



# DEER PARK

newsletter

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ISSUE 16

## HEAD BOY & HEAD GIRL'S HELLO



HELLO EVERYONE!

We are Charlie and Izzie, and we have the privilege of being Deer Park's First ever Head Boy and Head Girl!

We have an amazing team of 44 which is composed of Head Students, Deputy Head Students, Senior Prefects, and Prefects, who all work together and meet regularly to deliver the projects that our Deer Park Student Leadership group creates.

This year so far, we have been pleased to introduce several successful projects that benefit student's wellbeing in school and ensure their voices are heard and acted upon, namely iDeerPark which is a newly launched feedback service for our valued students to complete with any feedback they have for school improvements.

We are very excited for all of the prefects to support our community and uphold our ACE values (Ambition, Community and Excellence) that are encouraged throughout the school! This year will bring many new exciting opportunities which all students will be able to participate and contribute to.

And a huge congratulations to all of the prefects who are chosen to be the first ever to represent Deer Park!

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine!

Charlie and Izzie :)

### MEET MR CONNOLLY



We're delighted to introduce Mr Connolly, our new Site Assistant at Deer Park School! Mr Connolly joins us after working at a local junior school, and they've already been enjoying catching up with some familiar faces who are now Deer Park students.

Outside of school, Mr Connolly is passionate about giving back to the community, coaching football for local teams. He also enjoys getting stuck into various DIY projects in his spare time.

Please join us in giving Mr Connolly a warm welcome to the Deer Park family!



## YEAR 7

Welcome back for our final half-term as a Year 7 cohort. I reminded the students in our most recent Assembly that the Year 6 students would be visiting Deer Park in a few weeks' time and how that was us a year ago; it is fair to say that there were some disbelieving faces in the audience!

The Year really has flown by and I remain very proud of the Year group and all that they have achieved so far. I also informed them that this term is an extremely busy one with lots of exciting activities to look forward to. We have a Dragon's Den challenge, Festival of Sport, Paultons Park and lots of other rewards and trips taking place.

An area of focus that I shared with them is around uniform expectations, particularly as we approach the summer weather (hopefully!). Ties are to be worn unless informed otherwise, shirts are to be tucked in and skirts need to be the appropriate length. As you and they are aware, any infringement regarding these items will result in a reminder and -1 behaviour point. I know that our students are very proud of their impeccable behaviour whilst with us and I would hate for any negative entries for a very avoidable issue.

Many thanks for your continued support and best wishes,

Mr Parnell

## YEAR 8

Welcome back, Year 8s. Your final half term at Deer Park as Year 8 students before you become the new Year 9s!

This half term is a busy one packed with exciting opportunities and well-deserved rewards. Get ready for some unforgettable experiences! First up, many of you attended the Skern Lodge trip – a fantastic chance to challenge yourselves, build teamwork, and make lasting memories. Then, the Paultons Park rewards trip is just around the corner, offering a brilliant day of fun and celebration. Then it will be the Annual Festival of Sport, a day for everyone to participate in something and show their sporting spirit!

We have celebrated the achievements of students recently in Art, they have been producing amazing case studies on Jen Aranyi and Mrs Halkett has been immensely impressed with their hard work. We have also had numerous year 8 students participate in the UK Junior Mathematical Challenge- a massive well done to everyone involved in this.

We've been incredibly impressed with how many of you have embodied our school values of Ambition, Community, and Excellence. It's been excellent to see so many value points being awarded, and a huge well done to all who've achieved their Bronze Certificates!

Keep up the fantastic work and let's make this final half term of Year 8 the very best one yet!

Mr Colley



## YEAR 9

A warm welcome back to Year 9 after their half term break. I have had some lovely feedback regarding the Year 9s who went to France over the break - it sounds like all involved had a fantastic time and were great ambassadors in representing the school whilst they were away.

The cohort enjoyed an excellent assembly recently from our House coordinators Miss Brazao and Miss Andrews, who spoke about the upcoming entrepreneur challenge where different houses are raising money for some great local causes. I am always filled with pride when I see our students getting involved, and a huge well done to all house captains and vice captains who produced videos for this.

The last time Year 9 were involved in a charity competition was back in Year 7 where they raised a huge amount of money, with Mr Denman's Javan raising the most overall. I am excited to see what plans all of them have this year, and encourage them to support each other in raising funds for such worthy causes.

Thanks,  
Mr Gregory

## YEAR 10

Welcome back Year 10 to the final  $\frac{1}{2}$  term of the year. Despite only being back in school for 2 weeks, we have already moved into a high gear with the first real GCSE having been completed by some of the cohort who sat the GCSE Stats exam on the first day back - well done to all of you who have now completed your first official GCSE paper!

We have also had Year 10 geographers out of school, completing their data collection for their fieldwork. They visited Swanage to investigate if the beach management is successfully preventing longshore drift, as well as looking into the importance of tourism in the area. The year 10's were a real credit to the school, collecting really excellent data whilst dodging the rain. Well done year 10 geographers!

Finally, our Prefect team finally received their Prefect ties during an event at school this week, and will now wear these around school. The evening was lovely, and included performances from students in other year groups at the school, as well as a speech delivered by our very own Head Boy and Girl. Well done to all involved!

