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## VOLUME 11 DATE 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

It was a very special weekend for Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School. We are incredibly proud to announce that we have won the Warrington Wolves Made of Steel High School of the Year award at an official ceremony at the Halliwell Jones Stadium on Saturday Evening.

This award celebrates community Rugby League across our town, from school teams to community clubs. We are not the biggest school in our town, but we have the biggest expectations and aspirations for what our young people can and will achieve. Our PE Team have changed hearts and minds. It was a fabulous atmosphere and evening. All the parents and carers I spoke to could not thank us enough for what we have done for their children, not only in sport but holistically. I felt very proud.

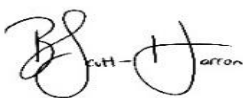


Sunday was Education Sunday and Mrs Hoey, Miss Wellens and I were invited to go and speak at our Chaplain, Mike Wildsmith's Church. It was a really wonderful event, giving us the opportunity to share with the congregation and community what we do and how "Through God We Care" about everyone and just how we do it.

I was incredibly proud of Mrs Hoey and Miss Wellens and how they spoke about your young people and the school. We are very lucky to have them both on Team Boteler.

So all in all an incredibly busy weekend for the school but an amazing one, absolutely reaffirming that I have the best job in the world with the best staff and most importantly the best young people.

Kind regards



Beverley Scott-Herron  
**Headteacher**

## **Prepared and Punctual!**

We have more children than ever at our school which is amazing. However, this does cause some challenges around movement between classes. It is important that with nearly 900 children in the building that any transitions are quick and calm.

With this in mind, from next week we will be asking all students to carry their ISPs with them with their timetable in the front so they know exactly where they are going and when via the quickest route.

Please support us in ensuring your child has their ISP and timetable with them every day.

## **Year 7 Parents' Evening**

A reminder that Year 7 Parents' Evening is Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December with appointments starting at 15.30. If you have not yet made a booking, please do so ASAP.

We really value your feedback. We have introduced an online feedback form, which on the evening you will receive a QR code with direct access to. We would greatly appreciate if you could spare a few minutes to complete this.

## **Year 11 Mock Exams**

I would like to congratulate Year 11 on how they have conducted themselves in their first week of Mock Exams this week.

The exams have gone very smoothly indeed. Their behaviour has been excellent. Just a reminder for students to always bring their personalised exam timetable with them so they know exactly where they are sitting.

Students are permitted to wear a coat in the exam venue for these Mock Exams due to the cold weather. However, hoodies are not allowed to be worn.

Students must bring a scientific calculator to their Maths Paper 2 Calculator Exam which is on Tuesday morning. Students must also bring a calculator to all Science exams as they are required to answer calculation questions which would be very difficult without having a calculator.

Our Year 11 Mock Results assembly will be on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January with the Year 11 Parents' Evening being on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January. Bookings for the Year 11 Parents' Evening will be opening on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

## Support for young people and families

As a school we work closely with the Local Authority, professionals and services to ensure young people and families have access to support when they need it, particularly around mental health. At the request of schools, please find the Voice Over PowerPoint Presentation to showcase the updated features of the Warrington Happy, Ok, Sad website. <https://vimeo.com/882108412>

Children, young people and families who live or work in Warrington can visit [Happy? Ok? Sad? | warrington.gov.uk](http://warrington.gov.uk) for links to mental health services and information.

Further to this, we would like to bring your attention to the work of Warrington Youth Zone, with some fantastic targeted youth work taking place. You can access the website by clicking this link [Targeted Youth Services - Warrington Youth Zone](#), where we would like you to be specifically aware of the Youth in Mind support. The poster below outlines when and where your child can access this support.

**Youth in Mind**  
at Warrington Youth Zone

Youth In Mind is a free and discrete drop-in service for young people aged 7-19 (up to 25 with additional needs) who are experiencing problems relating to their emotional wellbeing.

No appointment or referral is necessary.

**Opening Hours**  
Mon-Fri, 3pm – 7pm  
Sat & Sun, 11am – 3pm

Open 7 Days a Week

<https://warringtonyouthzone.org>

Charity Number: 1101086

NHS Mersey Care  
1819 Foundation Trust

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## Personal Development

### Post 16 pathways

Cheshire and Warrington Pledge held an information session on Post 16 pathways, please watch the following video:

[https://blazescreen.blazenetworks.co.uk/fmlurlsvc/?fewReq=:B:JV07MDc4Oyd3PDMvMSdoZTwxMDsxMCdyaGZvYHV0c2Q8ZWcyNDQ1Mji5NGIwMTI0MDc1MzdjZzA3NWdnYzM2MGRiODIwMTJgMSd1PDA3ODYwMDY2OTcncGhIPDI4QkVgUHIUMTEyNzM1LDI4QkVgUHIZMTEyNzM1J3NicXU8ci9jZGBzZXJ2bnN1aUFiaWRyaWhzZGBvZXZgc3Nob2Z1bm8vYm5sJ2I8MzQnaWVtPDE=&url=https%3a%2f%2fwww.youtube.com%2fwatch%3fv%3dZ4RKE9vAo\\_U](https://blazescreen.blazenetworks.co.uk/fmlurlsvc/?fewReq=:B:JV07MDc4Oyd3PDMvMSdoZTwxMDsxMCdyaGZvYHV0c2Q8ZWcyNDQ1Mji5NGIwMTI0MDc1MzdjZzA3NWdnYzM2MGRiODIwMTJgMSd1PDA3ODYwMDY2OTcncGhIPDI4QkVgUHIUMTEyNzM1LDI4QkVgUHIZMTEyNzM1J3NicXU8ci9jZGBzZXJ2bnN1aUFiaWRyaWhzZGBvZXZgc3Nob2Z1bm8vYm5sJ2I8MzQnaWVtPDE=&url=https%3a%2f%2fwww.youtube.com%2fwatch%3fv%3dZ4RKE9vAo_U)

The next 3 parent/carer sessions are:

- [Higher Education Pathways - 16 Nov 6:00 PM](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_e0KJaNVbTvW-kkwIIR8bA)
- [Apprenticeship Pathways - 5 Feb 6:00 PM](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_E-BCEQuCtjC0odpPp4WMvQ)
- [T Level Pathways - 17 Apr 06:00 PM](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_EWAWV8WhQuy-H0hvwv7LXQ)

Please use the above links to book onto them.

## Poppy Appeal

Thank you to our students and staff who helped to raise £130.18 for the Poppy Appeal last month.



## Cooking up Wild Game in Hospitality and Catering with Mr Koltan



On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November Year 10 Hospitality and Catering students experienced a very different practical lesson! Mr Koltan led a masterclass on the preparation of wild game. He brought in two fresh pheasants and showed the students how to prepare the birds. Mrs Callaway then salted, peppered and pan fried them for everyone to taste.

The students showed a great interest in the lesson and were very surprised they actually enjoyed the taste of pheasant. A few students went back for seconds. Students were keen to 'have a go' in preparing and cooking wild game themselves, so we are planning a future session with Mr Koltan.

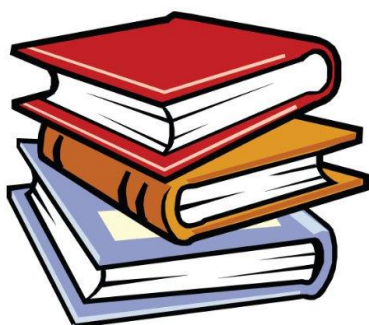
British Game Assurance are encouraging those who eat meat in the UK to eat wild and sustainable British meat as an alternative to mass-produced meats, stating it is the "healthiest you can eat". Wild game is not only much more sustainable but also healthier than many other meats we see today.

Game (e.g. pheasant, partridge, rabbit, venison etc.) has a lower carbon footprint than most mass-produced meats (e.g. pork, chicken, beef etc.) and is leaner, higher in protein, and lower in fat.

Thank you Mr Koltan for sharing this interesting experience with the students. We all really enjoyed the session and can't wait for the next one!

### Lost items

We have a new lost property area in school. If your child has lost anything and it has been found it will be in the Lost Property cupboard by the KS3 entrance. There is a sign on the wall.



### Library Books return

Reminder for any students who have borrowed a library book from school, to please return it to Miss Owen (in the Library at lunchtime) when they have finished enjoying it.

## Calling all dancers!

Dance club is on Thursday lunch and after school and rehearsals have already begun for our next dance show in February. Just turn up to the gym and speak to Mrs Hughes and Mrs Graham at how you can get involved. All styles and levels of ability welcome.

See you there.



# DANCE EXPLOSION



**Showcasing  
a variety  
of year  
groups  
and dance  
styles from  
across the  
decades**

**22nd February 2024 ★ 6pm**

**At Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School**

**£2 per ticket**

**Tickets available from the main school office**

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## Parents Supporting Boteler

Thank you to the parents/carers who have shown an interest in being part of our Parents Boteler Group.

If you would like to be involved and could help to set up our students Christmas Fayre on Monday 18th December from 10:00, please contact Mrs Mawby. Any help is much appreciated.



## Students' Christmas Fayre

On the 18<sup>th</sup> December we will be holding our Christmas Fayre, this is for our students from 15:00 – 17:00. Everything will be £1 or under. The Fayre is cash only.

