

# THAMESMEAD TALK

**This issue:**

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2015

**Yr11 Prom**

Dear Parents/Guardians

**Uniform Update**

The prom was held on Wednesday at Silvermere Golf Club and was very well attended by both students and staff. Everyone had a really good time.

**Headteacher's**



**Award**

**Careers**

Further photos will be on our website and facebook page.

**Yr10 Strode's Taster**

**Day**

We look forward to seeing our Year 11s again on our results day, which is Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> August at 10.00am. Mr Rodin, Headteacher

**Celebration**

**Assemblies**

## **Uniform Update**

**Book Amnesty**

The students have been told today that for the rest of the term they do not need to wear their blazers. However, they should continue to wear their ties to school each day and then, depending on the expected temperature for that day they will be told whether or not they need to wear them. Please be aware students who arrive to school without a tie will be given a 30 minute detention.

**Sports Day**

**Lost Property**

Please remind students to remove lunch cards, etc from their blazer pockets and to have these with them.

**House Competition**

**Performing Arts**

Also a further reminder that girls in Years 7 to 10 should be wearing the new school skirt as of September. These are available from Shepperton Sports in Shepperton High Street. Girls can still choose to wear school trousers. Mr Rodin, Headteacher

**BP**

## PTA 200 Club

### Winners

## Investor In Careers

## Eco Conference

## Inter-House Football

## Rooms To Rent

## Book of the Week

## Word of the Week

## Key Dates:

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Yr 7 Celebration

Assembly

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Yr 8 Celebration

Assembly

### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July

Yr 10 Celebration

Assembly

### Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Yr 9 Celebration

Assembly

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Curriculum Enrichment

## Headteacher's Award

Below are the names of the students who are this week's winners of the Headteacher's Award. They have received a Certificate and 25 Vivo points credited to their Vivo account.

Year 7: Amelia Kettle (7D1), Ben Meek (7G1) and James Norton (7D2)

Year 9: Jessica Bernard (9D1) and Sam Keene (9G1)

## Careers

Esher College applications close at 5.00pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Mrs Morris is running a final help session for students wishing to apply on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2.30pm-3.15pm.

## Year 10 Strode's College Taster Day - Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

The 656 bus which goes to Strode's College will run on a special timetable for this day only. Students will need to pay a fare (return fare from Sunbury is £3.00, from Shepperton area is £2.80 and from Laleham area is £2.50). Students need to take pens and a notebook. Lunch is provided by the college and school uniform need **not** be worn.

The bus timetable is as follows to ensure that students arrive for 9.15am and the day will finish at 2.00pm.

Sunbury Village <b>Three Fishes</b>	8.15
Sunbury Cross <b>Station</b>	8.23
Upper Halliford <b>Station</b>	8.29
Upper Halliford <b>Post office</b>	8.31
Upper Halliford <b>Roxford Close</b>	8.32
Shepperton <b>Station Approach</b>	8.37
Shepperton Green, Laleham Road <b>Bull</b>	8.40
Laleham <b>Church</b>	8.45
Laleham <b>Anglers Retreat</b>	8.47
Worple Road <b>Pavillion Gardens</b>	8.49
Knowle Green <b>Worple Road</b>	8.53
Staines <b>Clarence Street</b>	9.02
Egham <b>Strode's College</b>	9.10

At the end of the day, the bus will be waiting at 2.00pm to leave between 2.05pm and 2.15pm.

## Celebration Assemblies

Celebration Assemblies will take place over the next few weeks in the main school hall at 8.45am to 9.45am on the following dates:

Year 7 – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Year 8 – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Year 10 – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July

Year 9 – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

Last Day of Summer Term  
-12.00 finish

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September**

INSET Day

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
September**

INSET Day

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

First Day of Autumn Term

A full calendar of the  
school holiday dates for  
2014/2015

and 2015/2016 are  
available on our website.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Bloodhound Flyer**



### **Book Amnesty**

Have you still got a book on loan?  
Have you 'just' borrowed a book and forgotten to bring it back?  
Have you seen a library book just sitting in a classroom?

During July there is an amnesty for returning any library book - no questions asked, no fines, no fuss. Please return books to the Learning Centre a.s.a.p.

**Current cost to replace Overdue and Missing books is £1364!**

### **Advance Notice for Sports Days**

Events will take place on both Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Students should wear their full PE kit to school on these days. However, students should wear a suitable sports T-shirt in their House colour, instead of their usual red Thamesmead sports shirt. (Except for Phoenix students, who can of course wear the school PE top.)

### **Lost Property**

As always we have collected a lot of lost property during this term. Lost property is kept in the main office so please encourage students to come and have a look as any remaining items will be disposed of on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

### **House Competition**

Students are invited to design a new Thamesmead Talk logo. The winning design will need to be converted to a jpeg image so should be clear with bold colours. Thamesmead colours would be good. Printed designs should be submitted to the main office by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July or emailed to [info@thamesmeadschool.com](mailto:info@thamesmeadschool.com) The winner will receive 100 vivo points. Get designing and good luck everyone!

**Performing Arts**



### **Peter Pan – KS3 School Musical**

Tickets are now available for Peter Pan, The Musical from Miss Gatland in 19B. Tickets cost £5 for adults and £3 for students and children. Cheques should be made payable to Thamesmead School. The show takes place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm in the school hall. Don't miss it!



## **BP**

Thank you to BP for running the enterprise activity, The Trading Game, helping Year 8 to learn about how the Futures Markets work.



## **PTA 200 Club Winners**

Well done to our June winners:

1<sup>st</sup> prize of £25 goes to No.49 – Eva Cuckova  
2<sup>nd</sup> prize of £15 goes to No.85 – Keith Gibson



## **Investor In Careers**

The school is being re-assessed for the Investor in Careers Award and if you have any comments you would like to make about the careers programme, please email them to [info@thamesmeadschool.com](mailto:info@thamesmeadschool.com)

## **Eco Conference**

Yesterday, fourteen Year 9 students attended the annual Spelthorne Secondary School Eco-Conference. Our delegates looked at their own school environment and the wider global picture to gain strategies to help try and solve some of the many problems involved with the loss of Amazon ecosystems.

Charlotte said 'I loved hearing other people's ideas and contributing to new plans to help the environment and develop awareness.'

Elliot said 'It was a really enjoyable experience and I came away much more educated on the environment and sustainability.'

Eliza said 'It was really eye opening!'

Ben said 'It was an amazing and informative day and to have someone like Phil to talk and share his stories with us emphasises how serious the problem is.'

## Inter-House Football Results

Year 10

Phoenix 0 – 0 Dragon

Griffin 4 – 1 Centaur

## Rooms To Rent

There are 2 FLA assistants (French and Spanish) starting at Thamesmead from the end of September 2015. If you are able to offer a room to rent or would like more details, please contact Mr Raso at [g.raso@thamesmeadschool.com](mailto:g.raso@thamesmeadschool.com)



## Book Of The Week

Over the summer why not keep reading with SURREY READS!

### **A reading challenge for everybody this summer at Surrey Libraries!**

Sign up for Surrey Reads at your local library and be part of a countywide reading challenge this summer. Anyone over the age of 12 can join in - all you have to do is read two, four or six books borrowed from a library between 11 July and 12 September. Just register with a member of staff and make sure you get your bookmark signed after two, four and six books. When your bookmark has been signed, **you will be entered into a draw with a chance to win one of the following prizes:**

### **Prize Draw Prizes**

#### **12 – 18 years old:**

- |            |                                   |
|------------|-----------------------------------|
| Two books  | - £15 Book tokens/iTunes vouchers |
| Four books | - £30 Book tokens/iTunes vouchers |
| Six books  | - £60 Book tokens/iTunes vouchers |

For full details and T&Cs please see [www.surreycc.gov.uk/people-and-community/libraries](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/people-and-community/libraries)

The WORD of the WEEK for the week commencing Monday 6<sup>th</sup>  
July is:

CELEBRATION

French: célébration  
Spanish: celebración

# 10 ASTOUNDING FACTS ABOUT BLOODHOUND SSC



**135,000HP\***  
Bloodhound SSC has 75,000hp more than the QE2



**4.1 LACTATING COWS**  
The equivalent carbon footprint of the Bloodhound Project

**20 TONNES**  
The drag on the car at 1000mph

**0-1000  
55 SECONDS**  
and 500-1000 in 17 seconds!

**50,000g**  
The force at the rim of the wheel at 10,200 rpm. A sugar cube would weigh more than two men

**25,000 ft**  
The altitude Bloodhound would reach if it were fired straight up into the air

**3.6 SECONDS**  
Time taken to do the flying mile

**180 DECIBELS**  
The hybrid rocket could be louder than a 747 at take off!



**3,000 °C**  
The temperature in the rocket is twice as hot as the inside of a volcano

**64,000 L/SEC**  
The EJ 200 jet engine could suck all the air out of an average-sized house in 3 seconds

\*Strictly speaking you shouldn't measure the output of jets and rockets in terms of horsepower - especially if you have to nearby - use the thrust instead.

*IMechE Thamesway Region with the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, present:*

## BLOODHOUND SSC See the Car! Meet the Drivers!

**ALL AGES WELCOME**  
**STEM ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG RACERS**

15:00 to 17:00 - Open Session - All Ages Welcome

STEM design, build and race activities for School Students.

17:00 to 19:00 - Networking and Bloodhound technical presentation and refreshments.

Institution of  
**MECHANICAL  
ENGINEERS**



## Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Royal Electrical and  
Mechanical Engineers  
Hazebrook Barracks  
Arborfield  
Berkshire  
RG2 9JN



For more information and to book your place please visit:

<https://nearyou.imeche.org/near-you/UK/Thamesway/Reading-Area/events>

Alternatively, email [meachaa@bp.com](mailto:meachaa@bp.com) for additional information and to book places.

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**BLOODHOUND**  
**SSC**  
**See the Car!**  
**Meet the Drivers!**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2pm - 7pm**

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND?**

All age groups are welcome. We especially welcome School Students.

**WHAT WILL WE BE DOING?**

We have special STEM events for school children (suitable for children up to 13 years of age) from 3pm. This will include the opportunity to build and race your very own Bloodhound!

**During this time there will be an opportunity for Students of all ages to meet the Bloodhound SSC drivers and talk to those behind the Bloodhound project. Parents and Teachers are welcome to participate.**

**EVENING EVENTS**

From 17:00 we will move to the lecture theatre where the team will describe some of the magic behind the Bloodhound design. We very much hope to welcome adults as well as children to this part of the evening. Light refreshments will be available, with plenty of networking opportunities!

**GETTING THERE**

Hazebrouck Barracks is near Arborfield, RG2 9JN. Car parking is available at the REME Museum (opposite). There are regular buses from Reading.

FOR SECURITY REASONS, PLEASE **REGISTER PRIOR TO THE EVENT** USING THE LINK BELOW, OR BY EMAIL (meachaa@bp.com)

<https://nearyou.imeche.org/near-you/UK/Thameswey/Reading-Area/events>

