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The Weekly Bulletin for Great Baddow High School

HEAD LINES

ESSEX YOUTH SERVICES

The Essex Youth Services County Lines performance and information evening is on Tuesday 29th January at 6.45 p.m. The performance is about gang activity, knife crime, and issues with County Lines, and promises to deliver some really important messages. Tickets can be booked [here](#).

CAREERS FAIR

Not to be missed....

Tuesday 26th February 2019 is the annual GBHS Careers Fair for students in Years 9-13. Put the date in your diary and come along to speak to a range of employers, universities, colleges and apprenticeship providers.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 7th March is World Book Day and as a school we will be celebrating reading and books with a variety of competitions throughout the week. Tutor groups will be taking part in the annual challenge to decorate their tutor room door to represent their favourite book, author, genre or an aspect of reading, such as why reading is important. Doors will be judged on World Book Day.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

It's a new year, and that means new apps on your child's phone. While the old standbys like Snapchat and Instagram are still going strong, there's no shortage of social media and video-sharing apps that are popular, but not necessarily household names, that you should be aware of.

[Apps to Watch Out for in 2019](#)

*'Ever just the same
Ever a surprise*

Ever as before and ever just as sure as the sun will rise'

And, *as ever*, cast, crew and audiences enjoyed three excellent performances of this year's production, 'Beauty and the Beast' this week. Our students, from Years 7 to 12, excelled in singing, dancing and acting to packed houses on Wednesday and Thursday while others stage managed and built sets and props. Performances included a matinee for primary pupils from Larkrise and Beehive Lane. Both evening performances were sell-outs. Congratulations to all concerned and particular thanks to Mrs Moon, Miss Hinchcliffe and Mr Bowers in the drama department.



As well as celebrating a top-class production, we are also delighted to share news about our school data. You may be interested in following the link below to see how we compare against the 130 secondary schools in Essex (including selective and independent schools). You will see that we are one of only 15 schools in Essex to be classed as above average for Progress 8 and we also rank 17th for Attainment 8 at GCSE (7th out of all non-selective or independent schools). Our Sixth Form ranks 16th for progress for all Essex. All these gradings within a very large county give our whole school community a great deal to celebrate!

[School Performance Data](#)

Carrie Lynch, Headteacher



Congratulations to Blair who won his age group in the zonal trampolining round and has qualified for the National Trampoline Finals in March. Also congratulations to George who came 6th in the same competition.

Want to know more about a career in teaching? Great Baddow High School will be hosting an information evening on Wednesday 13th March 2019, from 6.30 to 8.00 p.m. Contact gbn@gbhs.co.uk to find out more.

WEEKLY CALENDAR - WEEK A

Day	Date	School Activity
Monday	28 Jan	Year 10 History residential trip to Berlin returns Year 11 GCSE art gallery visit
Tuesday	29 Jan	A Level Physics to UCLH radiotherapy unit County Lines Gang Workshops in PAH (See above)
Wednesday	30 Jan	Year 13 Annual Report – parents
Thursday	31 Jan	1700-2000 - Year 13 Parents' evening
Friday	1 Feb	
Saturday	2 Feb	Duke of Edinburgh Training Day

[Sports Fixtures](#) are updated on the website weekly

DIARY DATES

Spring Term

Half Term: Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February 2019
Term Ends: Friday 5th April 2019

Summer Term

Term Begins: Tuesday 23rd April 2019
Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2019
Half Term: Monday 27th May 2019 to Friday 31st May 2019
Inset Day: Friday 12th July 2019
Term Ends: Wednesday 24th July 2019

See website for full [2018/19 Term Dates](#)

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