



HEBER HIGHLIGHTS

April 2026

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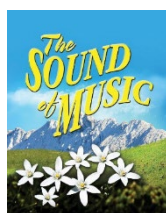
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Headteacher Editorial: Although the spring term is traditionally the shortest in the school year, this year's extended term of nearly twelve weeks has given us the opportunity to offer a wide range of activities both during and beyond the school day. Many of these are highlighted in this and recent editions of the *Heber Highlights* newsletter. The school remains as vibrant and busy as ever, with record numbers of clubs, societies, and support sessions running daily. In addition, fixtures, trips, visits, and extra-curricular opportunities continue to grow in popularity, reflecting the remarkable commitment of staff who consistently go the extra mile for our students, particularly as we approach the external GCSE and A-level examinations this summer.

A longstanding event this term is the MP visit to meet with our A-level History and Politics students. Last year Aphra Brandreth (Conservative MP for South Chester and Eddisbury) shared her journey into politics. This year the students had the privilege of meeting Andrew Ranger (Labour MP for Wrexham) who was elected in the 2024 General Election. It has been good for students to hear from both sides of the political debate. The students gained valuable insight into a career in politics, the inner workings of elections, life in Parliament and the work of an MP. Experiences like this, alongside the recent school trip to Parliament, help enrich the studying of Politics. They provide an invaluable opportunity to deepen understanding and make connections with what they have learnt in class with real-life world events.



Another highlight this term was the annual **Science Fair**, which brought together young scientists from Years 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 both from our partner primary schools and our own students. This year we welcomed a record number of entrants, with well over 200 pupils taking part. The theme was 'curiosity', and our panel of judges, made up of engineers, scientists, governors, and myself had the privilege of reviewing each thoughtful and imaginative project. The winners were awarded rosettes and vouchers in recognition of their outstanding work and creativity.



Our **Heber Footlights** event on Friday, 17th March demonstrated the breadth of performing talent from our students. Over 30 acts featuring vocal solos, duets, trios, instrumentalists, dancers, actors and school ensembles took to the stage and were greeted warmly from an enthusiastic audience. As is customary, we closed the evening with the video 'reveal launch' of our School production for November 2026. We are delighted to have secured a licence to stage family favourite **'The Sound of Music'**. Auditions begin in the Summer Term with rehearsals commencing before the summer holidays and throughout September and October. Tickets will be on sale immediately after October half term. Watch this space!



I would like to thank everyone who supported the annual non-uniform day for the Red Nose Day appeal on Friday, 20th March. We raised £950 in total for this good cause.

It's been a delight for me to meet the recipients of the Headteacher's Awards for the Spring Term. Tutors and Year Leaders nominated one Tutee each from their Tutor Group to be presented their Certificate for the progress they have made so far this academic year. The opportunity to celebrate this success together as a year group with a hot chocolate and a pastry in the Conference Room is a real highlight at the end of every term – congratulations to everyone nominated.

We have two members of staff leaving Heber this term:

Mrs C Tucker (2016–2026) became part of Heber Catering Team in October 2016 as a Kitchen Assistant. She brought with her a rich employment history, having previously worked with CBS Catering. After ten years of loyal service, Mrs Tucker leaves with our heartfelt thanks and best wishes for the future.

Miss R Edwards (2021–2026) joined the Heber Catering Team in November 2021 as a Kitchen Assistant. After five years great service she leaves us to take up a new role with a local cleaning company, and we wish her every success as she continues her career.

Academic Year 2025-2026 (important dates)

Summer Term 2026

- 20.04.26 **Students return to School (Week A)**
- 20.04.26 Lower Sixth Mock Progression Exams
- 23.04.26 Year 10 English Mock Exams (P1 & 2)
- 23.04.26 Year 7 Parents' Eve (4.15 - 7.15 p.m. SPH)
- 23.04.26 Y11 / Y13 Year Photographs (MSH 9–10.30 a.m.)
- 24.04.26 Non-uniform Day (Friends of Heber)
- 25-27.04.26 Year 10 DofE Silver Award Expedition
- 24-26.04.26 Year 13 DofE Gold Award Expedition
- 27.04.26 -01.05.26 Year 11 GCSE Languages Speaking Tests
- 28.04.26 Year 7 Menai Trip - Parents' Mtg. (MSH 6 p.m.)
- 04.05.26 **School closed: May Day Bank Holiday**
- 07.05.26 GCSE external exams start
- 15-16.05.26 Year 9 DofE (Bronze) Award Training
- 20.05.26 Upper Sixth Leavers Assembly (4.30 p.m.)
- 21.05.26 Year 10 English GCSE Paper 1 (a.m.)
- 22.05.26 Year 11 Celebration Assembly
- 22.05.26 Year 11 Exam Preparation Period starts
- 22.05.26 Upper Sixth Study Leave
- 22.05.26 Upper Sixth Leavers' Ball (Chester Racecourse)
- 22.05.26 Close for Half-term (3.30 p.m.)
- 22.05.26 **Half Term**

Summer Term 2026

- 01.06.26 **Students return to School (Week B)**
- 01.06.26 Year 9 End of Year Examinations start
- 05.06.26 Year 10 English GCSE Paper 2 (a.m.)
- 08.06.26 Year 7 & 8 End of Year Examinations start

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Spanish Exchange 2025/2026: Two Weeks of Culture, History, and New Friendships

UK students visit to Spain - October 2025.

