



## DIARY DATES

June 23rd		Paulton Park Praise Trip – Year 8 & 10
June 25 <sup>th</sup>		Leavers Assembly and Prom Late start for Years 7-10 (see details below)
June 26 <sup>th</sup>		INSET Day
June 27 <sup>th</sup> – June 29 <sup>th</sup>		DofE Silver – Final Expedition
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	3.00-7.30	Year 9 Drama Performance Evening
June 30 <sup>th</sup> - July 5 <sup>th</sup>		Year 8 Germany Trip
July 1 <sup>st</sup>		Key Stage 4 Awards Evening
July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	4.00-6.00pm	Wyvern Rocks
July 5 <sup>th</sup> – July 6 <sup>th</sup>		DofE Bronze – Final Expedition
July 7 <sup>th</sup>		Year 9 Parliament Trip Key Stage 3 Awards Evening
July 8 <sup>th</sup> - July 10 <sup>th</sup>		Battlefields Trip
July 10 <sup>th</sup>		Anti-Bullying Ambassadors – Non-Uniform Day
July 11 <sup>th</sup>	2.00-5.00pm	Wyvern@FairOak60 Celebration – Library, Quad and Main Hall
July 15 <sup>th</sup>		Sports and House Games Day Summer Concert – Main Hall
July 17 <sup>th</sup>		Last day of summer term for students

### Assemblies w/b 29<sup>th</sup> June – Care Assemblies

**KEY COLLEGE DATES** – [click here for a list of the key college dates for 2025-2026](#)

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for your understanding and support while students have been working from home over the past two days due to the exceptionally hot weather. We appreciate the flexibility that you have shown and hope that students have been able to continue their learning safely and productively. I know that learning away from the classroom and without the usual support of teachers is far from ideal and may have felt slightly reminiscent of the days of Covid lockdown, and I hope that the arrangements did not cause too much disruption—or too many disagreements at home!

Please remember that tomorrow is an INSET day, so students should not attend college. The focus of our professional learning will be pastoral care. We are pleased to be welcoming the charity Simon Says, who will help staff develop their understanding of bereavement and strengthen the support we provide to students and families experiencing loss.

We will also spend much of the day reviewing our behaviour systems and improving the consistency with which they are applied across the college. Our aim is to achieve the right balance between building strong, supportive relationships with students and maintaining clear boundaries and high expectations. We describe this as our “warm-strict” approach: high care alongside high standards. We want every student to feel known, valued and supported, while also understanding that we will challenge them, hold them to account and encourage them to achieve their very best. We will be looking at the best approaches to get this balance right to improve consistency across the college which students have told us is an issue they would like us to address.

All students will return to college on Monday. As temperatures are forecast to remain warm, reaching the mid-twenties, students should attend in their PE kit. Please also ensure that they bring a refillable water bottle and take sensible precautions in the warm weather.

### **Year 11 Leavers' Assembly**

This morning, we held our Year 11 Leavers' Assembly and said goodbye to a very special group of young people as they reached the end of their time at Wyvern.

In my address, I reflected on how much they have changed since arriving in Year 7 and the courage they will need as they begin the next stage of their lives. Unlike when they first joined us, there will not always be a clear map showing them exactly where to go. Instead, I encouraged them to rely upon their own moral compass: a strong sense of right and wrong and a commitment to kindness, fairness, honesty, courage and hope.

I reminded students that success is not about avoiding mistakes or setbacks. It is about finding the courage to keep going, asking for help when it is needed, learning from difficult experiences and supporting others along the way. This year group has been particularly defined by the strength of its friendships, its loyalty and the care students have shown one another.

We also celebrated the energy, humour and character they have brought to Wyvern, as well as their contributions to lessons, sport, performances, clubs, leadership roles, charitable activities and the wider school community.

Students were encouraged to remember that qualifications may open doors, but it is their character that will guide the choices they make once those doors are open. Wherever their next steps take them, our hope is that they will make their families, colleges, workplaces and communities better because of their presence.

Finally, we expressed our gratitude to the staff, families and friends who have guided, encouraged and believed in the students throughout their journey. We are immensely proud of the young people they have become and excited to see what they will achieve in the future.

We wish every member of Year 11 a happy and restful summer and remind them to take care of themselves, take care of one another and keep in touch.

