

**Weekly bulletin for students of Hayesfield Girls' School,
their parents, guardians and families**

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Week commencing Monday 28th November 2011

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From the Headteacher:

GCSE Certificate Presentation Evening

Our annual GCSE Certificate Presentation Evening was held on Tuesday 22nd November 2011. It was wonderful to see so many students and their parents and celebrate their success. We would like to thank Mrs Lynn Watkinson, who was a most inspirational guest speaker, and our guests who presented individual prizes.

Autumn Fair – Saturday 26th November 2011

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Autumn Fair on Saturday at the Lower School. This is always a most enjoyable event and is a great opportunity to indulge in some Christmas shopping.

Wednesday 30th November 2011

Due to industrial action being undertaken by the majority of staff, including members of NUT, UNISON, NASUWT, ATL and NAHT, the school will be closed to students other than Year 11 whose mock examinations will continue as published.

Students in Years 12 and 13 are welcome to use the West Wing for private study.

A lunch service will be available for students attending school.

Please see the accompanying letter from the Chair of Governors.

Do look at your School calendar for forthcoming events, including the Christmas Concert.

Erica Draisey

Assemblies:

Monday: Year 11 – Mr Hall

Tuesday: Years 7 and 8 - Mr Hall

Wednesday:

Thursday: Years 12 and 13 - Mr Hall

Friday: Years 9 and 10 – Mr Hall

Year 10 – Mrs Brown

Year 11 – Mr Holbrook

Year 8 – Mrs Ingram

Year 9 – Mr Harrison

Years 12 and 13 – Mrs Banks

Year 7 – Mrs Young

Forthcoming Calendar Events:

Tuesday 29th November - Year 13 Parents' Evening

- Full Governors' Meeting, 7.00pm Upper School

Saturday 3rd December -

Saturday Morning Detention, 9.00am – 11.00am Upper School
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Monday 5th December -

Year 7 Parents' Evening, 2.15pm - 5.30pm

Thursday 8th December -

Christmas Concert, 7.00pm - 9.30pm West Wing

Year 11 Mock Exams

Please see the Year 11 Mock Timetable accompanying this Bulletin.

All students **MUST** be outside their exam room 15 minutes before the published start time to ensure we can get everyone seated, so the exams start on time.

Remember to check if you are at Upper or Lower school for your exam.

If you have a clash of subjects you will have received a letter telling you where and when you take your second paper, this will come via your tutor. If you have not received this please either look on the exams notice board at Upper School or see Mrs Liddiard in the exams room, HG4.

Make sure you bring black pens, a pencil, an eraser and a sharpener to ALL exams. A calculator should be brought to all Maths and Science exams.

All students to note that there will be **NO ACCESS** to lockers in the Upper Hall whilst exams are in progress. Mrs Liddiard

Carol Service at Bath Abbey 2011

Our Annual Carol Service will be held in Bath Abbey on Wednesday 14th December 2011 from 2.00 – 3.00pm.

- Parents/guardians are invited to attend but we must emphasise that space is **very** limited and views are restricted.
- Tickets are limited to a maximum of **two per family**, and will be allocated on a first come first served basis up to our maximum number.
- If you would like to attend the Carol Service, please return slip at the end of the Bulletin to the Head's PA.
- In order to conform to fire regulations, we are unable to accommodate young children who need to remain in pushchairs/buggies.
- **NOTE:** If you do not have a ticket, there will not be sufficient room to accommodate you in the Abbey.

Christmas Concert - Thursday 8th December, 7.00pm West Wing Auditorium

The annual Christmas Concert is approaching fast. You are all welcome to join us in celebrating the wonderful talents of our musicians. All the school ensembles will be performing and you will have the opportunity to enjoy music in a wide range of styles. Refreshments will be available during the interval in the Refectory. Tickets are priced at £3.00 and £2.00 for concessions and will be available shortly from the school offices.

Berlin-Bath Exchange – 4th - 12th December 2011

This year's dates have been turned on their head slightly and whereas we normally welcome the German party in autumn or early winter, the German exchange partners visited earlier in the spring instead this year. Eight Year 11 Hayesfield students will now join Beechen Cliff students and have the hospitality of their families repaid on their trip to one of the most vibrant capital cities in Europe.

