



Bloomfield Collegiate News

Monday

4th November 2019

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 5th November

Sunday 17th November

Friday 22nd November

Monday 25th Nov. – Friday 29th Nov.

Monday 2nd December

Thursday 5th December

Saturday 14th Dec. – Saturday 21st Dec.

Friday 20th December

Ski Trip meeting 6pm

Friends of Bloomfield Trip to Kildare Shopping Village

Staff Development Day – School closed to all pupils

Years 13 & 14 Parental consultation 1pm – 3.20pm

Internal Examinations for all

Staff Development Day – School closed to all pupils

Christmas Fair 6.30pm

Ski Trip

End of Term – School to close at 12 noon.

Kildare Village Shopping trip

Friends of Bloomfield have arranged a day trip to Kildare Shopping Village on Sunday 17th November.

Coach will collect passengers at school at 8.45am, dropping off again at 6.30pm. The cost is £25.

Please make your payment to Mrs Jennie Wharry in school or directly to the BCS School Account:

Sort code 950128; Account number 20228931; Payment Reference "PTA BUS".

Confirm names to: jwharry997@bloomfield.belfast.ni.sch.uk or denisecurlett@fleetfinancial.co.uk

There are only 54 spaces, so be quick to book your seat!

Christmas Fair

We will hold our annual Christmas Fair on Thursday 5th December. Please put the date in your diary

and contact school (info@bloomfield.belfast.ni.sch.uk) if you would like to book a table at a cost of

£20 per stall.

Sports this week

Years 8-11 football club is on tomorrow (Tuesday) from 3.30pm-4.30pm. There is a junior cup match to be played in the coming weeks and so girls must attend if they want to be considered for the team.

Athletics club is also back tomorrow (Tuesday) from 4.30pm-6pm. All welcome.

Intermediate/Senior netball club (Years 11-14) will take place on Tuesday lunchtime from 1pm-1.30pm. There will be no afterschool club. **Year 8 netball club** is on this Saturday from 8.30am-10am.

All are welcome.

Year 8 hockey club is on Friday this week. More details will be given out during PE classes later in the week.

Foodbank Collections

As you may know by now, as part of our mission statement of being a “caring community”, our pupils are being asked to contribute to a number of different social outreach agencies in advance of Christmas. Mrs Hannah has arranged for Years 8, 10, 11 and 12 to collect for Willowfield Parish Church, who operate a foodbank on My Lady’s Road. Attached are suggestions for donations in kind, which can be sent in to school anytime this week.

Mrs Hutchinson, Head of Year 9, has Louise Ferguson coming in from The Larder on Mersey Street on 14th November, when she will talk to the girls about local poverty as part of their Citizenship programme; Year 9 will be asked to do a food collection for them.

Mrs Wharry is organising a drop-off point for Women’s Aid who are happy to receive any make-up or toiletries that are unused, as many of the women they support have had to leave the house immediately. Years 13 and 14 will be asked to contribute to this.

External Assessments

GCSE and A Levels are comprised of a huge range of examinations, controlled assessments and internally assessed components. The administration of these tests is regulated by JCQ and Bloomfield Collegiate School must follow their rules.

It is important that pupils in Years 11 to 14 are made aware of the exams process and what is expected of them. Therefore, pupils in these year groups have received an email with the relevant JCQ’s Information for Candidate Documents. They should read these documents carefully to avoid any possible malpractice in their coursework, and to understand their roles and responsibilities during the written examinations.

The documents can also be accessed by clicking the following link:

<https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/information-for-candidates-documents>

Pupils should also be aware of the posters that will be displayed in the exam rooms:

<https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/exam-room-posters>

UCAS Arrangements

Parents and guardians of Year 14 pupils should be aware that UCAS applications are currently underway. Please discuss your daughter/ward’s choices with her and read her personal statement. When complete, she should then contact her referee for an appointment prior to the reference being written.

Mock Interviews

Mock Interviews for Year 14 pupils will take place on the evening of Monday 18th November. Please ensure that this is a date in your daughter’s calendar as it is an essential element to her preparation for applying to university or employment.