Our Spanish Exchange trip to Valdepeñas in October 2025 was a blend of cultural discovery, historical exploration, and personal connections. Across the week, Year 9 and 10 students, accompanied by Mrs Hopley, Mrs Stanisstreet and Mr Penlington experienced life in Castilla-La Mancha first-hand, visiting iconic heritage sites, taking part in school life, and enjoying the warm hospitality of their host families. They visited Calatrava la Nueva Castle, a striking medieval fortress perched high in the mountains. They joined lessons, experiencing how Spanish students learn in their secondary school, I.E.S Bernardo de Balbuena. The group had an opportunity to meet the Mayor of Valdepeñas, who officially welcomed our group and spoke warmly about the cultural value of the exchange.

A highlight of the trip was a full-day visit to the stunning Andalusian city of Córdoba. Other visits included to Bodega Aruspide. Here, students toured the impressive facilities, learned about local wine production, and gained a greater understanding of why Valdepeñas is so well known for wine production. Another unforgettable visit was to the Consejo Regulador de la Denominación de Origen del Queso Manchego. Students discovered the history and strict quality standards behind Manchego cheese and enjoyed seeing how tradition and modern craftsmanship come together in this famous regional product.

The weekend was dedicated to life with host families. Students enjoyed home-cooked meals, local traditions and relaxed outings. These two days were invaluable for building confidence, strengthening friendships, and experiencing day-to-day life in a Spanish household.

Spanish students visit to UK - March 2026

Following a memorable week in Valdepeñas, it was our turn to welcome our Spanish exchange partners to Cheshire for the return leg of the exchange. The week was filled with cultural excursions, school activities, and time spent with host families — giving our visitors a chance to experience local life, landscapes, and traditions. Bishop Heber students took their exchange partners to some lessons and joined them on visits to the National Trust estate of Erddig, exploring the historic house, beautifully preserved gardens, and stories of the people who lived and worked there. On the Thursday of the same week, both UK and Spanish students visited Chester Zoo and Kenjoyed the wildlife on display. Our Spanish friends also visited Liverpool, Conwy and Llandudno and weekends were spent in families.

We waved goodbye to our Spanish friends on Monday 23rd March 2026 with lots of students having made lasting friendships with their Spanish exchange partners.

Mrs L Stanisstreet – Subject Leader of Languages



Guest Speakers in Sixth Form Social Science lessons

Year 12 and 13 Psychology and Sociology students were delighted to welcome Colette Johnson and Jennie McLaren into the Social Science department for two powerful and insightful sessions.

Colette Johnson, an experienced counsellor working for a local charity, offered students a valuable real-world perspective on mental health and counselling practice. She helped students make meaningful links between their classroom learning—particularly from the Approaches topic in Psychology—and how these theories inform therapeutic work. Her professional examples brought the subject to life, allowing students to see how psychological concepts are applied in real counselling settings. Students also explored how this knowledge supports future pathways into counselling, mental health, child development, and wider psychology-related fields.

Students were equally enthusiastic in welcoming Jennie McLaren, who provided an excellent insight into her work with the Lighthouse programme run by the charity Involve Northwest, Birkenhead. Jennie explained how the charity supports families who have experienced domestic abuse, helping students understand the real-world challenges faced by individuals in these situations.

She also showed students how to apply their theoretical knowledge from the Aggression topic in Psychology and Families and Households in Sociology to real-life experiences, including understanding the cycle of abuse within relationships.

Across both visits, the maturity and respect shown by the students were exemplary. These sessions gave them not only deeper subject knowledge but a greater appreciation of how theory connects directly to a person's lived experiences.

We are extremely grateful to Colette Johnson and Jennie McLaren for generously giving up their time and for inspiring our students with their expertise.

Mrs P Mullan – Subject Leader of Psychology



Physics Students Visit the LHC:

In February, 25 Advanced A-Level Physics students spent three days in Geneva to visit the large Hadron Collider at CERN. Having secured a guided tour, students were driven across the border into France to visit the ALICE experiment and the CERN Control Centre. This helped reinforce concepts students have covered in particle physics.

Students also visited historical sites such as the Alabama Room where the first Geneva convention was signed in 1864. On the last day we had a guided tour of the United Nations Geneva office during which students learned about the history leading up to the current member states.

Mr T Roberts – Teacher of Science (Trip Leader)





mention to Ava Patel (7STa), Rhys Williams (7PMa), Jessica Martin (7STa), Hariett Wingett (7OFo), Noah Charles- Paget (7KLa) and Noah Murphy (7BYo) with top places this term.

Thank you to our Year 8 Book Tok influencers for their World Book Day recommendations - check out their Book Toks on Instagram.

