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Student Newsletter

Friday 12th April 2024



Key Stage 3 Update



Top Positive Points: 18th - 24th March

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
1st Harry K	1st Jasmine S	1st = Maddie B Derek S
2nd Chloe E	2nd Evie R	2nd Reuben H
3rd = Leah B Cherrie W	3rd Summer H	3rd Andy K



Well done to all

Year 9 Options

Year 9 students should have submitted their options forms to Mr Church by now. Students should find out their choices in the next two weeks. If there are any issues speak to Mr Church.

The Bridge Community Hub

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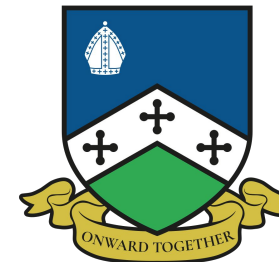
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Anyone wishing to donate can drop any items at the office.

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Year 7 Paris Trip



Year 7 students - The Paris Trip has launched.

Your residential trip to Paris will happen from **13th - 17th October 2025**. This means students will be in Year 9 when they go. The trip will include the Eiffel Tower, Disneyland, the Arc de Triomphe, Sacre Coeur and many more Parisian things.



An email and letter has gone to all parents of Year 7 students with the full details. If you want to secure your place, make sure you have paid your deposit on ParentPay by **Friday 19th April**.



If we are oversubscribed, the selection process will be to draw names out of a hat.



Key Stage 4 Update

Positive Points Update

Year 11 positive points so far - 41766
Year 10 positive points so far - 46454
Well done and keep up the good work.

Well done to Olivia W in Year 10 who has been ranked in the top 10 swimmers in Staffordshire county in the 50m breaststroke. A fantastic achievement, well done.

Well done to Lucas W in Year 10 who has been competing for Burton running club this week he placed 2nd in 800m and 3rd in 3000m. Well done.

Homework

Everyone needs to ensure that they are doing their homework.

Knowledge organisers must be done, please make sure that you are putting the date and title on every page.

Make sure that you are completing your SPARX, SENECA and other online homework as well.



Wednesday 26th June 2024 Prom night. Dress to impress.

Remember to meet the criteria for prom.

Here are some useful links for revision

<https://revisionworld.com/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z98jmp3>

<https://www.gcsepod.com/free-gcse-revision-resources/>

TOP REVISION TIPS
Don't let the stress of revision overwhelm you. Stay in control with these top tips.

- START AS EARLY AS YOU CAN**
Consistency is key. Start your revision early and spread it out over time.
- MAKE A PLAN**
Work out how much time you have and how you can use it best. Set small goals for each subject.
- CREATE A STUDY SPACE**
Find a quiet place free from distractions and keep your things all in one place.
- MIX IT UP**
Change the order of revision for better results. Give your mind a rest every 45 minutes.
- TAKE REGULAR BREAKS**
It is possible to work too hard, make sure to take regular breaks, like regular exercise.
- REVISE WITH A FRIEND**
Talking through what you've learned can help information stick.
- USE PAST PAPERS**
These are a great way to get used to exam format and timing, and to know what to expect.
- EAT HEALTHY**
Certain foods boost your brainpower and will help you remember more.

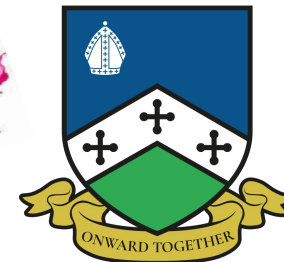
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TOP TIPS FROM YOUR FELLOW STUDENTS
We asked your fellow students what helps them to revise for their exams. Here's what they said.

- PACE YOURSELF**
Try not to revise everything at once. Give your mind time to take in what is to you reading.
- SET GOALS**
Whether you set yourself a goal or an amount of work to complete, it is important to challenge yourself.
- ORGANISE WORKLOADS**
Organise your time properly by creating a timetable of subjects to revise. Don't forget to include suitable breaks.
- USE SUMMARY PODS**
For short bursts of revision, the Summary Pods are a great way to help you remember the key pieces of information.
- NO LATE NIGHTS**
Don't start revision late at night. Make sure you have a good sleep of between 7-9 hours every night, helping you to have a relaxed and well-rested mind and body.
- LISTEN TO MUSIC**
Calming music can help you to de-stress or focus when you're stressed.
- TEST YOURSELF**
By testing yourself with questions, you are making sure you fully understand what it is you are reading.
- NO DISTRACTIONS**
Revise in a quiet place where there is nothing to distract you.
- REWARD SYSTEM**
Reward yourself after you reach your milestones.
- CREATE A HOMEWORK CORNER**
Set up a comfortable place at home where you can relax and revise all the same time.
- DON'T LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE**
Leaving revision until the last minute will add unnecessary stress to your workload. Start sooner rather than later.
- USE COLOURS**
Highlight key points which you need to learn out during revision.

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- Skirts
- Trousers
- Tie

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- Toiletries
- Tinned food
- Pasta
- Soup



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Awards and Recognition

Sixth Form Students of the Week

Communications - George H and Lucy W

Enterprise - Oskar W and Maryam W

Innovation - Harry W

Performance - Nevan S

Social Studies - Kim W

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 30th April - A Level Fine Art and Photography Exam

Thursday 2nd May - A Level Fine Art and Photography Exam

Thursday 2nd May - Year 13 A Level Fitness Training and Programming Exam

Friday 3rd May - Colour Run

Monday 6th May - Bank Holiday



Mental Health Support

It can be difficult to cope with everything going on at once in our lives but support is available to you in school or from other services.

Shout – 24/7 text service - <https://giveusashout.org/>
 Young Minds - <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/>
 The Mix - <https://www.themix.org.uk/>

Why take part in academic competitions?

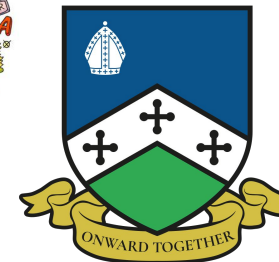
- Shows your enthusiasm for the subject you are intending to pursue at university
- If you win or are placed this is excellent, but even if you don't, it demonstrates commitment, interest, drive and immediately differentiates you from others
- Great UCAS personal statement discussion topic

Please check the bulletin sent by Mrs Pollitt for further information on competitions you can take part in.





Communications



Do you want to speak up? Are you passionate about discussing real life, controversial issues? Often feel like you win every argument? Or maybe you want to improve your confidence and communication skills?

DEBATE CLUB

YEAR 9, 10 & 11
STARTING AFTER HALF TERM

SEE MISS HUSSAIN FOR MORE DETAILS

The Bedrock Impact
Between 04/09/23 and 31/03/24, students at Abbot Bayne School have benefited from the impact of the Bedrock curriculum.

Engaging Learners

301 learners actively engaging with Bedrock at school and home

8,887 learners have been completed within Bedrock's award-winning curriculum

Mastery of Vocabulary

Attainment
Students have improved by an average of **17%**
SEN students have improved by an average of **25%**
PP students have improved by an average of **17%**
Boys have improved by an average of **19%**
Girls have improved by an average of **15%**

2,221,750 words have been exposed to learners via their ongoing access to Bedrock's unique collection of cultural capital enhancing original fiction and non-fiction texts.

7,406 words have been exposed to each individual active learner on average, within Bedrock via their curriculum activities.

26,661 tier 2 words and grammar knowledge items have been taught to learners through a research-informed pedagogical sequence.

89 tier 2 words and grammar knowledge items have been taught to learners on average, within Bedrock via their curriculum activities.

Get in touch

Don't forget, if you need any support with Bedrock implementation or impact realisation, you can contact **Jamie**, your dedicated Teaching and Learning Consultant.

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YEAR 11 REVISION FOCUS
Your GCSEs are really close - you only have about 10 lessons of teaching left. You need to start revising: **NOW!**

- Make yourself a manageable revision timetable
- Make sure you revise the things that you find the hardest, not what is easy
- Leave a gap after revising a topic and then revisit it: how much do you remember after a break?

ENGLISH
EDUQAS has a useful student area on their website to help with your exam preparations. Click [here](#) to see what it has to offer.

Other useful places to revise:
[Sparknotes](#) (has revision notes for Macbeth, Blood Brothers and A Christmas Carol - sign up for a 7 day free trial)
[BBC Bitesize](#) (has revision for all areas of the Language and Literature courses - remember to click EDUQAS)
[Mr Bruff on YouTube](#) (has revision for all areas of the Language and Literature course. His AQA videos are well worth a watch)

FRENCH
You follow the AQA syllabus and [here is a link](#) for support direct from the exam board. You could also use these sites:
[Quizlet](#)
[BBC Bitesize](#)

MEDIA
You do the Pearson BTEC for Media. These links will help for exam revision:
[Mrs Fisher YouTube](#)

COMMUNICATIONS STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Year 7 - Chloe E
Year 8 - Jasmine S
Year 9 - Maddie B
Year 10 - Bailey M
Year 11 - Kristian M
Year 12 - Samantha M

SPARX READING STARS - YEAR 9

Maddie B - most hours of reading

Sienna-Mae S - highest accuracy in answers

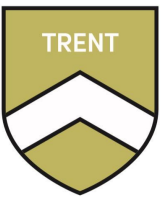
Total words read by Year 9 = 5,547,099
Total SRP for all of Year 9 = 611,205

World Book Day
Do not forget to complete the Bingo card for a chance to win a prize.

Year 9 options - WHY CHOOSE GCSE FRENCH?

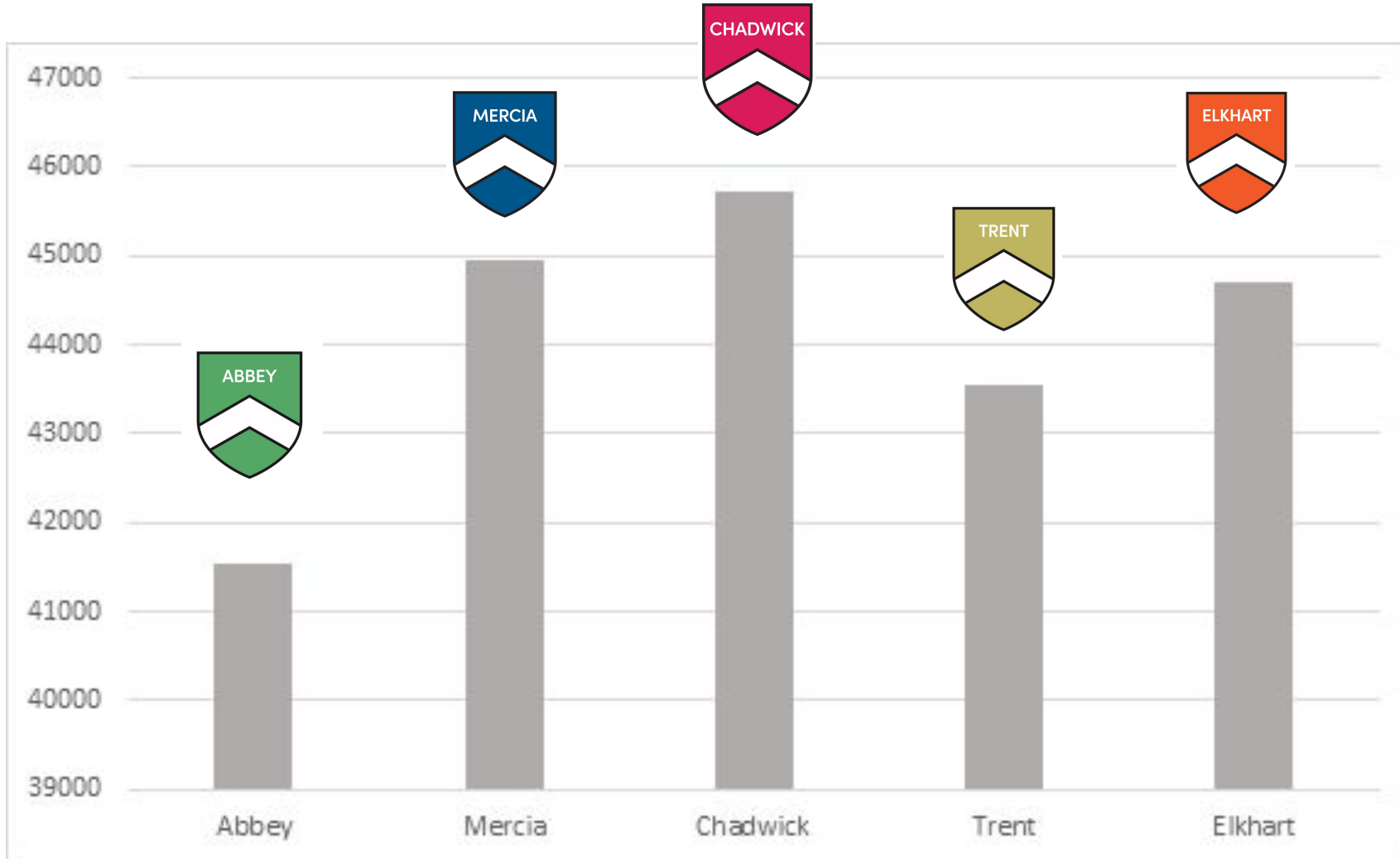
Are you wondering if choosing French GCSE will come in handy when you leave school? Check out some of these jobs where having a language GCSE will really benefit you.

[The Secret Service](#) [The Military](#)
[Teach abroad](#)
[Engineering](#) [more engineering](#)
[French worldwide](#)



House points

There is only one term left to see which house will win the House Points competition. Chadwick continue to stay in the lead, with Elkhart close behind. Which house will be our overall winner this year?



