

Weekly Buzz



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THUR 4TH APR 7PM



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Spring has sprung and the longlist is out! Pick up a new book and come along to book club on Thursdays at 1pm to share your thoughts and get involved in our shadowing group. See Miss Hubner for details.



MUSIC TOUR 2020

WHEN

28th June - 2nd July, 2020

WHERE

BARCELONA

COST

£875



CONCERTS

2 to be confirmed

Hotel with pool and by the beach

TRIPS

Port Aventura Theme Park

Barcelona City Centre

including:

- Sagrada Familia
- Las Ramblas

**ONLY FOR
REGULAR
ATTENDERS TO
PPS CHOIR &
CHAMBER
CHOIR**

Open to all year groups to join.

Choir rehearsals every
Thursday, 12:45-13:30,
Room 1

See Mr Hill or Miss Boyle
for a letter

Notice Board

Bugsy Rehearsals

Week	Date	Day	Time	Activity	Venue	Staff	Y10	Y9	Y8	Y7	Y6
8	5 th March	Tuesday	4 – 5.30pm	Dancing	PPS Hall	CBO	<u>Daya</u> , Freya	<u>Zeynep</u> , Bea, Scarlett	<u>Ruhi</u>	Lana, Anastasia	-
			3.45 – 4.30pm	Singing	Room 1	SHI	Felix	-	-	Jesse, Rudy	-
	6 th March	Wednesday	8.15 – 9am	Singing	Room 1	CBO	<u>Daya</u> , Freya	<u>Zeynep</u> , Bea, Scarlett	<u>Ruhi</u>	Lana, Anastasia	-
			4 – 5pm	Singing & Dancing	PPS Hall	CBO	<u>Daya</u> , Freya	<u>Zeynep</u> , Bea, Scarlett	<u>Ruhi</u>	Lana, Anastasia	-
	7 th March	Thursday	4 – 5pm	Singing	PPS Hall	SHI	Whole Cast (except girls in Chamber Choir)				

5th March: 4-5.30pm (PPS Hall) - Daya, Freya, Zeynep, Bea, Scarlett, Ruhi, Lana and Anastasia.

5th March: 3.45-4.30pm (Room 1) - Felix, Jesse and Rudy.

6th March: 8.15-9.00am (Room 1) - Daya, Freya, Zeynep, Bea, Scarlett, Ruhi, Lana and Anastasia.

6th March: 4.00-5.00pm (PPS Hall) - Daya, Freya, Zeynep, Bea, Scarlett, Ruhi, Lana and Anastasia.

7th March: 4.00-5.00pm (PPS Hall) - Whole Cast (except girls in Chamber Choir).

Notice Board

Portland Place Theatre Club

Welcome to the Portland Place Theatre Club for parents and students set up by the Parents' Network. In collaboration with MyCultureClub, this is an exciting opportunity to purchase **discounted theatre tickets** for selected shows, with the aim of bringing together the school community for a night at the theatre approximately once a month.

Our first three shows will be:-

21st March - Everybody's Talking About Jamie (**deadline to book 3rd March**)

1st May - School of Rock (**deadline to book 8th March**)

23rd May – The Play that Goes Wrong, age (**deadline to book 8th March**)

For further booking details please contact joannafb@me.com

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please make sure the ticket holder is accompanied by an adult. The school, or MyCultureClub take no responsibility for safeguarding of children at events.

News

Computer Science - Making Learning Code Fun!

Year 7s are learning programming with drones and Swift Playgrounds! Students will code their drone to take-off, land, move in all directions, make aerobatic figures, and even control accessories. All of it using Parrot drones and the power of Apple Swift code.

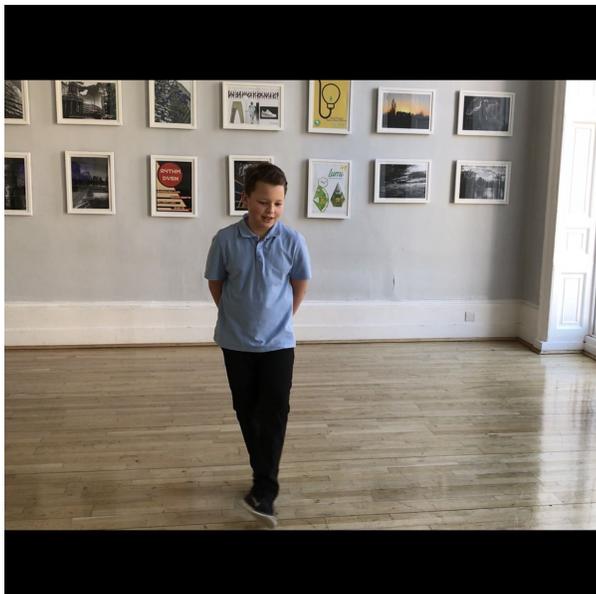
They have already started using basic commands to solve some challenges. The next step will be to master advanced commands and learn how to program accessories. Finally, they will write some code to control the drone with iPad sensors.