Book Swop

When?? **Monday 20th April 2026**

Where?? **En4**

What?? **Bring a book that you have finished reading and swop for a new book FOR FREE!**

When?? **Between 1.30pm and 2pm**

Who?? **Year 7, 8 and 9**



Exam Certificates - Check your address is up to date on Arbor

Year 10, 11 and Sixth Form students and parents - please check your postal address is correct for Exam Certificates.

Exam Certificates for this summer's exams arrive in school during November / December in the Autumn Term. If a student no longer attends Bishop Heber High School when the Exam Certificates arrive, we post their certificates to the home address we have on Arbor. It is essential that you check the address details held by the school are correct and notify us of any change of address up to the end of the Autumn Term 2026.

Parents can check and update the address details we hold for students on Arbor

<https://bishopheber.uk.arbor.sc/?/home-ui/index>

Mrs S Dakin-Evans – Data and Timetabling Manager

Reading News

Well Done to our 25 Year 13 Book Buddies who have received their Book Ambassador gold badges in recognition of their two-year service supporting reading. It is amazing to see such community spirit fostering and encouraging a love of reading at Heber. Congratulations to everyone involved!

A **huge thank you** to our Maths and Science departments for their Book Buzz takeovers this term.

It's great that so many Year 7 and Year 8 students getting involved with our Book Buzz competitions! Special

Cheshire Book Awards

There is still time to join the Cheshire Book Awards which requires students to read a selection of fantastic books and vote for their favourite. The excitement builds to a final event at Storyhouse, where the winning author will be revealed! If you'd like to get involved, please see Miss Codner (Librarian).



Unilever Bright Futures Projects

Two groups of Year 8 students travelled to Port Sunlight to present their Unilever Bright Futures projects, competing against 30 schools from across the Northwest.

Both teams were exceptional and delivered highly impressive, professional presentations. One group; Ted (8SJo), Alaiya O'Hara (8SBo), Gracie Jones (8CSe), Ava Swann (8MWa) and Oliver Jinks (8ASt), won the **Digital Innovation Award** with their creative 'Zoom Groom' product.

The second group; Felicity Jordan (8SJo), Darian (8ASt), Allegra (8CSe), Rose Smith (8MWa) and Harry Buxton (8B&S), achieved an outstanding **3rd place overall** for their 'Shampoo Pods' concept.

Both teams represented the school brilliantly, showcasing creativity, confidence and teamwork throughout.

Miss S Jones – KS3 Co-ordinator of Science

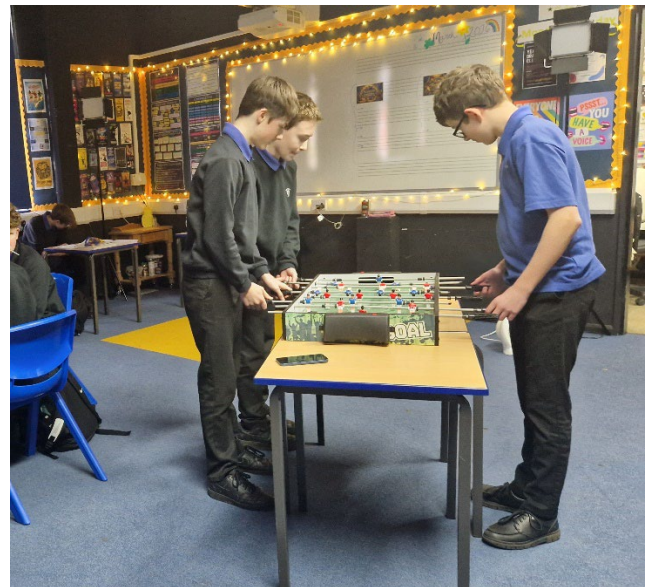


Friday Attendance Club

Mrs Ghattas and Mrs Finney have been welcoming Year 9 and 10 students to the 100% Lunch Club every Friday since January - over 190 students have been invited to enjoy games, snacks, quizzes and music as a reward for

their exemplary attendance. Darts and table football have been very popular and there will be new activities coming after the spring break.

Mrs A Ghattas and Mrs D Finney



WILL YOU WIN ONE OF THE VIP GOLDEN TICKETS TO

THE 100% CLUB

Each Friday, if you are in year 9 or 10 and have 100% attendance for that week, you will be in with a chance of winning an exclusive golden ticket to the Friday lunch 100% Club

There will be Music, Snacks, Netflix, Darts, Games, Drinks and more!

If you are invited to come along, you can bring 2 friends of your choice (who must also have 100% attendance)

If you are one of our lucky winners we will contact you via teams. Any questions, please see Mrs Ghattas or Mrs Finney

Future Ready Programme Launch – Year 8

On 9th March, a group of Year 8 students took part in the exciting launch of the Future Ready Programme, a long-term initiative designed to give students a wide range of meaningful experiences connected to the world of work.

