



Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025

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## DIARY DATES

14 <sup>th</sup> February	2.55pm	College closes for half term (normal day)
24 <sup>th</sup> February		Beginning of second half of Spring Term
27 <sup>th</sup> February	16.00-19.00	Year 8 Virtual Parents Evening
24 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> February		Year 11 Trials
25 <sup>th</sup> February		Scholastic Book Fair
13 <sup>th</sup> March	18.00	Pyramid Vocal Festival – Thornden Hall
26 <sup>th</sup> March	16.00-19.00	Year 11 Virtual Parents Meeting
4 <sup>th</sup> April		Last day of Spring Term

Dear parents and carers,

I was delighted to see so many Year 8 parents and students at the annual options' evening this week and to also see so many of the Year 9-11 students volunteering to help out by sharing with parents and students their own experiences of the courses they are taking. We are fortunate to have so many committed students who are keen to help younger students. We are also fortunate to have a talented set of staff which means we can offer over 20 different optional subjects, including academic, technical, practical and vocational courses. I am pleased that we have been able to expand the vocational and technical range of courses. With nearly all GCSEs examined entirely with exams at the end of Year 11, it is good that there are courses students can do where ongoing coursework and practical work count toward their final grade.

It is certainly true that when we give students responsibilities, they rise to the challenge. Nowhere has that been more evident recently than in the college production. Since last week's newsletter, the cast of *the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* have given all their performances. There are some things I do as head teacher that are a duty but watching the college production is a pleasure and a privilege. Students brought the story to life and drew the audiences into the world of Narnia, with their acting, singing, dancing and music making. It was wonderful to see so many students and staff coming and working together to achieve this, whether they were on stage, front of house, backstage, at the sound technician's desk or playing in the band. We have so many talented students. I am always impressed by how modest they are about their talents and how they support one another. It is heartwarming to see them becoming one large family and close-knit community. Although there are lots of staff whose work makes a great production, I would like to thank Mr Harrison, Miss Chatterley, Miss Wood, Mr Lewis and Mrs Anderson for creating the overall vision and bringing the magic of Narnia to life.

As we approach the half term holiday, I do hope your child is able to recharge or, if they are in Year 11, able to make head way on their revision work for the GCSEs. We look forward to welcoming them all back to college on 24<sup>th</sup> February.

With best wishes  
Mr Rule

**VACANCIES:** To see our current vacancies – please go to [Recruitment - Wyvern College - Think Grow Care](#)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### WYVERN SPORTS & FITNESS OFFERS

New Year, New You - Our new year offer runs until 15 Feb 2025. [Click here for more.](#)

### **MINI FOREST PLANTING**

15<sup>th</sup> February – Knowle Park. Come and help plant a mini-forest. [Click here for more details.](#)

### **BEAUTY AND THE BEAST**

Footlights Youth Theatre are performing Beauty and the Beast at The Point 5th-8th March. The production is being staged by 47 cast comprising of 7-18 year olds from local schools around the area, including some Wyvern students. [Click here for more details.](#)

### **COOKING CLASSES FOR YOUNG ADULTS (AGE 16-25)**

The parish council are delivering a six-week cooking program for young people (aged 16-25) aimed at enhancing their cooking skills and confidence, as well as teaching them how to cook on a budget.

The sessions will be conducted by 'Café in the Park' from Portsmouth at [The Fountain Café](#) in starting on Monday 24 February 2025. This program will accommodate up to 12 attendees and is fully funded by the Shared

Prosperity Fund allocated by [Eastleigh Borough Council](#).

For more details and to participate, sign up on our dedicated Cooking Classes webpage - <https://www.fairoakgreening.org/cooking-classes>

## **GENERAL NOTICES**

### **Upcoming Vaccinations**

The Year 9 teenage boosters are being held at college on 04<sup>th</sup> & 05<sup>th</sup> March.

PLEASE SEE YEAR 9 NOTICES FOR MORE INFORMATION.

### **CHILD MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**

Hopefully this week the link will work! See below for a link to Mental Health Tips for Parents/Carers.

[CMHW – Tips for Parents](#)

### **ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER**

[Click here for an additional newsletter](#) available to coincide with the recent **Internet Safety Day**.

[Click here to see the latest edition of our Online Safety Newsletter](#). You can also access previous editions by going to [Keeping Students Safe - Wyvern College - Think Grow Care](#).

### **CAMHS YOUNG PERSON PHOTO COMPETITION**

A competition.....with fab prizes. The theme is "Connections" which is a part of their campaign this year "Connect 2 Thrive in 25" – aimed at encouraging young people to understand the importance of connections and connecting in its various ways. This competition is an opportunity for young people to express and reflect this in a creative way. [Please click here for more details.](#)

### **BARTON PEVERIL ART COMPETITION**

Barton Peveril is holding an Art Competition and would like all students to join in.

**The competition will run between 3rd February 2025 - 22nd April 2025.**

#### **Year 9,10 & 11:**

- 1st Place winner will receive a £100 Amazon Gift Card.
- Two Runners Up will receive a £25 Amazon Gift Card.

#### **Year 7 & 8:**

- 1st Place winner will receive a £100 Amazon Gift Card.
- Two Runners Up will receive a £25 Amazon Gift Card.

Please see [here](#) to find out more information about the art competition.

If your students have any questions, please ask them to email [artcompetition@barton.ac.uk](mailto:artcompetition@barton.ac.uk)

### **NHS Parent & Carers Webinar – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

This free webinar is designed to assist parents and carers to support their children with their relationships, sexual health, and wellbeing. [Click here for more information.](#)



## FRIENDS OF WYVERN

We're excited to share an update on our ongoing Seating and Canopies Project! Following student feedback, our goal is to provide comfortable outdoor spaces for break times—whatever the weather. This week, our Working Party toured Clovis Canopies to explore creative solutions for our school campus.

