



FERNHILL SCHOOL

## COMMUNICATION HOME

15<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

It was great to see so many parents of our Year 7 students at Parents' Evening on Thursday, and I would like to thank you for attending this important evening. This week we also ran a Year 11 Examination Preparation evening which I hope will give Year 11s a boost.



Thank you to our student Anti-Bullying Ambassadors who have been working with Years 7 to 9 this week promoting their campaign by doing some parachute activities. They have sent pledge cards to tutor groups so that a big display can be created with their pledges to help prevent bullying.

The students have other activities planned and are working on:

- Posters for the community
- Writing to their local MP
- Visiting another school
- Looking at the behaviour policy
- Leaflets for Year 6 children



A plea from the Maths Department, scientific calculators are available to buy from Fernhill for £9.65. They are vital for work in class, and for upcoming assessments for all years. They can be paid for via Scopay and collected from the admin office in F block, or you can pay by cash.

Lastly, I hate to mention Christmas – humbug – but the school Christmas lunch will be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December. We have ordered enough for **All** students to receive a Christmas meal on this day if they would like one. We would like to be very grateful if parents could make a donation to the school of the usual cost of a hot meal which is £2.40 to help with the cost, there is now an option on Scopay to make this donation. Christmas jumper day will be on the last day, 20<sup>th</sup> December.

It has really felt like winter this week. Have a great weekend.

**Mark Kingswood**

## Letters and Information issued this week

To view letters home <https://fernhill.sites.schooljotter2.com/news-and-events/letters-home>

## Library

### Library Clubs

Tuesday Lunchtime: Manga Club

Tuesday 2.50 - 4.00 pm: Writing Club. Prizes to be won :)

Wednesday 2.50 - 4.00 pm: Library Club. Sit back, relax and listen to a story. Skulduggery Pleasant at the moment.

Also, look out for Book Group meetings, once a month. We are reading Northern Lights by Philip Pullman, Checkout the new BBC1 series 'His Dark Materials' based on the series.

### Coming soon...

Harry Potter Evening - Tuesday 17th December, after school. Time TBC

### RBC Lottery

Thank you for your continued support for our 'Writer in Residence', Becci Hudson. It is very much appreciated. To sign up please go to <https://www.rushmoorlottery.co.uk/>

### BASCITT

Parents - train to teach with the Basingstoke Alliance SCITT, Fernhill is an alliance school <http://www.basingstokealliancescitt.com/basingstoke-alliance-scitt/basingstoke-alliance-scitt>

## Calendar of Forthcoming Events

### November 2019

27th Ex Year 11 Certificate Evening 6.00 – 7.00pm

### December 2019

5th Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

2nd GCSE Mock Exams begin

20th **School closes at 12.20 pm for CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**

### January 2020

6th **Return to school for Spring Term**

23rd Year 8 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

30th Year 9 Options Evening 6.00 – 8.00 pm

### February 2019

13th Year 9 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

17th – 21st **SPRING HALF TERM HOLIDAY**

24th **Return to School**

### **March 2019**

19th	Year 11 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm
19th	Year 6 coffee morning and tours 9.00 – 10.15 am
20th	Year 6 coffee morning and tours 9.00 – 10.15 am
25th	Year 8 Specialist Studies Information Meeting 6.30 pm
26th	Year 11 GCSE Success Fair

### **April 2019**

<b>3rd</b>	<b>School closes EASTER HOLIDAYS at 12.20 pm</b>
<b>20th</b>	<b>Return to School for Summer Term at 8.35 am</b>

### **May 2019**

<b>8th</b>	<b>Bank Holiday (re: VE Day) - school closed</b>
<b>25th</b>	<b>Bank Holiday - school closed</b>
<b>26th – 29th</b>	<b>SUMMER HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>

### **June 2019**

<b>1st</b>	<b>Return to School at 8.35 am</b>
25th	Year 7 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm

### **July 2019**

1st	Sports Day
2nd	Year 6 Induction Day
6th – 10th	Year 8 Tile Barn residential visit
6th	Year 4 and 5 tours 9.00 – 10.15 am
13th	Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm
14th	Finals Day 4.00 – 6.00 pm
14th	Prizegiving Evening Years 7–10, 7.00pm
16th	Year 4 and 5 tours 9.00 – 10.15 am
<b>17th</b>	<b>School closes for SUMMER HOLIDAYS at 12.20 pm</b>
<b>20th</b>	<b>INSET DAY 3, school closed to students</b>
<b>21st</b>	<b>INSET DAY 4, school closed to students</b>
<b>22nd</b>	<b>INSET DAY 5, school closed to students</b>

### **August 2019**

20th	GCSE results issued
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