

Thursday 12th June 2025

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DIARY DATES

Saturday 14th June Tuesday 17th June Thursday 19th June Friday 20th June

Monday 23rd June

Tuesday 24th June

Monday 30th June

Tuesday 1st July

Thursday 3rd July

Friday 4th July 5th July – 7th July

6th July-7th July

Tuesday 8th July

Wednesday 9th July

Thursday 10th July 9th July – 11th July

Monday 14th July

9.00-10.30 am

6.00-7.30pm

6.30-9.00pm

Year 11 Revision Series - Science

Year 9 Geography Urban Field Trip - Portsmouth

School Athletic Championships Year 7-10

Paulton's Park Year 7 & 9 GCSE exams finish

Year 10 Peter Symonds - taster day Field events this week for Sports Day

Paulton's Park Year 8 & 10

GCSE exams finish

Thursday 26th June CHANGE FROM LAST

Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 LATE START 11.20

Year 11 Leavers Assembly

College Prom 2025

Friday 27th June INSET DAY – College closed for students

Year 10 Barton Peveril taster day HPV vaccinations – Year 8

Sports Day

Year 10 Itchen College - taster day

Year 9 Student Youth Voice Conference - Winchester

DofE Silver Final Expedition
DofE Bronze Final Expedition

New Intake Day New Intake Evening

Vaccination catch up – Years 8 & 10

Year 9 & 10 Battlefields Trip

Summer Concert

Friday 18th July 12.30

COLLEGE CLOSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS FOR

ALL STUDENTS

Start of Year 25-26 Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd of 2 September INSET days

Wednesday 3rd of September - Year 7 students only

Thursday September 4th – all other years.

ASSEMBLIES FOR THE COMING WEEK: HT Assemblies - National Autism Week

Dear parents and Carers,

Last week, the law on vapes changed. It is now illegal for businesses to supply or sell single-use disposable vapes. However, there are individuals, businesses and gangs who see this law change as a way to make money. Knowing the law was going to change, they have stockpiled disposable vapes and are supplying these to children. This illicit supply of vapes makes it easier for people to also supply nicotine laced vapes or vapes containing THC (the psychoactive element of cannabis). It is also illegal for anyone to sell or supply a nicotine vape to a child and to sell or supply THC vapes to anyone.

I am especially concerned about children themselves being caught up in the sale and supply of vapes. Child criminal exploitation is a form of child abuse where a child or young person is persuaded, groomed or forced to engage in criminal activity. We know that businesses and criminal gangs exploit children to sell vapes to other children. The fear of serious physical violence as revenge for disrespecting, 'snitching' or 'grassing' is one of the things that prevents children from leaving the people exploiting them or seeking help from the police and schools.

Not all people who carry out child criminal exploitation are linked to organised crime groups or gangs. Perpetrators can also be individuals who exploit children or adults within their families or communities and the crime isn't always about selling illegal substances. Child criminal exploitation involves any person persuading or coercing a child do do anything that is illegal. However, many children are more easily persuaded into supplying vapes as their abuser can more easily convince them that vapes are harmless and legal.

Because vaping is a relatively new trend, scientists are still researching its effects on health but it is already clear that the chemicals in vapes can cause respiratory problems. Because of this and the unknown effects of filling lungs with chemicals, vaping is only recommended for adult smokers trying to quit as part of the NHS "swap to stop" programme.

Vaping remains a serious problem for teenagers. Around 18% of 11 to 17-year-olds (980,000 children) have tried vaping according to a 2024 survey by health charity ASH (Action on Smoking and Health). About 7% (390,000 children) said they currently vaped, down from 8% in 2023, but still well above the 4% figure recorded in 2020. In contrast, just over 5% of 11 to 17-year-olds (280,000 children) said they currently smoked, while just under 3% (150,000 children) said they both smoked and vaped.

If you have information about adults or children supplying vapes to other children, or about other forms of child criminal exploitation, then please report this. You can either do this to the police, (via crime stoppers if you wish to remain anonymous), or to the Wyvern safeguarding team.

In our safeguarding work with students, we keep repeating the difference between snitching and safeguarding. Snitching is when they tell an adult about someone they don't like to get them into trouble for things that don't affect anyone else. Safeguarding is when the tell an adult about themselves or someone else who is in danger or in trouble and who needs help in order to be kept safe from hurt or harm. Reporting bullying, for example, is safeguarding as it can lead to considerable hurt and harm. Snitching is a concept and term created by bullies and abusers to protect their bullying and abuse. It gives them the power to silence those who could expose their abuse and to turn potential up-standers into bystanders. In any community, not just schools, an individual is only as safe as the willingness of others to report the unsafe things they see, hear or suspect. At Wyvern we protect the identity of those who report and safeguarding things that others are doing.

I am hoping that I can appeal to you as upstanders when I ask for help in resolving a nasty incident that occurred with one of our students on the way home from college. I am appealing for witnesses to this incident. It did take place on Monday 6th January, which is a long time ago but those investigating it have not been able to resolve it as they had hoped without the need for witnesses. This was the INSET day just before students returned to college on Tuesday 7th January. At around 3.00pm a student's bicycle was destroyed as they crossed Allington Lane. They were at the island in the middle of Allington lane, not far from the junction with Eastleigh Road. They checked to see if there was any traffic coming and then proceeded to cross the second half of the road. A vehicle that had not indicated to turn into Allington lane then crashed into the student, destroying the bicycle. There were other Wyvern students present and parents of Wyvern students too but the student in question did not know their names. If you recall seeing this incident, please can you email into college enquiries with FAO Mr Rule and let me know?

Regards Mr Rule

UPCOMING EVENTS





Tickets are now available for two exciting events to round off a great year for Wyvern Performing Arts.

Some of Wyvern's most talented crop of rock musicians across all year groups have been working hard to prepare a set of incredible covers worthy of the big stage. Three dynamic bands will wow you with their attitude, precision and power, from the soaring gothic vocal stylings of Evanescence to the classic guitar god riffs of Deep Purple and Black Sabbath, and the crushing German metal of Rammstein. Not one to miss! Tickets are free, although we will give concert goers the opportunity to donate to Wyvern Performing Arts). Tickets need to be booked though Ticket source (see link below).

Our Wyvern Summer Music concert will bring together all of our Wyvern musical ensembles and choirs in a celebration of music at the end of term. There will be performances from Groove band, Wyvern choir and chamber choir, Wyvern community choir, Concert band, Flute ensemble, string ensemble and rock club. Refreshments will be served before the event from 6pm and during the interval. Come and celebrate with us and enjoy an evening of live music. Tickets are £8/£6 concessions.

Go to What's On In Wyvern College, Eastleigh | TicketSource for all your tickets.

COMMUNITY NEWS

(you can click on all poster images to enlarge)







GET MUSICAL!

Join us for five days of musical theatre fun this summer!

Get Musical returns for its 6th year of musical theatre delight! Join us for a week of learning, rehearsing, and performing a medley of songs, this time celebrating the glitz and glamour of Golden Hollywood. This year promises to be spectacular, with our dedicated team already hard at work selecting incredible songs and crafting an amazing script. Don't miss out on a week of musical theatre fun! This year's event will be held at The Rose Theatre at Barton Peveril College, Eastleigh.

- Location: The Rose Theatre, Barton Peveril College, Eastleigh
- Dates: 11 to 15 August 2025
- Times: 10am 4.00pm finish each day (additional wraparound care available upon request)
- Suitable for: Pupils currently in / just finishing their time in year 4 through year 13

Cost: £175 for the week (Compulsory to attend all days)

Mountbatten Hampshire
Open Garden Weekend

19 & 20 July | 12-4pm

Explore our beautiful gardens
Plants for sale
Follow the Children's Garden Trail
Enjoy a cream tea at our Hazel Centre café

Mountbatten Hampshire, Botley Rd,
West End, Southampton, SO30 3JB

Line Land Commission (Donations welcome on entry)

If you would like to come along, please sign up using the following link: Get Musical! 2025 – Booking Form

COLLEGE CULTURE

PAULTONS PARK PRAISE TRIP REMINDER

Please can all payments and consents for invited students wishing to attend be completed by 9am on Monday 16th June. After this time the trip will be taken offline.

Friends of Wyvern Sports Day Ice Pop Sale!

To help students cool down and enjoy Sports Day even more, we will be selling ice pops for 50p each.

- Ice pops must be paid for in advance.
- Payments can be made via the Finance Office or through Parent Mail – the deadline is 3pm on Friday 20th June.
- No cash will be accepted on the day of the event.

Please ensure payment is made ahead of time so your child doesn't miss out on this refreshing treat!

Thank you for your support!



