Weekly Bulletin

Upcoming dates:	
Term Dates 25-26	Our term dates for 26-27 are on our website.
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

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KEY MESSAGES - ALL YEAR GROUPS

PARENT SURVEY 2026: HAVE YOUR SAY!

Building on the success of last year's survey, we are pleased to launch this academic year's Parent Survey. Your feedback plays a vital role in shaping our academy community, helping us celebrate what we are doing well and focus on areas where we can continue to grow.

The survey takes only a few minutes to complete, and your insights make a real difference in how we support our students' educational experience.

Survey Closes: Friday, 9 October
Access the Survey: Here

Thank you for taking the time to share your views and for your ongoing partnership in your child's education.

PARENT FORUM

Thank You for Attending Our Parent Forum!

A warm thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for our recent Parent Forum. We truly appreciate your time, insightful discussions, and ongoing commitment to our school community.

To ensure future meetings cover the topics that matter most to you, we would love your input. Please take a moment to complete our quick feedback form to suggest areas, questions, or focus topics you would like to see on upcoming agendas:

Submit Your Agenda Suggestions and Feedback: Here

Thank you again for your partnership and support and we look forward to seeing you at the next forum!

UPCOMING OPEN EVENTS: PRIMARY & SECONDARY ADMISSIONS

We are excited to invite prospective families to discover what makes our academy a wonderful place to learn and grow! If you have children due to start school or move up to secondary education, or know friends, family, or neighbors who do, please share these key dates with them.

Secondary Open Evening

- **Date:** 1 October
- **Time:** Gates open at 5:00 PM
- Join us for an evening exploring our secondary phase. Take a tour of our facilities, meet our subject teachers, and hear directly from our students and leadership team about life at the academy. No advance booking is necessary just join us at the gates from 5:00 PM.

LAB6 Open Evening

- **Date:** 20 October
- **Time:** Gates open at 5:00 PM
- Join us to explore our wide range of post-16 courses, tour our specialist facilities, meet our subject teachers, and speak directly with current LAB6 students about life in the Sixth Form.

Primary Phase Tours

- **Date:** 18 November
- **Format:** Personal tours during the academy day
- Experience our primary phase in action! We are offering daytime tours so prospective families can see our vibrant classrooms, meet our teaching team, and observe our daily learning environment firsthand.
- **How to Book:** Please contact the main school office or visit our website to reserve a tour slot for your family.

Please help us spread the word to friends and family who are considering school places for the upcoming year. We look forward to welcoming you!



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LAB6 Open Evening

Tuesday 20th October 2026

5pm – 7pm | Associate Principal's Address at 6pm







LAB6 is a forward thinking and exciting Sixth Form Facility in the heart of Bournemouth offering a range of Level 3 and A Level Courses.

With state of the art technology and facilities, we offer an exceptional provision for students.

- Meaningful and engaging enrichment opportunities
- EPQ offer as standard
- Dedicated new build Sixth Form study area common room and kitchen

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PRIMARY

It has been another busy and exciting week across Primary, with lots of fantastic learning taking place. KS2 have been raising the roof in singing assembly as they learn *Rock Around the Clock*, while Year 5 have been putting their scientific investigation skills to the test by exploring whether the size of a helicopter rotor affects its rate of descent. Year 4 have brought their history learning to life by building models of Iron Age roundhouses, while Year 3 have begun developing their Spanish by learning different letters and sounds. In Year 2, the children have continued finding out about Sir David Attenborough and have been using conjunctions in their English writing to join facts and ideas together. Year 1 have continued to enjoy *Leaf Thief*, focusing on improving their sentences by using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Our Reception children are also well and truly underway with their phonics journey, learning the sounds ‘s’, ‘a’ and ‘t’. Our after-school enrichment clubs have also got off to a flying start, with children enjoying a wide range of opportunities beyond the classroom. It has been wonderful to see so much curiosity, creativity and enthusiasm across the school this week!







TIES

We are still waiting for our new house tie order to arrive. In the meantime, pupils should continue to wear a school tie if they have one. No sanctions will be issued for wearing the incorrect house tie until the Tie Swap has been completed. Thank you for your patience and support.

HOME LEARNING

As we continue to shape our long-term approach to home learning, children will use the new home learning grids in the meantime. Each week, children should choose and complete one activity from their year-group grid, with tasks designed to support a broad range of curriculum learning.

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.

