



The Weekly Word

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A note from the Principal

It has been a very positive week across the campus for a number of reasons. I wanted to say thank you to the number of Y11 parents who turned out for parents' evening on Thursday night. It is great to have your support in the final few months as we run up to the GCSE exams. We look forward to Y8 parents' evening on the 25th January too and encourage you to come and show your support for your child's education.



This week we have been voting for the new school logo. Voting finishes today and we will be announcing the result in assemblies next week. In two weeks' time we will be starting the exercise on engaging the students in choosing their new uniform for September 2018. We are currently bringing in samples from different manufacturers for the SLT to look at before deciding on different options for the children to help us choose from. We are trying to balance quality with cost. It is our intention that we will have a brand new look come the autumn term for the children to be proud of. We are still mulling over the name change and will announce this as soon as we have a firm plan and it has been agreed by the Trust Board.

We will also be sending a letter out to a number of parents whose children have the highest achievement points, to invite them to join us one afternoon towards the end of month to celebrate their success and their positive impact on our school. At this session the Governing Body will be holding a workshop to talk about the vision we want for our school as we move into a new and exciting phase for the campus. There will be other opportunities for parents and students to contribute to our ideas over the next couple of months. However, if you do have any questions for us or great ideas to throw into the mix please email me directly on sthomas@banbury-aspirations.org. I look forward to hearing from you.

[Link to calendar](#)

Please VOTE for us at Tesco

We won last year and got £5,000 to help repair the astro turf – so let's do it again!

Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme: "Musical Instruments For All"

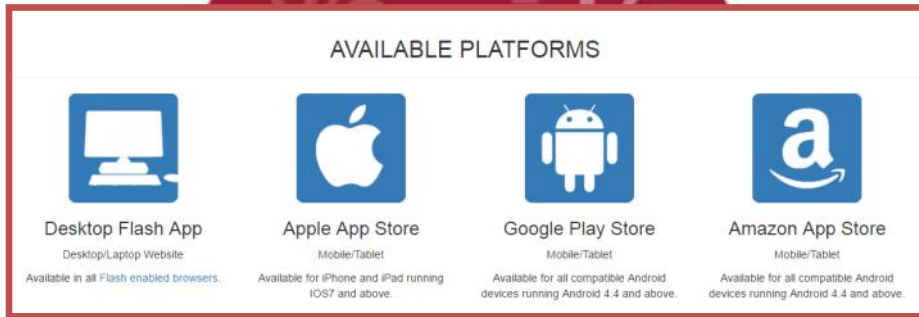


The Academy has been successful in the Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme! Our project, **Musical Instruments for All**, will be put forward for a customer vote in local Tesco stores from now until the end of February 2018. Customers will decide the outcome by voting for their favourite project each time they shop.

We will find out at the end of March 2018 if we came first, which relates to the amount of funding received. Tesco's Bags of Help scheme offers community groups and projects across the UK a share of revenue generated from the 5p charge levied on single-use carrier bags.

If Banbury Academy gets the most votes we will receive an incredible £4,000 towards some new musical instruments for our talented musicians! Second place receives £2,000 and third is £1,000. Please use the tokens given by cashiers to cast your vote each time you shop and ask everyone you know to do the same.

Year 11 Maths app



<https://mathsapp.pixl.org.uk/>

Year 11 pupils now have access to their individual feedback following their mock exams before Christmas.

After pupils log in they must go to:

Gap Analysis

Edexcel

My School Filter

Gap analysis title

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Here they will get the task specific to their exam analysis.

SCIB (Safeguarding children In Banbury)

SCIB is a multi-agency collaborative working group that has been set up with the primary goal of keeping children in Banbury safe. The group consists of leads from each of the schools, the Police, Health and Social Care. The aim of the group is to deliver information to children and parents about issues that affect our community and children's wellbeing. The focus areas for this year have been chosen as Child Sexual Exploitation, Cyber Bullying and Substance Abuse. The group liaise to ensure the best delivery of these subject areas at the same time across the town for maximum impact. The main objectives and messages that the SCIB group want to communicate are:

I know how to keep myself safe from...

I know how to keep my child safe from...

We know how to keep our community safe from ...

