



Friday 15th November 2024



BOHUNT WOKINGHAM WEEKLY BULLETIN

Welcome from Mr Bartlett - Head of Humanities Faculty

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very pleased to be able to welcome you to this edition of the parent bulletin by sharing some of the exciting learning experiences taking place across the Humanities faculty. As you will have hopefully read from our [Humanities Curriculum Intent](#) statement on the school website, within Humanities we seek to develop our students into global citizens. A global citizen is someone who shows both an awareness and an understanding of the wider world and considers their place within it. They act as game changers in their community and work with others to make our planet more peaceful, sustainable and fair. The recent "Culture Day", run by Ms Duguid Farrant and Miss Jones, was therefore a fantastic opportunity to share the diverse cultures within the Bohunt Wokingham community. It was lovely to hear the conversations going on throughout the day, whether discussing the variety of flags with friends, or asking teachers about their culture, students immersed themselves in the day showing their enthusiasm for learning about the world around them.

Within the classroom there are many exciting activities happening across the year groups where students are consistently displaying our enjoy respect achieve ethos:

Geography

Although we are starting to experience colder weather here, the Year 9's have been enjoying studying the much hotter climates of the tropical rainforests and hot deserts. We have been using a [virtual reality tool](#) on the iPads to conduct virtual field trips to both biomes, giving students the opportunity to experience 360 views and learn about the fascinating plants and animals found within them. If you click the link above you can have a look for yourselves! In Year 10, we have been exploring cities around the world, from Bristol to Rio de Janeiro, looking at the rapid growth of these urban places and the opportunities and challenges this creates. Again, we have been using the iPads and GIS software to be able to visualise these patterns and develop a sense of place.

History

In history, our Year 7 students will shortly be starting their castle construction projects. In the past we have seen some incredible and historically accurate work from students where they are able to create models using the theory from the classroom. They will start the process in class before finishing off as homework.

Religious Studies

It's all change in religious studies at the moment as both Key Stage 3 year groups prepare to move on to look at new topics, with Year 7 starting Christianity and Year 8 starting Judaism. During these topics students will not only learn about the differences between some of the world's great religions, but also the similarities as they consider the experiences of those around them and reflect on their own personal set of beliefs.

Psychology

The Year 10 students are currently studying the evolutionary theory of depression in psychology, a topic which has sparked debate within the classes about the different causes. Miss Austin has loved hearing about the different points of view shared by students, in well articulated responses. This fascinating and emotive topic highlights the value of this subject as students not only learn the content, but reflect on their own experiences and those in their community and consider how the knowledge they gain and develop in class could lead to them being a game changer in someone else's life.

Finally, we would like to wish **good luck** to all students sitting their mock exams this month, both the Year 11s, and the Year 10 short course RS students, who are sitting their first formal exam in the sports hall.

If you would like to learn more about what your child is currently learning in Humanities please consult the [Learning Journeys](#) page on the school website to see the path they are taking, or use the [Knowledge Organisers Library](#) to take a deeper look at some of the content being covered.

#WeAreBohuntWokingham

All Years - Communications

Foodbank - House Competition (12.11.24)

This year at Bohunt Wokingham we are very excited to announce that we will be running a house competition aimed at supporting Wokingham Foodbank. Tutor groups will compete to design, create and fill a hamper with donated items (list below). As part of this we are asking students to bring donated items to their tutor room, who will store them accordingly. Should larger donations wish to be given, please bring them to reception ensuring they are labelled with your child's name and tutor group.

We ask that donated items are not Christmas themed, with the list of recommended items below:

- Tinned pies
- Tinned meat
- Breakfast cereal
- Tea bags (box of 40 only please)
- Meal in a tin (curry, chilli, Bolognese, stew etc)
- Jam/honey/peanut butter
- Custard
- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned carrots
- Long life fruit juice
- Fruit squash
- Store cupboard items (oil, stock cubes, dried herbs & spices)
- Baby food
- Laundry detergent

The deadline for donations is Wednesday 11th December. Many thanks in advance for your support. May the best house win!