News

ISA Shakespeare Schools Competition

This week Sonny Shelton and Egor Pertsev entered the ISA Shakespeare Schools Competition. They chose Puck's closing monologue in A Midsummer Night's Dream and recited the piece to camera. Both boys worked very hard to learn their lines, and bring the character to life. We wish them the best of luck in the competition. Well done!



#WorldBookDay Author Visit

Author Curtis Jobling will visit Years 6, 7 & 8 on Thursday 7th March. His books are available in the library and to buy and signed on the day (your son or daughter may have received his excellent book 'Haunt, Dead Scared' as a Book Buzz book this year). For more information have a look at his website: <http://curtisjobling.com/books/4591723741>

Mrs Carvalho, Librarian



News

EAL in Year 6

On the last Friday before February half-term, a few students in Year 6 (Josh, Emily, Jenny, Egor and Miguel) were assigned a very challenging task in their EAL lesson. They were asked to visualise their future and think about what they would love to do or have in the coming years. Although they are very young, they thought hard about their dreams and goals and produced inspiring vision boards using different pictures as well as key words.

Well done everyone!

Ms Florea



News

Nikki Yeoh

We were delighted to welcome Nikki Yeoh to PPS on Thursday in her professional capacity (rather than as a parent) as a highly critically acclaimed jazz pianist and composer. We were treated to a fantastic lunchtime concert in PPS Hall where many students and staff attended to hear some of Nikki's own composition, to hear her talk about them and also get involved in the performance ourselves.

Following this, our Year 11, 12 and 13 students had the benefit of Nikki's wide knowledge as they played their instruments to get a better understanding of jazz harmony, extended chords, jazz voicings (it's not just about the right notes, but the best place to put them!), altered chords, substitutions and improvisation. All of this will be massively useful as the students create and develop their compositions for GCSE and A Level courses.

A massive thank you to Nikki for coming in, telling her story, giving her insight, all with huge amounts of expertise but also enthusiasm and fun!!

Mr. Hill
Director of Music



News

Trip to Iberica Restaurant

On Tuesday the year 8 Spanish class went on a trip to Ibérica restaurant to try Spanish food and practise our Spanish. We all had a great time, it was really nice to have a fun Spanish lesson in such a great place! I loved the chicken paella and the rice pudding so much; my classmates and I also ordered some drinks in Spanish, which made Ms Picado and Mr Lalande feel very proud of us. It would be fantastic to repeat this event in the future!

By Lucas Munford



News

Portland Place in Folgarida 2019

As the sun rose over Heathrow airport, eighteen students made their way through security and hopped on a plane to the Dolomites. We wound our way through the mountains, finally arriving at Folgarida. After getting our skis and boots fitted, we headed off to bed, eagerly anticipating a day on the slopes.

Lorenzo and Phillipe met us the next morning and took the beginners and advanced groups off for a ski test. What followed was six days of perfect sunshine, groomed runs and carving all the way down the mountain. Of course a few little tumbles occurred on the slopes; all part of the learning curve! Each day we enjoyed authentic Italian food and local meats and cheese served by our hotel on the Saturday evening. A pizzeria in the village also served up some wonderful slices and the local bowling alley had us all back in the 1980s – in the best way possible!

This was my first residential trip in my teaching career so I was a little nervous. However I needn't have worried as our PPS skiers did us proud and were beautifully behaved all week! Special mention to our younger students who were up bright and early each morning and to the Year 10s who included everyone in their PS4 games.

So after six days of sunshine, we returned with our goggle tans to Heathrow full of pasta and with plenty of fantastic memories. A massive thank you to Mr Tasic for organising such a brilliant trip!

- Miss Hubner



News

Portland Place School Offers Holders' Event

On Thursday we held an Offer Holders' event at Portland Place School. Our panel of students did a fantastic job answering questions and giving a true representation of what life is like at Portland Place School. Thank you to all who took part and especially to Lana, Jesse, Rudy and Freya!



News

LAMDA Results

The Drama Department have just received the results of our latest round of LAMDA exams. There are some amazing results and all the students below should be proud of their efforts! The marking breakdown was equally as impressive!

A huge well done from a very proud Drama department!!