Mr Smith



## SUBJECT SPOTLIGHT: EDUCATION FOR LIFE

For the final half term of the academic year, we are revisiting the theme of 'Living in the Wider World'. This builds upon the previous units the students completed in this theme that took place in the Spring Term 1 half term.

### YEAR 7: FINANCIAL DECISION MAKING

In this unit students will be introduced to issues relating to money. They will be encouraged to begin taking responsibility for their money and making informed and sensible choices. They will explore how to choose a bank account, how to understand their bank statement, how to budget and manage their money, reflect on their money personality and have an understanding of how much things cost. They will explore this in greater detail in Year 9 where they will revisit budgeting as well as renting and mortgages. They will also complete a final finance unit in Year 10 which will deal with issues relating to debt, saving and understanding their payslips.

### YEAR 8: CITIZENSHIP

In this unit students will explore different types of government with a focus on the difference between a democracy and a dictatorship. We will look at how Parliament works in Britain, including how MPs are elected. Students will also look at how they can get their voice heard and have a say and explore the difference between violent and nonviolent protest. It will encourage them to think of how they can have a say in their local community by creating their own campaign.

### YEAR 9: GLOBAL CONCERNS

Year 9 will be exploring 9 major Global Concerns in their Education for Life lessons this half term. They will reflect on our place in the world before investigating critical issues such as the growing demand for water, the rising threat of Single Use Plastics and the issues surrounding the use of Cobalt, an element mined by many children in Low Income Countries, in modern day technologies such as smartphones and Electric Vehicles (EVs). Students will also assess the impact of the Fast Fashion industry to society and the environment, and learn how we can minimise the environmental impact of our holidays. There is a strong thread of the concept of Sustainability throughout this scheme of work.

### YEAR 10: EXPERIENCE OF A WORKPLACE

In EL lessons, all students will be undertaking a virtual Work Experience program from REED Recruitment that will simulate a week of work experience within this company. Students will have the opportunity to 'visit' each department in the company whilst making resources targeted at the different roles before creating a presentation for the CEO. Year 10 will also be completing practice interviews on Friday 4th July with volunteers who are coming in to ask students some questions in a 'mock interview' setting. Year 10 also have their Experience of a Workplace placement to look forward to this term which links in with the current EL lessons.

## CAREERS INFORMATION



ORGANISATION	OPEN EVENT DATES*	APPLICATION DEADLINE
PETA Apprenticeships <a href="http://www.peta.co.uk">www.peta.co.uk</a>	-	<a href="#">Click here for current vacancies</a>
Paragon Skills Apprenticeships <a href="http://www.paragonskills.co.uk">www.paragonskills.co.uk</a>	-	
Steve Willis Training Apprenticeships <a href="http://www.stevewillis.com">www.stevewillis.com</a>	-	<a href="#">Click here for current vacancies</a>
Apprenticeships <a href="http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk">www.apprenticeships.gov.uk</a>	-	<a href="#">Click here for current vacancies</a>

### Open Events 2025/26 5pm - 7pm

**October 2025**

- 14 October Fareham College
- 21 October Southampton College
- 22 October Eastleigh College

**November 2025**

- 13 November Fareham College
- 19 November CEMAST & CETC
- 20 November Southampton College
- 25 November Eastleigh College

**March 2026**

- 18 March Fareham College
- 19 March Southampton College
- 24 March CEMAST & CETC
- 25 March Eastleigh College

**June 2026 - Community Open Days**

- 13 June Eastleigh College
- 20 June Fareham College
- 27 June Southampton College

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## PATHWAYS

We are still busy working our way through next year's timetable and will write to confirm all students confirmed pathways at the beginning of July. We know the students are excited to find out their choices so a big thank you for your patience



# LOOKING FOR A CAREER WHERE YOU CAN



get an honours degree and training with no student debt



travel the world - even during your training



earn good money when qualified



have a generous amount of time off

**IF SO, COME ALONG TO OUR MARITIME CAREERS OPEN EVENT TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT A CAREER AT SEA IN THE MERCHANT NAVY**



**THURSDAY 10 JULY 13.30 - 17.00**



FLEETWOOD NAUTICAL CAMPUS  
BROADWATER  
FLEETWOOD, FY7 8JZ  
W3W HARPS.SANDWICH.OUTBURSTS



*SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO FIND OUT MORE  
AND REGISTER*

# Dive In

Join us for fun-filled open days  
with exciting activities for all ages  
— there's more than meets the eye!

Saturday 14 June  
11:00 — 14:00

**Southampton  
College**

Saturday 21 June  
11:00 — 14:00

**Eastleigh  
College**

Saturday 28 June  
11:00 — 14:00

**Fareham  
College**

- ★ Explore our excellent facilities
- ★ Meet our expert lecturers
- ★ Learn about our course and apprenticeship options
- ★ Live music & performances
- ★ Prizes to be won
- ★ Bouncy castle
- ★ Refreshments
- ★ Stalls and much more!

Register your visit [shcg.ac.uk/events](http://shcg.ac.uk/events)

All proceeds to Alfie's Wish, a children's cancer charity





# LIVE Virtual Careers Information Event

Find out about all the apprenticeship and graduate opportunities that AWE has to offer.

