

# THE AMMONITE

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## Dates for the Diary

Parent, Carer and Student 'Need to Know' Dates			
Year	Activity	Date	Start Time and Venue
For All	Last Day of Term 4	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	
7	Internal Examinations	13 <sup>th</sup> May – 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Various
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9	Internal Examinations	29 April – 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Various
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11			
Sixth Form	Year 12 & Year 13 Parent/Carer Evening Year 12 Internal Examinations	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 29 <sup>th</sup> April – 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	4.00pm – 7.00pm Various

When we decided on our school vision statement 'Developing confident, respectful and successful young people,' we were clear in our belief that 'successful' meant success in its widest sense, not just academic performance. This week has really evidenced that, with a wide range of opportunities for students ranging from workshops delivered by the University of Bristol to Year 9 girls around being physically active tour Challenge Leaders Activity Morning this morning where students worked in cross year groups to develop key team work and reflection skills to help them in later life. Year 11 were also given the message in their assembly on Monday that success in later life will be influenced not only by the results they get in their upcoming exams, but by how often they take advantage of the opportunities they are presented with. One such opportunity for students joining us for sixth form is the launch of the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award for Year 12 students in 2019-20 which we have committed to in response to the great success of the Bronze and Silver Awards so many students are currently working towards. To have got to the position of offering DofE Gold just two years after the launch of the award at Wellsway School is a real achievement and I'd like to say a big well done to all those students who have given time and effort to such a worthwhile commitment.

Finally, thank you to all the parents who took time to talk to me at Year 10 Parents' Evening last night and to complete the questionnaires that gave such positive feedback about how your children are doing at Wellsway. It was great to hear about some of the things students are involved in outside of school and to be able to pass on some of the praise for a number of staff working so hard to engage students in their lessons.

**Matthew Woodville**  
Principal

## News



### Zest 'Members Breakfast'

Zest's partnership with FareShare South West saw us introduce the 'Zest member's breakfast' two weeks ago which has gone off to a flying start, we have received some interesting items to create tasty breakfast items. A bit like a 'Ready, Steady, Cook' competition Hannah, our kitchen manager, has had to be creative with yogurt and an abundance of cereals! Making homemade granola, cereal bars and yogurt cake has been some of these amazing creations.

Cereals, toast, yogurt, fresh fruit pots and juice drinks are available most days with featured hot daily specials; ham and cheese toastie sandwiches, sausages, and bagels have all gone down well! Please come in a check out the daily offering, it will change every morning so you may miss out on something if you don't make a visit! Remember any 3 items for only £1.00



## GDPR Consent Forms – update via Insight

As you are aware, we recently sent home a GDPR Consent Form to every student currently at Wellsway School. We still have a number of forms outstanding and have sent a reminder email to parents/carers of those concerned.

You will be pleased to hear that you are now able to update these details via Insight; therefore can we please ask that you log into your Insight account sometime over the next week to update this information. Please note that this is only available to update using the parental account and **not** the student account.

**How to update/check** - Once you have logged in, please click on **General - Personal Details** and then scroll down to **Parental Consent**. You will see 8 boxes with a description alongside - please can you tick the boxes you are agreeing to.

**PLEASE NOTE:** It is most important for you to tick the box " **I understand that I am not permitted to take images other than for personal use and I will not distribute or post images online or on social networks such as Facebook and YouTube.**"

If you need a reminder of your Insight Username please email [insight@wellswayschool.com](mailto:insight@wellswayschool.com)

Thank you in advance  
**Exams & Data Team**

## Year 9 DTP and MenACWY vaccinations mop-up session

The Schools Immunisation Team will be in school on Wednesday 27 March for the year 9 students who did not receive their vaccinations in January. An insight message has been sent to those parents who have not filled in the consent form, please ensure you do this asap. If you have any queries please phone the Immunisation Team direct on 01225 838270, there will be a nurse available to speak to you on Monday and Tuesday next week. Please ensure your child has breakfast on the day and wears a t-shirt or vest top underneath his/her school shirt for modesty.

**Mrs Dursley**

### Site Safety

#### Gates Locked

For student safety there is no vehicle access to school Monday – Friday 8.30am – 8.45am and 3.00pm – 3.20pm. Main gates are remained locked at these times, therefore if you need to visit or leave the school premises between these times may we recommend you park off site.

