



Sandhurst Weekly News

Friday 26th April 2024

Headteacher's Weekly Review

One of the things I have been impressed by, since joining Sandhurst school, is the number of guest speakers our students have the opportunity to hear from.

Last Friday our Year 11 GCSE History students were fortunate enough to receive a talk on the experience of Mr O'Brien who served during the 2003 Iraqi conflict. GCSE History students are required to study, as part of their course, a specific extract on this conflict. Having the opportunity to explore the case study with somebody that was actually there and hear about their lived experience, really brings the curriculum to life - I know staff and students found it to be a very powerful session.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr O'Brien (who is also our Vice Chair of Governors) for his time and for sharing his experiences which, as I'm sure you can imagine, is not necessarily easy to talk about - thank you.

Another wonderful opportunity for students is the extra curricular activities we offer. Mr Whyte has been working hard with our newly established Green Team, which seems to be growing all the time and is now approximately 30 students! The team have been busy and planted over 100 trees, around the school site, which is a fantastic achievement. This will help provide new habitats for native wildlife and will be a fantastic legacy for everyone involved.

We also pride ourselves on recognising the successes and achievements of our students. This week, it was a privilege to appreciate the successes of our Year 13 students at their annual Celebration of Success event. It was lovely to hear the citations, provided by their teachers, read out acknowledging the hard work, determination and also the positive characters of the students. Well done to everyone involved and a special thank you to Mr Marshall and his team for organising the occasion.

Mr G Croxon
Headteacher



Headteacher's Award

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The winner of this week's Headteacher's Award are:

Megan Farrell - 11G2

The other students nominated for the Headteacher's Award are listed below:

Dominic Bevan 7B1

Lily Bruce 7B2

Jhazlyn Campoverde Piguave 9G2

Cyresse Chavez 7G2

Abigail Cornock 8R1

Caitlin Culpeper 9B2

Megan Farrell 11G2

Noah Falcus 9R1

Jess Harvey 7B2

Jessikah Knowles 8B1

Kathryn Mather 7R2

Seren Matthews 10B2

Alexander McLean 7B1

George Moran 7G1

Saanvi Nandikonda 7R2

Bradley Nolan 10R2

Dara Obidiran 8R2

Charlie Pembroke 7G2

Reuben Sarkari 7B2

Chelsea Shawarira 8R1

Eleanor Shepherd-Mogensen 7G2

Faye Summerley 8R1

Holly Weston 9G1

2024

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tuesday 30th April	Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Wednesday 8th May	Year 11 Home Study Starts
Thursday 9th May	Year 11 GCSEs and Year 13 A Levels Begin
Friday 10th May	Year 13 Home Study Starts
May Half Term Monday 27th - Friday 31st May	
Friday 7th June	Year 10 Geography Visit to Calshot Spit
Monday 1st July	Year 7 Visit to Harry Potter World
Tuesday 2nd July	Year 7 Visit to Harry Potter World

ATTENDANCE REPORTING GUIDE

What **YOU** must do:

Report your child's absence before 8.30am each day of their absence via the **STUDYBUGS** app, email attendance@sandhurstschool.org.uk or telephone the attendance office on 01344 775678.

Tell us in advance of any medical appointments and provide appointment cards, letters or screenshot of text .

