



INTHEKNOW

15th November 2019



The SCI-FY Birmingham University Trip

Message from Mrs Cottle:



Bournville staff and students gathered on the playground for a collective act of remembrance on Friday 8th November where we observed two minutes silence signalled by the Last Post. It was a poignant and deeply respectful moment shared by all members of the school community.

Last week saw Year 11 students taking part in after school and lunchtime revision sessions in a number of subjects and it was really encouraging to see the increase in students accessing the excellent revision resources posted on Show My Homework, Twitter and the school Instagram page. The mock exams started this week and are going well.

Last week a group of Year 9 students were invited to take part in an Aim Higher trip to Birmingham University for a SCI-FY day. Students found the outing really inspiring and several commented that they are now contemplating going on to higher education, having not previously considered this option.

Students in Year 9 are in the midst of their milestone assessments which are giving them an opportunity to demonstrate how well they have learnt the new topics they have encountered at the start of their KS4 programme of study.

This week is Anti-Bullying Awareness Week and students in all year groups are taking part in assemblies and activities aimed at raising awareness of the impact of bullying, we are also reminding them of how to report bullying in school and, most importantly, where to seek help.

All Year Group Section

Alex Rider Reading Competition for Y7 and Y8:

It's time to get reading! 30 Students in Y7 and 8 will get the chance to **train as spies** on 17th-18th June 2020 for two days away from school learning from experts at the YHA Hay on Wye. They will take part in a range of exciting spy training activities including: codebreaking, archery, orienteering and survival skills.

The 30 students winning the chance to attend the ALEX RIDER MISSION BRIEFING must show us their commitment to reading and do **one** or more of the following by 1st January 2020:

- ✓ Have one of the most improved reading ages between NOW and 1st January.
- ✓ Be committed to reading in AR lessons, form times and Do Now (teachers will be asked for nominations).
- ✓ Take the most tests on AR books scoring over 7/10 for the book they've read.
- ✓ Read and test on some Alex Rider, Young Sherlock, Anthony Horowitz or Young Bond Books.
- ✓ Become a millionaire or read and test on your first 250,000 words, or 500,000 words.

Winners will be offered a chance to go on the trip – the trip is heavily subsidised, but parents or carers will be asked to make a contribution to the cost of the trip.

Accelerated Reader Millionaires

We are very pleased to announce that Callum Cox in Y8 has become our first Accelerated Reader millionaire of the year! Callum is the first reader this school year to have read and tested on a million words since Y7. Well done Callum!






All Years Table Tennis Club:




The club will meet on Wednesdays after school 3-4pm in the Girls' Gym, this is a fantastic opportunity to try a new sport or hone your skills. Everyone is welcome, from complete beginners to seasoned professionals!

Tuesday 26th November: Year 8 & Year 11 Birmingham Schools Table tennis Championships at Nishkam High School 3-7pm

Wednesday 27th November: All years: Level 2 School Games Table Tennis Championships at Bournville 3.30-5.30pm

Bi-Weekly Maths Puzzle:

Bi-Weekly Puzzle		Numeracy Wk2	
		Solution Deadline: 22/11/2019	
	Helen buys an orange and an apple for 35p	Pete buys an apple and a banana for 50p	
		Anita buys a banana and an orange for 55p	
How much (in pence) does the cheapest fruit cost?			



PiXL Unlock:

PiXL Unlock is an app which helps students to improve their vocabulary across a range of subject areas. Students will be set vocabulary homework tasks to complete. Students can either download the app to a Smartphone or tablet, or they can access PiXL Unlock via this website:

<https://vocab.pixl.org.uk/Vocabulary.html>

PiXL have changed the format of student logins to be as follows:

- School ID: BV977
- User ID: surnamefirstinitial (e.g. Ebenezer Scrooge would be Scroogee. or Arthur Birling would be birlinga)
- Password: Password

Year 11 Mock Examination Timetable:

DAY AND DATE	MONDAY 18 th November	TUESDAY 19 th November	WEDNESDAY 20 th November	THURSDAY 21 st November	FRIDAY 22 nd November
9.00 – 11.00	Chemistry (Triple) 1 hr 45mins 9.00– 10.45 Combined Science (Biology) 1 hr – 15mins 9.00– 10.15	Maths Paper 3 1 hr 30 mins 9.00 – 10.30	Physics (Triple) 1 hr 45mins 9.00 – 10.45 Combined Science (Physics) 1 hr – 15mins 9.00 – 10.15	Product Design 2 hours 9.00– 11.00 RS Paper 1 Philosophy & Ethics 2 hours 9.00 – 11.00	History 2 hours 9.00 – 11.00
Break 1 11.00– 11.25					
11.25 – 13.20	Computer Science Paper 1 1 hr 30mins 11.25 – 12.55	IMedia 1 hr 15mins 11.25 – 12.40	Computer Science Paper 2 1 hr 30 mins 11.25– 12.55	Food Prep & Nutrition 1 hr 45 mins 11.25 – 13.10	Geography Paper 3 1 hr 30mins 11.25 – 12.55
Break 2 13.20 – 14.00					
14.00 – 15.00	French/ Spanish Reading (Higher) 1 hr 14.00 15.00 French/ Spanish Reading (Foundation) 45mins 14.00 – 14.45	RS Paper 2 – Christianity 1 hr 14.00–15.00 Health and Social 1 hr 14.00–15.00	Enterprise 1hr 14.00–15.00		

YEAR 7

- Y7's attendance was 93.6% for 4th November – 8th November, our target is 97%.
- Form Points this fortnight for Y7 are: 1st 7CX with 16 points, joint 2nd 7BY and 7BX with 14 points and 4th 7TX with 12 points. Well done!
- This half term, Year 7 are going to be reading 'Once' by Morris Gleitzman in their Accelerated Reader lessons.
- Year 7 are currently reading *A Monster Calls* by Patrick Ness in their English lessons.
- Y7 can now come on the trip to see *the Boy in the Dress* students will get the opportunity to see the play of 'The Boy in the Dress' at the Royal Shakespeare Company Theatre in Stratford Upon Avon on Wednesday 29th January. The performance of David Walliams' heart-warming comedy includes new songs from Robbie Williams and Guy Chambers. It has been directed by Gregory Doran. We hope that this trip will help to develop students' love of reading as they see one of their favourite stories come to life on stage. Students will leave school by coach at 3.15pm and be back around 8pm. The cost of the trip is £23.50 per person and payment can be made via Parent Pay. Letters will be given out shortly.
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YEAR 8

- Students in Y8 will get the opportunity to see the play of 'The Boy in the Dress' at the Royal Shakespeare Company Theatre in Stratford Upon Avon on Wednesday 29th January. Students will leave school by coach at 3.15pm and be back around 8pm. The cost of the trip is £23.50 per person and payment can be made via Parent Pay. Letters will be given out shortly.
- This term, Year 8 are going to be reading 'One' by Sarah Crossan in their Accelerated Reader lessons.
- Year 8 are currently reading *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare in English lessons.
- 8TX have won the attendance star of the week prize – well done!

YEAR 9

- Year 9 are currently reading *Animal Farm* by George Orwell and *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time* The Play by Simon Stephens – based on the book by Mark Haddon.

YEAR 10

- Work experience - The dates for work experience this academic year are 29th June - 3rd July. Please speak to your child about what they would like to do for work experience and encourage them to go and speak to businesses to arrange this. Students have been advised of how to arrange their work experience, and what information they need to bring to school about their placement. Any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Meaney or Mrs Field
- Revision Guides for English Literature texts are available on Parent Pay. Yr10 can currently buy 'A Christmas Carol' payment can be made on Parent Pay and the guides, which are just £2.75 each, can be collected by students from Admin in the Morris Building once payment has been made.
- Monday 25th November: Year 10-11 netball v Bishop Challoner 3-5.30pm

- Year 11 Mock Exams will be taking place between Monday 11th November and Friday 22nd November. There are lots of revision materials available for students on Show My Homework.
- You can access our GCSE revision preparation presentation for parents and pupils from the Associate Assistant Head Teachers for English, maths and science at
- Year 11 students can now buy discounted revision guides for *An Inspector Calls*, *A Christmas Carol*, *Power and Conflict Poetry* and *Macbeth* via Parent Pay for the bargain price of £2.75 each. These can be collected from Admin in the Morris Building once your payment has been made.
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- Year 11 Sports Science; R041 Reducing the risk of sports injuries External Exam; Wednesday 8th January 9am.