Many thanks for your co-operation

### Sixth Form

#### Year 12 and Year 13 Parent/Carer Evening – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 4.00pm-7.00pm

You are able to make bookings via Insight until 9.00am on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March. Please be reminded that appointments can only be made using the parental login therefore please ensure you can log in successfully and should you have any queries please contact us on [insight@wellswayschool.com](mailto:insight@wellswayschool.com)

#### Revision Planning

All Year 12 and Year 13 students have now been issued with printed copies of revision planners and a simple, one page guide of revision and exam practice tips at home, to help them prepare for the upcoming exam period. Extra copies of this, along with other resources, can also be found on the website under the Supporting Success and Revision Planning Help headline [here](#).



#### Cake Sale raises £145.00

Thank you to the Officer and Ambassador Team for organising a cake sale in the Common Room to raise money for this good cause, over £145 raised.

## Challenge Cup – Bake-off Round

The next round – the Sixth Form Bake-off – will take place next week. Tastings will be done in the Sixth Form Common Room over three lunchtimes by invited judges who will decide who has 'risen' to the challenge best!

## Music

### New Year 7 Orchestra

We are delighted to announce that we are starting a new Year 7 orchestra on Thursday 3.15-4.00pm for the final two Thursdays of this term. Any Year 7 instrumentalist is welcome to come along. We're a friendly bunch so don't be shy!

Due to clashes with students' extra-curricular activities outside school our Open Mic Night has been postponed until after the Easter holiday. Date to be confirmed.

Ms McLean

## Visits



### Paris Trip Update

We staggered sending the reply letters out for the Year 7 Paris trip, however, by now everyone who applied for this trip has been sent a letter. Those who were unfortunately not successful, were invited to sign up for a reserve list. In the case of a place becoming available, names would again be drawn at random from the list. Thank you to everyone who has returned the slip to join the reserve list.

**Mrs Rogers**

## Sport

### Year 10 / Under 15 Football - Wellsway v Kings of Wessex.

Wellsway year 10 football team marched into the semi-finals of the Somerset County Cup with an excellent 6-2 away win at Kings of Wessex. Wellsway executed a perfect counter attacking game plan, away from home and in difficult blustery conditions. Wellsway's two strikers, Dan and Seb were lethal in front of goal, scoring a hat-trick and a brace respectively, as they ran the home side ragged with countless runs through the middle of their defence. Jamal Uddin also had a superb game in centre midfield slicing clever angled passes through the Wellsway strike force. A fantastic team performance from all involved ensured Wellsway travelled to Oldfield for the semi-final showdown.

Well done boys!

**Mr Ive.**



### Excellent performance for Year 7

Last Thursday 9 girls from Year 7 travelled to Ralph Allen School, in Bath, to represent Wellsway School in the B&NES hockey tournament. The team, captained by Mindy were excited but nervous as they warmed up and weighed up the opposition. However once they began playing their nerves faded away and they played some excellent hockey. In their pool they beat St Gregory's (1-0) Writhlington (1-0) and drew against Ralph Allen (0-0) resulting in them winning the pool. In the semi-final they played Chew Valley and worked incredibly hard as a team ending in a convincing win, 3-0. This took us through to the final where we faced Ralph Allen again. Lilly B and Polly S were outstanding in defence and Phoebe S made some great saves in goal, which meant at full time the score was 0-0. We then faced 5 minutes of extra time in which the whole team pulled together and battled hard but despite their best efforts they conceded a goal in the final 2 minutes of the game. The girls were disappointed to come so close but I couldn't have been prouder of them. They showed great sports etiquette throughout the tournament and were a pleasure to coach. Well done to Sophie S, Cary's G, Mindy F, Lucy H, Polly S, Lilly B, Phoebe S, Katie G, Sophia A.

**Mrs Burston.**

## Under 14 Football v Chew Valley

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March, the year 9 football team travelled to Chew Valley for a football league match. This was a great performance from the whole team, as they came out 6-1 winners. Goals were scored by Josiah (2), Riley (2), Will and Joe Next game is on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March away to Norton Hill.