Students in Years 10, 11, 12 & 13 from your school/college, and their parents, are invited to attend.



**Date: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025**

**Time: 18:30-19:45pm**

**Location: online**

- Whether you're looking to leave school and take up an Apprenticeship opportunity, or you're heading to Uni to complete your degree, join us for this live session to find out about our wide range of entry-level opportunities.
- The session will give you the opportunity to discover more about our roles and to ask questions directly of some of our current Apprentices and Graduates.
- Join our information session to find out how you can reveal your potential and help support the defence and security of the UK.

There will be a particular focus on Years 10 & 12 who will be able to apply in the Autumn.

Click here to book a place:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/awe-careers-information-evening-2025-tickets-1364284815609?aff=oddtcreator>

Please contact your EBP if you have any queries about this exciting opportunity.





## CAREERS INFORMATION

Year 10 Mock Interviews - Friday 4th July - 9am-13.30 - Can you help?

We are looking for some additional volunteers to come in and help carry out some short mock interviews with our year 10's before they head off to their Work Experience placements. If you, or a colleague can help please get in touch with Mr Hastings or Mrs Denman. We would love support from all parents for this event, not just year 10 parents/carers.

Year 10 Work Experience:

Just a reminder that we are still working hard behind the scenes to sort some work experience through the EBP portal. Please however continue to approach companies to source an own placement to help secure placements. Please refer to recent letter sent by Mr Hastings.

Taster College Days for Year 10s - Reminders.

Barton Peveril - Thursday 26th June  
Eastleigh College - Wednesday 9th July  
Mock Interview Day (Year 10s) - Friday 4th July.

## EVERY ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the students below for this fortnights assembly awards

7 Follow - Dragons Den winners!  
**TUTOR OF THE WEEK**

Harrison S and Lily J - catching the eye during Dragons Den!  
**SLT PRAISE AWARD**

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**  
Jacob C, Jake R, Henry P and Jack L 7F1

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**  
Sienna M - much improved!

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**  
Anabelle

**TUTOR OF THE WEEK**

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**  
Holly

**SLT PRAISE AWARD**  
Nathan

Year 9 - 5/6/25

**TUTOR OF THE WEEK**  
Sika

**SLT PRAISE AWARD**  
James H

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**  
Owen B

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**  
Sullivan H

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**  
Bella A-F

**TUTOR OF THE WEEK**  
Elk (316)

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**  
Dexter L

**SLT PRAISE AWARD**  
Dylan P

## Maths updates

### GCSE Statistics

Congratulations to our incredible Year 10 students who sat their GCSE Statistics papers over the past two weeks, marking a historic moment as the first-ever cohort at Deer Park Secondary School to undertake a GCSE examination! We are immensely proud of each and every one of you. Your diligent preparation and the calm, focused manner in which you entered the exam hall were truly commendable. Well done on reaching this significant milestone and yet again being our Deer Park trailblazers!!!

### UKMT Junior Maths Challenge

On the 1st May 23 students in Year 7 and Year 8 took part in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. The Junior Maths Challenge is a national competition designed to encourage mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in using basic mathematical techniques to solve engaging problems. It's a 60-minute, multiple-choice paper with 25 questions, crafted to make students think creatively and apply their mathematical knowledge in new and interesting ways. Regardless of the certificates awarded, every student who participated deserves immense credit for their dedication, enthusiasm, and willingness to challenge themselves mathematically. It's a fantastic experience that fosters a love for problem-solving and celebrates mathematical ingenuity.

A special shout out to Indi T and Hollie W in Year 8 who qualified to the Junior Kangaroo follow on round. We wish them all the best when they face their next challenge on the 10th June.

Well done to all students who took part!  
University of Southampton Maths Challenge

We are absolutely thrilled to announce that one of our very own, Henry D from Year 8, has achieved a merit award in the recent University of Southampton Maths Challenge!

Every year the School of Mathematical Sciences runs the University of Mathematics Challenge for school children in Year 10 and below. The Challenge receives over 1000 entries from as many as 80 schools across the South of England and beyond.

Please join us in congratulating Henry on this fantastic achievement! We are incredibly proud of his success and look forward to seeing what other mathematical heights he will reach in the future.

Well done, Henry!





## WORLD DAY FOR CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Students and staff planned and delivered our first World Cultural Day celebration here at Deer Park on the 21st May. The whole day was set aside for enrichment activities – these included: a tutor session with videos of students and staff talking about their different cultures; five different lesson starters describing various cultures from around the world; break and lunchtime activities and an incredible selection of food; subjects delivering one-off cultural lessons, for example: medicine across cultures in Science, Geography explored and celebrated the nationalities of our students and PE developed students' understanding of The Ashes rivalry between Australia and England.

The Staff, RRC and Diversity Focus Groups were instrumental in making the day a massive success – a huge thank you to all involved.



## PREFECT TIE CEREMONY

This Thursday our prefects received their prefect ties during an evening event at Deer Park. It was wonderful to formally recognise the efforts of the students, and they can now wear their ties with pride around the school. Congratulations to all!





