



# Bloomfield Collegiate News

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Wednesday  
22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020

## Dates for your Diary

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

Year 8 Roald Dahl Day (note change of date)

Toronto 2021 Tour meeting – 5pm

School to close at 12.15pm

Year 10 Parental Consultation – 1pm until 3.20pm

School to close at 12.15pm

Year 8 Parental Consultation – 1pm until 3.20pm

## Cold Weather

With our recent frosty mornings, we are aware that we have not yet seen the back of winter. With this in mind, pupils should always wear blazers to and from school. They are an obligatory part of school uniform. On very cold/snow days, **school issue** hoodies may be worn **under** blazers, not instead of blazers. Only school scarves may be worn. Regulation green school coats are available from suppliers, and you will know that we are now supplying our own puffa jacket which may be worn to and from school and school events. The first order was distributed before Christmas. We are now taking further orders (see attached). We hope to have sample sizes available again in reception soon.

Extreme weather can result in school closures and, in the event of such weather, we will let you know if School is closed by Twitter, the School's Website and Facebook; we will make every effort to post the message before 8.00 a.m. In addition to these methods, we will send a text message to the agreed contact mobile phone number. If your mobile phone number has recently changed, please let us know so that the records can be updated.

## Hockey Tour 2021

The proposed hockey tour for pupils currently in Years 9 to 12 in 2021 will now be to Toronto, Canada. It will take place during the week before the Hallowe'en holiday and will cost £1990. A proposed itinerary and more information can be found on the following link:

[Bloomfield Collegiate School- Hockey Tour to Canada 2021 \(parents\)](#)

Several girls have expressed interest, with 16 already confirmed. If your daughter/ward wishes to be included on this tour, please let us know by email at [bcshockeytour2021@gmail.com](mailto:bcshockeytour2021@gmail.com) by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January. Any interested parents are welcome to attend a short meeting commencing at 5pm in the Curran building on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January.

## Absence

Please be aware that there is a legal requirement to send in an absence letter on the day your daughter/ward returns to school after a period of absence. Failure to do so will result in an unexplained absence mark being on her formal school record. Thank you for your cooperation in this.

### **Parent Pay & School Fund**

We plan to introduce the ParentPay app in the coming weeks, with a view to becoming a cash-free environment. Letters are being sent to you this week explaining how to register; we would encourage everyone to register as soon as possible to enable the smooth transition when we go live. If you have any queries regarding this, please contact Amanda Craig in Finance Office, who will be happy to help. Letters are also being sent this week to remind parents to contribute to the School Fund. We are very grateful to all parents who help the School financially as this has a very positive impact on the pupils' education.

### **Year 8 Roald Dahl Day**

Each year at Bloomfield we hold a Roald Dahl Day for Year 8 in order to celebrate and enjoy the writing of this enduringly popular author. Pupils will participate in a number of activities, such as craft, quizzes, face painting and readings. The event will run on Friday from Period 4 and continue for the rest of the school day.

Pupils are encouraged to dress up as any character from Roald Dahl's novels. They can also dress in yellow as this was his favourite colour. Dressing up is optional; however, if they do choose to dress up they must still come to school in their uniform and change just before the event. Pupils will be permitted to leave school at the end of the school day in their costumes. Ideas for dressing up can be found on [www.roalddahl.com/dahlicious-dress-up-day/dressing-up-tips](http://www.roalddahl.com/dahlicious-dress-up-day/dressing-up-tips).

Pupils should also bring their colouring pencils/felt tips for the craft activities and a hair band for making BFG ears. There is no cost for this event.

### **First Aid**

As you know, we have a School Nurse who is the only member of staff permitted to provide pupils with paracetamol. Some parents give permission for their daughter/ward to bring her own tablets to school for personal use. In such cases it is important that she knows that she must not share these with others. Please ensure that you have this conversation when supplying them.

### **Nuts**

Please be reminded that the School is a nut free zone. If bringing a packed lunch or snack for break, pupils should not have any cake or chocolate bars containing nuts. It is also worth noting that **pesto** contains pine nuts, and so, following guidance, salads and sandwiches containing pesto are also prohibited.

### **Scripture Union**

There are a few places remaining for the SU weekend. Anyone wishing to attend must bring their permission form and deposit to Mrs Cummings ASAP.

### **Pre-loved Uniform Sale**

As the summer draws ever closer, we are starting to think about our Friends of Bloomfield Used Uniform Sale. If you have any old pieces of uniform that are still in good condition, please feel free to leave them at reception.

### **Preparing for the Teen Years**

The Friends of Bloomfield would like to invite you to 'Build Up - Healthy, Happy Teens' course, a four-week programme that will be held in School on consecutive Tuesdays commencing on Tuesday 3rd March. A flyer with more information has been attached. The sessions will start at 6.30pm and finish at 8.30pm. All parents in Years 8 to 10 are more than welcome to attend.