The eight Year 11 students will spend time in linguistic and cultural exchange with their host families and in a local school, alongside several mornings of intensive German lessons as well as soaking up the sights on a variety of exciting day trips. This year's programme will again contain a cross curricular element since so many of the students involved are also studying GCSE History, indeed one historian on the group will be reactivating her KS3 German especially for this trip!

The German students really enjoyed their time in Bath and are excited about seeing their English friends again! Many thanks to all the families involved.

Frau Shail

Helping your daughter/son with careers and choices

I have had information about a fantastic new resource which is available online this week. It is a website called Careerpilot and is aimed at 14-19 year olds living in the South West. Please visit the website and give me some feedback <http://www.careerpilot.org.uk/>. I look forward to hearing from you. a.banks@hayesfield.com

Are you worried about student finance for university?

This website may be able to give you useful information; it was recommended by Sue Garrett from Bath University when she spoke to Year 13 parents earlier this term

<http://www.moneysavingexpert.com/students/>

Well done from the English Faculty

Well done to the following students who have all been selected to receive a special well done postcard.

Your enthusiasm and hard work in your English lessons has been noted by your teacher. Keep it up!
Miss Twohigg

Year 7

Venetia Ball
Olivia Gray
Martha Bennett
Luisa Zapparoli
Lily Button

Year 8

Kathryn Embree
Lauren Beckles
Larissa Mulholland
Evie Cousins
Sacha Blackmore
Brittany Kay

Year 9

Yasmin Holden
Marlena Kaszuba
Sophie Archer
Roseanne Barter
Georgia Brailey

Year 9 Poetry competition

The History Department are excited to announce the annual World War I poetry competition. It is open to all Year 9s. Year 9 has been studying the terrible trench conditions during the Great War which has inspired some wonderful poetry. Please hand your entry to your teacher by 2nd December - you may enter more than one poem. There are lovely prizes, certificates and house points to be won.
Mrs Mathias

Year 9 Netball

Last Thursday the Year 9 Netball Squad competed in the BANES tournament at Wellsway School. In their very challenging group they faced Broadlands (won 9-0), Norton Hill (lost 2-6), Writhlington (won 7-3) and Wellsway (lost 2-3). Overall the girls came third in their group and fifth overall. Congratulations to all!

Squad: Ella Macgregor Bellaart, Alice McDonald, Laura Finch, Molly Banham, Milli Abbott, Chloe Perry, Izzy Patterson, Alice Reynolds, Sydney Marshall and Nia Shellard.

PE Department

Staff Vacancy

We are looking to appoint an SMSA (lunch-time supervisor) to supervise students. The role is to assist the senior staff.

Hours - 12.15pm - 1.30pm
Monday to Friday, term time only
Pay: £6.64 per hour

An enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Certificate is required for this post prior to commencement.

Application forms can be found on the school's website. Click on the vacancies link from the staff page.

Positive quote or empowering question for this week

"Seek happiness in all aspects of your life - take joy in your relationships with family and friends, delight in your working environment and look for the best in others and yourself". Simple Steps to Happiness

Hayesfield Theatre Club Spring Season 2012

We are delighted to be able to offer Grand Circle tickets at £8.50 at Bath's Theatre Royal (normal prices from £20). The Club exists to enable students to enjoy live theatre, making their own way there and back in a small group of friends or with family as parents/carers see fit. As such, the visits will not be supervised by school staff. Families must also decide if specific performances are suitable for their children. Students may request up to two tickets for each show, returning the slip below to West Wing Reception or the Lower School Office by Wednesday 14th December.

- 'Calendar Girls' – Monday 6th February
- 'The King's Speech' – Wednesday 22nd February
- 'STOMP' – Wednesday 7th March
- 'The Taming of the Shrew' (RSC) – Thursday 29th March
- 'Abigail's Party' – Thursday 26th April

Please keep this part of the Bulletin for reference. We will receive tickets in the New Year and will issue them then.

Mrs Bryden

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Name of student: Tutor Group:

Show	Number of tickets @ £8.50	Total £
'Calendar Girls'		
'The King's Speech'		
'STOMP'		
'The Taming of the Shrew' (RSC)		
'Abigail's Party'		

TOTAL:

Payment via Parent Pay

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To: Head's PA

Carol Service at Bath Abbey 2011

I/We would like (1 or 2) ticket(s) for the Carol Service at Bath Abbey on Wednesday 14th December 2011.

Student Name: Tutor Group:

Parent/Guardian: