

# Brighton Hill Community School

'Making success inevitable'

Spring Term  
20 January 2023

# Newsletter

## Our Wonderful Students

We are exceptionally proud of our two Year 7 students, Evie and Layla, who acted heroically on their way home from school, rescuing an elderly lady who was lying injured in the road.

Their actions undoubtedly saved the life of the 96 year old member of our community and they were rightly rewarded for their actions by Mr. Edwards, as well as featuring on the front page of the Basingstoke Gazette and being personally thanked by MP, Maria Miller.



## TUTOR READING PROGRAMME

This half-term, our tutor reading programme begins with our students looking at texts and extracts with the common overarching theme of Different Experiences.

### YEAR 7

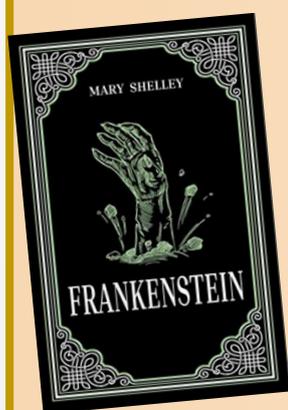
Years 7 and 8 will be looking at texts with the common thread of 'Outsiders'.

- ◇ WHY THE WHALES CAME
- ◇ THE MAN WHO PLANTED TREES
- ◇ A CHRISTMAS CAROL



### YEAR 8

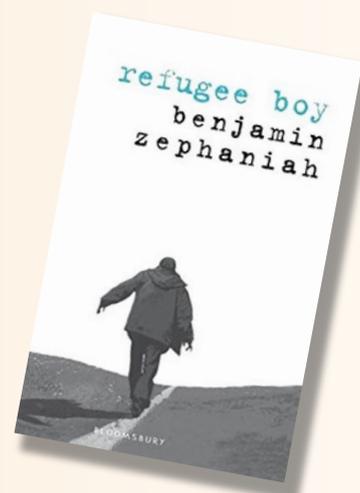
- ◇ FRANKENSTEIN
- ◇ NEVER LET ME GO
- ◇ THE OUTSIDER



### YEAR 9

Our Year 9 students will be reading and understanding texts relating to 'Moving Place and Moving Home'.

- ◇ COMING TO ENGLAND
- ◇ REFUGEE BOY
- ◇ ZLATA'S DIARY



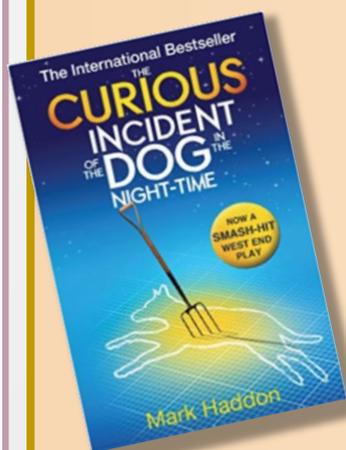
### YEAR 10

Our Year 10 and 11 students will be exploring texts relating to 'feeling different'.

- ◇ FACE
- ◇ THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT
- ◇ THE FIFTH CHILD

### YEAR 11

- ◇ THE MINIATURIST
- ◇ LADY AUDLEY'S SECRET



In our tutor reading programme we read and discuss extracts from these books. If you would like to support your child's reading development and exploration of these topics, it would be wonderful if they could read the full version of any of the books listed above, that they will be touching on this term!

Miss Jones Teacher of English

## TABLE TENNIS

Table Tennis Club every Thursday continues to be well attended and students are an absolute pleasure to have at the club.

It is clear to see some real improvements since September, with a special mention to Maddison and Chelsea for their progress. Miss Rogers and I are looking forward to attending the next district tournament on Tuesday, 24 January - this time for the individual event with the students.

The competition for U13 boys' places is fierce and a pre-tournament play-off is taking place at our club to decide the entries!

Miss Steph Lambert  
ECF Lead & ECT Induction Tutor



# Thinking of a career in teaching?



Secondary



Primary



Would you like to train in a school in your local community?

Would you like to find out more?

We'd love to meet you – come to our free information event at

**Brighton Hill Community School** (Brighton Way, Basingstoke, RG22 4HS) on **24<sup>th</sup> January 2023**.

This is a drop-in event, so come along anytime between 6-8 pm to chat to the primary & secondary SCITT teams. Find out about the different programmes, how to apply, finance, training locations and any other questions you have.

For further primary information, please visit [www.ssfscitt.org.uk](http://www.ssfscitt.org.uk) ('information events') or email [scitt@sfet.org.uk](mailto:scitt@sfet.org.uk)

Or secondary [www.georgeabbottraining.co.uk](http://www.georgeabbottraining.co.uk) [contactscitt@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:contactscitt@georgeabbot.surrey.sch.uk)

**Make the right choice – choose to TEACH!**

\*To qualify for our programmes, you must hold an undergraduate degree from a United Kingdom higher education institution or equivalent qualification. You must also have achieved a grade C/4 or above in English Language and Maths (and science for the Primary programme). Please note that to be considered for the PGCE programme applicants are required to have achieved a 2:2 or higher (hons) degree.





**PIONEER**

## News from Pioneer



**PIONEER**

*Kindness always wins...*

- Every act of kindness seen by your tutor = 1HP
- On the 17th February, your tutor will be nominating a student from your tutor group
- Prizes for kindest students!

### RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS



hold the door



leave a basket of balls at the dog park



buy school supplies for a teacher



donate old clothes to charity



check in on loved ones



compliment a stranger



plant wildflowers



Recommend a book



give someone a "just because" gift



Make someone a drink or snack



make cookies for a neighbor



Write a kind note to a friend

**Miss G Arundale**  
**Head of Pioneer**



**HORIZON**

## News from Horizon

Happy New Year and welcome to the year that Horizon win the House Championship! Our students have been absolutely incredible so far this year and we are already 4,000 points ahead of where we were last year!

We have a huge number of Centurions now in Horizon - students who have earned over 100 House Cup Points - but I want to give a special shout out to three students who have achieved that feat multiple times! They are:

**Austin M with 202 points**  
**Gabriel LH with 354 points**  
**Anthony M with 433 points**

I cannot overstate how big an achievement this is - so massive congratulations to these three students and I hope to be able to congratulate many more in the future on doing the same!

**Mr W Firth**  
**Head of Horizon**



**ENDEAVOUR**

## News from Endeavour

Welcome back to a fresh year - 2023 is set to be the best yet!

On our last day of term before the festive season truly began, we celebrated on a **MASSIVE** scale by celebrating and rewarding those students who have gone above and beyond. Not only through their attention to their studies, but through kindness awards and shining a light on those putting in the extra hours attending extra curricular clubs and representing our school: The EPA showcase, football tournaments, table tennis events and many, many more!

### Commitment: Top House Points of the Year Group

- Craig M - 102
- Jasmine W - 92
- Lauren C - 93
- Nayra L - 113
- Harry V - 66

### Collaboration: Tutor House Cup Points

7EV1	10EV2
8EV1	11EV2
9EV1	

### Corner Stones Award

- 7EV1 - Sam F
- 7EV2 - Sophie L
- 8EV1 - Ethan H
- 8EV2 - Ava S
- 9EV1 - Ethan D.S
- 9EV2 - Tiwi M
- 10EV1 - Willam D
- 10EV2 - Maria P
- 11EV1 - Will O
- 11EV2 - Abi D

Hope this half of the Spring Term is wonderful !

Miss J Marsh  
Head of Endeavour



**VOYAGER**

## News from Voyager

We are having an exciting and tense start to the year with Horizon right on our tail!

We are enjoying the competition and hope to maintain our success. This week we had an assembly about

Barnardo's where we learned about our chosen charity and talked about what makes us successful as a team. The Voyagers attended the assembly and listened respectfully and patiently which is always a delight. Year 7 absolutely nailed our last House event coming first and working perfectly as a team! I am so proud of 7Vy2 and Miss Roberts for their commitment to the House Cup! We couldn't do it without you!

We cannot wait for the next two events, we will be having All Years Chess and Year 8 and 9 French! Watch out Horizon, IT'S ON! See you there!

Miss Malone  
Head of Voyager

### HOUSE CUP POINTS

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
<b>VOYAGER</b>	<b>HORIZON</b>	<b>PIONEER</b>	<b>ENDEAVOUR</b>
18960	18951	18491	14649



## Careers News

We're pleased to support WSP (targeting Year 11 students and their parents / guardians) and Royal Holloway University of London (targeting Year 10 & 11 students and their parents / guardians) by promoting their fantastic outreach work. Please see the corresponding information pages in this newsletter for information on how you and your child can enrol in these opportunities where there is interest.

This half-term the BHCS Careers Programme sees Year 10 engage in their 'Unifrog - Careers Blended Learning Programme'. Students will be completing personality profiles, the results of which will help guide them to possible career pathways of interest. They will be thinking about the key employability skills required to be a team player, as well as the skills they are building by participating in extra-curricular activities both in and out of school. Being more aware of their existing and developing skill sets will be another way that they can research possible career pathways on Unifrog. All of the information gathered helps build the students' Unifrog profile. This information can then be used by students when working with the Unifrog CV tool. Here students will develop an understanding of the importance of a CV, while building their own CV along the way. We hope these in-school sessions provide Year 10 with the ongoing motivation to use Unifrog independently to plan both their post-16 options (the route they follow after Secondary School) and their journey into the world of work.

By way of a reminder, parents and guardians can find out more about 'Unifrog' by [watching this video](#). To help support engagement with your child, we are giving you the chance to set up your own parent account that you can use to see what it is like to use 'Unifrog'. Although GDPR rules prevent 'Unifrog' giving you direct access to your child's account, the parent account lets you see and use all the tools your child has access to. Simply [click this link](#) and use the sign-up code **BRHCparents**, then complete the rest of the details to set up your account.

Mr D Watkins  
Deputy Headteacher

## Safeguarding

Please support our safeguarding culture by contacting us on [safeguarding@brightonhill.hants.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@brightonhill.hants.sch.uk) if you have any concerns about the safety of a child.

Mr G Wilkinson – Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Well Done ...

... to our Year **11** students on completing their recent PPEs!

Don't forget in the summer you need to come prepared with all exam equipment.

Mrs Harding  
Exams Officer



## Engineering and Environment Careers Fair with WSP



WSP Open Office Engineering and Environmental Careers Event  
Matrix House, Basing View, Basingstoke  
26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 6-8pm



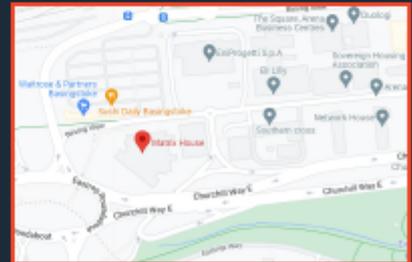
WSP is organising an event as part of Tomorrow's Engineers Week to invite schools in the local area to our new Matrix House office located in Basing View in the centre of Basingstoke. We are a globally recognised Engineering and Environmental Consultancy with around 14,000 UK employees, and the largest in the country. This is a fantastic opportunity to find out about potential careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and the Environment Sector and to learn about the different routes into a variety of career pathways we offer here at WSP including our Apprenticeship and Graduate Programmes.

Colleagues from a variety of disciplines will host presentations and they'll be stalls showcasing the work we do in our Highways, Structures,

Transport Planning and Environmental Disciplines to name but a few. There will also be presentations about the career options available at WSP starting at 18:00 and an opportunity to ask questions.

Year 11 and 13 students and guardians attending will benefit from a greater understanding into the world of engineering, environmental consulting and other professional services while getting the opportunity to meet WSP employees and ask questions. Up to three students may attend the event along with one parent and we ask that tickets for all attendees (including guardians) please be booked using the Eventbrite link here. [Tomorrow's Engineers Week Careers Fair WSP Tickets, Tue 26 Jan 2023 at 18:00 | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tomorrow-s-engineers-week-careers-fair-wsp-tickets-tue-26-jan-2023-at-1800)

