



Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024

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## Next Week's Diary Dates

Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>		College Sports Day
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July		Battlefields Trip
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July		Year 10 Eastleigh College Taster Day
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	6.30pm	Summer Concert
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	6.30pm	Summer Concert
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July		Last day of term for all students

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been another very busy week at Wyvern, with Year 7 students out to France and Germany, with the new Year 6 students coming up for the induction day, musicians playing at Sunnybank Care Home and students on their Duke of Edinburgh camping trips. I would like to thank our Year 10 prefects who did a superb job of welcoming the year 6 students on Tuesday and helping them get the right place at the right time.

It is getting round to that time of year when the Mela festivals are happening in Eastleigh and Southampton. With our focus on cultural and diversity and inclusion, I am keen to advertise these and hope that you might be able to attend one or both with your family. The Eastleigh Mela is run by Asian Welfare and Cultural Association (AWCA) Eastleigh. On their Facebook page they are advertising the Mela with the following text - *"Get ready to immerse yourself in the vibrant and enchanting atmosphere of Eastleigh Mela 2024! Join us on 21st July 2024 from 11am to 6pm for an unforgettable experience. As the highly anticipated cultural extravaganza approaches, mark your calendars and prepare for a day filled with joy, diversity, and celebration. Bring your family and friends to enjoy the rich tapestry of cultures, music, dance, and delicious food that Eastleigh Mela has to offer."*

The Mela is being held at the Leigh Road Recreation Ground in Eastleigh and it is a free and inclusive event for the community. There is a flier on their webpage –

<https://www.awca-eastleigh.org.uk/home.html>

Additionally, the Southampton Mela Festival will take place in Hogland's Park in Southampton - The description below is from the Art Asia website (where again there is more information) -

<https://artasia.org.uk/mela-festival/>. The Southampton Mela Festival is a long-standing summer highlight in Southampton's events calendar celebrating Modern and Traditional Asian Culture on Saturday 13th July 2024, 11am - 10pm.

With best wishes  
Mr Rule

## URGENT NOTICES

### SCHOOL GATES

Please be advised that the new automated gates will be 'going live' as from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024. Times of the gates have been previously given - [click here for the letter](#)

## CONTACT DETAILS UPDATE

Please could all parental contacts ensure that their contact details are up to date – including home address, mobile phone number and email addresses. Details can be updated through edulink using the update information icon.

## LOST PROPERTY

Lost Property will be available from week beginning 8th July 2024 in the main reception at the end of the school day until 4pm. It will take place every afternoon that week 8th - 17th July 2024. Any items not claimed by the 17th July will be disposed of. This is open for students and parents to view the items.

## College Vacancies

- Our website is updated regularly with current vacancies within Wyvern: Cover Team, Cleaners our Nursery & the After-School Club [Click here to find out more.](#)

## Community Notices

- **PRIDE @ Peter Symonds College** – [click here for details](#) of the college's event on the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

## SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

### • Family Fun Days at Itchen Valley Country Park

Free Family Fun Days are primarily targeted at families with children aged 4-11 years and in receipt of free school meals. They include a two-course hot meal, activities, and free transport to and from the venue is also on offer.

[www.eastleigh.gov.uk/familyfundays](http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/familyfundays) (book from Thursday 11 July, an eligibility code is required in advance and this registration is open now)

### • Eastleigh Active

Concessions are available for Eastleigh Active Sessions of £1 per person for those receiving Housing Benefit. Sessions take place across August and range from golf, archery, sailing and fishing. There are also free-swimming sessions available across the Borough, requiring pre-registration, and a SkateJam! [www.eastleigh.gov.uk/eastleighactive](http://www.eastleigh.gov.uk/eastleighactive) (staggered booking/registrations from 1 July)

While places on each event are limited, we are keen to encourage as many eligible families as possible to get involved and would be grateful if you would help us spread the message

### • Hampshire Summer Teen Project.

Personal Best is delivering the **Hampshire Teen Project** in partnership with Hampshire County Council (Connect4Communities) during the summer holidays for students **aged 11-16** who are in receipt of benefit related free school meals at their current school or for families here from the Ukraine.

Places will be awarded on a first come first served basis as we have a limited capacity.

#### What to expect?

Teens will get the opportunity to take part in a variety of workshops each day. Previous workshops have included activities such as: Laser Tag, Cooking, Pottery, Circus Skills, DJing, Climbing, Archery, Canoeing, Trampolining and many more!

**Please note, activities will take place at an external venue on Thursday 15th August and Thursday 22nd August, travel will not be provided and details will be found on the Parent Portal.**

#### Food?

All attendees eligible for free school meals will be provided with a free hot lunch.

**Times: 10:00 - 15:00**

#### Project Dates:

Monday 29th July - Thursday 1st August 2024

- Monday 5th August - Thursday 8th August 2024
- Monday 12th August - Thursday 15th August 2024
- Monday 19th August - Thursday 22nd August 2024

[Hampshire Summer 2024 Teen Project - Personal Best Education \(jotform.com\)](http://jotform.com)

[Click here to find out more.](#)

- **Summer Holiday Activities form Hampshire Music Service.**

Are you looking for activities for your children over the Summer Holidays?

Hampshire Music Service are running a three-day course where attendees learn to compose, produce, record, and mix their own recordings. These recordings can be original songs, or a cover of an existing song of their choosing. Each day runs from 9.15am to 4.30pm and is split into four group sessions lasting 90 minutes each. By the end of the course, each group will have a recording that they have produced themselves, from start to finish.