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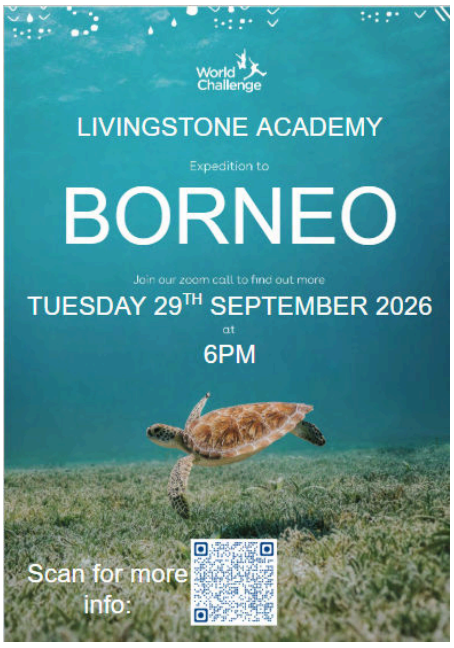
SECONDARY

BLACKOUT

A huge thank you to all parents and carers for your support as we roll out our new mobile phone initiative in partnership with Blackout.

Our students were fantastic in their assemblies this week, responding with brilliant maturity, focus, and great questions about the upcoming changes. We are also extremely grateful for the attendance at our online parent consultation meeting on Tuesday, 22 September, where we were able to share key information and demonstrate how the app will support our learning environment.

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 9,10,11 and LAB6 - BORNEO EXPEDITION

Register for the Information Evening - https://weareworldchallenge.com/trips/eydkswj/

Following on from the assemblies **Year 9, 10, 11, and 12** had this week. We are extremely excited to announce an incredible opportunity for students in the current **Year 9, 10, 11 and 12** to travel on a World Challenge trip to **Borneo** for 2 weeks in **July 2028.** The trip will be led by Miss Hart and Mr Sparks alongside World Challenge.

This expedition goes beyond a typical trip. Combining adventure, cultural experiences, wildlife, and hands-on conservation work. Students will be encouraged to push past their boundaries, collaborate effectively, immerse themselves in an entirely new culture, and cultivate invaluable self-reliance, leadership, and adaptability throughout the journey.

The Expedition involves;

- spending several days alongside a rural community near the **Kinabatangan River,** aiding reforestation and conservation efforts
- heading into the jungle for a **three-day Guas Nabalu trek**
- a visit to **Sepilok Orangutan Rehabilitation Centre**
- visit the **Borneo Sun Bear Conservation Centre**
- Three days in **Kota Kinabalu** visiting local markets and experiencing Malaysian food and culture
- Opportunities to take part in activities such as **snorkelling and white-water rafting**

Students will be able to fundraise for this trip over the 18 months. During the Parent Information session, Suzy from World Challenge will talk about the support provided by both World Challenge and Easy Fundraising. And how thousands of students raise the full amount for the trip themselves.

Suzy from World Challenge will be hosting an Online information evening on **Tuesday 29th September at 6.00 pm. The evening has no commitment to join the trip,** but we urge all students and parents to attend this to find out all the details of this very unique once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

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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.

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

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

Primary	Star of the Week	Power Skill
Buttercups	Kayla j M	Noah - Communication
Daises	Adeline B	Lilly - Cathy the Communicator
Snowdrops	Bradley B	David - Cara The Creator
Bluebells	Donald A	Evana
Clovers	Mathias P D	Dreya - Characterful Chloe
Poppies	Iyen O-O	Asil - calvin critical thinker
Tulips	Umeesha T	Deksha R - Calvin Critical thinker
Daffodils	Adam G	Lily F - Characterful Chloe
Marigolds	Dayyan F	Annet
Cosmos	Duru T	Raajvi J Collaboration
Roses	Dev N	Stephan C - Communication

SECONDARY STAR OF THE WEEK						
HOUSE	**Einstein**		**Kahlo**		**Anning**	
YEAR 7	Maggie M		Nicodem W	Mia P	Kash WM	Moro S
YEAR 8	Lacey L-G	Arran H	Isabella D		Iqra MF	Amalie DS
YEAR 9	David O	Sarvesh N	Katie T	Seren W	David O	
YEAR 10	Louisa C	Jemimah M	Amira E	Evan G	Rafferty H	Xabier S
YEAR 11	Aiden L	Victoria H	Olivia Whitmore	Zuzanna.W	Zeynep G	Adrian E

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

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

LAB Attendance this Year: 94.12%	
LAB Primary Attendance: 94.83% National comparison (Primary): 91.2%	LAB Secondary Attendance: 94.23% National comparison (Secondary): 91.2%

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