



ARNEWOOD NEWS

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COMING UP AFTER THE HALF TERM

MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER

BACK TO SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

INSET DAY

WEDNESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

PARENT TUTOR EVENING

THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

CAREERS FAIR

THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

DRAMA TRIP - SIX

WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

**ARNEWOOD SIXTH
EXTERNAL TASTER DAY**

WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

**STUDENT COUNCIL
MEETING**

THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

**Y9 WARNER BROS STUDIO
TRIP**

THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

Y10-13 PAPER BIRDS TRIP

WEDNESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

**DRAMA TRIP - WOMAN IN
BLACK**

WEDNESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

A-LEVEL SCIENCE LIVE

THURSDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

PARENT FORUM

TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

**Y9 PARENT INFORMATION
EVENING**

WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

**ARNEWOOD SIXTH TASTER
DAY**

WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

Y12 FIRST AID

WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

Y8 WORK SHADOW DAY

MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Y13 EXAMS BEGIN

TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER

**Y7 PARENT INFORMATION
EVENING**

WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER

**STUDENT COUNCIL
MEETING**

THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER

Y11 WORKSHOP

MONDAY 11TH DECEMBER

ART EXAMS

TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Y9 CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Y7 PANTO TRIP

TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER

ART EXAMS

WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER

Y10 CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER

**A-LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY
EXAM**

WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER

**ARNEWOOD SIXTH ICE-
SKATING REWARD**

THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER

Y11 CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER

Y8 BOWLING REWARD TRIP

FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER

**A-LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY
EXAM**

TUESDAY 19TH DECEMBER

**ARNEWOOD SIXTH
CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY**

TUESDAY 19TH DECEMBER

**Y7 & Y8 CHRISTMAS
ASSEMBLY**

20TH DECEMBER - 4TH JANUARY

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY



The Arnewood School were delighted to team up with Hampshire Police Education Partnership Team to hold their first ever Safeguarding Fayre on Wednesday 11th October as part of Hampshire Safeguarding Children Week. The school organised for all students to meet and engage with key people who support the welfare of young people in keeping them safe. The fayre welcomed visitors from their neighbouring school, Eaglewood as part of the Gryphon Trust.

The fayre also featured a dynamic drama production for students called 'Breaking the Chain.' The play, produced by Narrative Alchemy, aims to raise awareness, and educate students about knife crime and youth violence.

Mrs Reece, Assistant Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead said, "there was a real buzz in the air as every student across the school supported by their teachers visited the fayre throughout the day. At Arnewood the safeguarding and welfare of our students is of utmost importance to us."

In the summer term of 2023, Arnewood Sixth Leadership Team did us proud as they raised approximately 50% of the costs towards the production with the summer 'Sponge the teacher' fundraising event. Another fabulous team effort by the school and great fun.

Stall holders, in the school gym, provided information and activities that promoted safety and wellbeing, as well as highlighting key support figures. Attendees included representatives from, Solent Mind, NHS YP's Social Prescribers, Yellow Door, Hants Fire and

Rescue Team, Willow Team, Catch 22, Violence Reduction Unit - OPCC, Youth Commission and Hampshire Constabulary.

Headteacher of the Arnewood School, Mr Anderson said "It is excellent to see so many local organisations working together to keep the young people in our community safe and well."

SAFEGUARDING FAYRE

Hampshire Fire and Rescue Team brought along some incredibly special guests who proved to be popular among the students. Fire investigation dogs: Hoodie, Eric, Saxon and Red joined us for the day! Two of which are puppies in training. They made handlers, Fire Investigation Officer Andy Earl, and Fire Investigation Officer Graham Howlett, immensely proud.

On entry to the fayre, students were given an engagement card that could be stamped by each of the stalls once they had participated in conversation or activity. The completed cards went into a prize draw to win amazon vouchers.

The safeguarding team would like to express a massive thank you to everyone who supported the fayre, drama production and our wonderful students who made the day such a success.



OPEN EVENING 2023



The Arnewood School warmly welcomed children and their families from community link schools and slightly further afield to Open Evening on Thursday 5th October. Teachers and students gave up their free time to share the Arnewood experience with visitors across all the departments.

The evening started with a welcome presentation from Mr Anderson and then students were on hand to provide guided tours to visitors.

The Drama and Music Departments featured rehearsals of the upcoming production "Our House" as well as engaging visitors with games of devising, trying a musical instrument, cane journeys and garage band.

The P.E. Department set up table tennis, and badminton in the gym and football and netball on the Astro, encouraging visitors of all ages to get involved and have a go.

The Science Department was as popular as ever demonstrating lasers, pH – acids and alkalis, a

static station, microscopes looking at cells and a brain teaser mirror drawing challenge. The Maths Department featured a Maths Murder Mystery & Sparx.

The English department took up residence in the library and presented creative activities around product tasting and advertising campaigning. PHSE gave taster lessons in First Aid with CPR dolls. The Modern Foreign Languages Department hosted a French and German cafe, bingo, and a passport station.

Textiles were making stamped bookmarks. Talented students from Food Technology made flapjacks and apple crumble tasters. The Art Department created Monsters and a huge communal drawing.

The fantastic canteen staff served hundreds of delicious tasting pots of Mauritian Curry and Bolognese throughout the evening.

Thank you to everyone who came to the Open Evening and supported The Arnewood School.





Arnewood Sixth student, Mackenzie De Caux demonstrated a rather impressive EPQ / AS project this term.

Mackenzie presented his project after school on Tuesday 3rd October 2023 where he revealed his robotic "K9" live in the classroom. This Dr Who inspired product has cost in the region of £300 to make and is over a metre wide. The robotic dog can move around, wag his tail and twitch his ears.

Mackenzie explains:

Taking a design originally conceived 46 years ago and using the known measurements of K9, the remaining unknowns were extrapolated using reference images and scale factor. Designs were drawn up in 2D CAD (Computer Aided Design) and laser cut out of 6mm MDF.

The dog was constructed with a mix of adhesive and fixings before seams were filled and sanded to high level finish for an even surface. K9 was then painted with a grey primer and moreover an automotive blue steel. Ears and tail were made from wire, the eye plate made from laser cut red acrylic. Electronic

were fitted for movement, the ears turn in sync and the tail wags.

The various features regulated by the Arduino, an open-source programmable board are controlled by an IR sensor hidden beneath one of the buttons on the back control panel. A faux screen and logo were modelled in a 3D CAD program and then 3D printed. The collar is made from 10mm foam and Buchanan tartan.

K9's design is an amalgamation of the eight key variations he took during his 46-year history and appearance in over 30 episodes of Doctor Who and its associated spin offs.

WHO IS K9?



HALL OF FAME

The PE department have added 11 very talented students to the hall of fame to celebrate their incredible sporting achievements, that go beyond the classroom or school sports field. **Congratulations!**



Scott Green U12 Athletic
Football Club Bournemouth



Riley Maidment Dorset & Hants
Jiu Jitsu Open



Oliver Saunders England U18
National Speedway Champion



Oscar Nicholls Southampton
Schools Football



Finn Tibbert-Wykvliet GB U19
Floorball



Freya Treliving Dorset Inter County
Swimming & Open Water Nationals



Flo Rayner Southampton U12
Football



Freya Hussey Boxing



Ellie Watson PGTC & NDP
Tumbling Squad



Billy Wright U14 National
Champion American Football



Bobby Fowle U12 Athletic Foot-
ball Club Bournemouth



ARNEWOOD PRODUCTION 2024



SHOWING JANUARY 2024

**WEDNESDAY 24TH
THURSDAY 25TH
FRIDAY 26TH**

OUR HOUSE
by Tim Firth

Music and lyrics by Madness

OUR HOUSE was first produced at the Cambridge Theatre, London On 28th October 2002.
Producers were Tiger Aspect Productions, Rupert Lord, Andre Piaszynski and Phil McIntyre in association with Madness
This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI www.mtishows.co.uk



OUR HOUSE

Rehearsals are in full swing for The Arnewood Schools upcoming production of **Our House**. Our House is well known West End musical featuring music and lyrics by Madness.

CAST LIST

Joe Casey – Noah Woodcraft
 Sarah – Mollie Gazzard
 Joe's Dad – Ed Shinn
 Kath Casey – Edyth Shinn
 Lewis – Ethan Harvey
 Emmo – Mikolaj Sujczynski
 Billie – Erin Arnold
 Angie – Amy Payne
 Reecey – Sid Jones
 Mr Pressman – Liam Button
 Callum – Joshua Brindley

Assistant Choreographer and Dance Captain
 Elliot Lowe

Senior Principal Dancers

Jess Embleton, Elizabeth Grylls, Lois Robinson, Katie Gazzard, Annie Adams, Joshua Brindley, Nyah Sills, Lizzie Cook, Isabelle Arend Allana Vincent, Elizabeth Slaney, Imogen Bowerbank, Deanna Lansbury, Aliyah Jacala, Isobelle Gilbert, Eloise Durrant, Louis Lyons, Rhiannon Gilbert, Emily Cobb, Cayla Mabwe.

Junior Principal Dancers

Liz Ricci-Zambeli, Verity Burnham, Meya Tostevin, Poppy Cready, Kai Print, Adam Nash, Olivia Romley, Ellie Wilson, Charlotte Lilley.

Characters

Maestro – Jack Bourne
 Priest – Louis Lyons
 Joe's Solicitor – Lois Robinson
 Council Solicitor – Katie Gazzard
 Youth Custody Officer – Elizabeth Slaney
 Mr Jesmond – Tobi Draris
 Ray – Kai Print
 Careers Officer – Faith James-Morse
 Aunt – Imogen Bowerbank
 Neighbour – Isobelle Gilbert
 Neighbour – Eloise Durrant
 Shabby Uncle – Tobi Draris
 Grandad – Sammy Loader
 Heather – Lizzie Grylls
 Salesperson - Jack Bourne
 Carib Caribou – Joshua Brindley

Copper 1 – Allana Vincent

Copper 2 – Emily Cobb

Julie – Jess Embleton

Clerk – Darcy Courtney

Barrister – Emily Harris

Harper – Deanna Lansbury

Smith – Elizabeth Cook

Massey – Isabelle Arend

Small time lawyer

– Nyah Sills

Stallholder 2 – Louis Lyons

Stallholder 3 – Lizzie Grylls

Ensemble

Juna John, Andra Daniella Tudor, Taiya Bracey, Lissy Dutton, Blossom Drummond, Jessica Locke, Andre Miclea, Zoe Green, Charlie Parrish-Garton, Jack Bourne, Tobi Draris, Faith James-Morse, Sammy Loader, Emily Harris, Darcy Courtney, Michelle Dumapit, Christopher Condino, Harvey Brown, Alexandra Justalero, Maisie Wardle, Maria Dumapit, Ellisa Hooper, Emily Brown, Imogen Dawson, Vesper Prior, Blossom Drummond, Sapphire Leo-Thomas, Autumn Peart, Mina Stoyanova, Lilly Laylak, Kaitlin Southall, Meisha Potter, Tulissa Parrish, Millicent Lansbury, Alice Cooper, Noah Bowers, Violet Calter, Evie Hopkins, Sophia Lewis, Zoey Quinn, Makanaka Madamombe, Rebecca Batt, Sophia Muscilak, Brooke Southall.





BLOOD BROTHERS

On Wednesday 18th November Year 11 drama students took part in a full day Blood Brothers workshop delivered by West End star, Mike Southern from Stage-ed.





CHEF'S CLUB

Miss Craft has added a gem to the already full line up of after school clubs on offer with the immensely popular Chef's Club. This term students have enjoyed making an array of sweet treats. In these photos the students are making chocolate chip cookies that filled the entire corridor with the most tantalizing aroma.

Chef's Club takes place every Wednesday for an hour after school. It can accommodate a maximum of 20 and must be pre-booked on a termly basis.



Introducing a new

Chef Club

Wednesdays 3.00pm-4.30pm

LIMITED SPACES!

Afterschool on Wednesdays for **year 8, 9 and 10!** The club is **£15 per term**. Please see Miss Craft in T78 at the beginning of Lunch on Monday 18th for a letter!

You don't need to choose Food Tech as a GCSE to join this club!

First term focus:
SWEET TREATS!





YEAR 12 ACTIVITY DAY

Shore Sports, Christchurch was pleased to host our Year 12 Activity Day again this September. On Wednesday 27th a small group of 12 students enjoyed trying out Stand Up Paddleboarding and a raft building challenge at the picturesque Mudeford Quay before being treated to a BBQ lunch.



YEAR 11 UPDATE



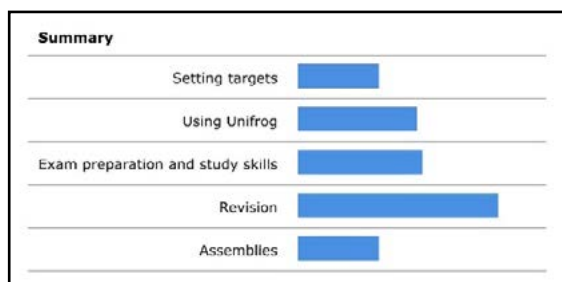
Year 11s have had a busy and purposeful start to the year, continuing to prepare for the mock examinations in November as well as finding out more about post-16 options.

TUTOR ACTIVITIES

Our weekly tutor activities begin with target setting on a Monday morning, reviewing targets for the previous week and setting a SMART target for the week ahead. SMART targets are Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant and Time-based.

S	Specific Clearly State your Goal
M	Measurable Ensure you can Measure Success
A	Attainable Set Goals you know you can Achieve
R	Relevant Set Goals Relevant to your Career or Education
T	Time-Based Set a Deadline for Completion

On Tuesday morning, students have access to computer suites and use Unifrog to find out about a variety of industries and careers, and the qualifications and skills they need to progress to different post-16 courses. On Wednesdays, we have focussed on exam preparation, completing a booklet on study skills and ways to revise. We have tried these out on Thursday mornings, when students have had extra time to focus on revision. Our Friday morning assemblies have supported this focus on post-16 options, with visitors from Brock and Totton College as well as assemblies on apprenticeships from Mr Price and the Arnewood Sixth from Mr Colman, Head of Sixth Form. Feedback from students shows they particularly value having a bit of extra time for revision in tutor times



Mr P Emecz, Head of Year 11

YEAR 11 INFORMATION EVENING & GCSE EXAM EVENING

Both evenings were well attended by parents and tutors, and presentations are available on [Firefly](#) for those who couldn't make it in

Study skills and supporting your child at home

- Getting the basics right
- What makes a good revision timetable?
- What does a house going through GCSEs look and feel like?

person. At the information evening on 14th September, Mr Anderson explained how parents can support their GCSE student in preparing for their exams. Mrs Watson highlighted the impact of good attendance on exam performance. Mrs Reece gave important information on safeguarding and

What is the point of examinations?

James Hutson, Senior lead for examinations

Mock examinations and the Summer examinations

James Hutson, Senior lead for examinations

Revision styles

Paul Emecz, Head of Year

What is stress?

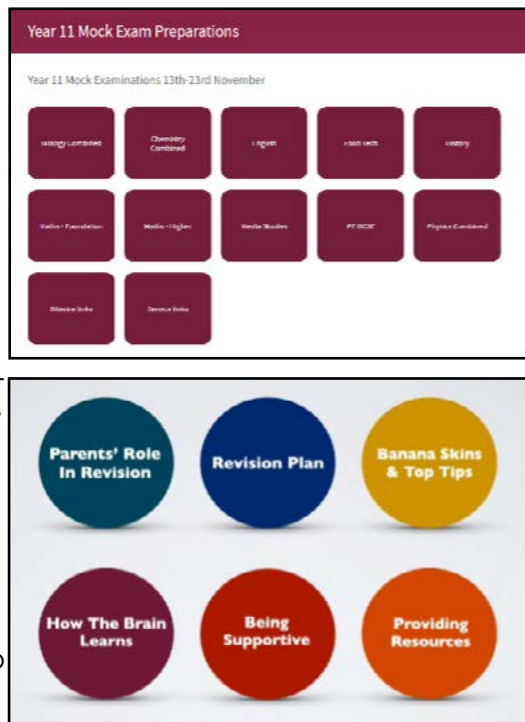
James Hutson, Senior lead for examinations

how students can get additional help and support during this challenging year. Mr Price gave insights into the range of post-16 courses available, including the growing availability of apprenticeships and the variety of academic and vocational courses students can choose from. Mr Hutson led the GCSE exam evening on 11th October, explaining the purpose of exams and how November's mock exams help students prepare for next summer. At both evenings, Mr Emecz provided an overview of what is happening in school and how parents can keep informed using resources on Firefly.

YEAR 11 UPDATE

YEAR 11 MOCK EXAM PREPARATIONS PAGE

The mock exam page on Firefly has been popular with both parents and students, and is regularly updated with links and resources to help Year 11s keep on top of exam preparation. Students and parents can see lists of what students should be revising. You should only see pages for the specific options that students are studying, as topic lists will vary for those taking higher or foundation maths, combined or triple science etc. There is also a range of revision planners that students can modify themselves, as well as copies of resources used in tutor times. I have also included a comprehensive 45 minute video, exclusive to Arnewood and not available elsewhere on the internet, that gives invaluable information from Lorraine Lee on parenting a student preparing for their examinations. This comes highly recommended by parents who have watched it, and includes a 'banana skins' section with advice on how to respond when your child says "I hate maths!", "You don't understand" and "I don't know where to start!".



The screenshot shows the 'Year 11 Mock Exam Preparations' page. It features a grid of buttons for various subjects: Biology Combined, Chemistry Combined, English, Health and Social Care, History, Maths Foundation, Maths Higher, Maths Studies, PE GCSE, Physics Combined, Science Skills, and Design Skills. Below this grid is a section with six circular icons representing different resources: Parents' Role In Revision, Revision Plan, Banana Skins & Top Tips, How The Brain Learns, Being Supportive, and Providing Resources.

REVISING OVER HALF TERM

When I wrote to you last term, I said "it is really important for students to look after their mental health, and one of the best ways is to spread the load by putting some extra time in now." Students who have left things to the last minute have been asking their tutors how much they should be revising over half term. Lorraine Lee gives advice in her video, and includes this template for a day's revision for a weekend/holiday leading up to a period of exams. The important thing is for students to allow time for their brains to process the information they are revising. Encourage them to plan carefully and include breaks. Working for more than an hour without a proper break will not be effective, and they must factor in days off!

GCSE Full Day Revision Plan		
Weekends / Half Term / Christmas Holiday / Easter Holiday		
Evening Off	Afternoon Off	Morning off
8:00-10:00 Revise 30 min Break	8:00-10:00 Revise 30 min Break	1:00-2:00 Revise 30 min Break
10:30-11:30 Revise 1 hour Break	10:30-11:30 Revise 5 hr Break	2:30-3:30 Revise 30 min Break
12:30-1:30 Revise 1.5 hour Lunch	4:30-5:30 Revise 30 min Break	4:00-5:00 Revise 1 hr Break
3:00-4:00 Revise FINISHED	6:00-7:00 Revise FINISHED	6:00-7:00 Revise FINISHED
Add an extra hour before break 4:30-5:30	Add an extra hour after dinner 8:30-9:30	Add an extra hour after dinner 8:30-9:30

AFTER SCHOOL REVISION SESSIONS

The best way students can prepare for the Year 11 mock exams and next summer's formal examinations is to ensure they attend all of their lessons

	Week A	Week B
Tuesday	3D Design T75	Science S38
	Health and Social Care I70	
Wednesday	Further Maths M44	History H24
	Philosophy and Ethics H4	Drama A54
	Art A82	German L72
Thursday	Geography H5	Maths M43
	French L62	Food Technology T58
Friday	Computer Science I68	Computer Science I68
	GCSE PE L63	GCSE PE L63
	Music A51	Music A51

and engage fully with their learning. In addition, teachers will be offering after school revision. Whilst attendance at these sessions is optional, students who routinely attended after school revision last year performed better in their GCSEs. Year 11 students are being encouraged to see these sessions as part of their timetable, and revision sessions will be added to Arbor to appear on students' timetables. After school revision sessions will begin on Tuesday 31st October and will continue next term.



YEAR 11 UPDATE

MOCK EXAMINATIONS TIMETABLE

The English language mock exam took place on Monday 16th October. The remaining mock exams start week beginning Monday 13th November, with the majority of exams ending on Friday 26th November. 3D Design exams are 27th/28th November and Art exams are 11th/12th December. The timetable is available on Firefly, and exams will appear on student timetables on Arbor. Mrs White, the examinations officer, has emailed students with their individual exam timetables. I'm sure you would like to join me in thanking Mrs White for all hard work she has put in to organising these examinations, including creating individual seating plans for every student for each exam.

Additional exams – Monday 13th/Thursday 16th November – 3D Design Mock FTS, Monday 13th/Thursday 16th November – 3D Mock MB B&B

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 8th November, 12.30pm-6.30pm

– Parent Tutor Evening: An opportunity to meet with your child's tutor to discuss their recent reports and post-16 plans

Thursday 9th November – Careers Fair: A chance for students to find out more about the range of opportunities for post-16 and beyond, with representatives from a variety of local colleges and apprenticeship providers, universities and other organisations.

Wednesday 29th November – VI Form Taster Day: Students will be able to experience A level lessons at Arnewood and find out more about the different subjects available at the Arnewood Sixth.

PREPARING FOR EXAMINATIONS

GCSE examinations are scheduled to start week beginning Monday 6th May 2024, with the last timetabled exam currently on Wednesday 19th June. The contingency day for next summer's exams is Wednesday 26th June, which is the last day on which a GCSE exam can be held. Please do not book any holidays before this date.

The purpose of mock examinations is to allow students to experience what the examinations will be like to help them prepare for their formal exams next year. There are very strict rules in place during formal examinations, and as such students completing mock exams will be expected to follow all the rules and expectations that formal exams entail. Parents can support students by ensuring they know when each of their exams is taking place and where they need to go for their exams. It is really important that students get into good routines for eating, sleeping and keeping hydrated in the lead up to the exams. Keeping calm, being well-organised and getting into agreed routines can help students cope with the pressure of exams. If students are worried about their exams, they should talk to their tutors and teachers in the first instance, but are always welcome to come to the Year 11 Office at break or lunch to talk to Mr Emecz, Head of Year, or Mrs Young, Assistant Head of Year.



ARNEWOOD SIXTH



TAS TER DAY

WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER
8.30AM - 13.10PM