



Mid-month Newsletter

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DATES TO REMEMBER		
Mon 14 Oct	Early Finish – ‘CPD Monday’	School closes at 2.00pm on CPD Mondays for continued staff training.
Mon 14 – Fri 18 Oct	Yr 9 Assessment Week	Year 9 Classroom Assessments.
Tues 15 Oct	Yr 12 Enactus Next Gen Leaders Launch Event	Mr Greening and Mrs Durrans are taking a group of Year 12 students to Asda House next week for the Enactus Next Gen Leaders launch event. The Next Gen Leaders Programme for schools and colleges is a youth social action and youth social enterprise programme, which aims to support and encourage schools/colleges, teachers and students to focus on achieving better outcomes for both young people and communities. It’s also a great opportunity to enhance a student’s CV with extra-curricular activities.
Tues 15 Oct	Arek Hersh Visit (Yr 10)	Arek and Jean Hersh will be visiting us to give Year 10 students a talk on Arek’s harrowing experiences from his early years as a Holocaust survivor. This will tie in with our assembly theme of saying No to Hate and Hate Crime and we are extremely lucky to welcome them into school. Arek will be bringing signed copies of his autobiography which cost £5 each and all proceeds go to the Beth Shalom charity. Students will need to bring £5 with them on the day if they wish to purchase a copy.
Tues 15 Oct	Yr 8 Rugby	Year 8 Boys Rugby Festival (2)
Wed 16 Oct	Restart a Heart Day	Year 12 students will be taking part in the Restart a Heart day. Students will be taught CPR on special mannequins by a group of volunteers. The volunteers will be led by Staff Nurse (Cardiac ICU) Lindsay Rose and made up of Yorkshire Ambulance Service staff and Bingley Green Watch. During the day’s training we will also be visited by the deputy lord lieutenant of West Yorkshire.
Wed 16 Oct	U15 Netball	Bingley (A team) v Oakbank (U15 B team) away
Thurs 17 Oct	Yr 9 Rugby	Year 9 Boys Rugby Festival (2)
Mon 21 Oct	Choreograph Day for the Cast of ‘When I Grow Up’	Students in Years 7-10 involved in the school musical will spend the day being taught by professional choreographer Jonathan Mawson working on the main 'Revolting Children' number.
Mon 21 Oct	Rugby	U15 Yorkshire Cup vs Harrogate GS
Tues 22 Oct	Yr 7 & 8 Rugby	Y7 & 8 Rugby v Ikley (A)
Wed 23 Oct	U15 Netball	U15 Bingley (A) v Beckfoot (B)
Fri 25 Oct	School Closes for Half Term	School Closes for Half Term.
--- HALF TERM HOLIDAY ---		
Mon 04 Nov	School re-opens	School re-opens.
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Mon 04 Nov	Yr 11 Assessment Week	Yr 11 Assessments in N6. Exam timetables have been emailed out to students and parent/carers. A full exam timetable is attached at the end of this newsletter. Due to the exam schedule Year 11 students will be on lunch break from 12.00 – 12.30pm. This will apply for 6 days in total (Mon 4 th Nov – Fri 8 th Nov plus Monday 11 th Nov.
Thurs 07 Nov	Senior Maths Challenge	Our Yr 12 and 13 A Level Further Maths students plus several other talented mathematicians will be taking part in this problem solving challenge. The national competition is designed to make students think more creatively about Maths and those who achieve a certain mark will go on to take part in the Mathematical Olympiad later this year.
Tues 12 Nov	Yr 7 Parents Evening	Parent/Carers will be emailed prior to the parents evening with details of the booking process.
Thurs 14 Nov	Yr 10 Food Trip	Mrs Wentling is taking 31 Year 10 Food Preparation & Nutrition and Hospitality & Catering students to the Midland Hotel for a tour and morning tea.
Fri 15 Nov	Non Uniform Day for Children in Need	Non-uniform Day for Children in Need. Students and staff are asked to bring £1.00 in to donate to Children in Need.
Mon 18 – Fri 22 Nov	Yr 12/13 Assessment Week	Assessments in N6 including BTEC. More information to follow.
Wed 27 Nov	Parent Focus Group Meeting	New members are always welcome – please meet at school in the main reception at 6.45pm.
Thurs 28 Nov	Sixth Form Open Evening 6.00pm – 8.00pm	Our Director of Sixth Form Mr Greening will be giving a talk in the Main Hall (N6) at 6.00pm, which will be repeated at 7.00pm. The Guidance Evening is an ideal opportunity to find out about studying in the Sixth Form, what support is available, and how the application process works. Subject teachers and current students will be available to talk with, so you will be able to find out all about the courses we offer, plus there will be a chance to visit The Hills, our Sixth Form block, where sixth form students make the most of their independent study time in the Study Zones and enjoy their own dedicated eating space in the Sixth Form Bistro. Application packs will be available on the evening; we encourage all students to submit their application before the Christmas holiday. For any additional information please contact the Sixth Form Office - 01274 807753 or email sixth@bingleygrammar.org

Messages from Teachers

Launch Evening Presentations

The last one of our year group launch evenings took place at the beginning of this month. If you were unable to attend the events, the presentations are available on the school website. They contain year group specific information, including diary dates and revision tips for the year ahead:
<https://www.bingleygrammar.org/parents-carers/year-group-launch-eve-info/>