Year 8) Lucy Mainstone - Grade 4, Merit

Year 12) Augustus Gibson - Grade 6, Merit

Year 9) Zeynep Yilmaz - Grade 2, Distinction!

Year 9) Dylan Young - Grade 2, Distinction!

Year 7) Jesse Francis-Baum - Grade 1, Distinction!

Sports results



Sports

Rugby

PPS U14's Rugby

PPS 25 v 50 Radnor

On Friday 15th February PPS U14's took on Radnor House School in a small sided but very entertaining game of Rugby at Regents Park. The early phases of the match were extremely physical. Both teams were tackling and rucking really well, but it was Radnor who scored first when their big, powerful and pacey centre broke through a few PPS tackles on his way to the try line. Unfortunately for PPS this would not be the last time the excellent Radnor player would score. PPS fought back, **Sultan Sindi** made carry after carry as he tried to break the Radnor defensive line, **Dylan Young** and **Sam Ingram** made some nice breaks showing good agility to avoid a number of Radnor tacklers and **Sid Marber** had an excellent start before unfortunately injuring his wrist. As the half progressed Radnor took a 25 – 10 lead into half time, with all 5 of their tries scored by their one stand out player, who I must add was a year 8 pupil.

In the second half the boys knew they would have to start supporting the ball carrier more closely and ensure they were at the breakdown quickly after a number of turnovers in the first half. PPS started well, **Sultan Sindi** continued to carry aggressively into the heart of the Radnor defence and **Tommy Taylor Whiteread** made an excellent break from his own half before being tackled 5m from the try line. The boys started to keep more possession of the ball and managed to score tries through **Sam Ingram**, **Sultan Sindi** and **Sergei Anthun Pollock**. The boys worked their socks off but unfortunately Radnor had their obvious weapon and continued to use him. The final score 50 – 25 to Radnor House with all 10 of Radnor's tries scored by one player. Credit must go to Sam Ingram and Sultan Sindi who managed a few tackles on Radnor's very talented year 8 player. The result did not do the boys' performance justice; they played very well in a closely fought competition but came up against an absolutely outstanding player who made the difference. Well done to **Dylan Young** who showed great determination and tactical awareness throughout, **Sergei Anthun Pollock** had his best rugby match in a PPS shirt to date and **Jan Ceylan** showed good aggression and strength throughout. Man of the match goes to **Sam Ingram** who made a number of excellent tackles and was a constant threat in attack. Unlucky boys.

Sports

Cross Country

ISA North London Cross Country Championships

On the hottest winter day on record in the UK, PPS Cross Country Running Team made their way to Bedford to compete in the ISA Cross Country Championships. Everybody ran really well on a very demanding course, showing great determination against a very high standard of opposition. The team must also be commended for the way they supported each other and cheered one another on – PPS showed a great team spirit!

Very well done to:

YEAR 6

Ali Abdel-Khaleq,
Che Arney
Thomas Schaub
Sonny Shelton

YEAR 7 & 8

Sam Meyer
Tom Hallam
Benny Miller
Lawton Ballbach
Jesse Francis-Baum
Elliot McLeod
Lana Tuite
Ruhi Patel



YEAR 9 & 10

Gordon Turnor
Sam Ingram
Oscar Bolgar
Elliot Greenfield
Calder Douglas
Curtis O'Keefe
Polina Zaluzhskaya
Freya Francis-Baum

A huge congratulations goes to **Sam Ingram**, **Curtis O'Keefe** and **Freya Francis-Baum** who all qualified for ISA Nationals after finishing in the top 10 of their respective races. Sam Ingram received a bronze medal after finishing 3rd in his year 9/10 race, running 4.3km in an impressive time of 17.04!

Sports

Netball

U14 and U15s Netball match vs More House

A lovely sunny Wednesday afternoon, both the Year 9 and Year 10 girls walked down to Regent's Park to play More House in a friendly game of netball. We'll start with the Year 9 game, having a few injuries to the regular netball team, we had some other girls fill in who played exceptionally well. A big shout out to **Eleonora Guist** and **Lulya Benyam** who were a little out of their comfort zone but put so much effort into playing and actually made a big difference to the team! The competition was quite even between both teams, the possession was 50:50, some great defence from both teams throughout the entire game. At half time the score was even with 2:2. A half time pep talk made the girls pick up their game play. Some excellent passing from **Polina Zaluzhskaya** playing Goal Defence and interceptions from **Lulya**, the back line was holding strong. Great opportunities, shooting and strategy from **Manuela Poquet Serna** who also was given player of the match by More House! The final score was 4:3 to Portland Place which the girls were thrilled about. Some amazing dedication and commitment to the game which is great to see.

Onto the Year 10 game, this competition was also very equal. Excellent plays by **Dolly Gosling**, **Marielle Staunton**, **Ava Jones** and **Freya Francis-Baum**. **Freya** and **Dot Jones** were managing to score at nearly every opportunity. The game was very fluent, at times it became very quick, but the girls brought it back and controlled the game more. The Year 10 team had a large amount of possession the whole game. More House still fighting strong, their attacking players worked smoothly together and shot well which kept them in the game. **Ava** and **Marielle** controlled the game well from the back with accurate passes and movement into space. Some excellent shooting from **Dot** and **Freya** meant that they got ahead with goals and won the game 18:15! Some great team work among all the players. Well done girls! Player of the match voted by More House, went to **Dot**!

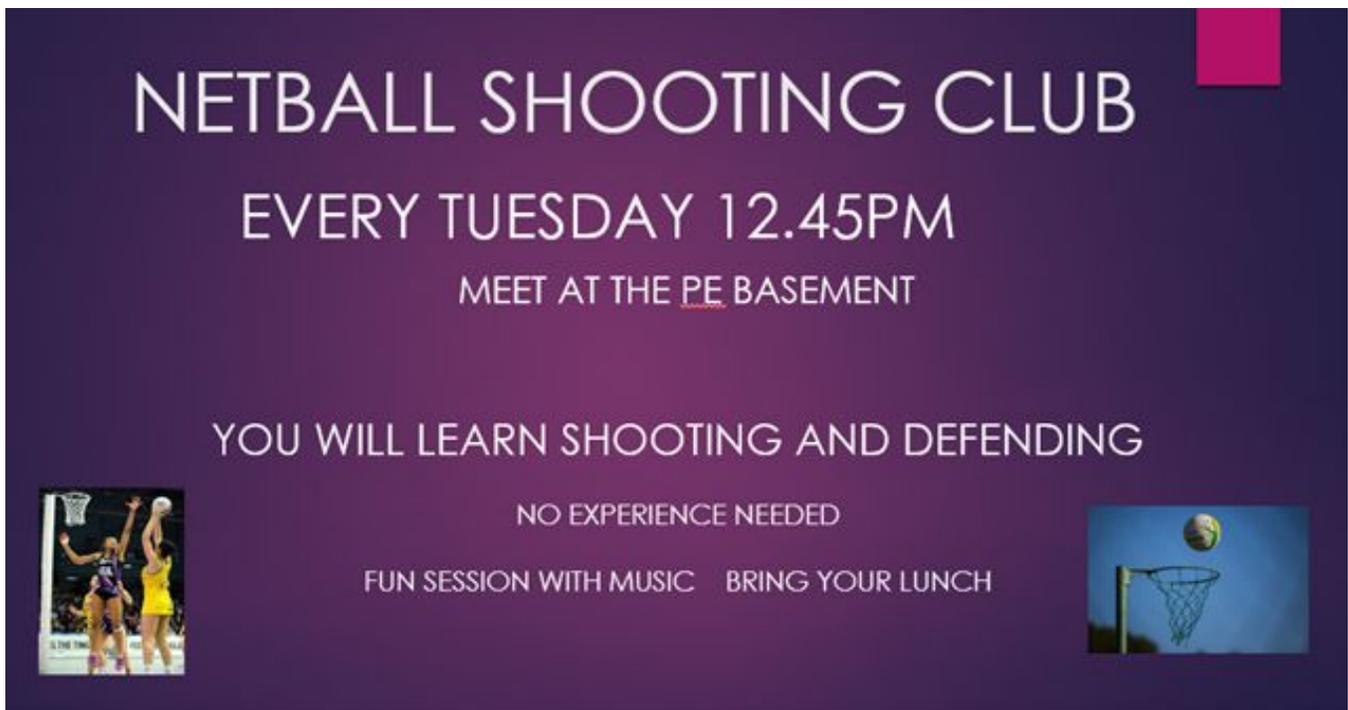


Sports

Netball

Netball Shooting Club

Y10 students, Dolly Gosling and Freya Francis-Baum (Middlesex U15 player) will be running netball shooting club at lunchtime in the outside area by the basement steps. Could students wishing to attend please sign up with a member of the PE department.



