



20th
November
2020

The Weekly Bulletin for Great Baddow High School

HEAD LINES

BIKEABILITY



Dear Parent,

We have observed some wonderful lessons this week and witnessed a range of high-quality learning. Proof that effective teaching and learning can be rewarding whatever the circumstances.

BADDOW BAKE OFF



Our students have embraced our Great Baddow Bake Off competition with nearly 100 entries across all age groups. Judging was made particularly difficult given the standard of baking and the level of creativity that was on display this year. As a result, we have decided to award two overall winners and I would like to congratulate both Grace M in Year 7 and Chloe K in Year 8 on their achievements. Additional prizes will be awarded to year group winners at the start of next week.

Students believed that our new marquee was installed especially for our bake off competition but, although it may provide a facility for this in years to come, it has been added to the school site to provide additional shelter from the elements for our students over the Winter period.

FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE

Well done to GBHS student James G (Year 9) on organising a fundraiser for his local music venue, supported by Amelie W and Daniel H—his fellow band mates in Risen Ashes. Having raised £1300 so far, he has been interviewed by Phoenix FM and is also due to be interviewed by BBC Essex. Congratulations on your outstanding contributions and initiative to fundraising for the arts in Essex.

Twenty-four students took part in the school 'Bikeability' programme this week that focuses on cycling proficiency and road safety. I know that the students involved thoroughly enjoyed the experience and enhanced their cycling skills. I would particularly like to thank Mr Bailey and Mrs Mowle for organising the event and accompanying the students.

Next week we have a virtual parents evening for Year 13 students, and we will also be practising our fire evacuation procedures during tutorial periods. Each year group will perform a fire drill separately so that we avoid the mixing of year group 'bubbles' and enable social distancing.

With four weeks to go to the end of term it is important for students to maintain their excellent levels of effort and focus on their studies. If students are required to self-isolate at any time, home learning will be communicated to your child via email.

We endeavour to offer the highest levels of education possible but our focus on the health, safety and well-being of everyone in our school community remains our priority.

Take care and stay safe,

Mr Paul Farmer, Headteacher

Please check the PE Club Timetable for activities taking place from Monday 23rd November. [PE Club Timetable](#)

ALWAYS WANTED TO TEACH?

A final reminder that the online information evening, to find out how to train to be a teacher, takes place next week. More details are available on our website [here](#).

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THINKING ABOUT
A CAREER IN
TEACHING?

Virtual Recruitment Event:
ITT Recruitment Evening
24th November 2020
7:30 PM
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WEEKLY CALENDAR - B

The Parent Calendar for the Autumn Term: [School Calendar](#)

Day	Date	School Activity
Monday	23 Nov	
Tuesday	24 Nov	Year 11 Art GCSE mock exam 1930 - Train to Teach Virtual Recruitment Evening
Wednesday	25 Nov	1700-2000 - Year 13 Virtual Parents' evening Year 11 Art GCSE mock exam
Thursday	26 Nov	
Friday	27 Nov	

DIARY DATES

AUTUMN TERM

Term Ends:
Friday 18th December 2020

SPRING TERM

Term Begins:
Monday 4th January 2021
Half Term:
Monday 15th February 2021- Friday 19th February 2021
Term Ends:
Friday 26th March 2021

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