During the event, students engaged with five fantastic employers who delivered hands-on workshops and inspiring insights:

- Chester Zoo – Discovering hidden job roles and enjoying a behind-the-scenes tour
- Bank of America – Understanding job applications and recruitment processes
- Vinci Construction – Exploring how communities influence building projects
- Altimex Ltd – Creating simple electronic circuits
- 1st Enable Ltd – Taking part in activities used within the care sector

This launch marks the start of an exciting journey, and we look forward to seeing students continue to build their confidence, aspirations, and understanding of future career pathways.

Mrs B Jones – Work Experience Co-ordinator



Year 10 Geography Fieldwork at Salford Quays

As part of their GCSE Geography course, Year 10 students recently took part in a fieldwork day exploring urban decline and regeneration at Salford Quays. The aim of the visit was to investigate how the area has transformed from its industrial past to a vibrant, modern hub for business, culture and leisure.

During the day, students collected a range of primary data that will later be used to test a geographical hypothesis, forming an essential part of the GCSE fieldwork requirement. The trip gave students the chance to practise valuable fieldwork techniques while observing real-world regeneration in action, and they engaged brilliantly

throughout, showing curiosity, teamwork and enthusiasm. Many students said they enjoyed discovering how the area has changed and what this means for the people who live and work there, while also gaining invaluable skills and knowledge that will support them in their Paper 3 exam.

Mr K Roberts – Teacher of Geography



Heber Footlights

On 17th March, students took to the stage for this year's Heber Footlights show, celebrating the incredible talent within our school community. With 28 acts spanning from Year 7 to the Sixth Form, the evening was a true showcase of hard-work and dedication.

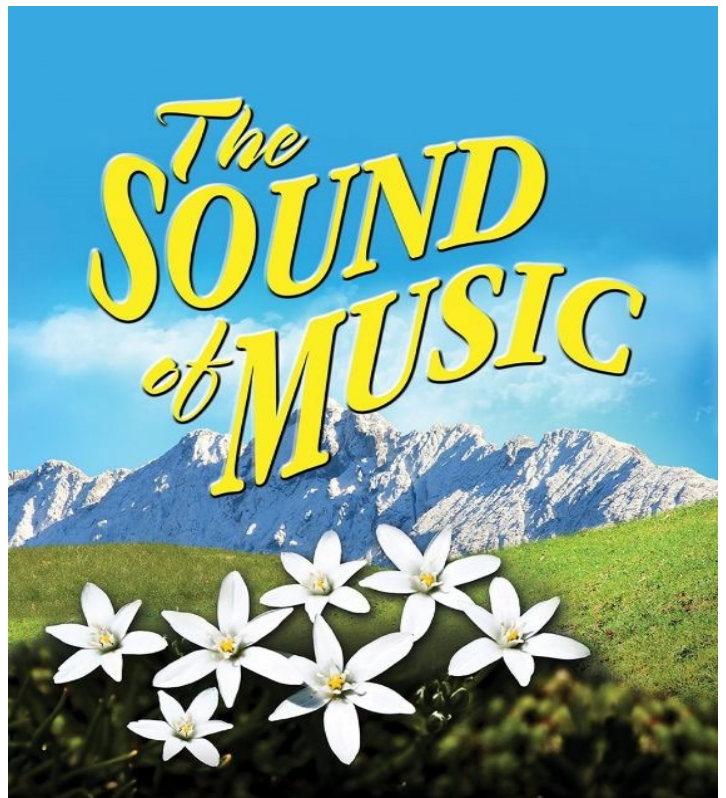
The programme featured a diverse range of performances including school ensembles, vocal solos and duets, instrumental performances, and student-devised dance pieces. Each act reflected the preparation and commitment of the students involved; everyone should be extremely proud of their efforts.





Adding to the excitement, the evening also saw the big reveal of next year's school production. We're thrilled to announce that *The Sound of Music* will be hitting the Heber stage in November 2026, and we can't wait to see our talented Heber students bring it to life! Keep an eye out for audition dates: they will be advertised on the Performing Arts noticeboard and the department's Instagram page: @bishopheberperformingarts.

Miss A McCulloch – Teacher of Music





Congratulations to the following students on completing their DofE Awards this Spring Term:



Bronze Award

Finn McGrillis (10B&W)
George Kelly (10JPe)
Georgia Murphy (10AWn)
Isaac Pealin (10SFe)
Isabella Lane (10JPe)
Joshua McEwan (10KCI)
Martha Pearson (10SFe)
Megan Hayward (10ESm)
Riley Noonam (10KCI)
Samuel Archer (10AWn)
Seren Leigh Jones (10JPe)
Tabitha Hill (10RWh)
Thomas Jordan (10B&W)
Amelia James (10AWn)



Silver Award

Elizabeth Shelmerdine (12LSt)
Rohan Southward (10OLi)
Ursula Archer (12LSt)



Gold Award

Former student Kathryn Denman has completed the gold award and will be invited to Buckingham Palace to receive her certificate from the Duke of Edinburgh.

Once again this is an outstanding achievement by all, showing great determination and commitment – congratulations!

Mr T Roberts - DofE Manager

Sports

Netball

Under 15s Chester and District Champions! An amazing season for these girls, next stop Alicante Spain!



Victory for both Year 9 and Year 10 netball squads in a friendly fixture against Abbeygate. Well done girls!



