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DIARY DATES

Thursday 8 th May		Written GCSE exams begin
Saturday 17 th May		Year 11 Revision Series – Maths
	9.00am-12.30 pm	
Monday 12 th May	4.00-6.00 pm	Year 11 Revision Series – Science
Thursday 15 th May	3.15-5.10 pm	Year 11 Revision Series – History
Friday 16 th May	4.00-6.00 pm	Year 11 Revision Series – PE
Saturday 17 th May		DofE Bronze New Forest
	10.00-21.30 am	Year 11 Revision Series – Science
Tuesday 20 th May	3.15-4.15 pm	Year 11 Revision Series – Geography
Wednesday 21 st May	4.00-5.30 pm	Year 11 Revision Series – Science
		Operation Sceptre visit
22 nd -23 rd May	Break 2	Save the Bees Bake Sale
26th – 30th May		Year 11 Summer Half Term Holiday
Saturday 31 st May	9.00-10.30 am	Year 11 Revision Series – Science
Tuesday 3 rd June		Year 10 Itchen College - taster day
Wednesday 4 th June	3.15-4.10 pm	Year 11 Revision Series - History
Thursday 5 th June		Year 10 Swanage Field Trip
6 th – 7 th June		DofE Bronze Practice Expedition –
6 th – 8 th June		DofE Silver Practice Expedition
Saturday 7 th June	9.00-10.30 am	Year 11 Revision Series - Science
Monday 9 th June	3.15-4.15 pm	Year 11 Revision Series - Geography
Monday 9 th June	5.30-6.30 pm	Year 9 & 10 Battlefield Information Meeting for Parents
9 th & 13 th June		HPV Vaccinations
Tuesday 10 th June		Year 10 Geography Trip - Swanage
Wednesday 11 th June		Year 7 - Black Country Trip
Thursday 12 th June		Year 10 Geography Trip - Swanage
Saturday 14 th June	9.00-10.30 am	Year 11 Revision Series - Science
Tuesday 17 th June		Year 9 Geography Urban Field Trip - Portsmouth
Thursday 19 th June		School Athletic Championships Year 7-10
Friday 20 th June		Paulton's Park Year 7 & 9
		GCSE exams finish
Monday 23 rd June		Year 10 Peter Symonds - taster day
		Field events this week for Sports Day
Thursday 26th June		Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 LATE START 10.30
		Year 11 Leavers Assembly
		College Prom 2025
Friday 27th June		INSET DAY – College closed for students
		Year 10 Barton Peveril taster day
Thursday 3 rd July		Year 10 Itchen College - taster day
Friday 4 th July		Year 9 Student Youth Voice Conference - Winchester
5 th July – 7 th July		DofE Silver Final Expedition
Tuesday 8 th July		New Intake Day
		Sports Day
		County Athletic Championships
9 th July – 11 th July		Year 9 & 10 Battlefields Trip
13 th July-14 th July		DofE Bronze Final Expedition
Friday 18th July		Condensed day
		COLLEGE CLOSSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS FOR ALL STUDENTS
ASSEMBLIES FOR THE COMING WEEK: All Years – English Assemblies – Shakespeare Week		

Dear parents and Carers,

Today is the 80th anniversary of VE Day when people celebrated the end of the second world war in Europe, following the surrender of Nazi Germany. Our History Club students have been spending time researching local stories of VE day and taking part in commemorative events in the village. They visited residents from Sunnybank House who were children when VE Day was celebrated and enjoyed listening to their stories of the end of the war. They then revisited the residents and listened to a presentation on how Spitfire parts were made in the local area, following the bombing of the factories that had been making them. They then created an exhibition in Fountains Cafe of their wider research into VE Day, which repeated the exhibition they had created for D-Day last June. The History Club was originally created for students in years 7 and 8 but it is great to see that students in years 9-11 are still part of it because they have not wanted to leave! Thank you to Mrs McNay who has led the club and planned its events.



There were many things which led to the allied victory over Hitler; a key lesson for us to learn is that when we work hard, endure hardship, show courage, believe in ourselves and to stick together then we can achieve extraordinary things, including overcoming terrible fear and suffering. We recognise each November, those in our local community who died in service of our country and the cause of freedom so that victory could be secured, and it is fitting that in VE Day week we remember them too. Happy VE day to our elderly neighbours in the local area who were alive in 1945 and have memories of that significant event.

Wyvern students have been busy in other ways this week too. Year 8 students visited Parliament and the Supreme Court this week and were superbly behaved - thank you to Mrs Wiseman for taking them - we also have Liz Jarvis, the MP for Eastleigh visiting the college tomorrow. Year 10 students were awarded their prefect ties this week and have begun to undertake their responsibilities. As with the History Club, all these students have been great ambassadors for the college and superb role models.

