

## Dear Parents/Carers and Students

This is the final Bohunt Bulletin of 2016 and the Autumn Term. It has been a particularly busy one! Congratulations to our new Year 7 students who have made a tremendous start to life at Bohunt. Although Staff and students are all looking forward to a well-earned rest, we are eagerly anticipating the Annual Christmas Carol Concert which you are very welcome to attend. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you a restful Christmas Holiday and look forward to welcoming students back to School on Tuesday 3 January. Please remember that school closes at 12.40pm on Friday 16 December.

## Parental Survey

Thank you to all the parents who completed the parental survey. In response to your feedback we have decided to make the following changes to school policy:

- From January 1 2017 students will not be permitted to wear white socks and must wear black or grey socks. White socks may be worn with skirts only.
- From January 1 2017 mobile phones must be turned off and in bags between 8.40am and 3.30pm. Students will no longer be able to use their phones in their tutor bases at break and lunchtimes.
- Rules governing the wearing of the School Jumper will continue, with students needing to attend school wearing full school uniform including the school jumper. This must also be worn to all house and school meetings. Once at school students are free to remove their jumper.

## Careers Fair – Record number of students attend Careers Fair!

Tuesday 15 November saw a record number of students and parents attend Bohunt School's largest ever careers fair. With more than 60 exhibitors on hand to offer information, advice and guidance to over 500 people it certainly was a busy night! Students from TPS were also invited and the Bohunt 6th form stand turned out to be one of the busiest of the evening, with a constant queue of students waiting to ask questions.

- 'I've never known a school careers event with such an appetite for careers advice!' National Careers Service
- 'It was a great opportunity to talk to young people about engineering careers and I was heartened that there was an equal number of girls interested in technology careers as boys who approached our stand.' Ericsson
- 'So many interested pupils and their parents at a very well organised event'. PETA Apprenticeships



## Bohunt Players

The Bohunt Players have worked tirelessly to create outstanding pieces of theatre, that they performed with great success to their friends and family last night. Their fantastic pieces explored topics from war to a twist on 'The Twits', taking the audience on a rollercoaster ride of emotions that had them laughing one minute and crying the next! We look forward to their next performance!



## Forgotten Equipment

Please can parents/carers remind students to organise and pack their bags the night before, as this will ensure that students have the necessary equipment for the day. We have noticed an increase in parents having to bring in forgotten items to the school reception.

## I'm a Scientist, Get me out of here

*I'm a Scientist, Get me out of here* saw Year 8 students putting scientists through their paces through online live chats in which they could ask the experts about anything, from climate change to coding. The aim of the event was to get students excited about science. Students see that scientists are normal people, learn that science lessons relate to real life, and become more enthused about science. The event ran from 7-18 November 2016.



## French Exchange (learners of French in years 9 and 10):

There are still spaces available on the French Exchange for the above year groups – please e-mail [lbonser@bohunt.hants.sch.uk](mailto:lbonser@bohunt.hants.sch.uk) directly or register your interest on the School Gateway.

## GCSE Drama Trip

The year 11 GCSE Drama groups had a wonderful evening at the Minerva Theatre in Chichester recently watching the exciting play, 'Things we Know to be True.' It was inspired acting, showcasing Frantic Assembly's physical theatre.

## SEND and Access Arrangements clinic

If you wish to make an appointment to discuss any SEND matter or concern, please contact Mr Tanner directly at [stanner@bohunt.hants.sch.uk](mailto:stanner@bohunt.hants.sch.uk) to book an appointment at our SEND clinic. This will be held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017, between 1700-2000, appointments will be 20minutes each.

If you wish to make an appointment to discuss Access Arrangements, please contact Mr Paul directly at [fpaul@bohunt.hants.sch.uk](mailto:fpaul@bohunt.hants.sch.uk) to book an appointment at our Access Arrangements clinic. This will be held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017, between 1700-2000, appointments will be 20minutes each.

## Bohunt Computing @ Ben Ainslee Racing

Last week a group of Bohunt students had the privilege to visit the HQ of Land Rover/Ben Ainslee Racing in Portsmouth. Land Rover/BAR are attempting to win the America's Cup for the first time, a wait of 156 years. After a talk from members of the team, they had the opportunity to visit the Tech Deck which showcases some of the technology that is being developed including: bone conducting headsets, grinders, 3D Virtual Reality racing and to see parts of the actual boat. In the afternoon the students participated in a coding challenge using a Raspberry Pi before being awarded with their certificates. For more information please visit the website <http://www.1851trust.org.uk/1851-trust-teams-pa-consulting-group-empower-young-people-stem-activities/> and following us on twitter @BohuntComputing.

## Sporting Success

**Jessica Williams 10H** recently qualified for the National Cadet Sailing Squad. This high achieving squad aims to feed into the World team at the end of the 2017 season. The world championships will be held in Bruinisse in The Netherlands in July 2017

**Isobel Hedges in 7S** won a silver medal in the Southern region National pair grade 2 acrobatic gymnastics - she trains at Xcel in Horndean

**Amy Campbell, 8D** took part in the Synchronised Swimming Multi-Regional Championships held at the GLI Leisure Centre, Gloucester, on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2016. Amy was competing with her team of 8, firstly performing solo figures and then a team routine, with a combined score gaining them a Silver medal.