We are a charity with parents, staff, students and alumni working together to enhance the experience, enjoyment, achievement and opportunities for all Wyvern College students.

www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofwyvern

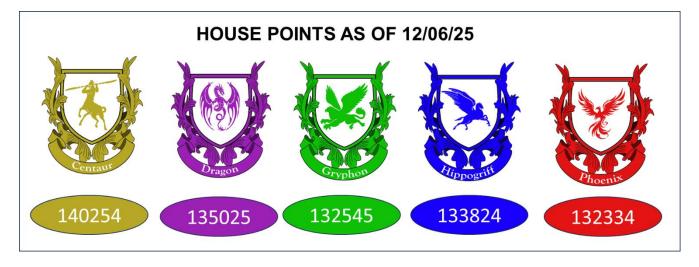
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WELLBEING, SAFETY & SUPPORT NEW

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KOOTH FREE SEMINAR

Please click below for details of a free webinar from Kooth, "How Parents and Carers can keep young people safe online" Helping young people stay safe on smartphones and online

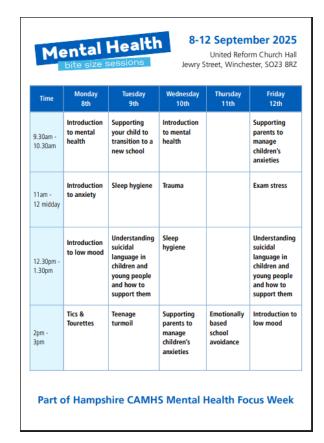
CAMHS Parents and Carers Events

<u>Click here to find out about upcoming sessions</u> giving parents the opportunity to come in and talk to CAMHS clinicians, ask questions and access resources

SOUTHAMPTON NEURODIVERSITY HUB

The Southampton Neurodiversity Connections hub is located in Bitterne and is a base for multiple services supporting neurodivergent people of all ages in the Southampton area. <u>Click here to find out more</u>.





ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

<u>Click here for the latest edition of our Online Safety</u> Newsletter.

FAMILIES INVITED TO BOOK FREE PLACES ON HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD SCHEMES OVER SUMMER 2025

Children and young people from low-income families in Hampshire can look forward to an exciting programme of fun activities and nutritious meals over summer, courtesy of Hampshire County Council's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme.

The programme is funded by the Department for Education so that local authorities can offer healthy food and enriching activities in the school holidays to children who receive benefit-related free school meals during term time. A small number of places are also available on HAF schemes for other vulnerable families.

There are over **180** sites delivering activities across the whole of Hampshire over the summer holiday period.



Schools, childcare providers, community groups and sports activity providers are amongst those delivering schemes.

We are now inviting eligible families to book their free school holiday clubs. Information on available schemes and how to book on our Family Information Services Hub (FISH), using the following link. Family Information and Services Hub | Holiday Activities and Food Programme

NO LIMITS - WELLBEING HUB

Our drop-in at our Avenue Hub in Southampton is a safe space designed especially for young people aged 11-17 to get information, advice and support from trained youth workers on a wide range of issues affecting their lives.

Open two days a week after school hours, you can come down and talk to a youth worker without having to make an appointment.

Located on The Avenue, this drop-in is accessible by car, bike and public transport. Click here to find out more.

GENERAL NOTICES



DEODORANT DONATION DRIVE to



- T2 (with Miss Hussey)
- Finance Office (with Mrs Tyler)

Eastleigh Basic Banks Summer Appeal.

We are collecting deodorants for the Eastleigh Basics Bank and we'd be grateful for your support.

Students can drop off deodorants to T2 or the Finance Office and earn 2 house points for each one donated.

Thank you.

Leavers Day Thursday 26th June

As previously advised the 26th of June will be a late start for students in Year 7-10 as we celebrate Y11 Leavers Day.

On this day students can arrive for the start of Break 1 at 10.55, where duty staff will be supervising the site as normal, and snack food options will be available in the canteen.

All students must be on site by 11.20 ready to attend period 3 at 11.25. The end of the day is as normal. The 506 bus service will run at a later time for those students who use this service. Detailed route timings are as follows:

- 1025 Mortimers Lane Farm
- 1027 Lower Upham bus stop
- 1029 Wintershill, Sawmills
- 1032 Durley, Robin Hood P/H
- 1035 Durley Village Hall
- 1038 Denhams Corner
- 1041 Boorley Park Roundabout
- 1050 Wyvern College

A study room will be staffed for any student who cannot arrive at this later time. We would request that you email enquiries@wyvern.hants.sch if your child will need to use this facility so that we can staff this appropriately. Please email by Tuesday 24th June 12 noon if required.

CATERING SURVEY

Our catering provider, Caterlink value feedback from all stakeholders to help them improve the service they provide to you and your pupils. This term they are completing a **Parent/Guardian survey** on the meal provision they provide.

The survey will close on 31st July, and Caterlink will provide an update to locations which have taken part in the autumn term.

