



Friday 12th December 2025

BOHUNT WOKINGHAM WEEKLY BULLETIN



Welcome from Mr Hulland - Assistant Head Teacher - Provision & Achievement

There is nothing better in December than driving home past the Christmas lights illuminating Arborfield and Shinfield, looking forward to spending the festive season with my young family. As we move towards the end of term, it is also a valuable time to reflect on the incredibly busy and successful weeks our staff and students have experienced.

This week marked our Sixth Form Futures Week, during which I had the pleasure of working alongside colleagues to conduct interviews with Year 11 students in preparation for the opening of our Sixth Form in September 2026. The 50 students interviewed on Tuesday spoke with impressive confidence about their future plans and ambitions, leaving staff thoroughly impressed. With well over 200 applications now received, we look forward to interviewing further internal applicants and welcoming external candidates in the new year.

Today we held our Year 11 Mock Results Event. It was natural that some students felt nervous, reflecting the effort and commitment they showed in preparing for their mock examinations. Regardless of individual outcomes, we are immensely proud of the entire year group for the dedication they demonstrated throughout the November mock series. The maturity with which they approached this process will undoubtedly set them up strongly for the summer GCSE examinations.

The week has also been filled with a number of outstanding enrichment opportunities. On Thursday, students visited the Natural History Museum and attended a performance of A Christmas Carol at Reading Rep Theatre. This evening students attended Kingsclere College to see their Christmas Show. These activities have run alongside a packed sporting calendar, with fixtures in badminton, basketball and football. The PE team continues their ambitious target of completing 430 fixtures this term, and they would like to thank the 476 students who have already represented the school this year, contributing to three trophies and ten tournament wins.

As our Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) programme draws to a close this Friday, I would like to thank staff for providing such a wide and varied programme, and students for engaging so enthusiastically. Since September, 988 students have taken part in CCA's up to and including Tuesday of this week, which is a fantastic community achievement and significantly higher than the national average for secondary school extracurricular participation. A new timetable will be shared in January, with clubs restarting on Tuesday 13 January 2026. The timetable will be made available to parents via our website by 7 January 2026, and we would love to see participation grow to 1,100 students during the spring term. Our Co-Curricular programme is a key part of being a Bohunt Game-changer, offering students opportunities to engage in a wide range of activities beyond the 3.30pm bell.

We would like to remind students that Christmas Jumper Day will take place on Monday 15 December 2026. Online donations should be made to our [Save the Children JustGiving page](#). This will be the final bulletin of 2025; however, a full newsletter will be shared next Friday to celebrate the many achievements of our Bohunt Wokingham students this term.

Finally, I would like to wish all students, families and staff a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

#WeAreBohuntWokingham

All Years - Communications



End / Start of Term

A reminder school will finish for the end of term on Friday 19th December at 13:10pm. Please note Monday 5th January is an INSET day. We look forward to welcoming students back to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026.



Christmas Jumper Day - Monday 15th December 2025

A reminder that we are taking part in this event on Monday 15th December, donations to participate can be made via our school [Save the Children donation page](#)



Tickets on Sale! Shine On! A Winter Celebration (20.11.2025)

We are pleased to announce that tickets are on sale now for Shine On! A Winter Celebration. Join us for an evening of Dance, Drama and Music on Wednesday 17th December at 6:30pm. Tickets can be purchased via this [link](#).



The BSWCA is pleased to offer refreshments during the evening, and both cash and card payments will be accepted.

All Years - Communications



Lunch Accounts

A reminder to ensure you child's lunch account is topped up and any debits are cleared as we approach the Christmas break.



No Co- Curricular activities w/c 15th December 2025 (11.12.2025)

A reminder there will be no Co-Curricular Activities running next week, week commencing 15.12.2025 due to this being the last week of term. Please note school sporting fixtures will still go ahead as planned (please check SOCS for further information regarding these).

Thank you for your support and we look forward to sharing with you the CCA timetable for the Spring term in January.

Years 7, 8, 9 & 10



Spring Trip Day 2026 & Game Changer Week July 2026 (09.12.2025)

Please check your inbox for information for both the Spring Trip Day 2026 and Game Changers week in July 2026. Google Form(s) to be completed by **Monday 15th December 2025**.

Year 8



Year 8 ERA Assembly - 18.12.2025 (26.11.2025)

Please check your inbox for an invitation to the our Year 8 ERA Assembly on Thursday 18th December. This is a ticketed event due to limited seating. Tickets can be booked [here](#).

Year 9



Year 9 ERA Assembly - 19.12.2025 (26.11.2025)

Please check your inbox for an invitation to the our Year 9 ERA Assembly on Friday 19th December. This is a ticketed event due to limited seating. Tickets can be booked [here](#).



Year 9 Vaccinations - January 2026 (10.12.2025)

Please check your inbox for a letter including the consent form, from the NHS School age immunisation team regarding the upcoming Meningococcal ACWY & the 3-in-1 teenage booster (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio) vaccinations. The Vaccinations will take place at school on Friday 23rd January 2026. The consent form must be completed for all students even if you do not consent.

Year 11



Year 11 Key Updates (03.12.2025)

Please check your inbox for a letter from Mr Phillips, regarding key updates for Year 11 sent on 03.12.2025.

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Activity	Year Groups
<u>December 2025</u>		
15 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	All Years
15 th December	Student Reward Event	All Years
16 th December	Student Christmas Lunch	All Years
17 th December	<u>Shine On! A Winter Celebration</u>	All Years
19 th December	End of Term Early Closure at 13:10	All Years
<u>January 2026</u>		
5 th January	Inset Day - School Closed	All Years
6 th January	Term Starts	All Years
8 th January	Year 11 Parents Evening (information to follow)	Year 11
8 th January	Early Closure at 13:10	All Years
<u>February 2026</u>		
13 th February	End of Term	All Years

Notice Board



Shinfield St Mary CE Juniors Admission Arrangements 2027-28 for Consultation

The Governing Body of Shinfield St Mary's CE Junior School are consulting on their [admission arrangements for the academic year 2027-28](#).

The consultation period closes at 5pm on 19th January 2026. The school welcome your comments which should be addressed to Mrs Rebecca Marr, Clerk to the Governing Body (clerk@shinfield-st-marys.wokingham.sch.uk). Comments can also be sent via post to Shinfield St Mary's CE Junior School, Chestnut Crescent, Shinfield, Reading, RG2 9EJ.

If you have any questions please contact the school directly



**JOIN BERKSHIRE
YOUTH WIND
ORCHESTRA**

Don't miss your chance to join an outstanding ensemble and take your music to the next level.

- Open Rehearsal (for new players): Sunday 8th March 2026
- Spring Course: Saturday 28th March – Monday 30th March 2026
- Concert: Monday 30th March 2026 at All Saint's Church, Wokingham

Please note that Berkshire Youth Wind Orchestra members must be of Grade 6 standard and above.

To register your interest, please email:
jessicawilkins@berksmusictrust.org.uk



**JOIN BERKSHIRE
YOUTH TRAINING
ORCHESTRA**

Don't miss your chance to join an outstanding ensemble and take your music to the next level.

- February Course: Sunday 15th – Tuesday 17th February 2026
- Spring Course: Saturday 28th March – Monday 30th March 2026
- Concert: Monday 30th March 2026 at All Saint's Church, Wokingham

Please note that Berkshire Youth Training Orchestra members must be of Grade 4-6 standard and above.

To register your interest, please email:
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The HENLEY
College

**German Afternoon
at The Henley
College**

**Wednesday, 21st
January 14.00 -
16.00**



 **fbchurch**
finchampstead baptist church

Christmas Eve Community Carols

**'At home for
Christmas'**
**24th
December** | **4pm
&
6pm**

Find out more
about Christmas
at FBC here:

