

Newsletter

The White Hills Park Trust

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Extra-curricular and Enrichment opportunities

Over the last year, I have written a few times in the Newsletter about the development of the curriculum in our schools. This has been guided by the belief that our curriculum should be broad enough to make sure that students have access to a range and variety of subjects, but also deep enough for them to develop a high level of skills and knowledge, particularly in the subjects that they will go on to study in greater detail. Our timetable is balanced to reflect these principles so that we give enough time to key subjects, including the core subjects of English, Maths and Science, whilst ensuring that we continue to include all the other subjects such as Art, Tech, Music, RE, PE and so on.

We know, however, that important though the formal curriculum is, there are many other opportunities for learning and engagement in school, and these can often be the most memorable and life-changing experiences that students have. Taking part in a production, representing the school in a sports team, developing a skill or hobby – all add greatly to the positive experience that students have, and all make a contribution to the skills, knowledge and understanding that students develop in their time at school.

This week, both schools have been drawing together their directory of extra-curricular and enrichment activities. The variety of activities available is remarkable. At Bramcote College, it includes music activities such as ukulele club, boomwhacker club and the Bramcote Band; Sports and PE activities, such as Dance Club, Netball teams and KS4 Weights Club; Drama and Arts clubs; and lots of other activities such as Traditional Board Games Club, Mindfulness, BSL and BBC Young Reporter Club. The range is no less extensive at Alderman White, including Unihoc, Film Club, Cheerleading, Swing Band, Table-Tennis, Environmental Ambassadors, Latin, Drama, Christian Union, Animation Club, and many more. In the next few days, as we confirm everything, we will make the list and timetables available on the school websites.

These activities all take place in addition to all the special one-off events, trips and residential visits, including our Duke of Edinburgh Award programme, trips to China and all over Europe, the German Exchange, and so on.

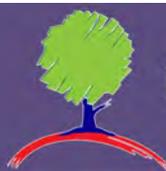
I believe that the programme of wonderful enrichment and extra-curricular opportunities is a key part of our school life, and has contributed to the progress we have been making. I am very grateful to Mr Broadley at Bramcote College and Mr Stephan at Alderman White who have taken on the considerable task of gathering together all of the activities. I would also like to thank all the staff who take on the hard work of running clubs and societies outside of lesson time, and to the students who take part so enthusiastically.

Paul Heery
Executive Principal

Dates for your Diary

September	TRUST	AWS	BC	BC6F
20th - 22nd				Silver DofE Qualifying Expedition
23rd				Bramcote College Y11 BC6F Taster Day
24th				Year 5 & 6 Open Evening 18:30 - 20:30
26th				How to Succeed at KS4 Information Evening
26th				Year 7 Parents Coffee Afternoon
October				
2nd				PTA Welcome Meeting for New Members 18:30 - 20:00
3rd				PTA Meeting 18:00 - 19:00
3rd - 7th				Trip to Madrid
8th				Year 7 and 11 Photos
8th				Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award Open Evening 18:00 - 19:00
8th				Year 10 & Year 12 Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award Open Evening 19:00 - 20:00 Alderman White School
9th - 23rd				Year 13 Trip to China
10th				Parents' Forum 18:30 - 20:00
11th				Year 8 Trip: The National Space Centre
11th				Year 11 Careers Fair
14th				Year 8-11 Photographs
14th - 18th				Work Experience Week
14th - 16th				Year 7 Walesby Residential

Please see the My Ed app or our websites for a full calendar of upcoming events and important dates.



Bramcote College

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Year 5 & 6 Open Evening

Tuesday 24th September 2019

6:30pm - 8:30pm

"An aspirational culture which pupils and staff have embraced"
"Leaders are determined that only the best is good enough"
"Pupils know the high standards of behaviour expected"



The staff and students of Bramcote College invite you to join us at our

Open Evening for Year 5 and Year 6

Come and meet our fantastic community, have a look around, join in fun activities, and ask questions to find out why we are all so proud of our school.

There will be a range of activities to get involved in, ranging from Science experiments to Maths challenges and English that is 'out of this world'.

The evening will include a presentation from the Head of School Heidi Gale, and a group of Bramcote College students. There will also be opportunities to discuss transition, book a personal tour during school hours and meet our SENCo.

We look forward to seeing you!

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Alderman White School's 'How to be successful at KS4' Event, Thursday 26th September

We are very excited to invite all KS4 parents and students of Alderman White to our new 'How to be successful at KS4' evening on Thursday 26th September.

The evening will start at 6pm for Year 11 and 6:45pm for Year 10 in the Hall with for a presentation led by Mr Young and Mrs Mellors and Ms Friend (Year 11) or Miss Francis (Year 10), followed by an opportunity to browse our Key Stage 4 "market stalls" in the New Block for information covering a range of areas including exam preparation, post-16 progression, health and well-being, exam arrangements, revision resources and course information. The evening will equip you with all the tools and support you need for the journey ahead.

We very much look forward to welcoming you.

Mr A Young

German Exchange

The Mayor of Broxtowe, Councillor Michael Brown, came to Alderman White School on Thursday to welcome and greet the 32 students who are taking part in this year's German exchange visit. 16 students from both Alderman White and Bramcote College are hosting our German visitors from Guetersloh, which is twinned with Broxtowe. Apart from experiencing school life in the UK, there will be a two day trip to the Black Country Museum, Stratford-upon-Avon and London.

Thank you to all our wonderful host families for supporting the annual exchange. Over the years many lives have been enriched by this superb opportunity to experience life in another European country and long-lasting friendships have resulted from this great partnership.

Mr K Stephan



Bramcote College Attendance Awards

Congratulations to the following students selected in the prize draw for achieving 100% attendance last Summer Term:

	1st Prize: £20 Victoria Centre Voucher	2nd Prize: £10 Victoria Centre Voucher
Year 8:	Ruby McEneaney	Miles Bassett
Year 9:	Amy-Leigh Abell	(name withheld)
Year 10:	Hope Rontree	Danni Macrae
Year 11	Sam Box	Owen Davies

Also, congratulations to the tutor groups with the best overall attendance during the second half of the Summer Term:

8FRN, 9WHI, 10STZ, 11NOA.

All received a trophy and a treat for the whole class. Well done everyone.

Mrs R Bosley

Alderman White Year 11 7th Session Workshops

	TUTOR	LUNCH	7TH SESSION
MONDAY		Performing Arts	Science Art
TUESDAY		MFL	
WEDNESDAY	English Maths <i>By Invitation</i>		
THURSDAY	English Maths <i>By Invitation</i>		English Literature
FRIDAY		Maths	

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We now have a full program up and running for the coming weeks leading up to October half term. There will be an updated and tailored program for each half term thereafter. Most sessions are open to all students and we encourage students to make full use of this excellent additional resource. Some sessions will be by invitation only as they will be focused on specific needs and skills.

Mr A Young

Stapleford Community Group: Day Trip to London

Stapleford Community Group are organising a day trip to London on Saturday 19th October.

Always fun and educational too, lots of history to be found in London and always plenty to do.

Leaving at 7:30am from Washington Drive Stapleford, and leaving London at 5pm to return.

Drop off and pick up is near Parliament.

Only £15 per person per seat.

Wheelchair friendly, stored under the coach, with only a few steps to get on.

You can bring your own car seat which can be left on the coach.

Please call 07740 3440427 for more information

Donna MacRae - Stapleford Community Group

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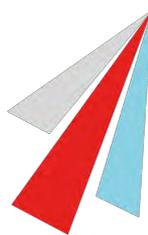


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Vacancy: Cleaner



The White Hills Park Trust
A Culture of Excellence

The White Hills Park Trust wish to appoint a Cleaner
NJE Grade 1 - £9.00 to £9.18 per hour
10 hours per week, Term Time Only
Closing Date: 10:00am on Monday 30th September 2019

The White Hills Park Trust is looking to employ an additional cleaner to further enhance the cleaning standards on the Bramcote College site with immediate effect. You will be required to work between the hours of 15:30 and 17:30 Monday to Friday. We are looking for candidates who enjoy working in a busy environment, are flexible and adaptable, who can work well as part of a team and who are able to communicate at all levels. Experience is desirable but not essential as training will be given.

For more information and application details, please see our website: <http://a.whptrust.org/jobs>

Mrs T Tacey

Road Safety

Teenagers are more likely to be involved in a road collision than any other age group and therefore it is important that we educate all of our students about how to keep themselves safe. We will be reinforcing the importance of road safety throughout this year and would like you to support this message at home too.

Help protect your child

You could talk to your child and reinforce road safety messages to help keep them safe:

- ◇ stress the need to concentrate and be careful at all times
- ◇ warn of the dangers of distractions - personal stereos, texting, phoning or even chatting to friends while walking are big distractions
- ◇ keep talking about the dangers of traffic
- ◇ point out people who are endangering themselves
- ◇ encourage your teenager to practice judging the speed and distance of approaching vehicles on busy roads and identify safe gaps in the traffic
- ◇ Use specified crossings when crossing the road
- ◇ stress that your child should never lose concentration and follow others blindly into dangerous situations

Cycling

It is a good idea to:

- ◇ buy and encourage your teenager to wear a cycle helmet, and something fluorescent and reflective to improve their visibility
- ◇ encourage your child never to take lifts on the back of a friend's bike
- ◇ ask your child never to listen to music while they are cycling
- ◇ make sure your child knows that cyclists must obey all traffic signs and traffic light signals

Mr D Farnie

Fix Track & Road



£8

Per Person

A Safer Cycling Activity Day – with workshops covering simple bike maintenance, track cycling and on road cycling, including large vehicle blind-spots.

Bring a packed lunch!



Thursday 24th Oct

09.15 – 15.30

Harvey Hadden Sports Village, Bilborough

For 10 – 14 year olds

Participants need a bike & helmet. Let us know if you need to borrow either.

Booking essential.

Telephone: 0115 9774373

For further information please email
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 Nottinghamshire
Road Safety Partnership

School Information Regulations (2017)

Information about schools with an atypical admission age

FAO: parents/carers of year 8 and 9 pupils attending Nottinghamshire schools



The School Information (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2017 require all local authorities to inform parents of pupils registered at a school within its area of schools with an atypical age of admission and to advise those parents that they may apply in the offer year to be admitted to the relevant age group of a school with an atypical age. Atypical schools are those which admit children at the beginning of the key stage 4 or the preceding year (that is, year 9 or year 10).

Nottinghamshire does not have any schools of this type and you are not required to move your child from their existing school. This letter is to inform you that there are schools in neighbouring admission authority areas that do admit pupils at a different age to a typical 11-18 secondary school.

If you wish to find out more, please visit:

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk

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