Link and / or QR code for the survey are to the right and below. Please take part if you can.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SXMHL8D



CAREERS NEWS

SOUTHAMPTON UNIVESITY OPEN DAYS Click here for more details.

SETA Apprenticeship News

LIVE VACANCIES on SETAs website.

UNIFROG SEMINARS

University mini-masterclass: explore the latest in law and legal studies Virtual

Part of University mini-masterclasses event series

Ever wondered what studying law at university is really like? Join us for three mini-lectures that give you an inside look at the latest trending topics and cutting-edge research being taught at universities today! You'll hear from experts at SOAS, University of Wolverhampton, and the University of Hertfordshire as they uncover the latest developments in law and legal studies

Wednesday 18 June @ 16:30 UK time - 45 mins - sign up

University mini-masterclass: from aerospace engineering to game creation – unlock your future with a degree in STEM Virtual

Part of University mini-masterclasses event series

Ever wondered what studying STEM at university is really like? Join us for three mini-lectures that give you an inside look at the latest trending topics and cutting-edge research being taught at universities today! You'll hear from experts at the University of Westminster, Heriot-Watt University, and Bournemouth University discuss topics from aerospace engineering to game creation and more!

Wednesday 18 June @ 17:30 UK time - 45 mins - sign up





YEAR 7 NOTICES

Payment for Practical Work in Design Technology - KS3

Click here for a letter from the Technology Department regarding payment contributions toward KS3 practical work in Design & Technology.

YEAR 8 NOTICES

Firstly, my apologies that I have not written in so long. Year 8 are in their final half term as Year 8 students. There will be much going on over the next few weeks which is exciting!

Congratulations to those Year 8s who have received their invitation to come on the Praise Trip to Paulton's Park the week after next. Over half of the year group met the criteria and have received their invitations – well done! Please note that the deadline for payment and permissions etc (as per the message sent on Edulink) is final.

Well done to the top house point earners in the past week – Naomi in 8D1 (38), Janelle in 8G1 (37) and Ruby in 8D2 (36) – top tutor group was 8P1 with a total of 457 points.

We have an increased number of students, even some lovely ones, who are sharing / have shared their login details for Edulink. Sometimes students use each other's phones to check their timetable if they do not have their own phone and their login details have been auto saved on someone else's device. I have spoken to the year group about this before and we are experiencing a spike again in messages being sent from a student account to members of staff or to other students that are at best impolite and sometimes quite offensive.

The Year 8 office had a scenario last week where a safeguarding message was sent from a student's Edulink account but when questioned it was not the student whose account it came from who had sent it. Our IT support department discovered that no less than ten different accounts had been frequently accessed from one device. Ultimately, the AUP (acceptable use agreement policy) means that students are responsible for messages sent from their own accounts.

We know as adults that sharing login details in the workplace and socially can have significant ramifications and we understand this. Please do speak to your son / daughter to make sure that if they have shared their login details for Edulink with anyone, that they change their details as soon as possible and do not share them again.

Mrs Howard
Pastoral Leader Year 8

YEAR 9 NOTICES

For Year 9 Food and Nutrition Students

<u>Click here for a letter from the Technology Department regarding payment contributions for Food and Nutrition additional resources.</u>

For Year 9 Design Technology Students

Click here for a letter from the Technology Department regarding payment contributions for Design Technology additional resources.

YEAR 10 NOTICES

Mock Interview Day on Wednesday 2nd July 2025

We are holding our annual Mock Interview Day on Wednesday 2nd July 2025 in the Dance Studio.

All Year 10 students will have a 10 minute, 1:1 interview and receive feedback the following week. We have interviewers coming in to school from various business backgrounds and students will be completing their CVs in tutor time over the next few weeks.

If students wish, they can wear smart interview dress, but please do not go and buy a new outfit just to wear for the day, their full school uniform, school trousers/skirt and a smart top or shirt will suffice. School Policy still applies in regard to make up, shoes and jewellery.

Over the next few weeks during tutor time, students will be given further information about the day, including what to wear, interview tips and their interview times.

We hope students enjoy the day and gain some valuable experience, which they can develop in the future, when they have job, college and university interviews.

Kind Regards Mrs Gough Careers Leader

As we move towards the end of June we would like to bring to your attention the Year 10 trial exam timetable which you can find here: <u>Trial-Exams-June-2025-Timetable.pdf</u> Students will get to experience exams as they will happen in year 11 which will give them valuable insight into the GCSE exams next year. Teachers will be talking about the exams and revision for the trial exams so please encourage students to ask if they have any questions or concerns.

YEAR 11 NOTICES

No notices this week.