Below is a video about Music Production.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-tsAZxDml9E>

[Click here for the sign-up form](#)

- **Music Mayhem** – Hampshire Music are also running an event with three days of music and fun this summer! With opportunities to try new instruments and learn new skills and working with others to create songs and even form a rock band! [Click here to find out more.](#)
- Music Production Holiday Workshops – [click here to find out how to apply for the Hampshire Music workshops this summer.](#)

## General College Notices

- **SUMMER CONCERT TICKETS NOW ON SALE** – [Wyvern College event tickets from TicketSource.](#)
- **Junior Chef Programme @ Eastleigh College.** The September course is full  
The December course has just a few spaces left on it  
And then it will Jan and March courses  
Parents can go straight to our website [Junior Chefs Programme \(for Year 9 to 11 students\) - Eastleigh College](#) and book online direct – [read here for more information](#)
- **ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER** – [click here to read the July edition of our Online Safety Newsletter.](#)



## Musical Support for Young Carers



Wyvern Groove band and Big Band students performed at the Young Carers Festival at Fairthorne Manor on Saturday and they were **OUTSTANDING**- they arrived at the festival dressed smartly in black on a hot day and performed a fantastic set for the Young Carers at the festival.

As well as our Wyvern musicians, years 9-11, we had some ex-students join us for the performance, and we had 14 students on stage performing an hour set to over 1000 young people. It was wonderful to see the young people enjoying and engaging with the live music.

## SCHOOLS' ATHLETICS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP SELECTION

Congratulations to the students that have been selected to represent the district at the county championships. Theo (80m), Jack (1000m), Erwan (Discus), Jasper (800m), Emil (Javelin), Maya (200m) and Flo (1000m)

## FRIENDS OF WYVERN



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We are delighted to announce the **Friends of Wyvern Second-Hand Uniform Hub**. Come along to our hub during the summer holidays to collect items of uniform and equipment that you child/children need from the those that have kindly been donated to the school. Items are free, but you are welcome to make a voluntary donation to Friends of Wyvern if you would like to do so.

Check out the 'What's On' section of our website for more information such as dates and times the hub is open: [www.friendsofwyvern.org.uk](http://www.friendsofwyvern.org.uk).

### Follow our new Facebook page

We are pleased to announce the launch of our new Friends of Wyvern Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61561556424561>.

Follow us to keep up to date with the latest FOW news. We would really appreciate if you could promote our page and share its posts as we are trying to grow the FOW community, including reaching our ex-students who are interested in the latest news from their secondary school.

### Summer Concert bar

Friends of Wyvern can confirm that we will be running a bar at the Wyvern Summer Concert on both evenings, Wed 17<sup>th</sup> and Thu 18<sup>th</sup> July. Relax on a summer evening with our refreshments and let our performers bring the school year to its finale with a musical extravaganza! Enjoy a pre-show Pimms! Tickets on sale via the school website now.

## Year 7 Notices

I sit writing this article on the same day that we're welcoming Year 6 here for their transition day. How strange is it that this was your children only a year ago?

With only two weeks left of Year 7 after this week, many believe that schools start to "wind down" but if you read this newsletter then you undoubtedly know that this is not the case. We had a wonderful day saying goodbye to our Year 11 students last week and then also seeing them at the Prom – they looked fabulous and so grown up already. Around eighty Year 7s were so excited to be departing for either France or Germany on Wednesday and by the time you read this they will be on their way home and very tired. I hope they have a fantastic time and that you hear all about their adventures.

We also have our annual sports day next week so please ensure that your child is weather-ready regardless of sun or rain. There is our Summer Concert also to look forward to and you can buy tickets now (see above).

It is now less than two weeks until our Success Assembly (Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July) where we have a one-hour assembly celebrating various successes from the year and watching members of the year group perform. If anyone is willing and able to donate any kind of prize, I would be most appreciative – vouchers, sweets or chocolate always go down well. I would need these no later than Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July please.

Our top three students for achievement points last week were Karina 7L1, Rafiu 7L1 and in joint third place we have Lincoln 7A1 and Jason 7L2 – well done all of you! 7L1 are the leading TG for achievement points last week with 146 across the class; quite a big lead actually as the next closest tutor group is on 87! Well done 7L1 – keep this up!

Mrs Howard  
Pastoral Leader – Year 7

## Year 8 Notices

This week's assembly (and follow-up in tutor time) has been focused on the general election. By the time many of you read this, the polls will have been closed, votes counted and the results will be in. In all

likelihood, by the time we get to do it again in 5 years' time, most of Year 8 will be old enough to vote themselves, so this is the last time that they'll get to be interested (but invested) observers. Next time they'll be able to vote (and many of them will be driving too!).

In assembly, Mr Merriman explained how our general election and the democratic (first-past-the-post) system works and how the constituency boundary changes will affect the local political landscape. Students were given a brief description of all 6 of parties (and highlights of their policies) represented in the Eastleigh constituency, taken from their manifestos, to give background and context to the decisions that they will be in a position to make in future.

Also, this week we celebrated some of our 'unsung heroes' with a Celebration Breakfast in the Hall on Thursday. It was great to see some students being recognised for going the extra mile or being helpful and hard-working throughout the year. Well done to those who were invited and continue to make Wyvern a better place through their positive actions and kindness to others.

Mr Street  
Pastoral Leader – Year 8

### **Year 9 Notices**

No notices this week

### **Year 10 Notices**

No notices this week

### **Year 11 Notices**

- There is a selection of [Prom photos on our website.](#)



# Summer Concert

**17th & 18th of July 2024**

**6.30pm (doors open at 6pm)**

**Main Hall, Wyvern College**

Tickets from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/wyvern-college](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/wyvern-college)