With best wishes
Mr Rule

COLLEGE CULTURE

Paulton's Park Praise Trip – Invitations Going Out Soon!

We are excited to share that invitations for our Paulton's Park Praise Trip 2025 will shortly be going out to students who have met the criteria we set earlier in the year. The trip will be offered at cost price. Subsidised support will be available on a case-by-case basis for students eligible for Pupil Premium.

We are inviting every student in Years 7–10 who has met the following criteria between October half-term and 15th May 2025:

- No unauthorised absences (to be clear, this was to avoid unfairly penalising students who had genuine illness)
- 97% or higher punctuality to lessons
- No truancy
- No more than three C3 sanctions
- No C4 sanctions
- Achieving an average PRIDE score of 7 or higher in the summer term PRIDE reports (PRIDE scores are out of 10 this year)

We have been very clear all year that this would be the criteria for attending the Praise Trip, including:

- Assemblies during the week of 30th September
- Information shared in thisWeek@Wyvern during the weeks of 30th September and 21st October

We also reminded parents of the no unauthorised absence requirement in the attendance reports issued during the Autumn 2 and Spring 2 terms.

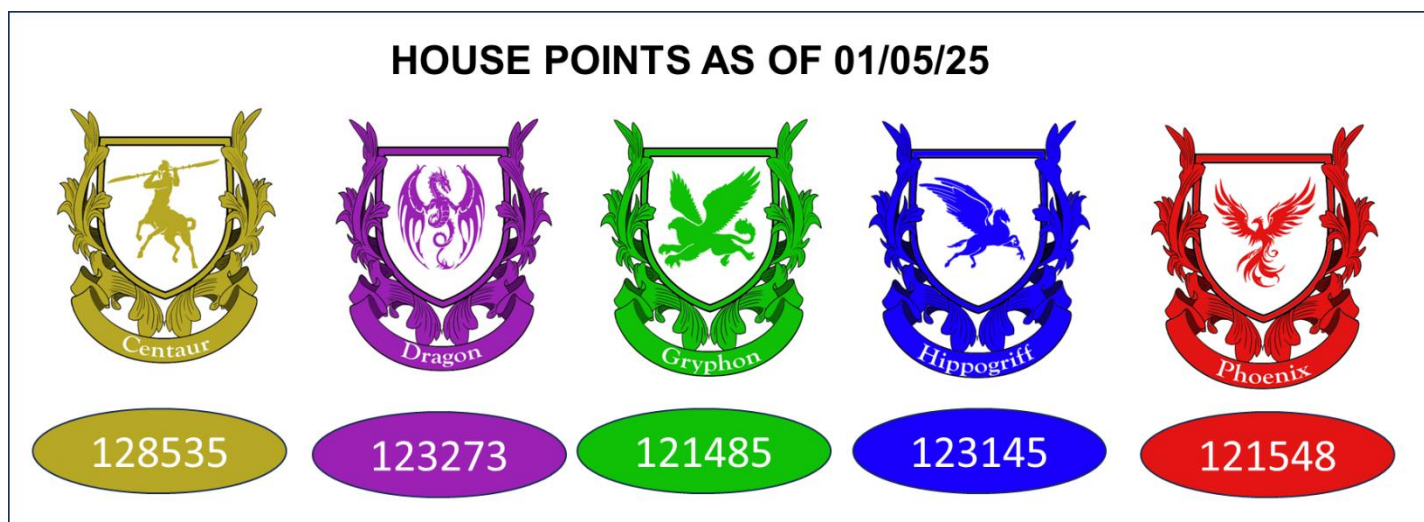
Please note that if a student had an unauthorised absence recorded earlier in the year (for example, due to an illness that was not reported to us), we will not be retrospectively changing these to authorised in order for a student to attend the trip. However, if new information comes to light, we are happy to update our attendance records internally.

Naturally, we understand that some students will be disappointed if they do not receive an invitation. We hope, though, that they will view it as a positive learning opportunity. Students in Years 7–9 will have the chance to meet the criteria again next year as we intend to run these Praise Trips annually.

If a parent feels that their child should have been invited but was not, the only appeals we will consider are on the grounds of administrative error against the above criteria. If you believe this may apply, please do contact us – we will check our records carefully and get back to you.

Finally, we would like to thank all parents and carers for your support this year. We are very much looking forward to rewarding students who have consistently met our high expectations with what promises to be a fantastic day out at Paulton's Park!

William Emeny
Deputy Headteacher
Wyvern College



COMMUNITY NEWS


HAMPSHIRE YOUTH DANCE COMPANY

HYDC are recognised Nationally as the South West's leading youth dance company, providing pre- vocational training and performance experience, alongside the opportunity to work with renowned choreographers and industry experts. We are searching for young dancers who are committed, driven and passionate about taking their dance training to the next level.