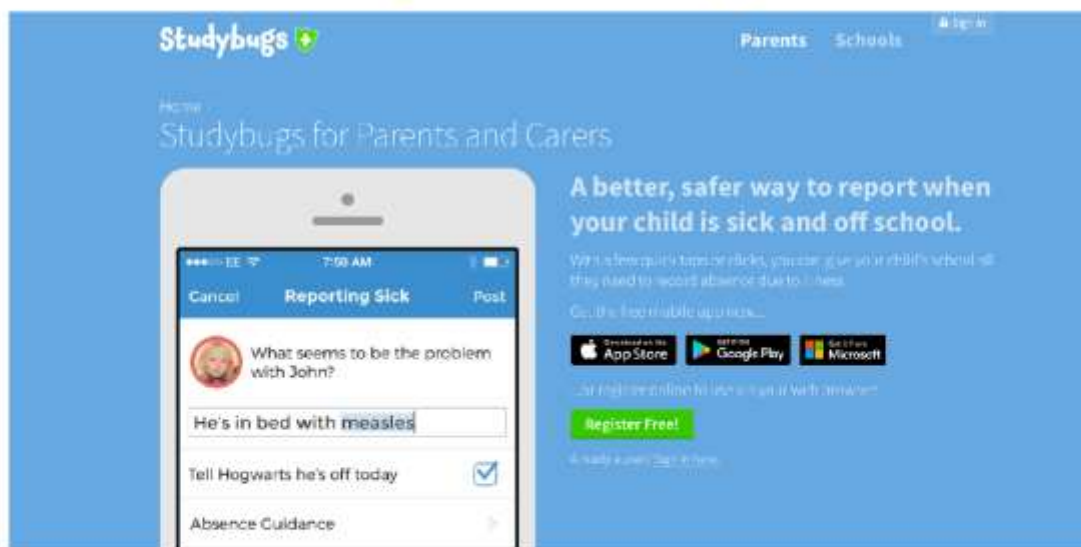
What **WE** will do:

Check you child absence every day.

Contact you to discuss your child's attendance.

Invite you into school for an attendance meeting if we are concerned.

If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!



ENGLISH



This week we say Happy 460th Birthday to the great Bard himself, good old Bill Shakespeare!

Shakespeare is of course a huge part of what we do in English, and I truly will never tire of teaching his works. At Sandhurst School every student has the opportunity to study three of his finest - the slightly mad *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, the tragic *Romeo and Juliet*, and of course the notorious and bloody *Macbeth*.

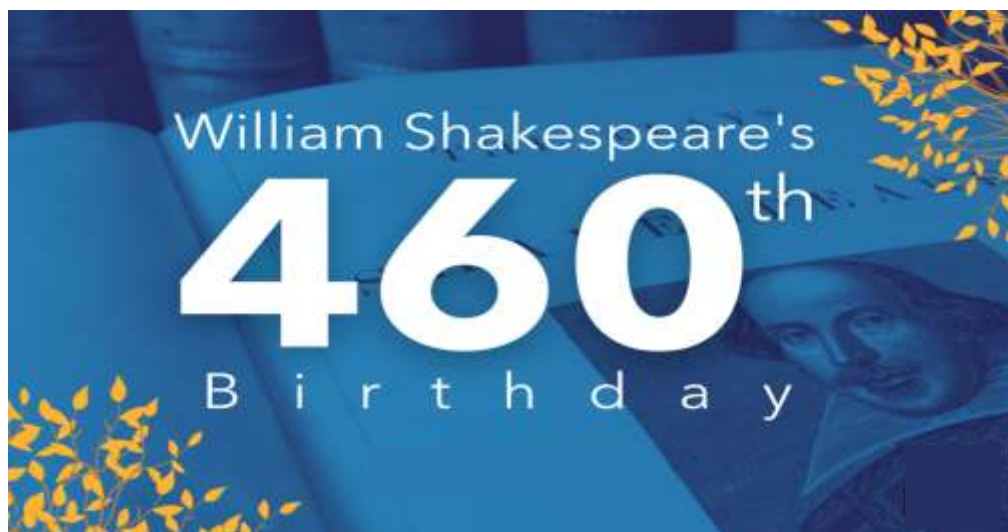
One of the things I love most about Shakespeare's work is that every time I watch or teach one of his plays, no matter how many times I've seen or read it before, there is always something new that blows my mind. My favourite example of this is how he indicates a character's social standing or sanity (or lack thereof!) by the rhythm in which they speak. A high-class character, for example, will speak in iambic pentameter (the standard 'heartbeat' rhythm of Shakespeare's plays), whilst a poorer or more mentally unstable character will speak in prose (plain speech with no rhythm whatsoever) to demonstrate their difference in social standing, even before you look at the words themselves. It also gets particularly fascinating when you find a character like Macbeth himself, who begins speaking 'properly' and gradually loses the consistent rhythm as he loses his grip on his power and decides that life is meaningless!

I think it's fair to say that he gets a bad rap sometimes from students up and down the country - and I do understand of course that the language is old, and many references are definitely dated - but ultimately, if you allow yourself to become immersed in the fantastic world-building and focus on his dozens of intriguing characters then both studying and watching Shakespeare can be an absolute delight.

And lastly, remember that he wrote *plays and not books...* his works are supposed to be seen on stage, so go and see any *Shakespearean productions wherever and whenever you get the chance. The Globe Theatre in particular is a superb venue, and if you can handle standing up for an hour or two then you can even grab tickets for £5.*

If anyone manages to get to any plays over this term or through the summer, I would love to hear some reviews... I could spend all day talking all things Shakespeare!

Mr Robertson
English Teacher





Our English Stars this week for their amazing hard work are:

Mr Houston - Kirsten Salton (Year 11)

Mrs Feiteira - Rhiannon Rees-Jones (Year 10)

Mrs Byron - Harry Boother (Year 11)

Mrs Patrick - Kalli-Rose Law (Year 10)

Mr Robertson - Caitlin Culpeper (Year 9)

Mr Riley - Lacey Hill (Year 10)



Rob not only goes through the elements of our course, but brings personal items from his time in Iraq to show the students. One of the items he brings is his diary, which he wrote in every day during his service and when he reads from it, recalling his feelings about certain events, it really humanises war and allows students to understand the impact and cost of war.

Miss D Niven
History Subject Leader





DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY Matters

In Year 7 Tech Club this week we have been making rubber band powered wheely spinners. Some of them went really fast and some of them even spun on the spot.

Great job Reuben, Charlie, Charlie, Saanvi, Elsie, Lily, Harrison, Dom, and Eleanor.

Mrs S Rook and Miss Barclay



Photography of the Week - 26th April



**All students will be nominated
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Year 10 - Hunter Aitken-Smith



Year 10 - Billy Bamber



Year 10 - Szymon Galaj



Year 10 - Oliwia Gudyka

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Year 10 - Lucas Hale

Year 10 - Rowan Handford



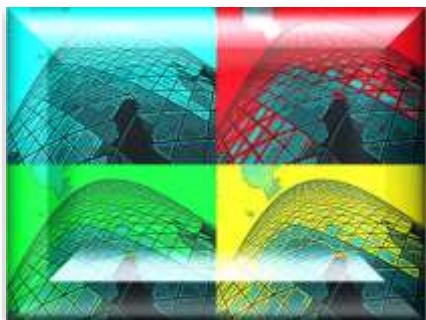
Year 10 - Oliwia Kmieciak

Year 10 - Caelan Pearce

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Year 10 - Thomas Read



Year 10 - Alan Roberts



Year 10 - Zak Temperley



Year 10 - Richard Thompson

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Year 10 - Martha Treharne

Year 10 - Fatima Waqar



Year 10 - Leon Whitebread

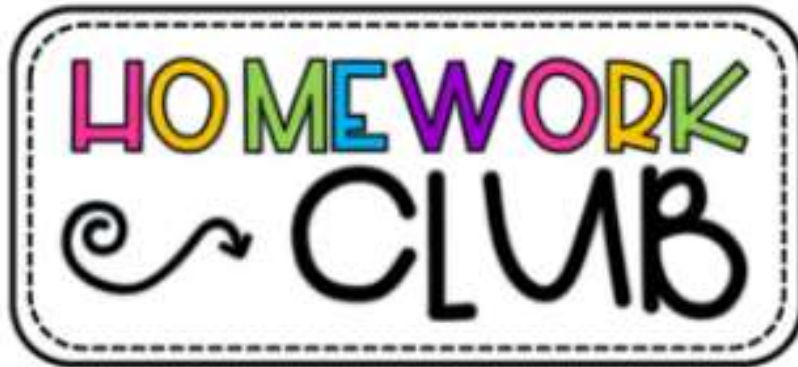
Year 10 - Maisie Studer

Artwork of the Week - Friday 26th April

This weeks winner



Leon Whitbread - Year 10



Monday to Thursday
3:00 - 4:00pm in PC4

All are Welcome

PE Clubs Summer 2024

Clubs run from 3:10pm to 4:00pm.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
After School	Rounders - all years Mrs Evans Miss Heighes	Athletics - all years Mr King Mrs Evans Mr Proctor-Searle Mrs Davis Miss Heighes	Cricket - year 7 Mr Martin Cricket - year 8, 9, 10 Mr Proctor-Searle Tennis - all years Mr King		

For the majority of the PE clubs students can just turn up and participate. They should arrive at the PE changing rooms with their kit and they will be signed in by one of the PE staff. They do not need to register in advance.

CAREERS



Could you help us with our careers activities?

We are looking for any parents/carers (or siblings, aunts, uncles or grandparents!) who can help us with our careers provision through the upcoming academic year.

We arrange a number of activities for the students, from careers talks to interview skills day and we are always keen to include our students' families in what we do.

If you are interested in signing up to help us through the year then please complete the following form.

[Careers volunteer sign up](#)

If you have any questions you can contact me on choekstra@sandhurstschool.org.uk

Many thanks

Mrs C Hoekstra



SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN SESSIONS

Week B, Thursday Lunch in the SLC Reflection Room

- Bullying
- Emotional Well-being
- Stress & Anxieties
- Friendships
- Mental Health
- Drugs & Alcohol
- Smoking & Vaping
- Sex & Relationships

Its OK to ask for Help;

School Nurses are able to offer confidential advice and support should you need it. The Nurse is able to speak to you regarding any concerns you may have about your health.

If you are unable to attend the drop-in sessions, please speak to either your Head Of House or the Pastoral Office.

The School Nursing Service also offers drop in sessions or advice and guidance on healthier lifestyles!



PROSPECT IN THE COMMUNITY

Here at Prospect, we don't just sell and let homes in the local area; we are local people ourselves and love being a part of the local community. That is why we set up the Prospect Foundation to give back to the amazing community that has given us so much over the years.

In the spirit of giving back to our community, we are also reintroducing our school donations this year. When you sell with Prospect, we will donate £250 of your selling fee to a local school of your choice.





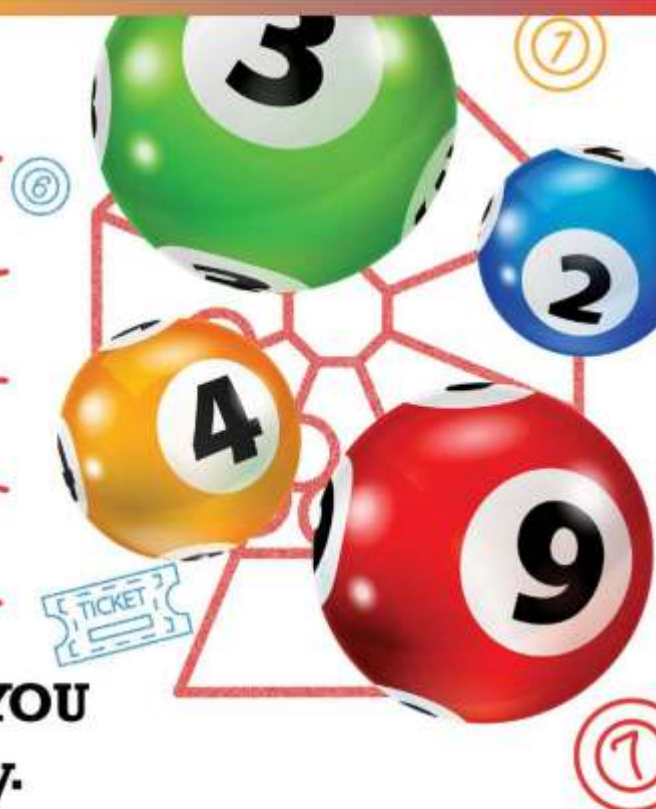
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How it works

It's simple - choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes with a **jackpot prize of up to £25,000!** One of our supporters will win a cash prize every week. Tickets cost just £1 per ticket per week and 40% of all ticket sales are donated to your school.

Draws are conducted every Saturday at 8pm and results are posted online. Winners will be notified via email and the winnings will be paid straight into an account of their choosing.

The easiest and quickest way to join our lottery is online where you can set up your payment either by direct debit or one off payment card. Alternatively, set up can be done over the phone using the contact details below.

It's so easy to join and you could make a real difference to your school.

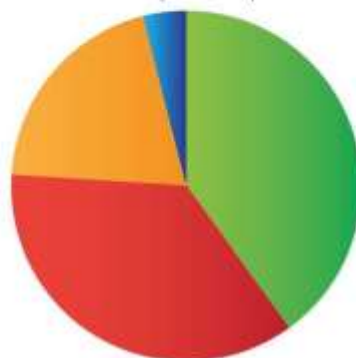


The maths...

100 tickets sold means
= **£30** a week cash prize
= **£2,080** a year for your school

Where does your money go?

Tickets cost just £1 per week



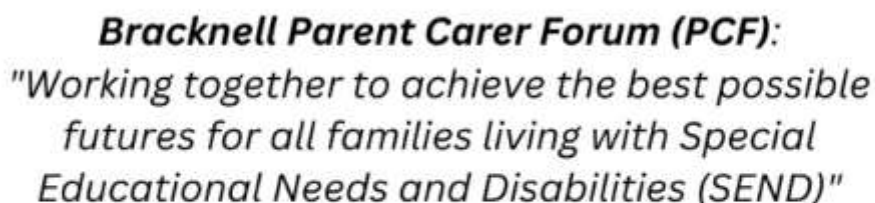
- 40p** goes directly to your school
- 36p** goes towards lottery winner's cash prizes
- 20p** goes towards lottery administrative costs
- 4p** for VAT

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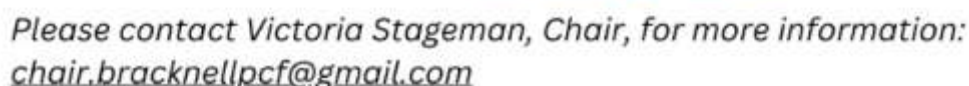
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Bracknell Parent Carer Forum (PCF) is recruiting trustees to start the journey towards becoming a Charity (Charitable Incorporated Organisation). Being a trustee is a valuable voluntary role, but it does involve responsibilities.

- oversee the overall management and administration of the charity
- ensure Bracknell PCF has a clear strategy
- ensure our work and goals are in line with our vision
- support and challenge the executive team to enable Bracknell PCF to grow and thrive
- work together to achieve the best possible futures for all Bracknell Forest families living with SEND.

We are looking for those who have knowledge of the issues affecting families living with SEND. In particular, we are also looking for people with expertise in HR, finance, grant bidding or strategic planning. People willing to bring energy, enthusiasm and commitment to the role, and who will broaden the diversity of thinking of our organisation to move it forwards are particularly welcome.





My Community Map



Activities for all
ages to help
you stay **healthy**
and **well**.



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Bracknell Forest
Social Prescription
Programme



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My Community Map



Find out what is happening in your area. There is a wide range of local activities, groups and societies across the borough that can help to support your health and wellbeing.

Whether you are interested in sports, crafts or playing games, there is something for everyone on the Bracknell Forest Community Map.

You can filter your search by selecting a category, including:



Get active



Get creative



Get help



Get connected



Get learning



Get ideas for kids

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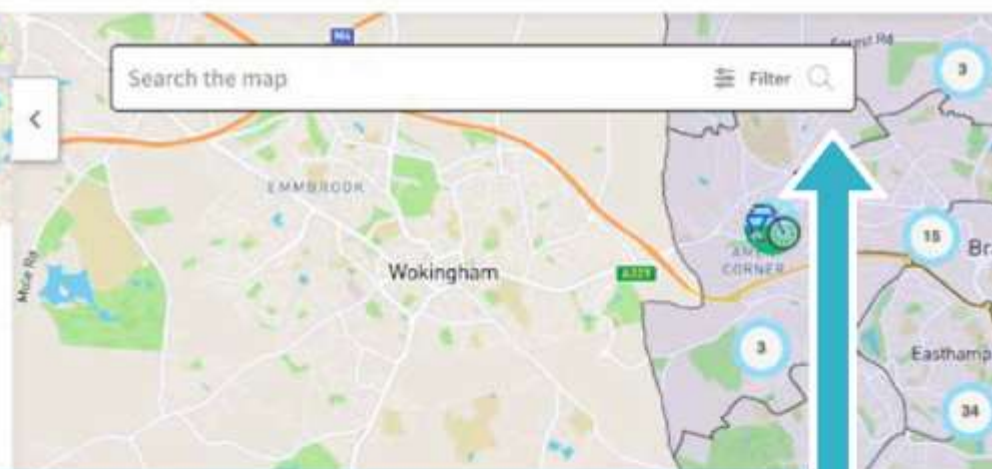
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You can also search by your postcode to see what is close to you.

Can't find what you are looking for?

Request a call back from one of our friendly social prescribers on **01344 325 000**, or scan the QR code to make a referral.



Visit health.bracknell-forest.gov.uk and click on 'Community Map'.