It's a chance for the students to buy Christmas presents, play Christmas games and enjoy the spirit. If you would like to donate any toys, books, toiletries, chocolate, please drop off at reception.

We will be selling raffle tickets for the following hampers starting the week of the 11<sup>th</sup> December:

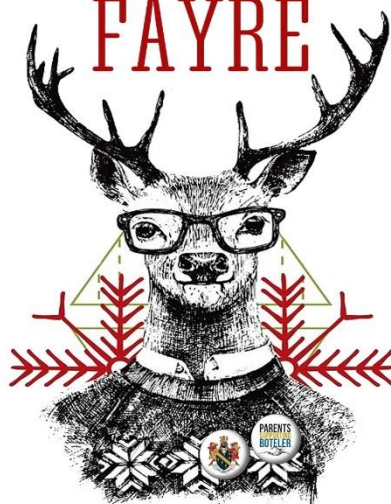
- Dogs Hamper
- Cats Hamper
- Children's Hamper
- Chocolate Hamper
- Teddies Hamper
- Toiletries Hamper

Please send your child in with £1 to be in with a chance of winning! We are also selling raffle tickets to win an enormous Teddy, these will also be £1.

Please ensure your child attends.

SIR THOMAS BOTELER CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL'S

# STUDENTS' Christmas FAYRE



MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER \* 3.10pm-5pm  
AT SIR THOMAS BOTELER CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

★ DRINKS ★ FOOD ★ TOMBOLA ★ DISCO ★ CAROLS ★  
★ RAFFLES ★ COUNCIL & HOUSE STALLS ★ HAMPERS ★  
★ CHRISTMAS GIFT STALLS ★ FATHER CHRISTMAS ★

**CASH ONLY \* EVERYTHING £1 & UNDER**

St Elphin's Church  
**Christmas Fayre**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December  
11.00am - 3.00pm

**Musical Entertainment at:**

12.00 noon by St Elphin's School Choir

2.00pm by The Orford Singers

**Bible Stories in Lego**

(a taster for our Lego Festival in February)

**Grand Raffle to be drawn at 2.30pm**

**All Welcome**



- Hand-made Crafts
- Christmas Gifts
- Stained Glass
- Body Shop Stall
- Cakes
- Refreshments
- Candles
- Jigsaws & Books
- Tombola
- and much, much more!!





# WARRINGTON 英國人和你傾 CAFE CONVERSATION CLUB

*Meet new Friends*

多位英國義工  
將參與聚會!

DEC  
**06**  
2023  
Conversation  
Club Event  
英國人和你傾

星期三  
WED

DEC  
**13**  
2023  
Christmas  
Party  
和你傾聖誕派對

可全部參加  
或只參加個  
別日子

10:30AM - 11:30AM

10:30AM - 12:30PM

費用/ Fee : 免費 Free

地點/ Venue : Hood Manor Community Centre,  
1 Hood Manor Shopping Centre, Dorchester Rd,  
Warrington WA5 1UH

報名 REGISTRATION



Food provided for the Christmas party but welcome to bring  
your own food to share with others

聖誕派對將有美食提供，也歡迎大家自備佳餚一齊分享



Department for Levelling Up,  
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 **CHAWREC**  
CHESHIRE, HALTON & WARRINGTON  
RACE & EQUALITY CENTRE

THIS CHRISTMAS WE ARE GOING TO BE SUPPORTING FAMILIES WHO AREN'T AS FORTUNATE, MAKING SURE THAT THE MOST MAGICAL TIME OF YEAR IS FILLED WITH JOY AND FULL TUMMIES.



### 2023 FAMILY CHRISTMAS APPEAL LIST

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BREAKFAST CEREALS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GLUTEN FREE ITEMS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BISCUITS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JAM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAKES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LONG LIFE MILK
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CHOCOLATES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MINCE PIES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CHRISTMAS CRACKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOODLES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CHRISTMAS PUDDING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PART BAKED BREAD ROLLS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COFFEE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PORRIDGE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONDIMENTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RICE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COOKING SAUCES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SANITARY PRODUCTS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CORDIAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOUP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CRACKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SUGAR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CRISP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWEETS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CURRY PASTES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TEA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CUSTARD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TINNED BEANS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DAIRY FREE ITEMS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TINNED MEATS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DRIED PASTA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TINNED VEGETABLES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FRUIT JUICES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TOILETRIES
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VEGETARIAN ITEMS



*Breakfast with Santa*

**TICKETS £15**

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Saturday 9th | 16th | 23rd December  
 Join us at Warrington Youth Zone for breakfast with Santa and some fun activities  
 Event open to non members too