Find out more about HYDC and submit an application here;
<https://thepointeastleigh.co.uk/get-involved/hampshire-youth-dance-company>

You can find out more about the workshop and parents can apply here: [British Sign Language \(BSL\) - Parent and Child Workshop \(Community Course\) - SHCG | South Hampshire College Group](#)

NEW!
CEREBRAL PALSY
FOOTBALL TRAINING
At Wyvern Football Club





Wyvern College
 Botley Road, Fair Oak, Eastleigh SO50 7AN.
 Sessions will be on the all weather pitch

For children aged 5-12 years with Cerebral Palsy

Fridays 5-6pm
 Term time
 £3 per session

Free taster Sessions Available

To register your interest contact -
 Jobrown@wyvernfc.org.uk
 07917532203

 **NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME**
 Garden Open For Charity

Manor Lodge
 Brook Lane, Botley,
 Southampton, SO30 2ER

Saturday 17 May
Sunday 18 May
2 - 5pm
 Adults £5 Children free
 Home-made teas

   
 WHEELCHAIR ACCESS DOGS WELCOME PLANTS FOR SALE TEAS

More information at ngs.org.uk



Registered charity No. 112641

SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY - ENIGMA STUDY

Is your child aged between 11-15 with a diagnosis of autism?

The ENIGMA study is looking for adolescents aged 11-15 with a diagnosis of autism to help find out how the environment of an autistic adolescent can affect their mental health.

We know that autistic adolescents sometimes have mental health difficulties such as anxiety or low mood. We want to study the lives of autistic young people to try and understand why these difficulties might happen. If you and your child wish to be involved, we will ask you and your child to attend the University of Southampton 5 times to complete some tasks, and we will ask your child to wear a small sensor for a few days that measures their heart rate and breathing while they go about their life.

We will also ask your child to download an app on their phone (or on your phone) that asks questions about their mood, how they are feeling, and what they do in their free time.

Participants will receive £30 in vouchers for each visit in addition to £25 travel/lunch reimbursements per visit. If you are interested in taking part, or would like more information about the study, please get in touch: Telephone: 07586552762 Email: enigmastudy@soton.ac.uk

[Click here for further details.](#)

JUNIOR PHOTO COMPETITION

Bishop Waltham Photo Society are holding a junior photo competition. There are two categories, up to 11 year and 12-16 years. [Please click here to find out how to enter.](#)

NEWS ROUND UP

Pothole Survey – the Results!

Greetings Parents, staff and family members, thank you to everyone who filled out our survey about potholes in our local area and the problems that come with them. We received almost 100 replies to our Google form and we thank you very much for the data that you helped us collect. We found out that over 80% of all participants of our survey have had a negative opinion of potholes with just under 80% of these having physical problems with potholes in our area.

As a part of one of our questions we asked you, "Do you know where potholes are located locally?", and by far the two most common responses were, Allington Lane and Sandy Lane and this helps us understand that they are the areas that are some of the worst affected and we will ask that more funding be allocated to places such as those.

We ask again for your help but this time we are taking action against potholes. We have set up a petition and we ask for you to please sign it. We are asking for extra funding and time to go towards fixing and filling potholes. Please send this to your neighbours, friends and family to help raise awareness.

[Petition · Raise Awareness and Funding for Hampshire's Pothole Crisis - United Kingdom · Change.org](#)

Citizen Trip to Parliament and Supreme Court

Tuesday saw an early start for our Year 9 citizen students as they set off to London for a visit to the Supreme Court, in the morning, and Parliament in the afternoon.



History Club & VE80

The History Club had two outings this week. On Monday they were invited to Sunnybanks to hear the incredible story of the Secret Spitfires – which detailed the creation of a secret “cottage industry” of spitfire production set up in local towns during the war. Then on VE80 day they set up a display in the Fountains Community Café showing all the memories and stories they had collected about the end of the war. We'll be sharing those in our termly newsletter this Term @Wyvern.



GENERAL NOTICES

DRIVING IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE CAMPUS

We have recently had several reports of unsafe and potentially dangerous driving in and around the Campus and the immediate neighbourhood. This has involved vehicles using the local roads including the main Botley road as drop off areas. Cars have been stopping with very little warning and not showing awareness for other road users. This puts both other vehicles and pedestrians in danger as well as any passengers for your cars.

Please observe all highway code methods of safe driving, parking and drop off. Dangerous or unsafe actions will be reported to the local Police.

Please be aware of all road users in and around the campus areas.