The group wants to celebrate collaborative working amongst schools in Banbury with the aim of safeguarding students and to publicise this throughout the year. A logo competition was held amongst all of the students from the schools to come up with a design that promoted SCIB and fitted with the ethos of the group and they came up with the following:



PE information

Could all messages for PE staff regarding illness, injury and kit be directed to the member of staff in question via email or through a note in the students planner.

Students will still require their PE kit in order to officiate and/or lead even if they are not actively taking part in the lesson.

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Student Council news

The student Council, which consists of 22 students across all years, met this week to discuss the school rebranding.

Students are voting for their new logo this Friday. They are choosing from the following 3 designs and the winning logo will be announced next week.

The student councillors will reconvene in 2 weeks to discuss the new uniform.



Banbury Aspirations Campus
Sixth Form

'Our Community... Our Responsibility... Our Future'

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Thursday 22nd Feb 2018 6pm-8pm



One campus. Two schools.

Banbury Aspirations Campus Sixth Form is a vibrant community where students' ambitions, dreams and true potential are realised.

Our Sixth Form campus is focused on achieving success and ensuring that all students have a wide range of opportunities in order to achieve their true potential.

We would love you to come and see for yourselves the wide range of opportunity that is on offer at our campus.

We are excited to be offering both **Level 2 and Level 3 pathways** in order to ensure we offer different routes to success for a wide range of students.

The **Open Evening** will involve a range of taster sessions led by different subject areas. There will be an opportunity to take part in a tour of our campus, meet the **Sixth Form Leadership team** and of course our fantastic **sixth form students**. Their pride and commitment to our community is evident and they will be thrilled at the opportunity to share that with others

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For more information, please contact the Sixth Form Administrator
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Science PE & Health awards for TERM 2

Student subject awards for TERM 2

Samantha Poole Media Studies

Elizabeth Dray Food & Nutrition

Ethan Evans Geography

100% Attendance TERM 2

75 students had 100% Attendance for term 2 and Jasmine Butcher was the lucky student who picked out of a hat and received a £10 shopping voucher

Mentee of TERM 2

Iga Kazmierczak was picked out of a hat and received a £10 shopping voucher

Overall Quiz Winners for TERM 2

SGWI

Highest Achievement Points for TERM 2

SGWI

Maths, ICT and Computing awards for TERM 2

Attendance prize (£10 Gift Card):

Libbie Evans MEPU

Mentee of the Week prize (£10 Gift Card):

Ava Butler MKGI

Winners of the Term 2 Quiz: MKGI

Subject Awards:

English: Alimah Ahmed. MESM

Foreign Languages: Kanika Brown. MESM

PE: Ellie Hughes. MGRI

Science: Daria Dudu. MKGI

Humanities & Language awards for TERM 2

Student subject awards for TERM 2

Computing Tirza Lukacs

Textiles Danika Golder

100% Attendance TERM 2

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Mentee of TERM 2

Billy Lambert was picked out of a hat and received a £10 shopping voucher

Overall Quiz Winners for TERM 2

HJBE

Highest Achievement Points for TERM 2

HVPE

School jumpers

Cross Embroidery have a good range of stock of school jumpers in a range of sizes to get students through the colder months.

Tel: 01295 270555

Units 5 - 6 Lower Cherwell Street, Banbury OX16 5AY



Incredible value:

Casio fx-85 GT PLUS calculators available for sale in the library for only £5, as endorsed by Miss Reddan. Limited stock.

JUMP-IN attendance reward



Students with excellent attendance were all rewarded with a trip to the Jump-in Trampoline Park in Leamington last week.

There was a great atmosphere as we took over the whole venue and rose to all the challenges on the trampoline course! The Jump-in staff complimented our students on their politeness and excellent behaviour, and everyone had great fun. Details of our next attendance trip shortly after Easter will be announced soon.

In the meantime, please remember that regular attendance is always associated with improved life chances. The greater the attendance, the greater the potential for achievement. Our minimum expectation for children and young people to work towards achieving their potential is an attendance of at least 96%.

Careers Advice:

The Caterer has published the 2018 edition of their guide to careers in hospitality, along with details of apprenticeship opportunities and tips on how to tailor your CV to get a job in the industry. [The Caterer](#)

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