# SKERN Lodge



What an incredible time our 40 Year 8 and 9 students had on their recent watersports trip to Skern Lodge! It was a fantastic few days packed with exhilarating activities like surfing, rafting, kayaking, RIB rides, and Pool Olympics. Our students truly pushed themselves out of their comfort zones, embracing every challenge with admirable spirit. Their behavior was absolutely impeccable throughout the entire trip, doing Deer Park proud!

A massive thank you to all the students for making this such a memorable and successful trip.

Mr. Colley







# Dragons Den Day

That's a wrap on Year 7 Dragons' Den Day! So impressed with the innovative ideas and impressive presentations from all our students. A massive well done to every single Year 7 for their hard work and a special shout-out to our champions from 7 Fallow!



Well done to Harrison B and Lily J for their amazing performances on the pitches.

**PSP - E-SAFETY**

Many thanks to those parents and carers that attended the PSP last night about E-Safety. The slides from the evening are available [here](#).



## YR 10 SWANAGE GEOGRAPHY TRIP

Our Year 10 Geography students recently embarked on a successful fieldwork trip to Swanage, putting their classroom knowledge into action along the stunning yet wet Dorset coast. They collected data, demonstrating a fantastic understanding of geographical concepts and truly bringing their learning to life. From analysing coastal processes such as longshore drift to investigating impact of tourism in the town, their practical application of geographical skills was exceptional.

The students were a credit to the school throughout the trip, displaying exemplary behavior, enthusiasm, and teamwork.



## YEAR 8 FOOD

Food dishes prepared by year 8 groups showing off their expertise and creativity.







# Postcard *from* Paris



**Our Paris residential trip was an unforgettable adventure packed with iconic sights, cultural immersion, and exhilarating fun!**

**We kicked off our exploration by soaking in the artistic ambiance of Montmartre, visiting the Sacré-Cœur Basilica for breathtaking views and wandering its charming streets, discovering local art and historic cafés. Next, we experienced pure excitement at Parc Astérix, enjoying thrilling rides and even meeting Obélix! The day concluded with a delightful dinner in Montmartre, soaking in the evening Parisian atmosphere.**

**Our trip also included a visit to the iconic Eiffel Tower and a relaxing Seine River cruise, offering stunning views of landmarks like Notre Dame, the Louvre, and the Musée d'Orsay. It was a journey filled with culture, history, and immense beauty, creating truly unforgettable memories!**

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION & SPORT UPDATE

It has been a wonderful start to summer term 2 this fortnight. Our KS4 games pathway took part in another moment of Deer Park history with the first ever softball lessons. They have explored the differences between softball and rounders and the challenge of using a small wooden bat and some exceptional catches in our new baseball mitts. Our year 9s have started the ball striking half term with one group experiencing their first golf lesson.

Our KS3 classes have shown some great commitment to high jump week seen below!



## FIXTURES

U13 CRICKET V SWANMORE DP 126 - SWANMORE 65

Great performance from the U13s boys against Swanmore in the league. Player of the game goes to Ed Moorbey for a very quick retirement after some excellent boundaries. Currently top of the league with 2 games to go!

<b>South Group</b>	<b>Played</b>	<b>Won</b>	<b>Tied</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Wickets Taken</b>	<b>Runs Scored</b>	<b>Points</b>
Deer Park	2	2	0	0	10	122	4
Swanmore	3	2	0	1	13	130	2
Mountbatten	1	1	0	0	2	97	2
Wyvern	1	0	0	1	8	64	0
Romsey	3	0	0	3	2	93	0
Wildern							



### U13's Track Knockout

Our U13 Track Knockout teams have done us proud over the past few weeks. Both the boys' and girls' teams competed brilliantly in Round 1, securing strong 3rd-place finishes and earning their spots in the next stage of the competition. In Round 2, the athletes continued to impress with outstanding performances, demonstrating determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout. Although they didn't qualify for the final round, the whole team should be incredibly proud of their efforts and the way they represented the school. Well done to all involved!



### U13 GIRLS CRICKET TOURNAMENT

A group of our U13 cricketers recently took part in a fantastic Cricket Development Day hosted by Hampshire Cricket at Trojans RFC. The day offered a brilliant opportunity for students to develop their skills, take part in fun drills and games, and learn from professional coaches in a supportive environment. Our players showed great enthusiasm and teamwork throughout the sessions, gaining valuable experience and confidence. It was a great day of learning and cricket—well done to everyone who took part!



### CLUBS

Please speak to a member of the PE department. With sports day approaching, tutor groups looking to pick up extra points may benefit from attending the athletics club to fine tune the penultimate event... the team relay! This takes place every Thursday from 3-4pm.

### GCSE PE - Quick fire questions to support learning.

Year 9 - How does altitude training support the development of cardiovascular endurance?

Year 10 - What are the factors that impact sporting participation (paper 2).

Challenge - Name the muscles used to support breathing at rest?



## SAFEGUARDING RESOURCES



### The Hidden Dangers of scanning QR Codes

Cyber criminals are increasingly exploiting QR technology to direct people to malicious websites designed to steal people's personal and financial information.

Although QR codes have become a convenient part of day to day life, they also carry some hidden risks. A recent investigation by Sky News revealed that organised crime groups are using QR code stickers placed across the UK, including near schools, to promote illegal online cannabis delivery services. Scanning these codes leads to websites offering next-day delivery, with transactions handled through banks and cryptocurrency. The products are often unregulated and potentially dangerous.

<https://news.sky.com/story/the-online-drug-trade-behind-qr-code-stickers-plastered-on-streets-across-the-uk-13365660>

Action Fraud has warned that criminals are also using fake QR codes to trick people into giving away personal and financial information. Some replace legitimate QR codes in places like car parks with fakes, while others send malicious codes via email in phishing attacks known as 'quishing'.

To stay safe, only scan QR codes from trusted sources, avoid using third-party scanning apps, and always double-check links before following them. Suspicious QR code activity should be reported to Action Fraud at <https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/a-z-of-fraud/qr-codes>

## UNIFORM:

As the weather is getting hotter, the students have been advised that they can now wear black tailored shorts should they wish. Students are free to remove jumpers in the warmer weather and will be advised by the teachers when they can take their ties off during the lesson.

A polite reminder that under no circumstances are leggings allowed as part of the main school uniform.



# Extra Curricular

## TIME TABLE

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BREAK 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Poetry (004)</li> <li>*Drama Club (KS3)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Get Active (SH) Year 7</li> <li>*Maths Drop-in (117 &amp; 118)</li> <li>*French Support Drop in (103/104/105)</li> <li>*Gardening Club (Meet in AS)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Get Active (SH) Year 8</li> <li>*Dominoes Club (AS)</li> <li>*French Support Drop in (103/104/105)</li> <li>*KS4 Intervention (Maths/Science) (117)</li> <li>*Ks4 History Support B week (110)</li> <li>*Year 9 &amp; 10 Art Catch-up (203)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Get Active (SH) Year 9</li> <li>*English Drop In - 007 (EJL) Year 10</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Get Active (SH) Year 10</li> <li>*ICT Drop in (101 &amp; 102)</li> </ul>
BREAK 2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Global Affairs Club (108)</li> <li>*IT and Coding Club (102)</li> <li>*French Support Drop in (103/104/105)</li> <li>*Chess club (114)</li> <li>*Bronze Arts Award Year 8's (121)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Debate Club (year 9/10) (003)</li> <li>*Puzzle club (119)</li> <li>*French Support Drop in (103/104/105)</li> <li>*Ks4 History Support A week (110)</li> <li>*KS4 Geography Support A week (106)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*ICT Drop in (101 &amp; 102)</li> <li>*Guitar ensemble (008 - all guitarists welcome!)</li> <li>*KS4 Art catch up - (203)</li> </ul>	
AFTER SCHOOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*U13/15 Cricket Fixtures Mr Hughes/Mr Colley</li> <li>*Girls Football (Astro)</li> <li>*Rugby (Grass Pitches)</li> <li>*Self study club (LRC)</li> <li>*Flower Arranging - For Students and Staff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>*Outlet Basketball Club External booking (paid sessions)</b></li> <li>*Percussion ensemble (008)</li> <li>*Self study club (LRC)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*MultiRounders E Andrews</li> <li>*Flag Football (Astro) Solent Uni Start - 5th March</li> <li>*STEM Club (211)</li> <li>*Book Club (002)</li> <li>*Self study club (LRC)</li> <li>*Fantasy Games club (Atrium)</li> <li>*English Drop in - AMW - (004)</li> <li>*Art Club &amp; GCSE Catch up - (203)</li> <li>*High School Musical Rehearsals (Main Hall)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Athletics - Mr Colley &amp; Miss Parker</li> <li>*Boys and Girls Cricket</li> <li>*Training - Mr Hughes and Miss Andrews- (SH)</li> <li>*Mathletes (118)</li> <li>*Spanish Club (104)</li> <li>*Self study club (LRC)</li> <li>*Cooking Club (208) year 8s</li> <li>Mrs Marshall</li> <li>*English Drop in - JNT - 006</li> <li>*High School Musical Rehearsals (Main Hall)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Self study club (LRC)</li> <li>*Team Deer Park - Formula 24 Weekly Invite only (215)</li> <li>*Choir (008) 3:30 - 4pm</li> </ul>

\*LRC is open every break/lunch and after school for students to use and complete self-study should they wish



# UPCOMING DATES



Date	Activity	Year Group
Monday 16th June	London Food Trip	Some Year 10
Wednesday 18th June	UNICEF Soccer Aid Day - wear sports tops/kits	All Years
Thursday 19th June	Lulworth Cove Trip	Some Year 8
Friday 20th June	INSET Day - school closed to all students	All Years
Wednesday 25th June	Oceanography Trip	Some Year 9 & 10
Wednesday 25th June	EARA Conference	Selected Students
Wednesday 25th June	Zanzibar trip Meeting 18.00-19.00 Main Hall	Students attending the Zanzibar Trip
Thursday 26th June	Barton Peveril Taster Day	Some Year 10
Thursday 26th June	Year 6 Transition Day & Evening	
Friday 27th June	Arts Award	Selected Year 8 Students

**TERM DATES FOR THIS ACADEMIC YEAR CAN BE FOUND [HERE](#)**



**Polite reminder:** All meal deals are £3.20 and served at break 2. The daily limit to spend is £7.50 unless you have asked us to cap this. Hot food is also available at break 1. If you receive the FSM allowance of £3.20, this does not get reset from break 1 and is to be used across the day. If your child does fall into a negative balance a red slip will be issued at the office and a phone call home will be made to ask to top up the account. We can no longer allow purchases on overdrawn accounts. many thanks.

