

Brighton Hill Community School

'Always Learning'

Autumn Term
14 December 2018

NEWSLETTER

FESTIVAL OF CREATIVE & DIGITAL INDUSTRIES

24 Year 9 students enjoyed an engaging and challenging day courtesy of the Southern Universities Network at the Festival of the Creative and Digital industries. Not only was BHCS the best represented school showing our commitment to developing careers and enterprise opportunities, but students responded by working tirelessly across the day on a digital Consultancy project. Teams came up with a fantastic range of product and service ideas that culminated in them pitching to an industry expert. The ideas ranged from an EPA app, designed to offer students advice and guidance on the creative arts to a digital games tournament platform where a flat fee would give gamers unlimited access to an range of game tournaments for a fixed period of time. Although I shouldn't be by now, I remain blown away by the creative, entrepreneurial spirit our students show at these events. External agencies never fail to comment on how well our students present and conduct themselves. Congratulations to all the Year 9 students who took part in the day, effort equals success!

Mr D Watkins
Deputy Headteacher



Our winning Young Enterprise Team

YOUNG ENTERPRISE DRAGONS' DEN EVENT

On Tuesday, 4 December - as part of the Young Enterprise Programme - twelve Year 10 students attended a 'Dragons' Den' style event in Farnborough, accompanied by Mrs Budge and Mr Beeching. It required each group to present a pitch to three 'Dragons' (business leaders from a range of industries) and answer questions afterwards about their company and product.

Our company, Veditus, presented a pitch for our idea of a board game which will bring together the ideas of the outdoor game 'Capture the Flag' and trivia questions. Mello Gifts, another team from BHCS also presented. After viewing all six teams' presentations, the Dragons decided on a winner and, due to our well-presented pitch and ambitions idea, they chose Veditus! Because of this, we received £100 which will go towards purchasing the resources to create the board game. We are very thankful to the staff who accompanied us after school - particularly Mr Beeching - who drove us there in the school minibus and was by far both teams' biggest supporter!

Charlie B - Managing director, Veditus



PE NEWS

Extra-curricular clubs have been really well attended with students grabbing opportunities to get involved in sport. Lunchtime badminton has proved extremely popular - despite Mr Beeching's music choices!

Thursday has seen excellent numbers at trampolining, football and netball clubs. In Fixtures, the Year 7 girls played an indoor 5-a-side tournament on 3 December and the Year 8 and 9 netball league is drawing to a close with some superb performances from both year groups.

We are looking forward to the district trampolining competition at Everest and everyone is gearing up for the annual fancy dress netball on Thursday, 20 December to see the term out in style! Look out for the extra-curricular calendar for next term being published soon.

Miss Lambert
Head of PE

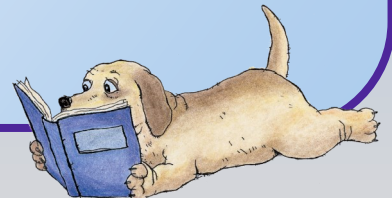
READING AMBASSADORS

Another successful term was had by our six Year 9 students: Fred C, Arwen S, Crystal S, Jack T, Kayleigh L and Oliver J who attended their Reading Ambassador sessions at Hatch Warren Junior School.

Once a week these students played an important role in encouraging young learners to develop their reading skills, at the same time as improving their own skills in both reading accuracy and comprehension.

Hatch Warren Junior School have passed on their thanks and appreciation for all the hard work and effort achieved this term.

Mrs P Jones
Teaching
Assistant



Christmas Carol Service

All Saints Church
Tuesday, 18th December
from 6:30pm



FAITH BOUNCING TO GLORY

Well done to Faith H for coming first in the Year 10 Basingstoke & District Girls' Trampolining Competition, which took place at Everest Academy on Wednesday, 12 December.



HIGH FLYING FAITH

Mr D Du-heaume
Head of Year 7

UPDATE FROM YEAR 10

It has been a rollercoaster term for the Class of 2020, but they have really stepped up to the plate when challenged to show improvements around the school. They have been involved in countless programmes and initiatives where they have really excelled and shown the numerous different skills across the year group. The students have been involved in Anti-Bullying Ambassadors, Wellbeing Ambassadors, numerous subject specific ambassadors, Young Enterprise and the Duke of Edinburgh to name but a few. To add to this, the boys' football team reached the Basingstoke & Deane football final and our year group Student Council organised the 'Strictly Come Dancing' event. Beyond this, the students have shown a lot more focus in lessons and it is clear that they have realised the importance of laying strong foundations before Year 11. I wish all members of the year group a very well deserved, enjoyable Merry Christmas!

Mr P Beeching - Head of Year 10

Diary Dates - 2018 / 2019

Tues, 18 December
Fri, 21 December
Mon, 7 January 2019
Tues, 8 January

Carol Concert, All Saints Church
End of Term - 12:20pm finish
INSET Day
School open to students