

SUMMER TERM

Note from Mr Jones, Headteacher

Thank you for your support and understanding this week as we faced the challenges of the heat wave requiring adjustments to the school day. Next week it is looking like we are back to temperatures expected for this time of year. Please do continue to be sun safe applying sunscreen and ensuring children arrive with a refillable water bottle.

Senior Leadership Message

This edition: Ms Panesar, Assistant Headteacher

Year 10 Work Experience Week at Barnhill

Following on from our recent Deep Learning Day, where Year 10 students took part in employability workshops and participated in mock interviews with professionals from a wide range of industries, students are now ready for the next stage of their careers journey – Work Experience Week.

Next week, our Year 10 students will be taking part in Work Experience Week, providing them with an invaluable opportunity to experience the workplace, explore potential career pathways and develop the skills that employers value most.

This year, students have secured placements across an impressive range of industries, including the NHS, pharmacies, retail, construction, telecommunications, education, hospitality, engineering and many more. These placements will allow students to gain first-hand insight into different professions, understand workplace expectations and build confidence in a professional environment.

Alongside our in-person placements, a number of students will be participating in a structured virtual work experience programme. Throughout the week, they will experience a 'day in the life' of a different organisation each day, complete industry-specific tasks and hear directly from professionals working across a variety of sectors. This offers an excellent opportunity to explore careers that may not be easily accessible through local placements while developing the same key employability skills.

Work experience is an important milestone in preparing students for their future. Whether attending a placement in person or taking part

virtually, students will develop transferable skills such as communication, teamwork, problem-solving, resilience, organisation and professionalism. These experiences help students make informed decisions about their future education, training and career aspirations while giving them a greater understanding of the opportunities available beyond school.

A huge thank you goes to **Mr Abdillahi, Ms Melake, Mr Watton and Ms Okoye** for their dedication and hard work in supporting students to secure placements and ensuring the week is a success.

This week we also said farewell to our **Y11 students** who have now completed their exams and are free to enjoy the summer ahead! They came into school on Thursday for their leaver's assembly and marker pens were excitedly shared for the traditional shirt signing. Friday night was The Prom to truly mark the end of the year.

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday 7th July: Transition Day for students joining Y7 in September (school closed to all other students)

Thursday 9th July - Summer Concert 7-8pm

Friday 10th July – Sports Day

Thursday 16th July Multi Cultural Day

Parents in Partnership

Thank you to those parents/carers who have completed our survey released last week. We have received approximately half of the response level required to ensure the survey findings are truly representative. If you haven't yet done so, please do complete the [survey linked here](#) by the end of next week (it should take no more than 5 minutes).

If you need any assistance with translation or access to a device, please do get in touch via enquiries@barnhill.school.

Parent Governor Vacancy

Due to a Parent Governor reaching the end of their term, an opportunity has arisen for a parent of a student currently attending our school to join the Board of Governors. Please click on the link for further [information](#) and to [apply](#). Closing date for nominations is midday **10th July 2026**.