

BARCLAY ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th March 2024



Dear Parents / Carers

Thank you to everyone who sent in messages of support following the incident that happened outside the school on Wednesday afternoon. Fortunately, the two Barclay students are now fine with one being back in school today. My thanks go to Mrs Charlwood and Mrs Smith for going above and beyond the call of duty. I am very fortunate to have an excellent team.



Congratulations go to the Year 8 basketball team for winning their game against Nobel 40-38. Well done for clinching victory in a tight contest!

This week, the Year 12 students have been out on work experience. Next week, it is the turn of the Year 10 cohort. I wish them all the very best and I hope that they enjoy their placements.

We now have less than two weeks until the Easter holidays. We will finish on Thursday 28th March at 12 noon.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Dr Matthew Laban
Executive Principal

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NON-UNIFORM DAY

We are having a non-uniform day on Thursday the 28th March in aid of Stevenage Community Trust, with a suggested donation of £1. This can be donated online through student gateway.

GARDENING CLUB



The Barclay Garden Club visited Lister hospital to help renovate another area of the hospital grounds. They planted wildflower seeds as well as spring and summer bulbs. The hope is that this small corner will provide habitat for all manner of insects over the summer. Fantastic to see the students forging these links with our wider community and they will be visiting again after Easter to create a new area for staff and patients alike.



SPORT

Year 8 Basketball

The Year 8 Boys team played their third league game of the season against Nobel School looking to build on their great performance against Knights Templar. It was very quickly apparent that Nobel presented the most difficult challenge of the season, with a number of their players being very physically strong, and one of their players being a particularly talented high level player.

Barclay sought to combat Nobel's physicality by spacing out and passing the ball really quickly on offence. This was primarily led by co-captain Owen, playing the role of point-guard. There were definitely times where the sheer physical strength of Nobel was quite overwhelming, but in this back-and-forth game there were times where Barclay managed to use all 5 players on the court successfully, creating chances for players to score. The battle was certainly physical, but in the end, the final score was Barclay 40-38 Nobel. Player of the game goes to Zachary, who showed great passing skills, and played with great composure, dribbling the ball at the correct times. It is great to see all the boys show great team spirit in all situations, particularly when met with challenges!

STEVENAGE BUS SERVICE CONSULTATION

Hertfordshire County Council is proposing:

1. **Improvements to the Lister Hospital bus stop area (part of the Council's wider Bus Service Improvement Plan).**

The proposed improvements include increasing bus capacity and new bus shelters, but, more specifically, we want feedback and suggestions for how we can improve the bus stop area, to create a more pleasant and accessible place.

Find out more: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/busimprovements

2. **Improvements to the High Street, Old Town Stevenage.**

We have developed our designs since our early engagement period in 2023. The proposed improvements include more crossing points and a new plaza area.

Find out more: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/activetravelfund

Both consultations are open until the end of Sunday 17 March 2024.

BARCLAY COMMUNITY



This year, following on from our successful Christmas food collection, we at Barclay would again like to bring some cheer and joy to those less fortunate but this time in the form of Easter Eggs. The collection will run for 2 weeks between the 18-28th March. Either drop off egg/eggs at reception or send in your trustworthy student to deliver them.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to the following students for being invited to Feast Friday with Dr Laban. The students were chosen at random from the Feast Friday weekly raffle. All students who have received a Student of the Week award are entered into the raffle.

Year 7

Amanda T 7APO1
Olivia W 7APO2
James W 7ZEU2

Year 8

Gwyneth C 8HER2
Martin M 8ZEU2
Hannah M 8ZEU2

Year 9

Keagan V 9HER2
Beau D 9ZEU1
Temi F 9ZEU2

Year 10

Oliver P 10APO1
Oskar S 10APO2
Gina C 10ZE

PRE – LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

Barclay Academy's Second Hand Uniform Shop opening time is Wednesday 1.30pm - 3pm

Please email admin@barclay.futureacademies.org to check stock levels with the size, requirements and arrange an appointment, which will be on Wednesday between 1.30-3pm to collect. Anyone that would like to donate old reusable uniform please hand into Reception.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 18th to Friday 22nd March - Year 10 Work Experience Week

Wednesday 20th to Friday 22nd March - Y11 Revision Retreat Residential

Tuesday 26th March – Year 7 Parents' Evening

Thursday 28th March – Last Day of Spring Term

Monday 15th April – Start of Summer Term

Monday 27th to Friday 31st May – Half Term

Tuesday 25th to Friday 28th June – Year 12 Visit to Krakow, Poland

ONLINE SAFETY COURSE FOR PARENTS

Here is the link to the courses for parents.

<https://nationalcollege.com/courses/os-for-parents-carers-of-children-aged-11-14>

<https://nationalcollege.com/courses/os-for-parents-carers-of-children-aged-14-18>

FUNDRAISING



CASH ONLY
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QUIZ NIGHT

THE BARCLAY KART TEAM
INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM

AT BARCLAY ACADEMY

RAFFLE PRIZES

£5 PER PERSON

TEAMS OF
8-10 PEOPLE

FRIDAY 22ND MARCH

7PM - 11.30PM

DOORS OPEN AT 6.30PM



TICKETS ON EVENTBRITE

Tune i[🎵]to ASD

Effective Partnership working with Schools Bespoke Training Course

Wednesday 20th March
7:30-9:30pm GMT
Via Zoom

This course aims to give participants:

The psychology behind effective partnership working with schools.

Practical tips and guidance for working with schools to ensure a joined-up approach to supporting your child.

A chance to work through any current challenges.

Facilitated by our highly passionate and legendary consultant **Dr. Felicity Wallace** who combines her expertise as an Education Psychologist, Educator and parent to bring a wealth of knowledge and experience in this area.

Cost: Fully Funded (Free)

This workshop is suitable for Parents and Carers

For bookings, please email admin@tuneintoasd.com

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Stevenage
BOROUGH COUNCIL

THE LISTER HOSPITAL NEONATAL UNIT GOLDEN MILE



SUNDAY 5TH MAY 2024



**THIS YEAR, AT THE HITCHIN 10KM, WE HAVE INTRODUCED
THE BRAND NEW GOLDEN MILE RUN.
AIMED PURELY FOR CHILDREN!
TAKING PLACE ON SUNDAY 5TH MAY, 9:10AM***

**FOR EVERY CHILD THAT TAKES PART, 100% OF THE ENTRY
MONEY WILL GO DIRECT TO THE LISTER HOSPITAL NEONATAL
UNIT, AS PART OF THEIR PROGRAMME TO UPDATE THE
FACILITIES FOR THE PARENTS WHO NEED THEIR SERVICES.**



- **THERE ARE DIFFERENT AGE CATEGORIES!**
- **EVERY CHILD WILL HAVE A RACE BIB AND CHIP TIME!**
- **EVERY CHILD WILL GET A RACE MEDAL!**
- **TROPHIES FOR THE FASTEST GIRL AND BOY IN EACH AGE GROUP!**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE DETAILS, AND TO SIGN UP YOUR
CHILD FOR THIS NEW RUN, PLEASE VISIT:**

WWW.BURNTHARE.COM



THE HITCHIN 10KM



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