



BELL BAXTER HIGH SCHOOL

Weekly Update

Monday 28th October 2019

WHOLE SCHOOL MESSAGES



Save the date

Book Week Scotland

18–24 November 2019

Celebrate books and reading
wherever you are!

Extra-Curricular Clubs

The Extra-Curricular Clubs at lunchtimes and after school will only continue to be offered if numbers increase, these are advertised on the glass doors of the PE Department. These opportunities are provided by senior pupils and staff who very kindly give up their time in order to provide opportunities for you to enjoy yourself and improve your health and well-being. (Mr Baillie)

TRIPS, CLUBS, EVENTS AND REHEARSALS

Manchester United Trip

Can all those signed up to the Manchester United trip please attend a brief meeting on Thursday 31st October in the PE Hall at break time? Only a few places remain for the Manchester United trip and we expect these places to go in the next few weeks. The trip will take place on weekend of 22nd February, to secure a place please see Mr Duncan in PE for a consent form.

Andalucía Trip October 2020

Could all participants of the Andalucía Trip please attend a meeting at break time on Monday 4th November in Miss Aitken's Room (322)? Attendance is essential as important information will be shared and forms will be distributed. See you there!

French Trip

During the first week of the October holidays the Faculty of International Languages ran their biennial trip to France, this time spending the duration in Paris. The 37 pupils involved in the trip learned a great deal about French culture whilst having the opportunity to use their language skills. We climbed to the top of the Arc de Triomphe, took a lift to the top of the Eiffel Tower, took a boat trip down the Seine (where we were able to see the damage caused by the fire at Notre Dame), visited the fabulous art at Musée d'Orsay and still had time for shopping at Les Halles. The highlight of the trip for most was a new addition this year – Disneyland Paris! Feedback from pupils was that they thoroughly enjoyed the trip and made new friendships both within the group and with youngsters from other countries in the hotel. Staff were very pleased with the excellent standard of behaviour displayed by our pupils and getting to know our youngsters in a more informal setting. We look forward to welcoming the next cohort in 2021!





World Challenge

Derek Ramsay from JDR Healthcare will be in school on Monday 18th November at 6.30 pm to meet parents/carers/challengers and inform and answer questions about his travel vaccination service. Previously he has offered discounted vaccinations for teams from the school and has a list of products, i.e. box mosquito nets, for sale. Please come along if you are interested in using his services. (Mrs Kidson and Mrs Bateman)



S1 Basketball Club

Basketball Club will re-start for this term on Tuesdays after school. The club is open to all S1 pupils no matter their basketball experience. No sign up is required just come along to the club. (Mr K Cameron)



Global Goals Group (Eco, Fairtrade)

Come along to Room 212 on Thursday lunchtimes. All welcome. (Ms C Pour)

S1 - S3 MESSAGES

S1 Drop In

Drop in to Room 212 at interval and lunchtime. All welcome, bring lunch, chat with friends and play games. (Ms C Pour)



S1-S3 Christmas Dance

Planning and preparation is now underway for this year's Christmas Dances. The S1-S3 Dance takes place on the evening of **Thursday 12th December**. As always, it's an extremely popular and well attended event in the school calendar. We will send more information as the term progresses.

The Dance is a formal occasion with a smart dress code - no jeans or sportswear allowed.

We also have high expectations for behaviour and only those with the highest standards will be allowed to attend.

Excellent Projects – S2 and S3

Could all S2 and S3 pupils collect any Excellent Projects from the LRC that they would like to take home by the **end of school on Friday 1st November**. The LRC is now open at break time and lunchtime so that you can do this. Thank you. (The English Faculty)

S4 - S6 MESSAGES

S4 Parents' Evening

The S4 Parents Evening will be held on Wednesday 6th November 2019, 5.00 pm–7.30 pm. The online booking system will go live on Saturday 26th October at 00:10am



S6 UCAS Applications

Reference sheets should be collected from the LRC on Monday 28th October. We will assume that any pupils who do not collect reference sheets no longer wish to apply for university entry. All S6 pupils applying should ensure a copy of their personal statement is given to Miss Cunneen by 4th November. Information for completion of references will be given out during PSE.

S5/S6 Charities Group

All S5/S6 pupils interested in taking part in the Charities/school events team should attend a meeting in Room 100 on Tuesday 29th October at 12:35 pm. (Ms AL Cunneen)



S4-S6 Christmas Dance

Planning and preparation is now underway for this year's Christmas Dances. The S4-S6 Dance takes place on the evening of **Tuesday 17th December**. As always, it's an extremely popular and well attended event in the school calendar. We will send more information as the term progresses.

The Dance is a formal occasion with a smart dress code - no jeans or sportswear allowed.

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Senior Language Ambassadors

All Language Ambassadors should attend a meeting in Miss Aitken's Room (322) at lunch time on Thursday 31st October to discuss your next project. I look forward to seeing you then!



Senior Spanish Study Support

Study Support continues on Thursday 31st October in Miss Aitken's Room (322) from 3:40 pm-4:40 pm. The day that Study Support is held may alternate to allow as many learners as possible to benefit, so please check Miss Aitken's door on a regular basis to see when the next session will take place. All seniors welcome.

Practical Work – CDT, Woodworking, Metalworking and D & M

All practical work from last session's National Practical Woodworking, Practical Metalworking and Design & Manufacture courses can now be collected from CDT. Please come to the Technologies Base to collect. (Mr N Ritchie)