Weekly bulletin

Upcoming dates:	
Term Dates 25-26	Our term dates for 26-27 are on our website.
22.09.2026	Parent Forum
01.10.2026	Open Evening for Prospective Y7 Families
05.10.2026	Y11 Raising Achievement & LAB6 Info Evening
09.10.2026	Primary and Sibling Photos
19.10.2026	Year 9 Remover Work Experience
20.10.2026	LAB6 Open Evening
21.10.2026	Secondary Photos
22.10.2026	Race to Thorpe Park Rewards Trip
23.10.2026	INSET Day - *Children not in school*
26.10.2025 - 30.10.2026	Half Term
02.11.2026	All children back in school

Please click on the links below to take you to the various sections of this Newsletter

Key messages - all year groups
PRIMARY
SECONDARY
LAB6
Stars of the week
House Attendance

ASPIRATIONS

KEY MESSAGES - ALL YEAR GROUPS

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

Please take a moment to review these essential procedures regarding student safety, attendance, and campus movement:

- **Office Hours:**
  - The office team can be contacted at 8am - 4pm, Monday - Friday, Term Time only.
  - Email: office@livingstone-aspirations.org
  - Tel: 01202 124555
- **Contact & Medical Updates**:
  - Ensure emergency contact details remain up to date on Arbor.
  - Every child should have 3 emergency contacts.
  - Ensure Arbor has up to date medical needs logged on Arbor for your child. For any changes / inaccuracies please email office@livingstone-aspirations.org.
  - Please make sure we have replacement medications before current supplies reach their expiry dates.
- **Planned Absences & Appointments:**
  - Provide written notification for any absence, giving at least 48 hours' notice for planned appointments whenever possible.
  - Kindly update us if appointment dates or times change.
  - Students leaving during the school day must always sign out at the School Office.
- **Student Collections & Drop-Offs:**
  - When dropping off forgotten items or collecting a student, please check in via the School Office.
  - Students leaving for pre-arranged appointments will only be released at the time specified in the absence request.
- **Safer School Street Restrictions (Stafford Road)**
  - **Hours:** Closed to motor vehicles Monday–Friday, 8:00–8:45 AM and 2:20–4:20 PM.
  - **Enforcement:** Driving past entry signs during restriction times is an offence subject to Police Fixed Penalty Notices, even without physical barriers.
  - **Reporting Issues:**
    - **Dangerous driving / illegal entry:** Report to Dorset Police via Operation Snap (operationsnap.dorset.police.uk).
    - **Illegal parking:** Contact BCP Council Parking Team (01202 128 900 or parking@bcpcouncil.gov.uk).
  - **Madeira Road Multi-Storey Car Park Permits**
    - **Fee:** £21.00 for the 2026–2027 academic year.
    - **Validity:** Term-time only, Monday–Friday, 8:00–8:45 AM and 2:45–3:30 PM.
    - **Format:** Virtual permit linked to vehicle registration (no physical badge required).
    - **Application:** Submit forms to BCP Council via email (parking@bcpcouncil.gov.uk) with phone payment authorization, or by post to Parking Administration, BCP Civic Centre, Bournemouth, BH2 6DY.
    - **Important:** Submit applications at least 10 days before term starts. Vehicles cannot park under this scheme until official email confirmation is received. Permits are non-refundable and space is not guaranteed.

PRIMARY

Congratulations to all our children on another fantastic week of learning across the school!
We started the week strong with a visit from Scout Leader "Skipp," who taught us about Baden-Powell, the origins of scouting, and led us in some brilliant songs. Key Stage 2 got creative in their LAB Tech sessions, exploring music, coding, debating, and interactive projects. Our KS1 pupils have been sharpening their partitioning skills while adding tens and ones while also discovering the different countries of the UK. We'd also like to say a giant well done to our Reception children, who stayed for lunch for the very first time this week! They are continuing to settle in brilliantly.





AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS START MONDAY

Clubs officially begin on Monday 21 September. If your child secured a place, you will have received a confirmation email, and the club will now appear in your Arbor App. Thank you for your understanding regarding club allocations. Our activities are always extremely popular, and unfortunately, we cannot guarantee a place for every child. During the next club intake, we will make every effort to prioritize pupils who missed out this term. If your child is due to attend a club but will be absent due to unavoidable circumstances (such as a medical appointment), please notify the school office in advance.