**Celebration Day!**

Marking 60 years of Wyvern College in the community

**MEMORIES WANTED**

we are looking for any college yearbooks, photos or memorabilia that ex-students and staff might be willing to lend us for the Celebration Day.

Please email [d.tyler@wyvern.hants.sch.uk](mailto:d.tyler@wyvern.hants.sch.uk) if you have something you would be willing to lend to us.

Wyvern @ Fair Oak 60

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2-5pm

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Take part in our new community event.....

# PARISH IN Bloom

We invite ALL residents, businesses and community groups in the Parish to take part in our new community event competition

[fairoak-pc.gov.uk/parish-in-bloom/](http://fairoak-pc.gov.uk/parish-in-bloom/)

Enter by 31st July 26 **SIGN UP HERE:** 

**We can't wait to see your creations!**





# TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 11-2PM**

Join us for a BIG village picnic at New Century Park, Shorts Road. Bring your Teddy Bears for some free family games and activities!



# GIVE IT A GO THIS SUMMER

## EASTLEIGH ACTIVE

Monday 27 July – Friday 21 August

**COMING SOON**

AGES 5-16 YEARS



**SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 11AM - 5PM**

# JOIN US FOR OUR 2026 BISHOPSTOKE CARNIVAL

**FREE ENTRY**

**GLEBE MEADOW SPRING LANE**

MUSIC • STALLS • DUCK RACES  
PARADE • FOOD • AND MORE

**PARADE 11AM - 12PM**

**RIVER FLOATS JUDGING AT 1PM**

**FETE & MUSIC 12PM - 5PM**

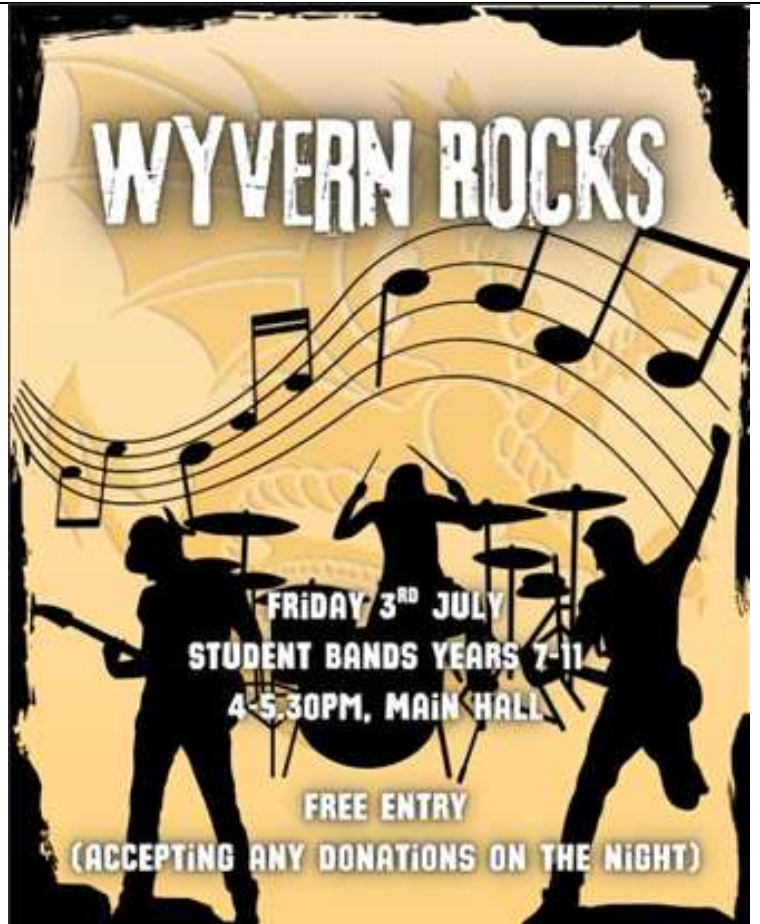
**DUCK RACES THROUGHOUT THE DAY AT BISHOPSTOKE BEACH**



## Vacancies

We have a number of vacancies advertised on our website  
For more information go to [Recruitment - Wyvern College - Think Grow Care](#)

House points as of the 25<sup>th</sup> June



CAREERS NEWS

**EXCITING NEW OPPORTUNITY – JUNIOR CHEF PROGRAMME**

Starting Tuesday 8th Sept 2026 - 6 weeks Inclusive  
Every Tuesday 4.30 – 6.30pm over 6 weeks

