



Friday 15th May 2026

BOHUNT WOKINGHAM WEEKLY BULLETIN



Welcome from Mrs Smith SENDCo

As another busy and successful week draws to a close, it has once again been wonderful to see the breadth of unparalleled opportunities taking place across our school community. From revision sessions and enrichment activities to trips designed to build confidence and independence, our students continue to demonstrate the enjoy respect achieve values and the qualities of true game-changers in everything they do.

This week, our next cohort of Year 7 students began their Monday paddleboarding sessions, embracing the opportunity to step outside their comfort zones, develop resilience and enjoy learning beyond the classroom. It has been fantastic to see students encouraging one another on the water and demonstrating such positivity and enthusiasm throughout the sessions.

A particular mention must go to our Year 11 students, over 150 of whom gave up part of last weekend to attend Core Maths revision sessions in preparation for their GCSE examinations. Their dedication and maturity have been exceptional, and the start of this week marked an important milestone as they sat their first full cohort examination in GCSE English Literature. Within the SEND Department, Miss Wood and Miss Kelly led a small group of students on a Life Skills trip to Reading last week, supporting them in practising essential independent travel skills through bus and train journeys. Opportunities such as these are invaluable in helping students develop the confidence and independence they will need as they move forward into further education, employment and adult life. The students represented the school brilliantly and approached the experience with enthusiasm and maturity.

We are also beginning preparations for our additional Year 6 transition visits, designed to support students with additional needs as they transition to secondary school. Staff are already working closely with families and primary schools to ensure students feel supported and excited about belonging to our community. We are particularly proud that several of our current Year 7 SEND students have volunteered to act as mentors during these visits, helping our future students settle in and feel comfortable from the very beginning.

On Tuesday, a group of Year 7 students took part in the BET Maths Challenge, and we are delighted to share that Bohunt Wokingham's Team B achieved an outstanding 1st place. This was a fantastic accomplishment, and all of the Wokingham students represented the school with great enthusiasm, determination and teamwork. Another group of students enjoyed an exciting trip to see Matilda the Musical on Thursday evening. The trip was a wonderful opportunity for students to experience live theatre and celebrate the creativity and energy of this much-loved production. Meanwhile, Mr Woolley delivered an extended assembly to our Year 9 students on the topic of "How to Revise Effectively" as they begin preparing for their upcoming BET assessments. Developing the ability to revise independently and effectively is an essential skill, and we are grateful for the valuable guidance and encouragement being provided.

Finally, excitement continues to build around BW6, with our new sixth form centre changing rapidly by the day. Classrooms are now truly beginning to take shape as electrical works, plastering and painting progress at impressive speed. What was once a construction site is quickly becoming a premium purposeful learning environment that will provide an unparalleled variety of enrichment and co-curricular activities providing unique opportunities for all of our students for many years to come.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of the school community.

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All Years - Communications



Pastoral Support for Students and Parents

A reminder that Tutors are the first point of contact for both students and parents.



Water Bottle & Hayfever Medication

May we please remind students to bring in a refillable water bottle with them to school every day it is imperative that students stay hydrated. We are not able to provide plastic cups.

If your child suffers from hayfever, please ensure they have taken medication before coming to school.



Glass Bottles & Containers

Please may we remind all students and parents that glass bottles and containers should not be brought into school.



Walk to School Week 18th-22nd May 2026 (13.05.2026)

We are pleased to be joining in with Walk to School Week 2026, organised by the charity Living Streets. Please see the letter from Dr Dickinson with further details.

Year 7, 8 & 9



Netball Weekend (11.05.2026)

Please see the email from Miss Jones regarding a netball weekend taking place in March 2027. Expression of Interest to attend can be made via the School Gateway by **Friday 15th May 2026**.

Year 9



Year 9 - How to Support My Child to Revise Effectively (07.05.2026)

Please see the letter from Mr Woolley in your inbox, attaching the slides from this week's presentation.

All Years - Communications

Year 10

Year 10 - Religious Studies Summer Mock Exam (05.05.2026)

Please check your inbox for a letter from Mrs Duguid Farrant regarding the upcoming Religious Studies Mock exam for all Year 10 students, which will take place on Tuesday, 2nd June 2026.

Year 10 - Selsey Field Trip (29.04.2026)

Please check your inbox for a letter from Mr Bartlett regarding a trip to Selsey as part of the GCSE Geography course. Payment to attend can be made via the School Gateway by **Friday 15th May 2026**.

Year 11

Year 11 Leavers Event (06.05.2026)

Please see the letter from Mr Phillips regarding the Year 11 Leavers event taking place on 17th June 2026. To confirm parents and carers attendance at this event please complete this [Google Form](#) by **Monday 1st June 2026**.

All Years - Communications

Our school's Police Liaison School Officer, Will Manuel (PC 9646), visited during break time today (Friday 15.05.2026). This visit forms part of the Police and Crime Commissioner's plan to improve local policing, increase visibility within the community, and bring back the "bobby on the beat" style of policing. The initiative also aims to build positive relationships with young people and the wider community. Thank you Will for joining us today.



Thames Valley Police Schools Officer



My name is Will, and I have recently been appointed as the Schools Officer for Wokingham Borough. I have worked for Thames Valley Police for over five years across a range of policing roles, including Neighbourhood Policing, investigative departments and Response. In my current role, I support approximately twenty secondary and educational settings across the borough.

My role is to act as a consistent and direct point of contact for each school, offering advice, support and assistance with educational inputs where appropriate. A key focus of my work within secondary schools is maintaining a visible, approachable presence, including engaging with students informally during breaks and lunchtimes, as well as through planned sessions.

Across Wokingham, we are continuing to strengthen our partnership with secondary schools to ensure that students know who their local Schools Officer is and understand how and when they can seek support or advice. An important aspect of this role is helping young people to feel confident and comfortable speaking with police officers, particularly in uniform, and to reinforce that officers are approachable, supportive and there to help.

Throughout the school year, I will attend schools regularly to speak with students both formally and informally. This includes contributing to assemblies, lessons or workshops on topics such as how police investigations work, personal safety, and crime awareness, alongside day-to-day engagement with students within the school environment.

I appreciate that an increased police presence can sometimes cause concern or lead to assumptions about risk. I would like to reassure parents that there are no safety concerns prompting this role. The Schools Officer programme forms part of a broader commitment to preventative, community-based policing, focusing on early intervention, education and positive engagement with young people.

I hope if your children haven't already, they will discuss openly about an officer coming into school and I trust they will have had a positive interaction with myself.

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Activity	Year Groups
<u>May 2026</u>		
22 nd May	End of Term	All Years
<u>June 2026</u>		
1 st June	Term Starts	All Years
18 th June	Year 7 Parents Evening (information to follow)	Year 7
18 th June	Early Closure at 13:10pm	All Years
23 rd June	Inset Day - School Closed	All Years
30 th June - 2 nd July	Summer Production - Matilda Jnr (More details to follow)	All Years
<u>July 2026</u>		
3 rd July	Year 11 Prom	Year 11
6 th - 9 th July	Game-Changers Week	Years 7 - 10
10 th July	Festival of Sport	Years 7 - 10
17 th July	Last Day of Term Early Closure at 13:10pm	All Years