Year 7 played their first Chester and District A-Team tournament some real potential in this squad and great determination. Well done girls.



Well done to Year 8 girls who placed 3rd place at the Chester and District B-team netball tournament.



Great effort by the Year 7 netball squads, who had a fab time at the district tournament. Well played girls!



Well done to the Year 8 netball squad at their district tournament coming 3rd place.



Football

Great game of girls U13 football vs Blacon that could have gone either way. With some cracking goals scored by both teams finishing in a 3-3 draw. Our girls squeezing through 3-2 on penalties into the district semi-finals.

Excellent win and performance by the U15 girls football squad in the Chester Cup beating Bishops 6-2. Scorers – Faithful 2, Beattie 2, Morrey, PoM – Libby Robinson.



Absolutely gutted for the Sixth Form football team losing 3-2 with almost the last kick in the Cheshire Cup semi-finals vs Wilmslow. The boys gave it their all and were so unlucky. For Year 13 this is their last game, always representing the school to the highest standard, a real credit.

Fantastic effort by the Year 7 girls at the County 5-a-side finals. Didn't lose one match but finished runners up, just missing out by drawing in the last game.



Excellent performance and convincing win for the Year 9 boys football team. Against Tarporley reaching the Chester and District cup final next week. Scorers Hay (3) Bull (3) Norman, Burrell, Cottier and Baker. PoM – Teddy Bull



Great effort and achievement by the Year 9 football team to reach the district final. In the challenging conditions they gave it their all but just fell short to a very strong Upton team.



Congratulations to Carys Williams (9BL0) who has been selected for the England U15 schoolgirls squad. An amazing achievement. Well done Carys.



Rugby

The last outing for the Year 13 rugby players who were crowned Shield champions at the Cheshire 7s. A tough pool stage was followed up by back-to-back wins vs Altrincham and The Grange in the final.



Year 10 – competing in their Cheshire Sevens competitions. Year 8 – beating Tarporley in their first 15 a-side game in preparation for next seasons step up. Year 7 – Winning their Cheshire Sevens (Tier 2) tournament. Their first ever Sevens competition!





Year 9 Rugby Sevens squad at their county competition. They played some good rugby, scored some great tries and committed until the end but they came up against some very good (and big!) opposition!



Cricket

Great effort by the U13 boys indoor cricket squad finishing runners up in the district tournament.



More rugby action with Year 7 playing their last game of the season vs Tarporley and the Year 8 Sevens team playing in their Cheshire Sevens tournament and reaching the final! Narrowly losing to Bridge Water High School by 1 try! A much-improved performance on last year.



Sleddog Sports Federation British Championships

Imogen Baker (12OLi) won silver in both her races and was second overall in her category in the championships and was the highest female! The photo shows Imogen in the final round of the British Sleddog Sports Federation British Championships held at Kinnaird Castle. Congratulations, what an achievement.



Cross Country

Well done to all Heber runners that represented Chester at the Cheshire Cross-Country Championships in February in challenging conditions. Congratulations to George Haskey (7CLe), Nia Manson (9G&P), Lewis Dutton (9BLo) and Emilia Pyper (11RKy) who will go on to represent Cheshire.



Congratulations to Lewis Dutton (9BLo) who took part in the English Schools Athletics Association National Cross Country Finals, representing Cheshire for the Junior Boys.



Congratulations to George Haskey (7CLe) who was selected to represent Cheshire schools at their Annual Cross Country fixture against Merseyside.



Trampolining

Maria Antrobus (7BYo) competed in the first English National Qualifier of the year. She came 2nd in the 11-12 top level category, which guarantees her a spot at the finals in July (although she will be doing the 2nd Qualifier in May).

The result also goes towards being selected to represent England at the upcoming Home Nations Competition at the end of May and the European Cup in Portugal in October.



Taekwondo

Huge congratulations to Sophie Hewitt (8B&S) in Year 8 who competed in the ITFU English Championships under 13s in Birmingham and won gold in sparring. Great achievement Sophie!



Hockey

Well done to all Year 7 girls who played against Queens. A great game against a strong opposition.



Well done to the girls U14 squad who came 3rd in the Chester and District Hockey tournament.



Absolutely fantastic performance from our U13 boys' hockey squad in the North West Tier 2 finals. Games were end to end. Great performance coming home with 3rd place.



Kart Racing

Congratulations to Callum Graham (8W&W) who after all weekend practicing in Florida, brought home 2nd place on the podium after a tough battle and a mega drive. Callum has earned his place on the grid for this year's British Championships.



Tennis

Well done to Emlyn Walker-Jones (11ABI) who recently won the Ellesmere U18 grade 3 regional level, the U16 grade 3 and made the final of another U16 grade 3 tournaments. He has also been accepted into a G2 national competition in April. A great achievement.



Congratulations to Alfie Erraji (11KCa) and Emlyn Walker Jones (11ABI) both selected for the Borth Wales U18 tennis squad for the forthcoming LTA County Cup.



Kayaking

Good luck to Thomas Kearlsey (10KCI) who has been invited to take part in the Team GB selection event at the Olympic court in London, this is the first of two to determine the squad to take part in the World Championships.



Table Cricket

A great start to the Northwest cricket finals with wins against Sandfield and Tow View. The team got through to the Northwest Final after winning the group and finished as respectable runner ups in the Northwest Final, devastatingly losing out on the last ball to Wirral Grammar. A fantastic achievement by all students. Well done!



Staying Safe @ Heber – April 2026

As children move into their teenage years, routines, friendships, and pressures change... and attendance can slip.

Good attendance in secondary school is not only important for learning; it is an essential part of safeguarding and wellbeing.

When students are in school regularly, they stay connected, supported, and safe.

Why good attendance is an essential part of being 'Happy at Heber'	
Friendships and social confidence Regular attendance helps young people stay part of peer groups and avoid social withdrawal.	Mental health Low attendance can be both a <i>symptom</i> and a <i>cause</i> of anxiety, low mood and stress.
Academic impact Lessons move on quickly; missing even a few lessons can widen gaps that feel hard for students to catch up on.	Safety and supervision When students aren't in school, staff can't check in with them or spot early signs that something isn't right.
Each missed day means lost learning, reduced confidence and increased anxiety about returning.	

What can parents do to promote good attendance?

Notice early worrying signs Difficulty getting out of bed, repeated vague headaches, or avoiding certain lessons/friends can be clues that something else is going on.	Keep communication open and calm Teens are more likely to talk when they don't feel judged. e.g. "Is there anything at school feeling harder than usual?" or "Is there a lesson or social situation that you are worried about?"
Encourage routines that support independence Help your child plan their day and bag, uniform and timetable the night before but let them take the lead as much as possible.	Contact us before things become big If your child says they "can't face school" let us know swiftly. We can work together discreetly to unpick what's behind this feeling and to build resilience.
Where possible, book appointments outside school hours ; Key Stage 3 and GCSE lessons move on quickly.	Need support or worried about your child? Please contact your child's Form Tutor. Whether you're seeing small changes or big worries, we're here to help and early conversations make the biggest difference.

BISHOP HEBER - MADRID FOOTBALL TOUR RAFFLE

Raising funds for Bishop Heber football teams' trip to Madrid

Draw Date: Friday 25th April

Tickets: £5 per book

Events and Tickets

- 2 Premier League Match Tickets
- Champions League Football
- 4 Tickets to Port Vale Game
- Family Ticket to Cheshire Phoenix
- 2 Tickets for Bangor-on-Dee Races
- 2 Ball at Wrexham Golf Course
- Devafest Tickets (2 Adults / 2 Children)

Wellness and Beauty

- Vortex Academy (gym) 12-Month Membership (Worth £540)
- Spa Treatment Voucher at Carden Park
- Champneys Wellness Spa Gift Set
- Sanctuary Spa Gift Set
- Facial Treatment
- Brow Treatment
- Beauty and Skincare Hamper

Vouchers

- £250 Net World Sports voucher
- £100 Panama Hattys Voucher
- £100 Brunning and Price Voucher
- £100 Vortex Meal Prep Voucher
- £50 Malpas Farm Shop Voucher
- £50 Shop Voucher
- £30 One4All Gift Card
- The Bear Tattenhall (£30 Voucher)
- The Bear Tattenhall (£25 Voucher)
- Alderford Lake Voucher (x2)
- £25 Amazon Voucher
- £10 Amazon Voucher (x3)
- £10 Next Voucher

Gifts and Hampers

- Limited Edition Louisa Boyd Painting
- Large Food Hamper
- Cheese and Biscuit Hamper
- Picnic Hamper
- Stussy Real Madrid Shirt
- Joules Ladies Gift Set

Food and Drink

- 2-Course Sunday Lunch for 2 @ The Cock o' Barton
- Bottle of Moët Champagne
- Chandon Champagne Gift Box
- 2 Bottles of Prosecco
- Bottle of Prosecco
- Grey Goose Vodka
- Bottle of Rum
- Hortus Gin
- Gin and Tonic Set
- Bottle of Wine (x3)
- Rose Wine (x2)
- Lambrusco
- Wine and Chocolates
- Box of Chocolates

Labour Market Information

Facts and figures on employment in your local area

Cheshire & Warrington CAREERS HUB

THE CAREERS & ENTERPRISE COMPANY

Enterprise Cheshire + Warrington

THE CHESHIRE AND WARRINGTON PLEDGE PARTNERSHIP

Cheshire West & Chester September 25- January 26

Key Sectors

Advanced Manufacturing & Engineering, Hospitality, Health & Social Care, Finance, Logistics & Distribution, Energy & Clean Growth, and Life Sciences



374,490
Population



172,107
Total Number of people in Employment



21,415
Number of Job Adverts



£13.88 per hour
Average salary advertised



£12.21 per hour
National Minimum Wage Age 21+



265
No of Apprenticeship vacancies advertised

Top 10 Companies Advertising Jobs

	NHS & Cheshire & Wirral Partnerships
	Cheshire West & Chester Council
	University of Chester
	Disability Positive
	Bank of America
	Morrisons
	Valor Hospitality
	Lloyds Banking Group
	Tesco
	Airbus

Top 7 Essential skills

	Listening and Speaking
	Teamwork
	Staying Positive
	Leadership
	Aiming High
	Creativity
	Problem Solving

For more information on opportunities in Cheshire and Warrington scan QR code



NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK 2026

Apprenticeships are real jobs with real employers, allowing you to work, earn a salary and gain a valuable qualifications and experience. Click on the link below to discover the world of apprenticeships.

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Heber leisure

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Music, like language, is a fundamental part of human existence and of the societies in which we live. The opportunity to learn to play an instrument enables children to participate in an activity which many will find to be one of the most formative experiences they have as they grow up, developing an interest and a skill which opens up so many possibilities now and in later life. A bonus is that involvement in music has been shown to have a positive effect on other aspects of development - social skills, language, physical coordination and emotional development.

Why choose Music for Life?

Music for Life offers children something special. We work in partnership with over 100 music tutors who visit 130 schools teaching 4,000 children each week from complete beginners to some of the most accomplished young musicians in the UK. Two national independent reviews of school music services rated Music for Life an "outstanding effective service" offering parents and schools "outstanding value". We have also recently been awarded not-for-profit organisation of the year, where particular mention was given to the quality of work undertaken in schools for all activities under the Music for Life banner.



Book Lessons

Lessons can be booked online at www.musicforlife.org.uk where you will find much more information and a simple online booking form where you can make payment in full or set up a monthly subscription via our secure booking portal. Alternatively, please email admin@musicforlife.org.uk and we will get back to you.



"A big 'THANK YOU!' to Music for Life for the wonderful service and great teaching for quite a number of years!"

"May I take this opportunity to say how very happy and impressed we are with the level of care and motivational input given to young musicians by ALL of your staff"

"We have been extremely pleased with the service you have provided over the past 9 years. Your admin has been excellent and you have always been helpful and polite."

CLICK HERE
to go directly to our booking page

www.musicforlife.org.uk
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Deadlines for course bookings are as follows:

- 31st July** to start in September
- 20th October** to start after October half term
- 21st December** to start in January
- 30th January** to start after February half term
- 31st March** to start after Easter



Instrumental lessons during the school day

Instrumental lessons take place during the school day, convenient for parents and meaning students become part of a wider community of young musicians in school, avoiding the isolation that can be felt when learning at home. Thousands of students take part in our extra curricular activities - workshop days, concerts and ensembles, with many taking exams. All tutors are DBS checked, and to work with Music for Life, tutors must be first class musicians and are required to meet professional performance standards.



Instruments offered

Lessons may be available on guitar, piano, keyboard and violin (usually suitable for Year 2 or above) cello, clarinet, saxophone, flute, cornet, trombone, trumpet and euphonium (usually suitable for Year 4 or above) bass guitar, drums and singing. If we are unable to provide lessons on your first choice, we will contact you with the possibility of offering lessons on a second choice if you specify one.



Course Fees

Specialist teaching of a musical instrument falls outside the National Curriculum, so there is a charge for lessons. This varies as some schools provide a subsidy, but up to date details of course fees for your school appear on our booking form. Music for Life offers the facility to set up a monthly subscription which makes paying for music lessons so much easier. Support with fees may be available, so please get in touch with your school for details if you are in receipt of Income Support.





Bishop Heber High School

Would like to invite you to join us for our

Arts Celebration Evening

Celebrating the hard work and talent of our students from our Art, DT and Performing Arts departments. We will also be displaying artwork created by our local primary schools.

Wednesday 8th July 2026

5pm-7pm

Music and Drama Performances

Location: The Maths Yard

Display of Artwork from Primary Schools

Location: Main School Hall

DT Exhibition

Location: DT2&4 and Maths Yard by DT

Art Exhibition

Location: AR1, AR2 and AR3


To be visited at your leisure throughout the evening.

Refreshments will be sold from DT3 - cash only.



Every year, International **HPV Awareness Day** takes place on **4 March**. It's an opportunity to raise awareness about HPV and the protection the vaccine provides.

IntraHealth School Age Immunisations Service on behalf of the NHS offers this vaccination in your child's school.







 **The HPV Vaccination is for Year 8 Pupils and those up to year 11 who are outstanding the vaccine.**

WHAT IS HPV?

- A very common virus affecting the skin and body linings.
- Some types can cause genital warts and increase the risk of cancers including:
 - **Cervical cancer**
 - **Mouth and throat cancers**
 - **Anal and genital cancers** (vaginal, vulval, penile, anal)

 HPV affects **both boys and girls**, which is why the vaccine is offered to all pupils.


WHY GET THE HPV VACCINE?


-  The UK uses **Gardasil 9**, protecting against **9 high-risk HPV types**.
-  Prevents around **90% of cervical cancers**.
-  Protects against the HPV types causing most genital warts.
-  Protects against **genital cancers affecting men and women**,
-  Cervical cancer rates have fallen by almost **90%** in vaccinated young women.
-  Offered to **boys and girls** since 2019.