Mr Evans

## Under 13 Football v Chew Valley

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, the year 8 football hosted the travelling Chew Valley. Wellsway took the lead through a goal from Joel, before Chew Valley pulled an equaliser back before half time. It was the away team that started the better of the two in the second half, and took the lead before Theo scored to equalise, followed by a hat-trick from Jake put Wellsway into a 5-2 lead. Chew Valley fought back and did manage to score two more goals, but the final score finished 5-4 to Wellsway. A very competitive game! Man of the Match: Theo. Next game is on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March, away against Gordano in the semi-finals of the County cup, followed by Norton Hill at home on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March.

Mr Evans

## Careers

### Careers Hub (Located in the Sixth form corridor next to M32)



Open to ALL STUDENTS Monday – Thursday 8.45am – 3.00pm

Drop in to make an appointment, pick up information, ask a question OR Email

[amillard@wellswayschool.com](mailto:amillard@wellswayschool.com)

### \*\* Wednesday Lunch-time Employer 'Pop-Up' sessions\*\*

DATE	EMPLOYER	VENUE
27.03.19	<b>Royal Navy</b> – Our guest speaker spent 18 years in the Royal Navy as a Submarine Engineer, he is now a STEM consultant/Senior engineer.	Careers Hub 1.30 – 2pm
03.04.19	<b>Creative Access</b> – Creative media college in Bristol offering courses & careers within; Media (film, graphic & digital design) , music (performing, production and technology), IT Gaming	Careers Hub 1.30 – 2pm

### UPCOMING EVENTS –

- **Bath College Apprenticeships & Jobs Fair** – 27<sup>th</sup> March, 12pm – 5pm  
<https://www.bathcollege.ac.uk/event/apprenticeships-and-jobs-fair-march-2019>
- **Access Creative (Creative Media College) – Taster Day** Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 10am – 12.30pm & 1.30pm – 4pm to book a place [www.accesscreative.ac.uk](http://www.accesscreative.ac.uk) or tel 0800 28 18 42
- **Access Creative (Creative Media College) – Open Day** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March 1.30pm OR 3pm to book a place [www.accesscreative.ac.uk](http://www.accesscreative.ac.uk) or tel 0800 28 18 42
- **Year 10 – 12 Interested in Medicine ?? Medic Mentor** are holding a **2 day conference** in Cardiff 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> April. There is a charge ! [www.medicmentor.co.uk](http://www.medicmentor.co.uk) or Tel 01524 389772
- **dBs Music (production, live sound, game audio, sound engineering, music for film) – Undergraduate Open Day** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 10am – 3pm <https://www.dbsmusic.co.uk/open-days>
- **CMS Solicitors – Solicitor Apprenticeship Programme Information Evening**, Year 11 & 12 students, Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 5.30pm – 7.30pm, [www.cmsearlytalent.com](http://www.cmsearlytalent.com)

Looking for careers inspiration – [www.careerpilot.org.uk](http://www.careerpilot.org.uk) OR <https://nationalcareerservice.direct.gov.uk>

## Friends of Wellsway PTA



Please support your Friends of Wellsway PTA by signing up with [easyfundraising.org](http://easyfundraising.org)



Are you thinking of booking a holiday online or switching energy suppliers? You could be collecting free donations for Friends of Wellsway PTA?



There are over 3,000 online retailers ready to make a donation, including Amazon, eBay, John Lewis, Argos, Marks and Spencer, Expedia and Tesco – and it doesn't cost you a penny!

**Just follow 3 easy steps:**

1. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wellswayschool/> and join as a supporter.
2. Search for your online retailer on the easyfundraising.org site and click on the retailer's link provided.
3. Do your shop as normal and after you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to us for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and we'd be really grateful for your donations. Easyfundraising donations have so far raised over £400 to benefit Wellsway students.

\*Did you know over the years we've bought all sorts of things to improve the school environment? These include: bird-watching cameras; library furniture; washing machines for PE; outdoor seating; digital projectors; and science equipment to name just a few.

Please support us so we can raise enough for a new 'food servery' to help reduce queuing in the dining hall.

Thank you, and please encourage family and friends to sign up too 😊

## Staff Vacancies

For more information please go to <https://www.wellswaymat.com/careers>