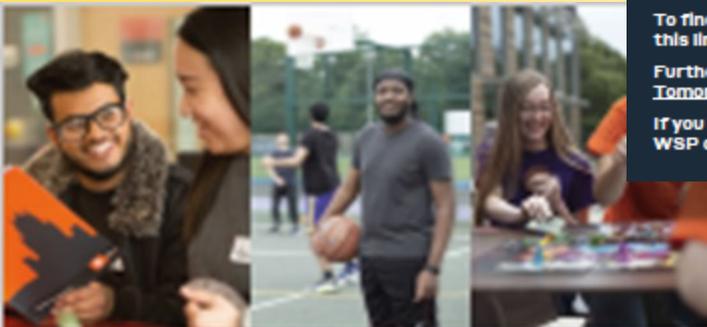
Matrix House is located on Basing View (RG21 4FF), directly opposite Walthrose. Car parking is available at the Lower Basing View Car Park approximately 2 mins walk from the office and Walthrose.



To find out more WSP and our careers opportunities please visit our website at this link. [We are WSP in the UK | WSP](https://www.wsp.com)

Further details on Tomorrow's Engineers week can be found here. [Tomorrow's Engineers Week - Tomorrow's Engineers Week \(tweek.org.uk\)](https://www.tweek.org.uk)

If you have any further queries about the event please contact Vicky Smith at WSP at [Victoria.Smith@wsp.com](mailto:Victoria.Smith@wsp.com).



## Join us for Spring University at Royal Holloway

Experience what university  
life is like

Monday 7 April - Wednesday 9 April 2023  
For Years 12 and 13

- Enjoy subject taster sessions and social activities
- Meet current Royal Holloway students and hear from their parents
- Explore our campus, just a 40-minute train ride from London
- Stay in our on-campus accommodation



This opportunity is free to eligible students. Scan the QR code to find out more.

Apply by 31 January 2023



# THANK YOU

Basingstoke Foodbank would like to thank

## Brighton Hill Community College

For your recent food donation weighing 120kgs  
This is equivalent to 286 meals and will go a long way to support local people in crisis.

During 2022 with your help we were able to feed over 7,000 adults and children through our partnerships with local agencies. In addition, we have also provided "emergency cupboard" food supplies to agencies. In this, our 10<sup>th</sup> year, we have a local Foodbank Centre open every Monday-Friday with Citizens Advice Drop-in access for any client.

[basingstoke.foodbank.org.uk](https://www.basingstoke.foodbank.org.uk)

Registered Charity in England & Wales (1154528)

## YELLOWALUMNI

- ◇ Are you an ex student or parent from Brighton Hill School?
- ◇ Ever wondered about how you could support your old school?
- ◇ Ever thought about getting back in contact with your old teachers?

The YellowAlumni is for you!

*The YellowAlumni is a way of staying in contact with us at the school, through subscribing to our yearly newsletter. We are aiming to build up a bank of contacts in our community in order to better support our students in the future. It will also be a way of communicating future events and networking with other professionals linked with our school.*

**Subscription form:** <https://forms.office.com/r/HFAL5g1Tww>

**Mr D Du-heaume**  
Head of Transition & Marketing



 **CHANCE TO SHINE  
STREET**

**FREE STREET CRICKET**

**Brighton Hill Community School**  
Brighton Way, Basingstoke, RG22 4HS

**Tuesdays 4:30-6pm**  
Starting Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023

Head to the school indoor sports hall via  
the community entrance to the left of the school

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**ALL YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 9-15 WELCOME**  
**ALL ABILITIES**  
**WEAR WHAT YOU WANT**

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To secure your place, please contact Sam Moss:  
[sam.moss@ageasbowl.com](mailto:sam.moss@ageasbowl.com) | 07384 115633

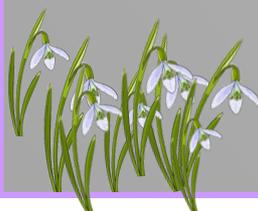
## UNIFORM DONATION SCHEME

We are in the early stages of setting up a uniform donation scheme to support our families on lower incomes with second hand school uniform.

If you have any old Brighton Hill Community School uniform, that you would like to donate to the school to support this scheme, please place it in a plastic bag and drop it to Reception - we will take it from there.

We are aiming to build up a good stock of blazers, yellow shirts, ties and PE kit ready for September 2023.

**Mr D Du-heaume**  
Head of Transition & Marketing



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## Can you help?

### EXAMINATIONS INVIGILATOR - £10.64 PER HOUR

(£9.50 per hour plus a supplement of 12.07% to recompense you for your entitlement to receive paid statutory annual leave)

We are seeking to appoint individuals with the qualities and skills necessary to undertake the role of Examinations Invigilator. The position would be ideally suited to responsible and committed individuals who are available mainly during early January, mid-May until the end of June.

You will be responsible for the smooth, secure running of allocated exam sessions, working under the direction of the Examinations Officer. Duties will include timing of exams, distribution and collection of exam papers, assisting students with additional needs and ensuring Examination Board Regulations are adhered to at all times.

Good communication skills, an observant eye and attention to detail are essential. You will need to have a calm nature, and work effectively in a busy environment. Full training will be provided. For details and an application form, please visit our website: [www.brightonhill.hants.sch.uk](http://www.brightonhill.hants.sch.uk). Alternatively, telephone Jo Levett, HR Officer on 01256 362523 or e-mail: [jlevett@brightonhill.hants.sch.uk](mailto:jlevett@brightonhill.hants.sch.uk)

*Please note CVs will not be accepted.*

**Closing date for applications: Tuesday 28 February 2023**

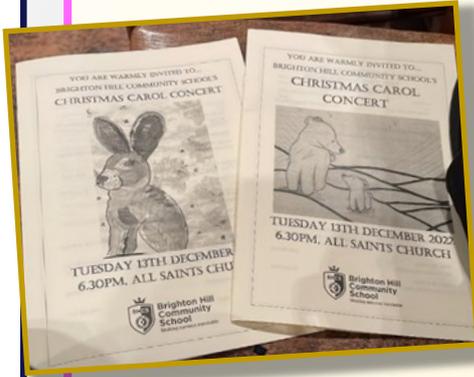
*We are committed to safeguarding children and promoting the welfare of students and expect all staff to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to DBS and other employment checks.*

# EPA NEWS



## Christmas Carol Concert 2022

On Tuesday, 13 December 2022, we held the first Christmas Concert in almost three years and it was a huge success with the biggest audience attendance on record!



Performers from Music, Dance and Drama came together in All Saints Church at the top of town in Basingstoke to share and celebrate all the hard work happening in lessons and extra curricular clubs across the faculty.

The students were superstars and despite a very chilly evening, worked hard through the rehearsals and gave some superb performances. The Art department were also involved with the creation of the front covers of the programmes.

I would like to thank all the staff who helped and supported in the evening as well as all the parents and friends who ventured out to watch in the cold weather.

Finally, I would like to thank all the students who have been committed to the EPA department so far this year. We couldn't do this without you and I can't wait to see what we put together for the next Concert in the spring term.

Miss F Earwood  
Head of Music



## Dance

I think it's time for a Dance lesson update! We often talk about all the extra curricular that is going on, and forget to share all the wonderful progress the students are making within lessons.

### Year 7:

The students are currently learning a musical theatre piece from Matilda. They are having great fun experiencing the use of their vocals alongside learning a set routine. They especially like performing 'Revolting Children' as it allows them to throw themselves into the most energetic performance. Let's hope for such passion and enthusiasm when it comes to their assessments!

### Year 8:

Year 8 are having a GCSE Dance Choreography trial, whereby they experience the whole choreography process, from stimulus to evaluation. They have been given a selection of stimuli to choose from to then develop a choreographic intention. Their creation of actions, dynamics and spatial features must all help to convey their chosen choreographic intention. It's a tough process, but one that can ensure the students feel proud of their work.

# EPA NEWS



## **Year 9:**

Year 9 GCSE Dance students have made a positive start to the course. Having already completed a solo performance assessment and group choreography assessment, they are well on their way to developing a fantastic knowledge and understanding of key dance principles. I have been so impressed with the level of effort in lessons, and I hope this continues to ensure some excellent progress.

