

Friday 19th January 2024



BOHUNT WOKINGHAM WEEKLY BULLETIN

Welcome from Mr Hulland, Assistant Head Teacher for Provision and Achievement

As Mr Wilcox stated in last week's bulletin, over the coming weeks each of the Senior Leadership team will introduce themselves and their role. I have the pleasure of following the eloquent Mr Wilcox, writing this whilst it is -5 degree's outside (regardless I am still in shorts and T-Shirt).

I joined the school back in September 2016 as one of the original 12 staff, alongside the likes of Mrs Parker, Mrs Fletcher and Miss Bedford. I joined Bohunt having spent the previous 8 years at Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School in Reading. My time at Blessed Hugh Faringdon had taken me from NQT, to Head of Year 7 and finally to associate Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for boys attainment.

I joined Bohunt as Head of Physical Education and Senior Achievement Coordinator. It was common in the first couple of years for staff to wear multiple hats due to the small size of the school. In June 2020 my role changed and I took on the role I currently hold - Assistant Headteacher for Provision and Achievement.

Whilst I do still have the privilege of teaching (a little of) the subject I love, most of my time (as part of my leadership role) now is spent working on the school curriculum, timetables, exams and admissions. As a result of my role, a lot of my strategic involvement is focused on the Year 8 and Year 11 cohorts. As Mr Wilcox mentioned in his introduction alongside my role I support Mr Wilcox (and the wider team) as deputy safeguarding lead.

The focus of my work presently is based around the Year 8 options process, with the updated options booklet and plans for the Year 8 options evening (29th February) both underway. Year 8 parents will receive communication from me in the coming weeks in preparation for the event. The second focus for the coming weeks revolves around the Year 11 mock exams, due to be sat between the 26th February and the 6th March, as well as preparing for the Summer exams (as AQA have now released the draft Summer timetable). A reminder to all Year 11 parents that the JCQ have set Wednesday 26th June as the contingency day, so please do not plan any holidays before this date.

As we come to the close of the third week of the Half Term we would like to commend students on their outstanding commitment to the CCA program, the numbers of students at the range of clubs has been wonderful to see, especially during this cold snap. It has been great to see Year 11 students engaging with the Revision Clinics and keeping balance by still attending clubs for their enjoyment. The PE team have offered personal praise to those KS4 students who have helped in coaching and officiating KS3 training and matches.

Mr Hulland

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All Years - Communications

Parent Governor Election letter (email sent 17.01.2024)

We are delighted to announce that we are now able to hold an election for Parent Governor role. The votes can be cast until Monday 22nd January, 8pm. For more information please refer to the original email.

iPad 1-2-1 Scheme (email sent 17.01.2024)

We are pleased to announce that due to a popular demand we are now able to open iPad 1-2-1 scheme to parents wishing to purchase an iPad for your child. The EduTech order portal will open on Monday 22nd January and will remain open until 10pm on Sunday 4th February.

Auditions for 'Grease School Edition' (email sent 16.01.2024)

Bohunt students are invited to audition for a school edition of the famous 'Grease' musical. Please sign up for the auditions via the Google form in the original email. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Director Mrs Percival on apercival@bohuntwokingham.com or Musical director Mrs Bedford on rbedford@bohuntwokingham.com

BETTER Times - Issue 17

Please find the Spring 2024 issue of BETTER Times magazine [HERE](#).



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Home School Agreement

BET's principles of "enjoy, respect, achieve" underpin its vision to give all students an outstanding education. These core values help students flourish in and out of school and are central to achieving this vision for all students. For more information please refer to Bohunt Wokingham Home-School Agreement on our website [HERE](#)

Medication in school

Please be reminded that if your child requires medication to be administered during a school day, these need to be stored at the main office along with the medicines administering form signed by a parent. Students are not permitted to carry any medication on them, apart from inhalers and auto-injectors.

Lost Property

We have an ever increasing amount of lost property. If your child has misplaced any of their personal belongings they are welcome to come to Reception before school, during breaks or after school to see if these have been handed in. If it is clearly labelled you will receive an email and you or your child will have a maximum of two school weeks to claim their belongings, unfortunately we are unable to hold items for longer than this period.

Change of Address/Circumstances

Please notify us if there are any changes of address or circumstances by emailing info@bohuntwokingham.com

Co-Curricular Clubs

Full details of our Co-curricular clubs can be found on our website [HERE](#).

DofE

Parents and Carers please find a link [HERE](#) to a guide to starting a DofE Award. A virtual session designed to help you understand how to best support a young person through their DofE journey.