Thank you for your understanding



PRODUCTION PHOTO ORDERS – If you ordered photos from the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe – they are now available for collection by the students from the Finance Office.

CAMHS Parents and Carers Events

[Click here to find out about upcoming sessions](#) giving parents the opportunity to come in and talk to CAMHS clinicians, ask questions and access resources.

LOST PROPERTY

Please be aware we have a number of unnamed coats, PE kits, shoes as well as other miscellaneous items.

The collection of lost property will be set out in Reception daily from Tuesday 6th May until Friday 9th May 2025 from 3-4pm. Parents and students will be able to check for any items that they are missing. All items not claimed after the 9th will be disposed of.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Please go to [Extra Curricular - Wyvern College](#) to see the updated list of what clubs and activities are available to our students this term.

INSIGHT INTO AUTISM – Free Parent Workshop Thursday 5th June 2025 10.00am – 2.00pm Shepherds Down School, Compton This workshop will provide you with an insight into autism and how it affects your child. Our aim is to provide you with a range of practical strategies to support your child in the home environment. [Click here for more details and how to book.](#)

ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

[Click here for the latest edition of our Online Safety Newsletter.](#)

FREE INSTRUMENTAL TASTER SESSIONS

The Wyvern Music department will be offering the opportunity for students to sign up for a free instrumental taster lesson this term. We also have some instruments which can be loaned to students if they decide to sign up for instrumental lessons following their taster lesson. Instrumental lessons are run by our excellent team of specialist peripatetic instrumental teachers and give the students so many wider skills, increasing discipline, listening skills, improving memory, sensory development, patience and perseverance, as well as building self-esteem and confidence, as well as creating opportunities to be involved in music-making with other students.

Wyvern are currently offering a taster lesson on: violin, cello, double bass, oboe, clarinet, flute, saxophone, trumpet or trombone. If you are interested in a taster lesson for your child, please email me stating the student's name, tutor group and instrument preference: s.wood@wyvern.hants.sch.uk.



For more information see Mrs Brine-Howe

CAREERS NEWS

PETER SYMONDS OPEN EVENINGS

Open Evenings will be 2 and 3 July 5:30 - 8:30pm. Booking will be available on the website from the beginning of June.



RICHARD TAUNTON SIXTH FORM COLLEGE OPEN EVENING

[Please click here for details of upcoming opportunities to visit the college.](#)

SETA Apprenticeship News

[Click here to access the SETA Engineering Apprenticeship Vacancy Bulletin](#)

There are currently 15 [LIVE VACANCIES](#) on SETAs website.

Engineering Vacancies

Remember to advise anyone interested in a career in engineering to keep an eye on the SETA [apprenticeship vacancies](#) page on our website, and signpost interested young people there too. Don't forget to have a look at the [Govt Apprenticeship Website](#) as nearly 95% of all apprenticeship adverts (whatever the sector) will appear there.

HAMPSHIRE FUTURES

Hampshire Futures is part of Hampshire County Council. We help Year 11 students move from school to college, training, or getting a job.

If you're a young person in Hampshire and need help over the summer to get back to college or find a job/apprenticeship, Hampshire Futures is here for you. [Click here for more information.](#)

MPCT MILITARY ACADEMIES

Exciting times here at MPCT as our Hampshire Colleges are moving into Army Reserves Centres, this will really help set the scene for our learners and enhance their journey towards their future careers.

Also with MPC Salisbury opening up its doors for the new academic year we are able to offer are fantastic provision to more young people across our area. [Click here for more information.](#)

UNIFROG SEMINARS

Green careers that tackle climate change

Virtual

Part of Day in the life
event series

Green careers include roles which help to improve the natural environment and address climate change, in the UK alone up to 480,000 green job roles will be created by 2030! If you want to find out more about these exciting opportunities and what you can do now to prepare you for your future career, join this webinar to hear from current professionals in The Environment Agency and LANTRA - Kew Gardens to learn more about what a typical day looks like in the environmental industry!

Tuesday 13 May @ 16:30 UK time - 45 mins - [sign up](#)



Careers in medicine healthcare: making a lasting impact

Virtual

Part of Day in the life
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Working in healthcare can mean making a lasting impact on people's lives. Want to know more about roles in the healthcare industry, and what a typical day looks like? This webinar will give you an insight into what it's really like to work in healthcare from experts in the NHS and College of Paramedics. Discover the top tips you'll need to succeed to start your dream career in healthcare!

Tuesday 13 May @ 17:30 UK time - 45 mins - [sign up](#)



YEAR 7 NOTICES

No notices this week.

YEAR 8 NOTICES

No notices this week.

YEAR 9 NOTICES

No notices this week.

YEAR 10 NOTICES

No notices this week.

YEAR 11 NOTICES

No notices this week.