Please look at the website as this course may already be full but the date for the next course will be on there and spaces are limited – 12 students per course – so early booking is a must to guarantee your son/daughter a place

## TO BOOK ONTO THE COURSE

If your son/daughter is interested in booking a space onto this course please go to the website – EASTLEIGH COLLEGE – [Junior Chef Courses - SHCG | South Hampshire College Group](#) and complete the application form online

Or contact our admissions Team at Eastleigh College

**BOOK EARLY TO GUARANTEE A PLACE – SPACES ARE VERY LIMITED AND GET BOOKED UP QUICKLY.**

## UNIFROG WEBINARS



### **History taster: science, religion, and the truth Students**

Virtual

At a time when the boundaries between knowledge and belief seem more fluid than ever, it's increasingly important to figure out the truth. Join Lancaster University's Dr Alex Wragge-Morley for this taster talk that uses a key episode from the history of science – the formation of the Royal Society in London in 1660 – to explore this crucial topic. As

you investigate a key moment in the history of science, you'll also discover what it's like to study history at Lancaster University.

Mon 29 Jun 16:30-17:15

### **Step inside the mind of a criminal**

Students

Virtual

Take a deeper look at the dark side of society and uncover the truth behind some of the world's most shocking offences. In this session with the University of Plymouth, you'll dive into how crime happens – and how we can stop it. Find out what it's like to study real crime at university, from genocide to environmental crime, and from Jack the Ripper to the harms of the modern city.

Mon 29 Jun 17:30-18:15



## SETA APPRENTICESHIPS

[Current vacancies can be found by clicking here.](#)

## TASTER & OPEN DAYS

[Click here to see details of the SETA Taster Day on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2026](#)

[Click here to see detail of the Barton Peveril Open Event on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2026](#)

## WELLBEING, SAFETY & SUPPORT

### Important: Major Changes to Free School Meals (September 2026)



From the start of the 2026-27 academic year, free school meal eligibility is expanding. Under new government guidelines, the pupils of all families in receipt of Universal Credit (UC) will be entitled to receive a free meal at the College from September 2026.

There will now be a two-tiered support system based on household income:

- Targeted Support (Income under £7,400 + UC): Pupils receive free school meals and qualify for Pupil Premium funding (which provides extra support for learning and College activities).
- Extended Support (Income over £7,400 + UC): Pupils receive free school meals only; they do not qualify for Pupil Premium.

What this means for your family:

- Existing Free School Meal Families: Please do not reapply. Hampshire County Council (HCC) will automatically update your records. Reapplying will create confusing duplicate records.
- Families Previously Turned Down: If you applied before and were not eligible, do not reapply. HCC will automatically reassess your previous application against the new criteria.
- New Applicants: If your household receives Universal Credit and you have *never* applied before, applications are open now for September.

### How New Families Can Apply

New applicants can apply via the [Hampshire County Council Online Portal](#).

Previous applicants: You can also use this link to check a previous application. To log in, you must enter your own application reference and your own date of birth (not your child's).

### If You Disagree with a Decision

If you have applied and believe the decision is incorrect, please contact [enquiries@wyvern.hants.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@wyvern.hants.sch.uk). We can contact Hampshire County Council on your behalf to request further advice. Please include your application details.

### Summer savings for families

The Great British Summer Savings scheme is running from 25 June to 1 September 2026, helping families feel a bit less squeezed this summer.



The new scheme includes reduced VAT on days out, including tickets at attractions like soft play, adventure centres and theme parks, children's tickets for theatres and cinemas, and children's meals in restaurants. Children aged 5 to 15 in England will also be able to travel free on local bus services throughout August.

For further information about the scheme visit [Summer Savings](#). If helpful, please share this with parents, carers and families through your usual channels.

This is in addition to further support available to families, with more information available at [Cost of Living Help](#).

## IMMUNISATION NEWS

[Please click here for the School Age Immunisation Service Summer Newsletter](#) that details what the service will be providing over the next academic year.

## Online Safety Newsletter – JUNE NEW!

[Please click here for the latest edition of our Online Safety Newsletter](#)

**WATER SAFETY**  
Stay safe. Have fun. Enjoy the water. ♥

DROWNING IS ONE OF THE LEADING CAUSES OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH IN CHILDREN IN THE UK.  
MOST INCIDENTS ARE PREVENTABLE.

As the weather warms up, children and young people spend more time around water – at home, on days out or on holiday. Let's keep them safe.

