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'Visitors to our school cannot fail to be impressed by our pupils and their learning in departments'

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School that Matters: Open Evening

It was great, as it always is, to welcome hundreds of future pupils and their families to our school on Wednesday evening. As well as the Year 6 families from our partner primary schools, we also welcomed much younger future pupils and some who are already at secondary schools looking to move to St. Ambrose Barlow.

There were hundreds of people in attendance throughout the evening, but the huge team of Year 7 guides, ably assisted by more senior pupils ensured that the event was well-run and that the tours visited all parts of the school. Credit must also go to Mr Healey and Mrs Saldanha de Magalhaes for all the organisation they put into the event.

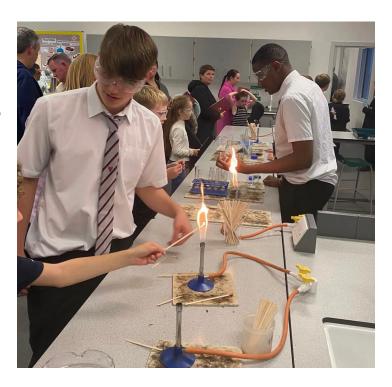
Our lead pupils in Year 11 ensured that anything I had to say was eclipsed by their honest and celebratory words. Each address to prospective parents and carers was opened by Kishan, Maya and Venice talking with passion and commitment about their five years at our school. They were a very strong advertisement for a St. Ambrose Barlow education. Any visitor could not fail to be impressed by the presentations from departments and by the way that they young people led many of them.

If you are considering St. Ambrose Barlow RC High School for your child and missed the Open Evening but would like to look round, we have limited availability for our Open Morning next Wednesday – please book via our website.

In this week's edition of our newsletter you can read some of the highlights from the week and look ahead to more good things to come. Thank you to all parents, carers and families for your continued support.

Ben Davis, Headteacher

Image: Year 11 pupils
Leo and David
demonstrating Science
experiments to
prospective pupils at
the Open Evening



'Well done to the Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 netball teams'

Around our School this Week: Highlights

It was great to welcome the Principal of Bolton Sixth Form to our Year 11 assembly this week to talk about the wide range of opportunities available there. Throughout this half-term we are welcoming colleges and post-16 providers to speak to Year 11 about future opportunities.

CALENDAR

 Book Fair all week in the library, begins Monday, October 2nd – details to follow

- Open Morning,
 October 4th –
 bookings via school website
- · Awards Evening, October 9th, 7:00pm
- School closes for half-term 3:15pm, October 21st

*Change to Year 10
Parent's Evening from
October 12th to
November 9th

SYNERGY – action needed

If you have not yet done so please get the Synergy app and log-in.

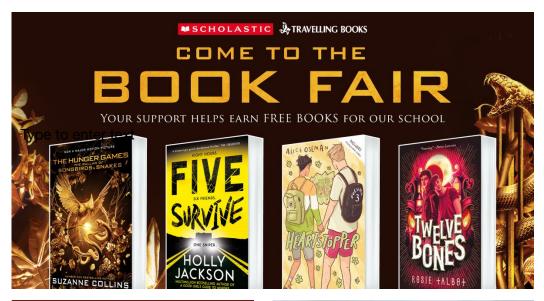
Codes for log-ins were sent out to all families last year. If you have lost your code you can contact reception for new one.

The app gives you access to all the information you need about your child's education and care at school: timetables, achievement and behaviour points, attendance data and more.

You can also inform us of your child's absence via Synergy eliminating the need for a phone call.

A huge well done to the Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 teams who competed in a netball tournament at Moorside High School this week. Their competitive spirit was second-to-none and they performed superbly well. A wide range of extra-curricular clubs and teams are now underway.

This week staff visited one another's classrooms to learn from colleagues about new approaches to learning and teaching. This is always a celebratory week and brings out the absolute best in staff and pupils. It reinforced what an excellent and talented staff team we have.



Don't miss the Scholastic
Book Fair which is coming to
our school from Monday,
October 2nd until Friday,
October 6th and will be held in
our library. It was a huge hit the
last time it came.

There will be great discounts and prices on books start from £2.99. As well as books, there will be a small selection of stationery for sale, for which we can accept cash.

Pupils are able to complete a wish list from the school library and parents can pay easily via the online system. What's more every book purchased means free books for our school.



Image: pupils returning from the netball tournaments at Moorside High School this week