SAVE THE DATE: LITTLE WANDLE PHONICS MEETING

We are pleased to invite you to our upcoming Little Wandle Phonics workshop on Thursday 21 October from 2:30 pm to 3:00 pm. This session will cover essential information regarding how phonics is taught in school and how you can best support your child's reading at home.

REMINDERS

PE DAYS

Please find your child's PE days listed below:

Year 1	Monday
Year 2	Tuesday
Year 3	Wednesday & Friday
Year 4	Wednesday & Thursday
Year 5	Thursday & Friday

WRAP AROUND CARE BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

Since Easter 2026, we have been providing our Breakfast Club and After School Childcare service ourselves, with our own Livingstone staff. This can be booked on Arbor and must be done in advance so that we can ensure suitable staffing numbers.

Breakfast Club:
7:15am - 8:15am **£5** - includes breakfast
7:45am - 8:15am **£2** - no food

After School:
£5 per hour
Those attending at 3:00pm get a fruit snack
Those attending after 5:00pm get a light meal

To ensure your child gets food for relevant sessions, you must book a week in advance.

Tax-Free Childcare Scheme

Almost all of our families are eligible to benefit from the government's Tax-Free Childcare scheme. Any money you put into your government account will be topped up by a 20% contribution from the government. We highly advise that you use this.

1. Create an account
2. Pay money into that account
3. *Government adds 20% to your balance*
4. Make a payment to Livingstone Academy Bournemouth (148590) using your balance
5. Email office@livingstone-aspirations.org to make us aware so we can confirm and add your credit to Arbor.
6. Book sessions on Arbor using your credit

Receipts

If you are claiming childcare costs back from work or elsewhere and need a receipt, please email our Business & Operations Manager directly at sgudgeon@livingstone-aspirations.org , stating what date range you need a receipt for.

SECONDARY

AN EXCEPTIONAL START TO THE ACADEMIC YEAR & STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUCCESS!

We are delighted to welcome back all of our secondary students, who have made an absolutely fantastic start to the new term! Across every year group, students have returned with focus, enthusiasm, and a clear readiness to learn. It has been inspiring to see them embodying Livingstone Academy Bournemouth's core vision and values from day one, demonstrating our key power skills, such as collaboration, critical thinking, and leadership, in their everyday actions.

A huge part of empowering our young people is giving them a platform to shape their school community. We are thrilled to announce that we have already filled over 200 student leadership positions across the academy!

Our student leaders are stepping up into a wide variety of vital roles that reflect their diverse strengths and passions. These roles include:

- **House Captains & House Representatives:** Leading their houses with pride, building team spirit, and representing their peers.
- **Reading Buddies & Library Leaders:** Fostering a love for reading across the school and supporting fellow students with their literacy.
- **Play Leaders:** Working collaboratively with our primary children to develop fun, active, and inclusive breaktimes, while developing their own mentorship and leadership skills in the process.
- **Climate Change Ambassadors:** Driving our commitment to sustainability and environmental awareness.
- **Techsperts:** Sharing their digital expertise to assist with technology across the curriculum.
- **Wellbeing Ambassadors & Student Voice Representatives:** Ensuring that student mental health, happiness, and constructive feedback remain at the heart of everything we do.

Through these roles, our students are putting our guiding principles into action, learning what it truly means to lead with purpose, responsibility, and community spirit.

Thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support in helping our students hit the ground running. We look forward to a brilliant year ahead as we watch our young leaders grow and thrive!

BLACKOUT

Please check your inbox for an important letter regarding an exciting new initiative aimed at creating the best possible learning environment for our students. **Blackout**, a safe, secure phone management app designed specifically for schools.

Key Information & What You Need to Know:

- **Parent Information Meeting:** Join us on **Tuesday, 22 September (5:15 PM – 5:45 PM)** in person or online to see a demo and ask questions. You can join the online session directly via Google Meet.

For complete details, timeline milestones, and answers to common questions, please refer to the full letter sent via email or access the Blackout FAQ Sheet and Pre-recorded Webinar. Thank you for your support in helping our students thrive!

YEAR 10

With the first cycle of our timetable now complete, we have finalised student subject choices to ensure everyone is on the right pathway to succeed. Please note that **option choices are now fixed**, and we can no longer accommodate further course changes.

REMINDERS

YEAR 11

Our Raising Achievement Evening takes place on Monday 5th October, 6:00pm–7:00pm. This session will outline key support strategies for the year ahead, details on the upcoming mock examinations (starting Monday 2nd November), and an introduction to our Sixth Form opportunities.

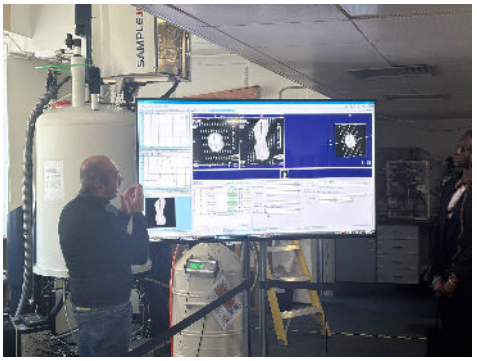
To help your child stay on track, please continue to support them with their weekly Home Learning, which forms a vital part of their ongoing revision. Last week saw an impressive 92% completion rate for Sparx Maths a great start! However, completion rates for Sparx Reader and Science were lower. Your support in encouraging your child to complete all set tasks directly impacts their preparation and final GCSE results.

LAB6

We have enjoyed another fantastic week in LAB6! Our sixth formers kicked off their Aspirations Employability Diploma (AED) with impressive marketing pitches for an Outdoor Adventure company. Next week, we are delighted to welcome representatives from Downing College, Cambridge, who will be meeting with our LAB6 students alongside a selection of Year 11 pupils. Meanwhile, our A-Level Scientists recently took Miss Bowen to the University of Southampton. They explored the vast array of opportunities across the Science campus and even got hands-on experience in a wind tunnel!







ASPIRATIONS

Our LAB6 students are also finalising their applications for a funded place on our NASA trip. A deadline for their first application is Friday 25th September, and details of this annual trip are below:



Primary Housepoint Totals		
Einstein	**Kahlo**	**Anning**
2nd	1st	1st

Secondary Housepoint Totals		
Einstein	**Kahlo**	**Anning**
1st	2nd	3rd

Primary	Star of the Week	Power Skill
Snowdrops	Sarina A	Oscar M
Bluebells	Sebastian P-D	Cal F_D
Clovers	Ege D	Daniel L
Poppies	Lilah R	Nikodem C
Tulips	Idris W-G	Adam E
Daffodils	Nathan R	Kiyara S
Marigolds	Madelyn M	Aisha S
Cosmos	Theo M	Ephraim O
Roses	Sophie T	Michael O

SECONDARY STAR OF THE WEEK						
HOUSE	**Einstein**		**Kahlo**		**Anning**	
YEAR 7	Victoria A		Vaishnav H	Louis R-J	Jessica C	Julianna C
YEAR 8	Holly L	Darcey F	Precious O		Yvonni K	Malina B
YEAR 9	Alfie M	Eduard R	Vincent S	Seren W	Tenzin Y	
YEAR 10	Colt S	Jemimah M	Malwina O	Anamika A	Keira D-B	Caslin T
YEAR 11	Gabriella S	Theo MB	Daniel S	Metta F	Zeynep G	Anja T

ASPIRATIONS

Class Attendance - Primary	
Reception Daises	4th
Reception Buttercups	11th
Year 1 *Bluebells*	9th
Year 1 *Snowdrops*	8th
Year 2 *Clovers*	6th
Year 2 *Poppies*	5th
Year 3 *Daffodils*	7th
Year 3 *Tulips*	10th
Year 4 *Marigolds*	1st
Year 4 *Cosmos*	2nd
Year 5 *Roses*	3rd

House Attendance - Secondary			
YEAR	Einstein	Kahlo	Anning
7	3rd	1st	2nd
8	1st	3rd	2nd
9	1st	3rd	2nd
10	3rd	2nd	1st
11	2nd	3rd	1st

LAB Attendance this Year: 94.12%	
LAB Primary Attendance: 94.83% National comparison (Primary): 91.2%	LAB Secondary Attendance: 94.54% National comparison (Secondary): 91.2%

ASPIRATIONS