

Weekly Letter

Monday 7th July 2025



Dear Families,

I hope you are well and had an enjoyable weekend.

Last week we welcomed our Year 6 students that will be starting with us next academic year. They spent two very busy days with us experiencing a range of lessons and throwing themselves into everything Yate Academy has to offer. We look forward to seeing them again in September

A big thank you to our Student Leaders, they were amazing over the Yr. 6 Transition Days. I honestly do not think we could run transition without their help and they were absolutely incredible this year. Well done to the following students: Akila B, Nessa P, Avannah C, Tobias P, Alcino D, Naomi H, Cooper H, Elvia H, Nancie W and Isabelle D.

On Wednesday during the transition students were treated to an exhibition on Birds of Prey. Paul Golledge of Birds of Prey Discovery, delivered a presentation on 3 amazing Birds of Prey: A Kestrel, Barn Owl and Small Owl. He spoke about their breeding, habitats, pressures facing them and identification of food sources using their waste pellets. The Yr. 6s were amazing and had plenty of interesting questions that demonstrated their interest and future potential at the Academy. Paul then showed these wonderful birds to the students live in the Auditorium! This exhibition was then followed up on the 2nd day of transition with science lessons relating directly to this species of organism.








BIG PIT TRIP

Last week the Year 10 GCSE History students completed their visits to Big Pit National Coal Museum in Blaenavon. As part of the trip, students visited the Blaenavon Ironworks, the Pit Head Baths, and toured the underground workings of the mine. The students impressed the guides with their internet and knowledge of the site. A big thank you to Mr Charles, Ms Sims, Ms Parker and Mr Rowlands for supporting the visits.

Sparx Update:

Congratulations to Park House.

Week Set		Maths	Science	Reader	Sparx Average	Position
23/06/2025						
Brunel		94%	94%	94%	94%	4
Carpenter		95%	93%	95%	94%	2
Park		94%	97%	98%	96%	1
Beckford		94%	95%	93%	94%	4
Stephenson		96%	95%	92%	94%	2

Sparx Reader Leaders:

KS3

Ebenezar E
Adam Z
Lexi P

Y7

Ebenezar E
Isaac Y
David B

Y8

Adam Z
Lexi P
Riley B

Y9

Samuel A
Leo J
Caiden H

Sports Update:



This week the Y7 rounders team participated in a fixture against Brimsham and Chipping Sodbury. The students played brilliantly as a team and had a great afternoon.

After school club's reminder:

Mondays: Cricket
Tuesdays: Athletics
Wednesdays: Rounders
Thursdays: Basketball

Important Dates:

Wednesday 9 th July	Academic Review Day
Thursday July 10 th	Yr10 Parents Evening
Friday July 11 th	Sports Day

Monday 14 th -Thursday 17 th July	Barcelona Trip
Tuesday 15 th -Tuesday 29 th July	Sri Lanka Trip
Wednesday 16 th July-Tuesday 22 nd July	Yr 12 Work Experience
Friday 18 th July	End of Term - 12.15pm Finish
Monday 21 st + Tuesday 22 nd	INSET DAYS

With very best wishes,



Eddie Rakshi
Headteacher

STARTS:
FOR: 11-19 YEAR OLDS



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STARTING ON
MONDAY THE 28TH
OF JULY, 4:30-
5:45PM, FOR 6
WEEKS

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VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

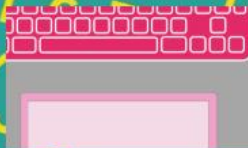


OTR'S MIND AID DIGITAL GROUP FOR 11 TO
17 YEARS-OLD WILL BE RUNNING OVER THE
SUMMER BREAK

WE'LL LOOK INTO SELF-CARE AND PRACTICAL WAYS TO MANAGE
STRESS, ANXIETY AND LOW MOOD VIA FUN ACTIVITIES AND ONLINE
TOOLS SUCH AS QUIZZES, DISCUSSIONS AND VIDEOS.

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Resilience
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The Resilience Lab

FOR YOUNG ADULTS

WE ARE
BACK!

TUESDAYS
8TH JULY
- 5TH AUG
ON ZOOM

Resilience Lab for Young Adults (16-25)

We all face challenges and struggles but knowing how to strengthen our mental health and get through the hard times is the tricky part.

Thankfully resilience can be learnt and attending Resilience Lab can equip you with tools to help you shape a stronger future!

'Resilience' is your ability to balance your thoughts, feelings and actions so you can face and recover from difficulties and challenges.

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RES LABS TEENS
11-16

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9TH JULY -
6TH AUG 4-
5PM ON
ZOOM


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