NETBALL SHOOTING CLUB

EVERY TUESDAY 12.45PM

MEET AT THE PE BASEMENT

YOU WILL LEARN SHOOTING AND DEFENDING

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

FUN SESSION WITH MUSIC BRING YOUR LUNCH



Calendar & Contact

Monday 4 March

08.00-8.40am	GCSE PE, R35
12.45-1.30pm	Woodwind Ensemble, Mr Slack, R1
12.45-1.30pm	Rock Band, Mr Hill R2
12.45-1.30pm	Chess Club, Mr Burton, Library
12.50-1.30pm	Weight Training Club, Sports Dept
1.00-1.20pm	Years 7-8 Maths Challenge & Enrichment Club, R22
1.00-1.20pm	Years 9-11 Maths Challenge & Enrichment Club, R24
3.45-5.00pm	Arabic for Beginners, R36
4.00-6.15pm	Lamda Lessons in PPS Hall

Tuesday 5 March

8.20-8.50am	Year 12 Extra Help, Ms Segerstrom, G13
12.45-1.20pm	Netball Shooting Club, PE Basement
12.45-1.30pm	Percussion Ensemble, Mr Jesson, R1
12.45-1.30pm	Rock Band, Mr Hill R2
12.45-1.30pm	Student Voice, Ms Magniez, R34
12.45-1.30pm	Spanish, Ms Picado, R24
12.45-1.30pm	Italian GCSE, G12
1.00-1.20pm	Chess Club, R22
3.45-4.45pm	GCSE Geography Club G24
3.45-4.30pm	GCSE Business Club G12
3.45-4.30pm	History GCSE revision club, G23
3.45-4.30pm	GCSE Revision Chemistry, H3/4
3.45-4.30pm	GCSE Revision Physics, H6/7
3.45-4.30pm	KS4 Maths Club, G12
3.45-5.00pm	Science Lab, Ms Nicholas, H1/2
4.00-5.00pm	Japanese for Beginners, R36
4.00-4.30pm	KS3 Maths Club, R10
4.00-5.00pm	Bugsy Rehearsals, Whole Cast, PPS Hall
4.00-5.00pm	Design Club for KS3
4.00-5.00pm	Football Club, Regents Park
4.00-5.00pm	GCSE Design Club

Wednesday 6 March

8.15-9.00am	Bugsy girls singing ensemble, Ms Boyle, R1
12.45-1.30pm	Boys Choir, Ms Boyle, R1
12.45-1.30pm	Music Theory Club, Ms Bottrill, R42
12.45-1.30pm	Soul Band, R2
12.45-1.30pm	Theory Club, Ms Bottrill, R43
12.45-1.30pm	EAL Homework Club, R11, Ms Florea
12.45-1.30pm	Russian Club, Library
3.45-4.30pm	GCSE Classical Civilisation Club, G41
3.45-4.45pm	GCSE History Club G23
3.45-4.45pm	Economics Club, Ms Byrne, G21
3.45-4.45pm	Computing Walk In Clinic, R34
3.45-5.00pm	KS2 & KS3 Art & Craft Club, R22
3.45-4.15pm	Year 12 & 13 Statistics/Mechanics Extra Help, R36
3.45-4.15pm	Year 13 Pure Extra Help, R10
3.45-5.00pm	French GCSE Support, R33
4.00-4.45pm	GCSE Art, Art Studio
4.00-4.30pm	Duke of Edinburgh Meeting, PPS Hall
4.00-5.00pm	GCSE Design Club, Ms Birtles, B1
4.00-5.00pm	Bugsy Rehearsal, see schedule
4.00-4.45pm	GCSE Computing Club, G11

Thursday 7 March

12.45-1.30pm	Portland Place Choir, Ms Boyle, R1
12.45-1.30pm	Brass ensemble, Mr Bentley, R2
1.00-1.30pm	KS3 Book Club, Library
1.00-1.30pm	Weight Training Club, Sports Dept
1.00-1.30pm	Netball Shooting Club, Sports Dept
4.00-5.00pm	Chamber Choir, Ms Boyle, PPS Hall
3.45-4.30pm	Soul Band, Mr Bentley, R2
3.45-4.30pm	GCSE Classical Civilisation, G31
3.45-5.00pm	Mandarin Beginners/Advanced, R35
4.00-5.00pm	Bugsy Rehearsals, see schedule

Friday 8 March

12.45-1.30pm	String Ensemble, Ms Boyle, R1
12.45-1.30pm	Jazz Band, Mr Hill, R2
1.00-1.30pm	Debating Club, Ms Baig, Library
1.00-1.30pm	Textiles Club
4.00-6.15pm	LAMDA, Lessons, PPS Hall

TERM DATES:

SPRING TERM 2019

Term Starts	Monday 7 January
Half Term	Mon 18 February – Fri 22 February
End of Term	Friday 5 April

SUMMER TERM 2019

Term Starts	Wednesday 24 April
Half Term	Mon 27 May – Fri 31 May
End of Term	Friday 5 July

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