## **Year 10:**

Year 10 are well under way with learning the solo set phrases that are prescribed from the exam board. One of them; 'Breathe' is in the bag, and we are now learning 'Scoop'. These will be performance pieces that all students will need to perform as part of their Non-Examination Assessment. They are assessed in their display of physical, technical, expressive and mental performance skills. Although short pieces, they do provide a great deal of challenge.

## **Year 11:**

Year 11 are so nearly there with completing their practical pieces. Very soon, every GCSE Dance student in Year 11 will perform four different dances for their Non-Examination Assessment; two solo set phrases, a trio performance and their final choreography piece. In class, they are working on their final choreography pieces, whereby they have had to select their own stimulus, develop a choreographic intention, create movement material including actions, dynamics, spatial features, relationships and choreographic devices. They have also had to select their own music, dance structure and performance environment. This is a huge task and one that every member of the class should feel proud to complete.

## **Just a reminder:**

**KS3 Dance Club - Mondays: 3.15pm - 4.15pm**

**KS4 Open Studio - Thursdays: 3.15pm – 4.15pm**

**Mrs V Britton  
Head of Dance**



## FOOTBALL SUCCESS



Year 10 and 11 have played very little football over the last month or so but what they have achieved is to become district 5-a-side champions.!

Year 10 only entered one team and after a shaky start in the first game - losing to Aldworth due to what I later found out was a poor refereeing decision (I was the referee) - the boys rallied together and managed to go undefeated for the remainder of the tournament and pipped Aldworth on goal difference to the title.

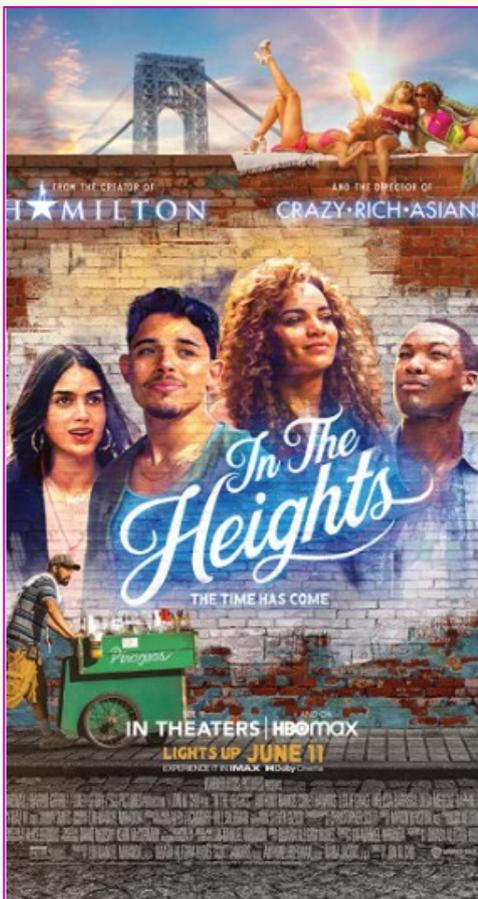
Year 11 entered an A and B team with both teams putting in excellent performances, going undefeated in their respective leagues.

Year 10's are into the semi-final of the District Cup and Year 11 are into the final of the District Cup and quarter final of the Hampshire Cup.

Robbie Slack  
Teacher of PE



## MFL News



As part of our enrichment offer for Foreign Languages, we will be screening some foreign language films for our students this year so that every student between now and the summer has the opportunity to view a film in or about the language they study and its culture.

We kicked off the series of film screenings on Friday 13 January with 'In the Heights' for our Year 8 and 9 Spanish students. This film is a 2021 American musical drama which tells the story of a corner in the predominantly Dominican Washington Heights neighbourhood of Upper Manhattan in New York City, where every member of the community pursues their sueñitos (little dreams) for a better life.

As well as including key vocabulary in Spanish it also gave students a brilliant insight into Hispanic culture and music. The overall verdict from the students who signed up to watch the film was very positive - no doubt influenced just a little by the popcorn they enjoyed whilst watching!

Mrs S Hallum Barnard  
Assistant Headteacher