literature	Biology	Drama	Music Psychology MediaStudies (2)	History ProductDesign Philosophy
Periods 3 and 4	Health &Social Care Mathematics	Science (1)	Drama (P3)	Dance Science (2) Economics	Geography
Periods 5 and 6	Sport (JJ) MediaStudies (1)	History		Biology	

Year 12 Business Studies



Winterwonderland

#### 20 places remaining!!

Our annual Sixth form trip to 'Winterwonderland' in Hyde Park, (London's largest outdoor ice skating rink which also boasts a giant observation wheel, toboggan slide, bungee ice dome, fairground rides

and Christmas market) takes place on Thursday 20th December 2018. (This is the penultimate day of term – Post 16 lessons within the Stevenage Sixth Partnership end at 3.00pm on Wednesday 19th December, therefore no lessons are missed should you wish to attend this trip!)

We will depart from school at 7.30am and will return to Barnwell (Upper School Campus) at approximately 5.30pm. During the afternoon, students will be asked to break into small groups to organise their own agenda until our departure time of 3.30pm. (Students may wish to use the afternoon to have a meal, visit the street entertainers in Covent Garden or even complete some last-minute Christmas shopping in Oxford Street!)

The cost of the trip, which includes return travel by coach, ice skating and skate hire, is £25.00 (payment via School Gateway). If you would like to participate in this trip, please complete the slip sent via SchoolComms (also available in the Sixth Form Common Room) and return it asap, with payment in full, to the finance office on our Upper School Campus.

Places are limited and will be issued on a first come, first served basis.

#### Hollie Guard - How An App Could Keep You Safe

As the evenings draw darker, I thought it would be useful to share this with you.

A new app has been created to turn your smartphone into an advanced security device - and could revolutionise how we think about making journeys alone.



The Hollie Gazzard Trust was set up by Hollie's family in the wake of her murder at the hands of her ex-boyfriend whilst she was at work. They have created the app in the hope that others will be encouraged by her story.

#### What Does The App Do?

Hollie Guard is a completely free app that turns most smartphones into a security device; at its very simplest, a shake or tap will automatically send your location and evidence to your emergency contact.

With a range of options suited to your personal needs, the app can help in a number of ways:

**Personal** - when faced with a compromising situation, the user can send an alert to an elected emergency contact to let them know that they are unsafe (including; video, audio, and location) with just a shake. A second shake will produce a flashing light and beeping sound to draw attention to the situation.

**Stealth** – a silent alarm for when you do not want to alert anyone around you that you feel threatened; your message will be sent secretly. This can also be sent as a 'Soft Alert' by just pressing the volume up button on your smartphone.

**Deterrent** – If you feel like a more obvious showing of your discomfort is best, the deterrent alarm will visibly show that you've raised the alarm, and that your evidence is being uploaded. Like with the Personal option, the deterrent will produce a flashing strobe like and high pitched beeping noise.

What Are The Benefits?

**Discreet** – for victims of domestic abuse, it can be used discreetly on a smartphone; likewise in public it can be used without telling the other person you do not feel at ease

**It's Free** – there's no reason not to get the app; men and women, young and old alike, can all download and use it to prevent domestic violence

**Awareness** – not only does the app keep you aware, it provides peace of mind for your family and friends, especially on worrying journeys.

How Do I Get The App?

The Hollie Guard App has been created to support most mobile platforms, including **iPhone**, **Android**, and **Windows Phone**.

For more information on the app itself, head over to www.hollieguard.com.

## Forthcoming Important Dates

Year 13 Mock Examinations - Week commencing - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018



Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 14th December

Winterwonderland – Thursday 20th December

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