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Year 7

Y7 Trip to the Oakwood Youth Centre (email sent 15.01.2024)

Year 7 students are invited to attend a day trip to the Oakwood Youth Centre that will consist of activities aimed at enhancing resilience, teamwork, organisation, etc. Different tutor groups will attend on different dates throughout January and February. For more information please refer to the original email. If you have any questions please contact Mr Griffith on ngriffith@bohuntwokingham.com.

Year 8

Y8 Theatre Trip 'A Little History of the World' (email sent 18.01.2024)

We would like to invite Year 8 students to join us at Reading Rep theatre to enjoy the live performance of the world premiere adaptation based on the international bestseller 'A Little History of the World', that will take place on Friday 7th June. Payment can be made via School Gateway by Sunday 4th February. If you have any questions or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Percival via email apercival@bohuntwokingham.com

Year 9

Y9 Vaccinations, Tuesday 23rd January (email sent 16.01.2024)

Please be reminded the Year 9 Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio (TDIPV/ACWY) Vaccinations will take place on Tuesday 23rd January. If you have already completed the consent form you are not required to again. If you have not completed the consent form, this must be completed [HERE](#) , even if you do not give consent.

Year 9 & 10

Invitation to 'MOVE IT' dance event (email sent 18.01.2024)

We would like to invite 15 students from across Year 9 and Year 10 to attend the 'MOVE IT' Dance event at the London ExCel, that will take place on Friday 15th March 2024. Expression of interest can be made via the School Gateway by 6pm on Monday 22nd January. If you have any questions or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Miss Evans via email mevans@bohuntwokingham.com

Year 10

Letter from Miss Hurst (email sent 10.01.2024)

We are pleased to share with you that Activate Learning is offering their NEW Taster Session Programme for Year 10 students. Between January and May 2024, students in Year 10 will be able to sign up to bespoke taster sessions on campus, aimed at helping them to make informed decisions about their next steps.

Students can sign up for the taster sessions here:

- Bracknell and Wokingham Taster Sessions - [Bracknell and Wokingham College Taster Sessions.](#) | [Eventbrite](#)
- Reading College Taster Sessions - [Reading College Taster Sessions.](#) | [Eventbrite](#)

Year 11

College Spring Open Events for Year 11 (email sent 15.01.2024)

Reading College, as well as Bracknell and Wokingham college, are offering spring open events. If you wish to discuss course options in a quieter environment, please follow the links below:

Reading College, 28th February - [book here](#)

Bracknell College, 6th March - [book here](#)

If you need further support in making decisions for your Post-16 options, please come and speak to Mrs Pope or Mr Poole.

Year 11 Yearbook (email sent 16.01.2024)

Mr Lair and our Year 11 yearbook committee are in the process of creating the yearbook. They kindly request you and your child to fill in the following [Google form](#).

Dates for your Diary

Date	Activity	Year Groups
<u>JANUARY 2024</u>		
Tuesday 23 January	Year 9 Vaccination Programme	Year 9
30th January - 6th February	French Exchange Wokingham to France	
<u>FEBRUARY 2024</u>		
12th February - 16th February	Half Term	All Years
29th February (TBC)	Year 8 Parents Evening	Year 8
<u>MARCH 2024</u>		
15th - 22nd March	French Exchange France to Wokingham	
20th March	Voice in a Million	Year 7 and 8
27th March (TBC)	Year 9 Parents Evening	Year 9

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WBC Local Transport Plan Consultation

Wokingham Borough Council are currently consulting on the updated Local Transport Plan (LTP4) before adopting a finalised version. LTP4 is a strategic document that sets out how WBC aim to improve walking, cycling and public transport facilities in the coming years.

The council would like to get feedback from residents on the proposed document and would be grateful if parents, staff and pupils (if over 13) could express their opinions on the matter [HERE](#).

The consultation is now live and running until 23rd February 2024.

Cold-Health Alert - Yellow

Please be informed that the cold-health alert for the South East, which covers Wokingham Borough, has been extended. An amber alert is in effect from Sunday 14th January at 12:00 to Saturday 20th January at 12:00.

As published on UKHSA and Met Office's [dashboard](#), the amber alert means that severe impacts are possible across the health and social care sector.

If you have any questions, please contact public.health@wokingham.gov.uk.

Regards,
Public Health Team, Wokingham Borough Council

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Have you considered full, weekly or flexi boarding for Sixth Form?

YEAR 11 OPEN MORNING INVITATION to all Bohunt schools - Saturday 20th January 2024. 10:00-12:00.

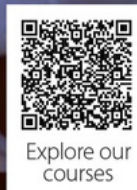
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