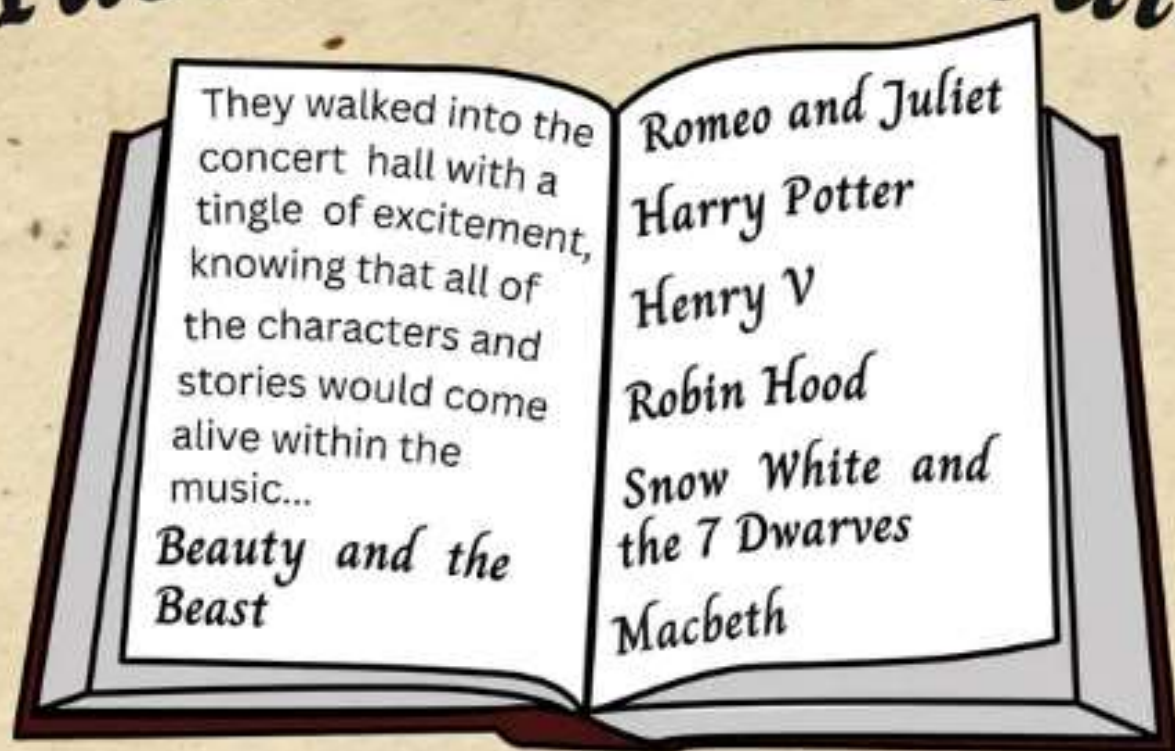


Saturday 27th April
7.30pm

Conductor: Tom Horn

Leader: Vanessa Russell

Music tells the Tale



Salesian College
Reading Road
Farnborough
GU14 6PA



All tickets include interval refreshments and are available from orchestra members or from farnboroughconcertorchestra.org.uk

Prices

- **Early Bird** £13
available before 7th April
- **Advance** £15
- **Advance Premium** £18
includes reserved seating
- **Child** (18 and under) £5
- **On the door** £18



Bracknell Forest

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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2024**



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ABOUT STEPPING STONES

The Stepping Stones programme promotes positive mental health and provides regular opportunities for young people to use creativity to build emotional resilience. The high-quality programmes are delivered by professional artists and held in Hampshire Cultural Trust venues. Joining the programme will boost confidence, communication and social skills. It is fun, can make you feel great and is a great way to meet other young people in a safe and supportive space.

WHAT'S INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAMME

In this hands-on, outdoor experience, participants will join award-winning garden designer and social media influencer Leigh Johnstone, aka The Beardy Gardener, to learn about various aspects of gardening, such as planting, nurturing and harvesting, to help transform the garden at Aldershot Military Museum into a space of calm and tranquility. Young people can expect to get dirty as each session is practical, from sowing seeds to making their own compost!



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- To be eligible for this programme participants need to be aged 11 – 17 years.
- Bookings can be made for one-off sessions or multiple sessions in one go; we are also happy for a young person to attend one session during the Easter holidays and then decide if they want to attend future sessions.
- This programme is free of charge and all materials will be provided.



PROGRAMME LOCATION AND DATES

ALDERSHOT MILITARY MUSEUM

The programme will run during school holidays on the following dates:

Easter holidays

- ⌚ Tuesday 2 April, 10:30am - 12:30pm
- ⌚ Thursday 4 April, 2:30pm - 4:30pm
- ⌚ Thursday 11 April, 2:30pm - 4:30pm

May half term

- ⌚ Tuesday 28 May, 10:30am - 12:30pm
- ⌚ Thursday 30 May, 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Summer holidays

- ⌚ Tuesday 28 August, 10:30am - 12:30pm
- ⌚ Thursday 29 August, 2:30pm - 4:30pm

To register interest in any of these programmes, please scan the QR code or go to <https://bit.ly/4b5Hz5K>

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SANDHURST

FREEDOM MARCH



SATURDAY
15TH JUNE
2024

JOIN US AT THE LARGEST EVENT IN SANDHURST IN 2024

- 12.00pm** Official opening of the event with Community Stalls & Food Vendors
- 1.30pm** The Royal Military Academy will march down Yorktown Road
- 2.30pm** The Parade and Inspection will take place on the Memorial Park
- 3.00pm** Various Events in the Main Arena
- 5.30pm** The evening performances begin on the Main Stage, featuring Local Bands & Tribute Acts

The evening ends with a fabulous Firework display

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