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Parent Focus Group	<p>At the moment the Parent Focus Group are concentrating on raising funds for outdoor furniture which every student can benefit from. The fund raising for the benches is going well and the first 16 bench sets are nearly assembled and ready to go out in the grounds for the students' use. If you feel you would like to help, then please have a read of the flyer about Easyfundraising on page 3 of this newsletter. The build up to Christmas is the perfect time to contribute at no cost to yourself whilst shopping.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on 27th November - just come along to Main Reception (Drive 2) for a 6.45 pm start. The focus for the meeting will be ClassCharts with our Associate Assistant Headteacher, Data & IT Leader - Mr Vasey.</p>
Yr 7 & 8 French Trip, 2020	<p>Reminder that the October payment of £100 is due to the Finance office before we break up for half term (two weeks from now). Please keep those consent forms and copy passports/EHIC cards coming in to Mrs Greening or Mrs Purkis in the MFL department.</p> <p>Many thanks, Mrs F Greening - MFL Department</p>
Train to Teach with us - School Direct	<p>We are now accepting applications via UCAS for our Teacher Training course.</p> <p>For more information on the subjects we offer and more, please click here >></p>
Extra-Curricular Activities	<p>Our extra-curricular timetables (Sporting and non-sporting!) up to date on the website. Why not take a look, come along and get involved! Click here to view the timetables >></p>

We have a busy couple of months ahead with assessments, special events and visitors coming into school. I would like to thank Arek and Jean Hersh for their continued support of our school. They will be speaking to our Year 10 students next Tuesday. Arek and Jean give up so much of their time to share Arek's story as a Holocaust survivor and also their message of tolerance and understanding and our school community is much richer for knowing them.

I would also like to thank the team of volunteers from Yorkshire Ambulance Service and Bingley Green Watch who will be spending Restart a Heart Day (Wed 16th Oct) teaching our Year 12 students CPR, a vital life-saving skill.

Luke Weston - Headteacher

Easy Fundraising

Bingley Grammar's Parent Focus Group (PFG) raises money for extra resources to be used throughout the whole school.

Currently, money is being raised for outdoor furniture to place around the school grounds, for all pupils to use.



The PFG has set up an account with EasyFundraising.org.uk. If you shop online, please consider using EasyFundraising to donate to the school at *no cost to yourself*. There is additionally, a 'donate' button.

To sign up please visit the www.easyfundraising.org.uk home page – search for **Bingley Grammar School Parent Focus Group (PTA)** under 'join now' then apply with your details to create your account.

Reasons to sign up with EasyFundraising:

- It's 100% free to use
- You can raise money for the school every time you shop online
- Donations are available through over 3,200 online brands and retailers
- Download the helpful Donation Reminder and mobile app so that you never forget to collect a free donation

Year 11 Assessment Timetable November 2019

Date	Start Time	Finish Time	Subject	No. of students	Room/s
Week A	8.40	9.55	Spanish Writing (Higher)	97	SH
Mon 4 Nov	8.40	9.55	French Writing (Higher)	10	SH
	8.40	9.15	Spanish Listening (Foundation)	94	N6
	8.40	9.15	French Listening (Foundation)	11	N17
	8.40	varies	Option subject clashes		SH
	9.00	10.45	GCSE English Language (re-sit)	10	coach house
	CPD Mon	12.30	1.30	Spanish Writing (Foundation)	94
	12.30	1.30	French writing (Foundation)	11	SH
	12.30	1.15	Spanish Listening (Higher)	97	N6
	12.30	1.15	French Listening (Higher)	10	N17
	12.30	varies	Option subject clashes		SH
Tue 5 Nov	8.40	10.25	English Language	291	N6,SH,N17
	9.00	10.30	GCSE Maths paper 1 (re-sit)	11	coach house
	12.30	2.15	Biology	94	N6,SH,N17
	12.30	1.40	Combined Science Biology paper	199	N6,SH,N17
Wed 6 Nov	8.40	10.10	Maths paper 1	291	N6,SH,N17
	9.00	10.45	GCSE English Language (re-sit)	10	coach house
	12.30	2.15	Chemistry	94	N6,SH,N17
	12.30	1.40	Combined Science Chemistry paper	199	N6,SH,N17
Thu 7 Nov	8.40	10.25	Physics	94	N6,SH,N17
	8.40	9.50	Combined Science Physics paper	199	N6,SH,N17
	9.00	10.30	GCSE Maths paper 2 (re-sit)	11	coach house
	12.30	2.00	Maths paper 2	291	N6,SH,N17
		Periods 1 & 2	Senior Maths Challenge		G8
Fri 8 Nov	8.40	10.10	Geography	184	SH,N17
	8.40	10.40	History	113	N6,N17
	12.30	2.15	English Literature	291	N6,SH,N17
Mon 11 Nov	8.40	varies	Option block subjects		N6,SH,N17
	12.30	varies	Option block subjects		N6,SH,N17
	1.00	3.00	GCSE Maths paper 3 (re-sit)	11	coach house

OPTION SUBJECTS

Business	1hr30m
Computing	50m
D&T	1hr20m
Drama	1hr30m
Food & Nutrition	1hr
Health & Social	1hr
iMedia	50m
Sports Studies	1hr20m
Statistics	50m