## Outdoor Education

Year 8 Camp, Year 9 Bushcraft, Year 10 DofE Bronze and Year 11 DofE Silver, Trips/Programmes.

- Student place offers have been made, via letters home.
- Costs and payments schedules have been advised. Deposit payments for securing a place are due by 31/12/2016, using School Gateway.
- Any trip withdrawal requests must be made in writing to [enquiries@bohunt.hants.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@bohunt.hants.sch.uk)
- For information and updates on Outdoor Education go to: <http://www.bohunt.hants.sch.uk/faculty-areas/it-computing/outdoor-education/>

Year 10 DofE Bronze, Year 11 DofE Silver Programmes.

- DofE Registrations will be made following receipt of deposit. DofE registration confirmation and information on how to log into eDofE will be provided using students' school email account.

- DofE Welcome packs will be issued via Tutor Group in January 2017.
- Students are being provided with information to form themselves in to Expedition Teams of 6 or 7 (ideally 7).
- Students can start working on their Physical, Skills and Volunteering sections. Find out more on the DofE Website: <http://www.dofe.org/>
- DofE Expedition Training will begin in January 2017 (Schedule to be advised).
- Additional information and updates regarding DofE Programme is provided to students by student school email, the outdoor education webpage, DofE Notice boards and weekly Tutor Group Circular

### Spotlight on...Attendance:

We cannot stress highly enough the importance of good attendance. Our own analysis of GCSE results over the last three years shows that each of the students who underperformed in their GCSEs also had below average attendance. However poor attendance affects much more than just grades; it can make someone feel isolated and they can feel it is difficult for them to catch up on the work missed and the time continuing to build their relationships with others in school. In our experience it can become more difficult to reintegrate into the usual school routine if a student has missed part of their learning.

Did you know that if your child's attendance drops below:

- 85%, then, over the year, that will amount to over 6 weeks of missed learning
- 90%, then, over the year, that will amount to over 4 weeks of missed learning
- 95%, which is below average, then over the year that will amount to over 2 weeks of missed learning

Please continue to ensure that your child comes to school on time every day and remember to ask for the School's support if there are any concerns regarding your child's progress or wellbeing. Excellent school attendance holds the key to both.

### TESLA Train to Teach

Would you like to train to teach? TESLA will be running information events on the following dates:

19 <sup>th</sup> January 2017, 4:00-6:00pm	Priory School
19 <sup>th</sup> January 2017, 10:00-11:30am	Chichester Free School
25 <sup>th</sup> January 2017, 5:00-7:00pm	Bohunt Liphook
26 <sup>th</sup> January 2017, 4:00-6:00pm	Midhurst Primary
31 <sup>st</sup> January 2017, 5:00-7:00pm	Bohunt Worthing
31 <sup>st</sup> January 2017, 10:00-11:30am	Camelsdale Primary
1 <sup>st</sup> February 2017, 4:00-6:00pm	Bohunt Liphook
1 <sup>st</sup> February 2017, 10:00-11:30am	The Petersfield School
7 <sup>th</sup> February 2017, 5:00-7:00pm	Eggar's School

For further information, speak to the team at TESLA on 01428 724 324 or email [cfleischner@bohunt.hants.sch.uk](mailto:cfleischner@bohunt.hants.sch.uk)

### Upcoming events:

Carol Concert	Wednesday 14 December (Evening)
School closes for Christmas	Friday 16 December – 12:40pm
School opens after Christmas	Tuesday 3 January 2017 – 8.40am
Year 11 – X Side Consultation Evening	Thursday 5 January – 5pm – 8pm
Year 11 – Y Side Consultation Evening	Wednesday 11 January – 5pm – 8pm
Year 7 Drama Showcase	Thursday 19 January – 6.30pm
Year 9 Consultation – School Closes at 12.40pm	Thursday 26 January – 2pm – 8pm
Inset Day	Friday 27 January
Year 7 Consultation – School Closes at 12.40pm	Monday 6 February – 2pm – 8pm
School Closes for half term	Friday 18 February

Rugby and Hockey Tour  
Naples Trip  
School opens after half term

Saturday 18 to Thursday 23 February  
Sunday 19 to Thursday 23 February  
Monday 27 February

## Emotional Health and Well Being

Reading is an important part of all of our development in all areas of our lives.

Reading can provide us with the tools to help ourselves and an opportunity to dip in and out of a great story for pleasure. Whatever we choose to read, whether it be fiction or non-fiction, it helps us to build our knowledge base and it can also boost our confidence.

Here are some recommended reads for young people, taken from the Reading Well website. You may choose to research more detail about these books and, if you feel they are appropriate for you and your family and for the age of your child, add a couple to the Christmas stocking list!

Support for anxiety:

- The Anxiety Survival Guide for Teens – Jennifer Shannon
- The Shyness and Social Anxiety Workbook for Teens – Jennifer Shannon
- The Perks of Being a Wallflower (fiction) – Stephen Chbosky

Support with stress:

- Fighting Invisible Tigers – Earl Hipp
- The Teenage Guide to Stress – Nicola Morgan

Support with confidence and self-esteem:

- Banish Your Self-Esteem Thief – Katie Collins-Donnelly
- Face (fiction) – Benjamin Zephaniah

Find out more at: [reading-well.org.uk/shelfhelp](http://reading-well.org.uk/shelfhelp)