We're currently narrowing down options and will soon consult students to determine their preferred design. While we plan to launch a larger fundraising drive soon, we've already raised over £2,000 toward this important goal!

How you can help:

- **Sign up to our Easyfundraising page** to contribute a free donation each time you shop online: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-wyvern-wyvern-college-fair-oak-hants/> (Over £450 raised so far!) Huge donations (£20+) at no cost to yourself if you just sign up to our page and use it when you purchase insurances, broadband, mobile contracts and ISAs.
- **Make a one-off or monthly donation:** <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofwyvern/index.cfm?event=Make%20a%20donation>
- **Become a project sponsor:** <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofwyvern/attachments/6EA6B92D-97CA-4AB2-81CED7D606DB7C34.pdf>



**Raise up to £150!**

Big donations available when you purchase insurance, broadband, mobiles and ISAs.



## LIBRARY NEWS



### Scholastic Book Fair

The book fair starts on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb until Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, just after half term. The students in year 7 & 8 will be invited to the book fair during one of their English lessons during that week.

[You can look through the online catalogue of titles available by clicking here.](#) Purchases can be made using cash or a student's bank card. The £1.00 world book day voucher can be used at the book fair. Students can choose books for the school library. The more books which are bought the more free books we get for the school library.

### Fair Oak Community Library – Young People's Book Club

Pauline Pearce from Fair Community Oak library asked if we could promote a book club for young people that she would like to start in Fair Oak library. [Click here for a flyer with more information and contact details.](#)

## THE LION THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE

Congratulations to everyone involved in the sellout run of the fabulous college production of The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. Apologies Father Christmas (Jack) and the Elf Brigade (Ella, Katie, Emily, Amelia, Amber, Casey, Connie and Eloise) that got wrongly "edited" from the programme. Hopefully you all have now been given a corrected copy to keep.

Below are a few pictures of Saturday's matinee performance. Cast portraits will be available after the half term holiday.



## CAREERS NEWS



**Mission ShakthiSAT**  
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SECONDARY SCHOOL GIRLS

A FREE OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD... AND LAUNCH A SATELLITE TO LUNAR ORBIT!

We are recruiting female space enthusiasts aged 14-16 in the UK! Interested? To find out more visit <https://linktr.ee/SpaceEdu>



**POST-16 TRIAL**

Our Chelsea Football Club Post-16 College Programmes offer both male and female players the opportunity to broaden their educational learning while participating in a fully comprehensive training and playing programme.

To find our upcoming trial dates please scan the above QR code and book online to confirm attendance.

Venue	Trial Day	Surface
Sparsholt College	Wednesday	Grass

Timings	Ages	Players
12.45-15.15	School Year 11-12	Female

[chelseasoccerschools.co.uk](https://chelseasoccerschools.co.uk)

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## COLLEGE CULTURE – House Points 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025

				
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## YEAR 7 NOTICES

Where did that half term go?

There are lots of tired bodies and exhausted brains in Year 7 now and everyone is looking forward to a well-earned break - pupils and staff! It has been a busy half term with lots of opportunities for the pupils to get involved in house challenges, STRIVE projects and extracurricular activities. It has been lovely to see various members of our year group representing the school in sports fixtures, joining new clubs and being part of the school production.

Well done to 7C1 and 7D2 who are surging ahead in terms of achievement points with a special mention for Mouadh (7D2) who is currently topping the year group with 292 points this term and 857 points this academic year.

Thank you for your continued efforts in supporting the school with regards to our uniform requests but please could I now ask that all pupils are coming to school fully equipped for the day including having a water bottle. A significant number of pupils are not staying hydrated through the day as they do not have a drink with them.

I hope that everyone has a restful week and return to school refreshed and raring to go.

Year 7 Team

## YEAR 8 NOTICES

### Year 8 Options 2025

[Please click here to see the slides form our Option Evening Presentation.](#)

Information about the options for Year 8 are now being uploaded onto [the Option page on our website](#). [Please click here for a letter](#) to parents and carers of Year 8 students regarding the timetable for this year's process.

## YEAR 9 NOTICES

### Year 9 Teenage Booster Vaccination

The school age immunisation nursing team is visiting Wyvern, Tuesday 04th March and Wednesday 05<sup>th</sup> March, to administer the Teenage Boosters vaccinations for Diphtheria/Tetanus/Polis & Meningitis ACWY to all Year 9 students.

For your child to receive this vaccination, an E consent form will need completing.

Click the link below for the consent form and information about the vaccine. Access to the consent forms will close Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 09.00 am

- **School Code:** SH138184
- **Session date:** Tuesday 04th and Wednesday 05<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- **Link to website:** [Teenage Booster : Hampshire Healthy Families](#)

If you have any queries about the immunisation could they please contact the South West Immunisation team on [southwesthantsimmunisationteam@southernhealth.nhs.uk](mailto:southwesthantsimmunisationteam@southernhealth.nhs.uk)

If your child has any concerns about receiving the vaccination on the day, please contact [welfare@wyvern.hants.sch.uk](mailto:welfare@wyvern.hants.sch.uk)

Please can we signpost parents to the following information regarding this programme. <https://www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk/school-age-immunisations>

## YEAR 10 NOTICES

No notices this week.

## YEAR 11 NOTICES

### Period 6 Revision Sessions

Please check the *Extra-curricular Support Sessions* section on the [Exam Website Page](#) for the Period 6 timetable.