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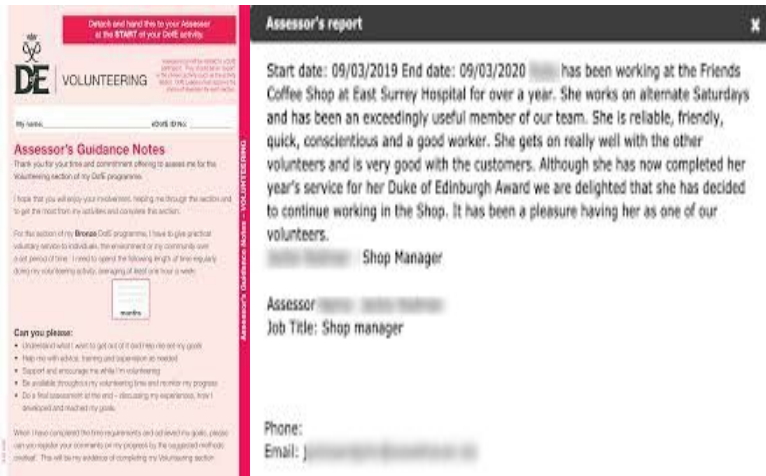
Remember you can earn house points for excellent classwork, homework, effort and attending extra curricular activities.

LEADERSHIP TEAM

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Do not forget to keep adding your evidence on to the eDofE site. Without all four sections complete, you can not gain the award. The easy part is the expeditions, getting the assessors reports in for your physical, volunteering and skill section are just as important.

You can download the app for your iPad or use the internet to access the site.



DofE after school club

Bronze Award

Thursday nights 3 - 4pm (Week 1 only)
Evershed Hall

Silver Award

Thursday nights 3 - 4pm (Week 2 only)
Linnell L13

Expedition dates

Bronze expedition dates -

Practice weekend Saturday 11th - Sunday 12th
May 2024

Assessed weekend Saturday 8th - Sunday 9th
June 2024

Silver expedition dates-

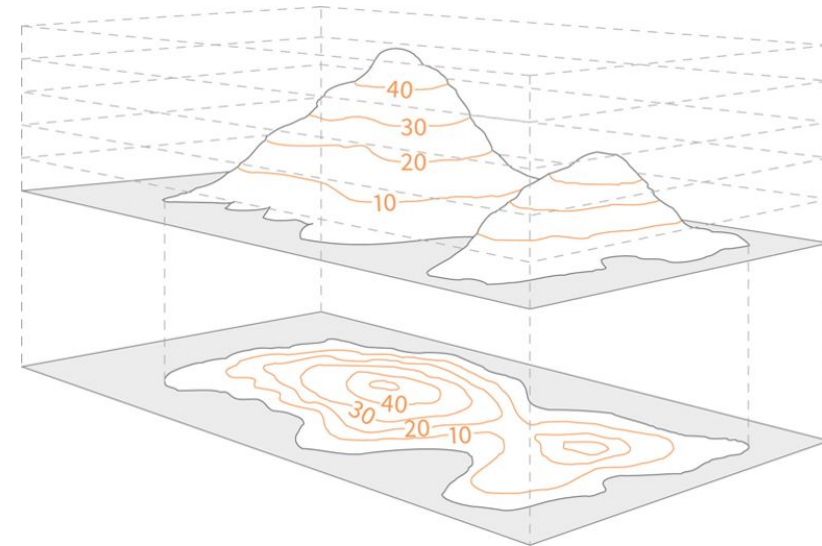
Practice weekend Friday 10th - Sunday 12th
May 2024

Assessed weekend Friday 7th - Sunday 9th
June 2024



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You can see from the picture above the link between the shape of a hill and the contours representing it on a map. Another way of thinking about contour lines is as a tide mark left by the sea as the tide goes out, leaving a line every 5 metres.

Top tip - Remember contour numbering reads uphill. In other words the top of the number is uphill and the bottom is downhill. Also remember the closer contour lines are together, the steeper the slope.

Enrichment

Year 8 Blists Hill Trip



Year 9 Residential in Snowdonia

Year 12 & 13 'A Streetcar Named Desire' - Theatre Trip



Coming up in the Summer Term!

There is lots going on at Abbot Beyne School this term - don't miss out when opportunities come knocking.

Years 9 & 10 DofE Expeditions



Year 12 London Residential



Year 10 Carding Mill Valley Fieldwork

Year 8 Twycross Zoo Trip



Year 7 Thinktank Trip

Year 10 Textile Show Trip



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Attendance



**Most improved
Form
Attendance
8E**

**Best Form
Attendance
7A**

**Best House
Attendance
Trent**





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We're better together

JOIN US

SCAN to register

We're holding a RECRUITMENT EVENT
Police Headquarters Butterley Hall Ripley

Saturday 11th May
10am until 1.30pm
You **MUST** register to attend.

Are you interested in a career in Policing?
Come along to Police Headquarters and speak to recruitment staff, meet operational officers, see equipment and hear about career opportunities for both operational and staff roles.

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