## CAR PARK

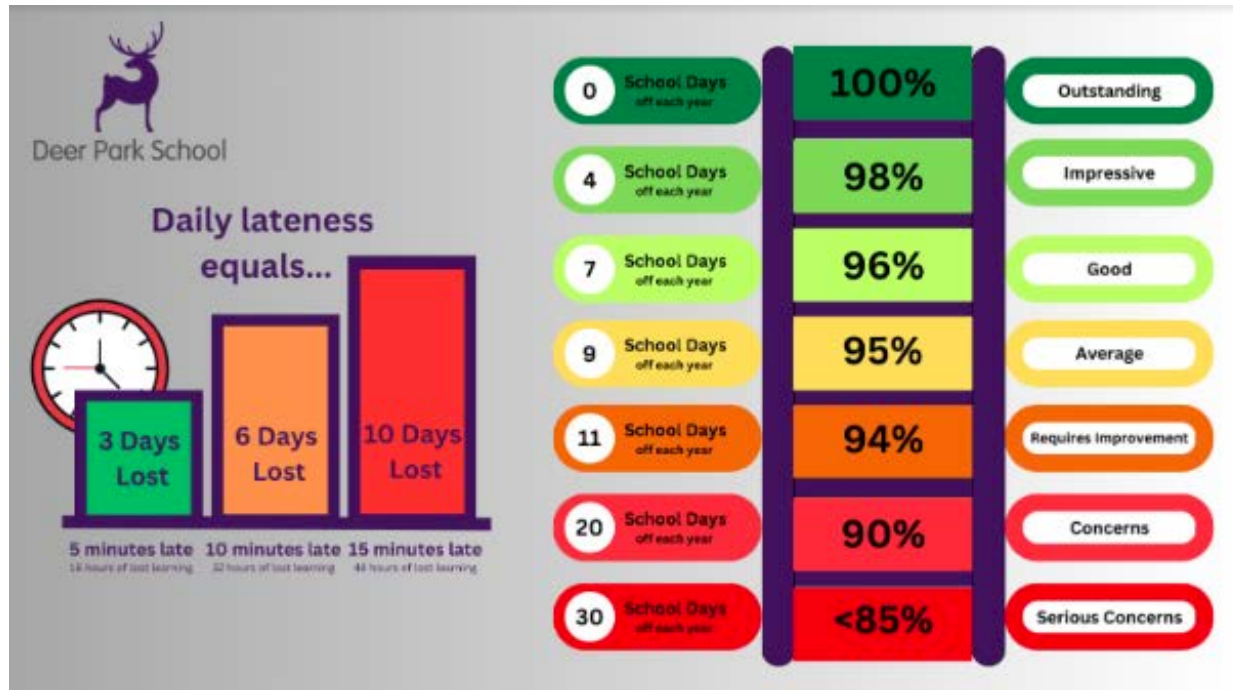
For the safety and security of all students and staff, please be reminded that the school car park is reserved exclusively for those who hold a valid car park pass or a Blue Badge . We kindly request that you do not use the car park for general drop-offs or collections (Unless you are collecting your child during the day for an appointment).

To ensure a smooth and safe drop-off and pick-up process, please utilize the designated drop-off points available on Sika Avenue.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in helping us maintain a secure environment for everyone.

## ABSENCES

Please, where possible, could you contact us before 8.30am if your child is unable to attend school. Absences can be recorded via Edulink or by e-mailing [absence@deeparksecondary.org](mailto:absence@deeparksecondary.org). Alternatively please call the school on 01489 351100 and select option 1 to report your child absent.



## HOLIDAY FORMS

If you need to request an authorised absence from school, for example for holidays, attending family funerals, etc Parents will now need to complete an online google form. This should make it easier for parents to complete. The link for the form is [here](#).

## Lost Property

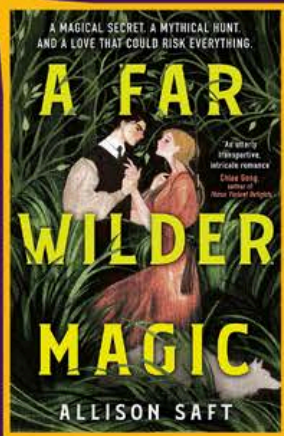
All lost property is kept in the Library (LRC). If your child(ren) has lost anything, please ask them to collect anything that belongs to them. Items will be kept for 3 weeks and then donated. Please help us to get items back to your child by clearly labeling items.

Thank you.



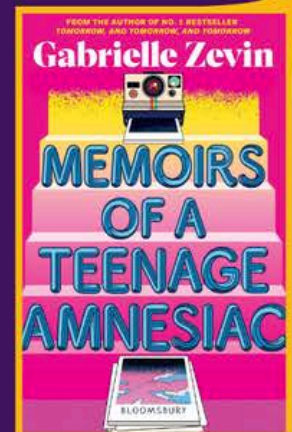


# NEW TO BORROW!



A SHARPSHOOTER AND AN ALCHEMIST MUST BAND TOGETHER FOR A BLOODHUNT LIKE NO OTHER. THE HALFMOON HUNTING PARTY MUST PURSUE THE LEGENDARY HALA IN THE HOPES THAT IT MIGHT JUST GIVE THEM ENOUGH POWER TO BRING SOMEONE HOME.....

