

# Brighton Hill Community School

*'Always Learning'*

## Newsletter

Summer Term  
14 June 2019

### BUSINESS SPEED NETWORKING

The whole BHCS Year 9 cohort of students enjoyed their very first Business Speed Networking event on Tuesday 4 June. 13 companies were represented by their staff at the event, which gave students the opportunity to ask a range of questions and find out more about the different job roles and industries represented. Student feedback showed this was a hugely successful event with 100% of students saying they enjoyed it! Events like this - and similar - are now fast becoming a regular feature in the Brighton Hill Community School Careers offer. We now look forward to July 10 when all year groups will be experiencing a bespoke careers day in school.



We would like to thank the Basingstoke Consortium for helping to organise the Business Speed Networking event and the following organisations for their support: Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council, Basingstoke ITEC, Cornerstone Sunrise Nursery, Fortem Financial Management, Gillette (Proctor & Gamble), iFly Indoor Skydiving, Naomi House & Jack's Place, Phillips Solicitors, South Central Ambulance Services, Sovereign Housing, Taylor Wimpey, Thermo Fisher Scientific and Transformation21st Limited.

Mr D Watkins  
Deputy Headteacher



### PE NEWS

It's been a busy time with summer activities getting fully underway with athletics, cricket and rounders. The Year 10 rounders team have improved every game and taken great wins against Costello, The Vyne and Aldworth. They continue to demonstrate great team spirit and enthusiasm.

Our second Drop Down Day took place on 3rd June with PE's theme being 'Energise' and mindful exercise. The day saw students choosing between aerobics, fitness, walk / run or golf. The golf proved exceptionally popular and the BHCS 9 hole golf course sprung up on the field for the day!

Looking ahead, we now have our sights set on the District Athletics event at Down Grange with 70 Brighton Hill students due to compete, followed by our Sports Days being held on Monday, 22 and Tuesday, 23 July.

Miss Lambert - Head of PE



## DROP DOWN DAY

On Monday 3 June we hosted the second of our three Drop-Down days for this academic year, during which students came off their usual timetable to take part in activities to learn more about a key aspect of the wider curriculum: Mental Wellbeing. Throughout the day, students took part in lessons and assemblies which related to our mental wellbeing G. R. E. A. T. values of: Give; Relate; Energise; Awareness and Try Something New. These are directly linked to the NHS' suggested five steps to Mental Wellbeing.

Through the range of activities, from Italian in MFL and origami in Maths to mindfulness techniques in Technology and Art and understanding the importance of sleep in Science, students were able to understand in greater depth how to look after their mental wellbeing both now and for their lives in the future. The day was a huge success and we have had some wonderfully positive feedback from students.

Following the Drop-Down Day students were given the opportunity to take home an activity sheet which contains a series of suggestions and challenges for the whole family to get Involved in living these five values. We'd love to know how students and their families have got on with these! We are now looking forward to our final Drop-Down Day of the year which will focus on careers and aspirations for the future.

Mrs Hallum Barnard  
Head of MFL & Lead Practitioner



## YEAR 11

As has become traditional, Year 11 students were rewarded with a well-deserved ice cream before they set off for study leave at half term. They have shown impeccable attitudes towards their exams and will be greatly missed. Here's hoping the contents of those envelopes in August reflect all of the hard work they have put into their GCSEs.

Mr C Edwards - Headteacher



It is with a heavy heart that I say goodbye to my Year 11's as they finish their exams and head off for the next exciting stage of their academic journey. It has been an absolute pleasure to work with such wonderful young people – I will look forward to celebrating their time at BHCS both at the leavers' BBQ on the 14 June and the Prom on the 30 June. Onward to my next adventure as Head of Year 7 until the end of term!!

Miss K Richardson - Head of Year 11

## LOCAL MP VISITS BHCS

On Friday 7 June, we were visited by our local MP, Maria Miller.



Maria was extremely complimentary about our school, particularly the Year 7 students who she joined for our famous community lunch.

Mr C Edwards  
Headteacher

## Diary Dates - 2019

Weds 19 June	Year 10 Parents' Eve
Sunday 30 June	Leavers' Ball
22 / 23 July	Sports Days