 **Just one dose** now provides effective protection.




WHEN WILL MY CHILD RECEIVE IT?

 HPV vaccinations will take place in secondary schools across Cheshire West and Wirral:
April – July 2026

 If your child is home-educated or misses their school session, **catch-up clinics** will be arranged.





CONSENT

 Schools will send information about the vaccination and how parents give **yes or no consent** for the vaccine.

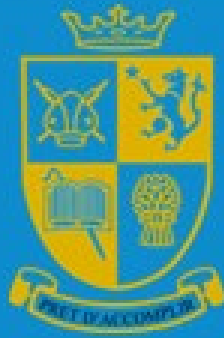


QUESTIONS?

 Contact the School Age Immunisation Service directly on **0333 3583 397 Option 7 then Option 2**

 [**Imms.W-Chester-CW@intraheath.co.uk**](mailto:Imms.W-Chester-CW@intraheath.co.uk)

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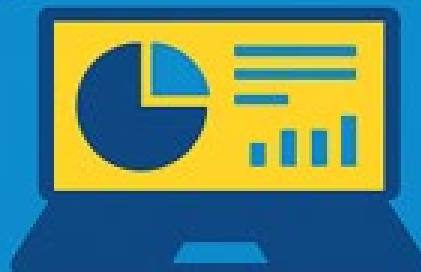
THE BISHOP HEBER HIGH SCHOOL



CAREERS CONVENTION



AUTUMN TERM 2026





Thinking of buying an e-scooter or e-bike?

Get your adventures started...

...like
this



...and
not this



The following is basic information on where e-bikes and e-scooters can be used

	E-Scooter *	E-Bike (pedals)	E-motorbike (no pedals)
What is it?	Any scooter powered by a battery.	A bicycle powered by a 250w max battery with pedals to propel (15.5mph)	A battery powered motorbike, moped or bike with no pedals to propel.
Under 16 in public	No *	14+ only	No
In a public area	No *	Yes, if compliant	Yes if taxed and insured
On private land - with the landowners permission	Yes	Yes	Yes
Can I use it on cycle paths?	No	Yes	No
Can I use it on the pavement?	No *	No	No
Can I use it on the road?	No	Yes	Yes
Is there a safety risk?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Is there a fire risk?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Would it be seized?	Yes *	Yes, if not compliant	Yes if not taxed and insured
What can I get instead that is legal for public use?	Commuter or stunt scooter. These can be used in public areas such as parks, skate parks and pump tracks. Always wear safety equipment.	Consider a mountain bike. A great way to commute, offering independence and exercise, use in forests and on pump tracks. Always wear safety equipment and use a bike lock.	Age dependent, if over 14 then look at an e-bike, following our guidance and doing your own research. Head to a local private track for more information
Where can I use the legal scooter or bike?	Search for pump tracks to test your skill levels and look at skills training.	Local councils offer information online for the area and clubs for mountain biking and BMX.	Motorcross Clubs.

*This does not include rental scheme e-scooters which are insured to be used by riders over 16 with a license. Refer to scheme

We want your adventures to be safe and legal



Cheshire
Constabulary



Stay safe and legal



Main School Office

Your help with the following would be appreciated.

Lost property: Please ensure all items of School clothing and equipment is clearly named/labelled.

Equipment:

Please ensure your child comes to School with the correct equipment for the day.

Please do not allow students to bring any items of value into School as we cannot accept responsibility for any loss or damage.

Attendance

Our school's attendance policy has recently been updated and can be located under the parents' section of the school website for further information.

<https://www.bishopheber.cheshire.sch.uk/parents/policies/attendance-policy>

Finance

You can now donate to the Enrichment support fund via Scopay. The following items are available to purchase online via Scopay:

Calculator - Casio fx-85GTCW Scientific (Solar Powered) £10.50

Calculator - Casio fx-991CW Scientific (Solar Powered) £20.00

Gum Shield £2.50

Core four pencil case - £4.00

If you wish to purchase any of these items, please do so via Scopay and they will then be available for your child to collect from the Finance Office. If you have not yet signed up for Scopay and you need the information on how to do this please email finance@heber.org.uk and we will send you the details, please include the student's name in the email so that we can send you your unique log in.

Free School Meals

Did you know that by registering for Free School Meals your child not only has the opportunity to enjoy a free school meal, but they could also be entitled to a substantial reduction in the cost of some educational visits and after School activities?

The School also benefits from additional funding for children who are registered for free school meals or who have been registered in the past six years. The funding gives every student in the schooling system the same opportunities to succeed.

Additional support mechanisms at Bishop Heber include intervention classes along with financial support for educational visits and activities.

Am I eligible for Free School Meals?

You will qualify if you are receiving one of the following benefits;

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190.
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

Do you receive Working Tax credit?

If you or a partner receive Working Tax Credit regardless of income, you will not qualify for free school meals.

Free School Meals Helpline - 0300 123 7039

Free School Meals Information –

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

The free school meals team can assess your claim over the phone using an eligibility checker to confirm entitlement.