WHAT IF CHANGE LEAD TO AN ACCIDENT AND WHAT IF THAT ACCIDENT LEAD TO AMNESIA? NAOMI WAKES UP IN AN AMBULANCE WITH LITTLE MEMORY OF WHAT CAME BEFORE THAT VERY MOMENT. HIGH SCHOOL WAS HARD ENOUGH, HOW'S SHE SUPPOSED TO NAVIGATE IT NOW?



KAT FINN AND HER MOTHER CAN BARELY SCRAPE BY LIVING AMONG HUMANS. BUT WHEN SHE LEARNS THAT SHE HAS BEEN ACCEPTED INTO HARCOTE, A PRESTIGIOUS SCHOOL THAT IS SECRETLY ONLY FOR VAMPIRES, SHE KNOWS HER LIFE IS ABOUT TO CHANGE...



# MEET YOUR STUDENT LIBRARIANS



## GEORGIE F - YEAR 8

WHAT MADE YOU WANT TO BE A STUDENT LIBRARIAN?

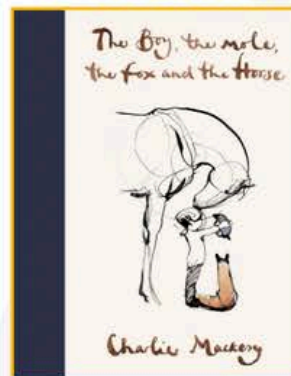
I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE FUN AND I REALLY ENJOY WORKING IN THE LIBRARY! I ALWAYS DO HOMEWORK CLUB IN THE LIBRARY SO I THOUGHT I COULD DO SOMETHING HELPFUL.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT BEING A STUDENT LIBRARIAN?

TELLING PEOPLE OFF WHEN THEY'RE TOO LOUD!



## FAVOURITE BOOK



**THE BOY,  
THE  
MOLE,  
THE FOX  
AND THE  
HORSE**

**BY CHARLIE MACKERY**



# IF YOU LIKED.....



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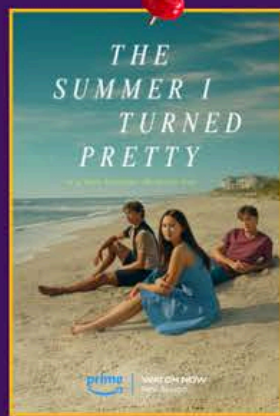
THREE-EYED FOXES. SECRET CAVES. ANAGRAMS. LUCKILY, JO, APRIL, MAL, MOLLY, AND RIPLEY ARE FIVE RAD, BUTT-KICKING BEST PALS DETERMINED TO HAVE AN AWESOME SUMMER TOGETHER... AND THEY'RE NOT GONNA LET A MAGICAL QUEST OR AN ARRAY OF SUPERNATURAL CRITTERS GET IN THEIR WAY! THE MYSTERY KEEPS GETTING BIGGER, AND IT ALL BEGINS HERE.



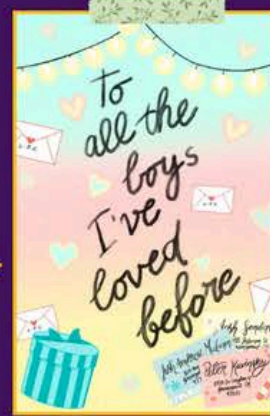
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IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE, EVERYONE DISAPPEARS. GONE. EXCEPT FOR THE YOUNG. THERE ARE TEENS, BUT NOT ONE SINGLE ADULT. JUST AS SUDDENLY, THERE ARE NO PHONES, NO INTERNET, NO TELEVISION. NO WAY TO GET HELP. AND NO WAY TO FIGURE OUT WHAT'S HAPPENED. HUNGER THREATENS. ANIMALS ARE MUTATING. AND THE TEENS THEMSELVES ARE CHANGING, DEVELOPING NEW TALENTS—UNIMAGINABLE, DANGEROUS, DEADLY POWERS—THAT GROW STRONGER BY THE DAY.



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PRETTY AND POPULAR HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR ANDIE BELL WAS MURDERED BY HER BOYFRIEND, SAL SINGH, WHO THEN KILLED HIMSELF. IT WAS ALL ANYONE COULD TALK ABOUT. AND FIVE YEARS LATER, PIP SEES HOW THE TRAGEDY STILL HAUNTS HER TOWN. BUT SHE CAN'T SHAKE THE FEELING THAT THERE WAS MORE TO WHAT HAPPENED THAT DAY. SHE KNEW SAL WHEN SHE WAS A CHILD, AND HE WAS ALWAYS SO KIND TO HER. HOW COULD HE POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN A KILLER?





## FREE Event for Parents & Carers

This is a FREE event exclusively for United Against Bullying Plus schools only!

Come along to this FREE information and advice session led by anti-bullying charity Kidscape, and learn about strategies to address and prevent bullying-related issues at home.

This session is for all families, whether your child has experienced bullying or not.

It will equip you with valuable strategies that will help to:

- Increase confidence to support your child with bullying-related issues at home
- Increase confidence in how to approach and work with your child's school if bullying occurs
- Increase awareness of support offer as a UAB+ school family

**BOOK NOW**



**Event date:**

- Wednesday  
25th June,  
7pm

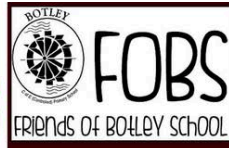
Limited spaces available - book now to avoid disappointment!

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# SUMMER INFLATABLES

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£5 ENTRY PER PERSON TIME SLOTS BETWEEN 1-3pm  
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Winchester, SO23 7SR



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Mon 18th - Wed 20th Aug 2025

9.30-11.30am/U7 to U10s and  
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Different theme each day/Limited spaces available

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Places Leisure Centre,  
Eastleigh, SO50 9NL



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# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about GROUP CHATS

Occurring through messaging apps, on social media and in online games, group chats are among the most popular ways that young people engage with their peers online. Involving, by definition, three or more individuals, these groups allow users to send messages, images and videos to everyone in one place. While they are useful for helping friends, people with shared interests or members of a club to communicate and coordinate activities, they can also leave young people feeling excluded and bullied – as well as providing opportunities for inappropriate content to be shared and viewed.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### BULLYING

Unkind comments or images which are purposely aimed at an individual can be shared freely in a group chat – allowing and often encouraging others to join in the bullying behaviour. If this content is shared in a group of their peers (especially a larger group), it serves to amplify the hurt, embarrassment, anxiety and isolation that the victim feels.

### EXCLUSION AND ISOLATION

This common issue with group chats can happen in several ways: starting a new group, for instance, but deliberately excluding a certain child. Likewise, the chat may take place on an app which one child doesn't have access to, meaning they can't be involved. A child can also feel isolated when a group chat is used to discuss or share images from an event that everyone else but them attended.

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some discussions in group chats may include inappropriate words, swearing and unsuitable images or videos. These could be viewed by your child if they are part of that group, whether they actively engage in it or not. Some chat apps have a disappearing message function, so your child may be unable to report something they've seen because it can only be viewed once or for a short time.

### SHARING GROUP CONTENT

It's important to remember that – while the content of the chat is private between those in the group – individual users can easily share a message, photo or video with others outside of the group or screenshot what's been posted. The risk of something your child intended as private becoming public (and potentially going viral) is higher if there are people they don't know well in the group.

### UNKNOWN MEMBERS

Within larger group chats, it's more likely your child will be communicating with people they don't really know. These strangers may be friends of the host, but not necessarily friendly toward your child. It's wise for young people not to share personal details and stay aware that they have no control over the messages and images they share after they've put them online.

### NOTIFICATIONS AND FOMO

A drawback of large group chats is the sheer number of notifications. Every time someone in the group messages, your child's device will be 'pinged' with an alert: potentially, this could mean hundreds of notifications a day. Not only is this highly distracting, but young people's fear of missing out on the latest conversation results in increased screen time as they try to keep up with the chat.

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## Advice for Parents & Carers

### CONSIDER OTHERS' FEELINGS

Group chats are often an arena for young people to gain social status. This could cause them to do or say things on impulse, which could upset others in the group. Encourage your child to consider how other people might feel if they engaged in this behaviour. If your child does upset a member of their group chat, support them to reach out, show empathy and apologise for their mistake.

### GIVE SUPPORT, NOT JUDGEMENT

Remind your child that they can confide in you if they feel bullied or excluded in a group chat, instead of responding to the person who's upset them. Validate their hurt feelings and help to put them back in control by discussing how they'd like to handle the situation. On a related note, you could also empower your child to speak up if they're in a chat where others are being picked on.

### BLOCK, REPORT AND LEAVE

If your child is in a chat where inappropriate content is being shared, advise them to block the users sending the material, report them to the host app or platform and exit the group. If any of this content could be putting a minor at risk, contact the police. Emphasise to your child that it's OK for them to simply leave any group chat that they don't feel comfortable being a part of.

### PRACTISE SAFE SHARING

In any online communication, it's vital for young people to be aware of what they're sharing and who might potentially see it. Discuss the importance of not revealing identifiable details like their address, their school or photos that they wouldn't like to be seen widely. Remind them that once something is shared in a group, they lose control of where it may end up and how it might be used.

### AVOID INVITING STRANGERS

Sadly, many individuals online hide their true identity to gain a child's trust – for example, to gather information on them, to exchange inappropriate content or to coax them into doing things they aren't comfortable with. Ensure your child understands why they shouldn't add people they don't know to a group chat – and, especially, to never accept a group chat invitation from a stranger.

### SILENCE NOTIFICATIONS

Having a phone or tablet bombarded with notifications from a group chat can be a massive irritation and distraction – especially if it's happening late in the evening. Explain to your child that they can still be part of the group chat, but that it would be healthier for them to turn off or mute the notifications and catch up with the conversation at a time which better suits them.

## Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented digital and cyber safety policies for schools. She has published academic papers and carried out research for government comparing internet use and sexting among young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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