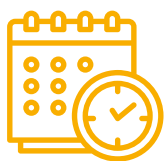
Flu Vaccinations (07.10.24)



Flu Vaccinations for all years will be carried out on **29th November 2024**. Consent forms must be completed even if you do not wish for your child to receive the vaccine.

Co-Curriculum Timetable (11.11.2024)

This term's co-curriculum timetable has been updated. Please find the current version on our website [here](#)



Year 10

Year 10 Natural History Museum (11.11.2024)



Please see the letter sent from Mrs Patterson Subject Leader - Art regarding a trip to the Natural History Museum, sent on 11.11.2024. This trip will take place on Thursday 12th December 2024.

Deadline for payment is Sunday 1st December 2024.

Year 10 & 11

Year 10 & 11 Mandarin Film Event (13.11.2024)



Please see the letter sent from the Mandarin department on 13.11.2024 regarding a trip to watch a private screening of a Mandarin film. Expression of interest for this trip can be made via School Gateway. **Deadline for expression of interest is 6pm Wednesday 20th November 2024.**

Year 11

Year 11 Maths Parents Information (12.11.2024)



Please check your inbox for a letter from the Maths department sent on 12.11.2024 with a Year 11 maths information sheet. This resource contains key details, including contact information for our Maths staff, recommended websites for revision, a list of essential equipment, and an overview of the interventions we have in place to help your child succeed.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Activity	Year Groups
<u>NOVEMBER</u>		
27th November	BET Trust Training Day - School Closed	All Years
29th November	Flu Vaccination	All Years
<u>DECEMBER</u>		
2nd December	Inset Day - School Closed	All Years
11th December	Year 10 Parents Evening (more information to follow)	Year 10
11th December	Year 10 Parents Evening Early Closure at 1:10pm	All Years
13th December	Year 11 Mock Results Day (more information to follow)	Year 11
19th & 20th December	ERA Assemblies	All Years
19th December	Year 8 ERA Assembly - parents invited (more information to follow)	Year 8
20th December	Year 9 ERA Assembly - parents invited (more information to follow)	Year 9
20th December	Last Day of Autumn 11 Term Early Closure at 1:10pm	All Years

Join Us at the PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) – Help Shape the Future of Our School Community!

We are excited to announce the upcoming PTA AGM, and we warmly invite you to attend and be part of shaping the future of our PTA.

Date: 19th Nov 2024

Time: 18:45-19:45

Location: Bohunt Wokingham School (with an online meeting option available, link will be provided later)

The AGM is an opportunity for you to meet other parents, learn about the work the PTA has done in the past year, and get involved in discussions about future initiatives and events that will support our students and the school. We will also be officially nominating the new committee members, including the roles of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, IT Support, Communication Officer, and Committee members.

To help us estimate attendance, please RSVP by completing this [form](#). You are welcome to join us in person or via online meeting. Please indicate your preference for in the RSVP form.

We look forward to seeing you there. Together, we can make a difference!



Bohunt School Wokingham
Community Association

AGM

Annual General Meeting

Everyone is welcome

Stay informed and get involved

Wokingham Carers Partnership - Carers Rights Day 2024



Home-Start Wokingham Support

Are you struggling with the daily challenges of parenting? - do you have a child under the age of five? - do you:

- Feel isolated in your community, with no family nearby and struggling to make friends?
- Feel overwhelmed with postnatal illness but find it hard to talk to anyone about it?
- Feel like you are having a hard time coping with your child's behaviour?
- Struggle with the emotional and physical demands of having young children?
- Struggle to cope with a mental or physical disability?



Maybe you just need someone to talk to? Someone who won't judge you; a shoulder to cry on or perhaps someone to play with or read to your young children so that you can do some household chores. Please see how to get help via our website using the [following link](#), or email us at admin@home-startwd.org.uk.

Being a parent has never been easy. We offer free, non-judgmental, compassionate support in your home for a few hours a week, by a trained volunteer, who will provide emotional and practical support and friendship to help you get through a particularly tough time.