Almost half of drownings occur during the summer months when temperatures are higher – especially when 25°C or above.

**THE HSCP WATER SAFETY TOOLKIT FOR PARENTS & CARERS INCLUDES:**

- EVERYDAY RISKS AT HOME**  
Including bath time safety and garden hazards.
- STAYING SAFE OUTDOORS**  
Such as the beach, around rivers and in open water.
- PRACTICAL SAFETY ADVICE**  
Including the Water Safety Code and how to "Float to Live".
- AGE-SPECIFIC GUIDANCE**  
For babies, young children, older children and teenagers.
- WHAT TO DO IN AN EMERGENCY**  
Including simple first aid steps and where to find further support.

Small actions, big difference ♥

- ✓ Keep children within arm's reach of water.
- ✓ Choose safe places to swim.
- ✓ Talk to your children about water safety.

Together, we can help prevent tragedies and keep our children safe this summer. ♥

For practical advice and resources, download the Water Safety Toolkit:  
[www.hampshirescp.org.uk/parents-and-carers/water-safety/](http://www.hampshirescp.org.uk/parents-and-carers/water-safety/)

Enjoy the water  
Stay safe  
Look out for each other

**HSCP**  
Hampshire Safeguarding Children Partnership  
Safeguarding children together



We would like to invite families living in Kinship care arrangements or similar to join us at the next Kinship Care Café.

Thursday 2nd July 2026

Fountain Café Shorts Road, Fair Oak.

If you would like more information please contact [e.goss@wyvern.hants.sch.uk](mailto:e.goss@wyvern.hants.sch.uk)

## MUSIC NEWS

### The National Youth Orchestra

NYO Inspire is for 13-18 year-old musicians, primarily from state school, who play orchestral instruments at a level equivalent to Grade 6-8+. Musicians don't need official grades, but they should be passionate about taking their playing to the next level. Full eligibility is available on our website.



Signups to NYO Inspire fill up fast, so we recommend applications are completed by 10 August for musicians to have the best chance of being invited to an activity closest to their local area, for the first event of the year. Applications officially close 30 September 2026. It's completely free. Travel bursaries also available.

[NYO Inspire - The National Youth Orchestra](#)  
[NYO-Inspire-2027.pdf](#)

A vibrant poster for the Wyvern Summer Concert 2026. The background is a bright blue sky with a large yellow sun in the center. Various musical instruments and summer-themed items are scattered around the sun, including a violin, a guitar, a trumpet, maracas, a flower, a popsicle, and ice cream cones. The text is centered and reads:

**Wyvern Summer**  
**Concert 2026**

WEDNESDAY 15TH JULY  
ARRIVAL FROM 6.30PM

MUSIC ON THE MAIN STAGE  
BEGINS 7PM.

ACOUSTIC SET IN THE QUAD  
ART EXHIBITION IN THE FOYER

REFRESHMENTS SERVED

WYVERN MAIN HALL

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT:  
[HTTP://WWW.TICKETSOURCE.COM/WYVERN-COLLEGE](http://www.ticketsource.com/wyvern-college)

A QR code is located in the bottom right corner of the poster, next to a pair of pink flip-flops.

### **YEAR 7 NOTICES**

Instrumental lessons- please ensure you sign up for lessons for 2026-27 on the online form on Parentmail.

Drum lessons- there is a space for a free drum taster lesson between now and the end of term- please email Miss Wood for details [s.wood@wyvern.hants.sch.uk](mailto:s.wood@wyvern.hants.sch.uk)

### **YEAR 8 NOTICES**

Instrumental lessons- please ensure you sign up for lessons for 2026-27 on the online form on Parentmail.

Drum lessons- there is a space for a free drum taster lesson between now and the end of term- please email Miss Wood for details [s.wood@wyvern.hants.sch.uk](mailto:s.wood@wyvern.hants.sch.uk)

### **YEAR 9 NOTICES**

Instrumental lessons- please ensure you sign up for lessons for 2026-27 on the online form on Parentmail.

Drum lessons- there is a space for a free drum taster lesson between now and the end of term- please email Miss Wood for details [s.wood@wyvern.hants.sch.uk](mailto:s.wood@wyvern.hants.sch.uk)

### **YEAR 10 NOTICES**

Instrumental lessons- please ensure you sign up for lessons for 2026-27 on the online form on Parentmail.

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