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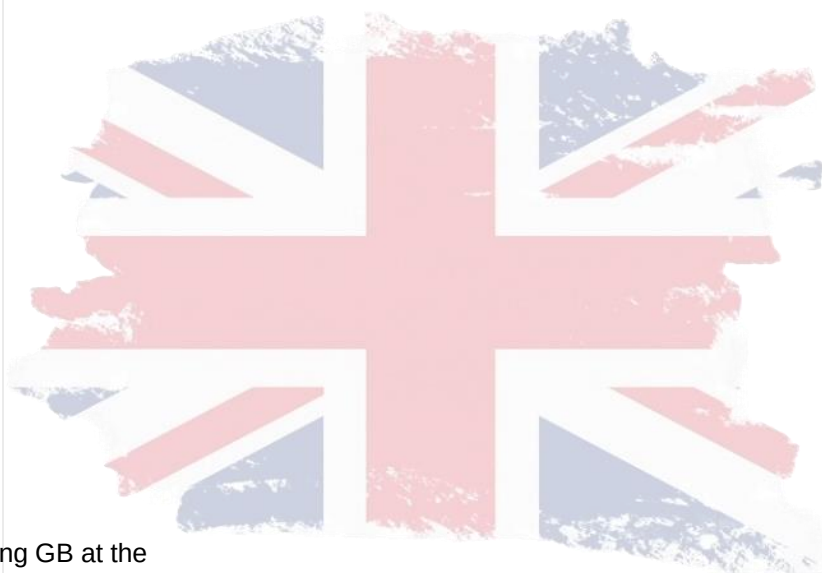
eBulletin

26 January 2024



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Ricards Misins enjoyed a great experience at the Olympic games. The team was decimated with injuries which included losing their Netminder before the first match. Despite this, they won 2 games - 8 - 5 against Spain and 10 - 3 against Germany and finished at sixth place.

Ricards played very well and his coaches gave him excellent feedback and said that he was good example for everyone in terms of never giving up and battling every second of the matches.



#KeepInTouch

23-24 Term Dates

School Events

Sports TT

Sport SOCS

Extracurricular TT

Education Fund

ScoPay

Breakfast Menu

Weekly Menu

Graze Menu



The Uniform Shop

Thursdays 3-4pm

**Contact:
sniss@greycourt.org.uk**

MOGOS 2024

AUDITIONS

Scan & Complete the Google Form
to Register

**Tues 30th
&
Wed 31st**

January

MUA





School Summer Production - Oliver!

Audition Workshops with Ms Burton

Audition workshops for Oliver! will take place from 3pm-4pm in DRS on the following days:

Monday 22 January

Character Focus: Nancy, Fagin & Bill Sikes

Monday 29 January

Character Focus: Mr Bumble, Widow Corney, Mr & Mrs Sowerberry

Monday 5 February

Character Focus: Mr Brownlow & Mrs Bedwin

The workshops will focus on how to prepare for the acting part of your audition and will give you an opportunity to prepare a scene. If you are interested in being in this production, you are strongly encouraged to attend at least one of the workshops. No need to sign up, just turn up.

Hope to see you there!

KS3+KS4 News



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A couple of sporting shout-outs for this week's eBulletin. The girls netball team had a fantastic outing at KGS last week. They managed to win 7-4 on what was a chilly evening! Player of the Match was Daisy who had a fantastic performance at both GK and GD. Carrying on this rich vein of form, the boys' football team were victorious in a borough football tournament hosted at Hampton High, to bring another piece of silverware home for the year group. And lastly, it was amazing to have our first Grey Court Hockey matches on Monday. The girls competed in a fixture along with Teddington School against Ibstock. A huge thanks to Teddington HC who are running the programme this year.

This week in assembly we were lucky to have Ms Hawkins talk on the Topic of Holocaust remembrance month. Students will study this in more detail in History when they get to Y9 - but the talk was extremely thought provoking. It focussed on the story of Sir Nicholas Winston, whose life story is the focus of the current film 'One life' which is on in cinemas.

Mr Day



7 Stars of the Week

A	Kian M	For excellent attendance and for being a considerate and respectful member of the form. - Well done Kian for your fantastic attitude to school
B	Mariella P	For outstanding behaviour and hard work since joining Grey Court, always showing respect and kindness to everyone she meets. Well done!
C	Zach S	For his outstanding kindness and commitment to his academic work and extracurriculars
E	Olivia G	For always being a kind and polite member of the form and working hard academically
M	Ian CL	For always having excellent attendance and usually being the first one in the form room - well done!
O	Gretl Hei Lam T	For always arriving early, always with a smile, always offering to help me or her classmates - you are ALWAYS a ray of sunshine Gretl!
R	Heison Y	For being as punctual and polite as ever, but for also getting a bunch of achievement points this week - well done, Heison!
W	Nathaniel J	For always being so patient and going everything his best go-especially the 1K every week. Well done Nathaniel, you are a star asset to our form!

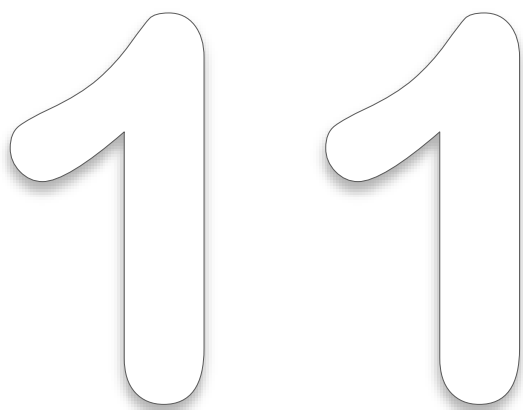
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Happy Friday Y10!

As we dive into another week of challenges and opportunities, I want to remind each and every one of you of the incredible potential that resides within. This week is a canvas waiting for your unique strokes of determination, resilience, and hard work. Remember that every effort you put forth, no matter how small, contributes to your growth and success. Embrace each assignment, discussion, and moment as a chance to learn, discover, and shine. You are a remarkable group, and your journey through Year 10 is not just about academics but also about self-discovery and personal growth. Believe in yourselves, support each other, and let's make this week a stepping stone toward greatness. Your future is bright, and you have the power to shape it. Embrace the challenges, celebrate the victories, and keep pushing boundaries.

You've got this!

Ms Comrie



A big week for Year 11 after Mock Results Day and Parents' Evening. I hope that you had positive conversations with all teachers and that your son/daughter has some targets to really motivate them and drive success. Year 11 in general seem to be very relaxed in their approach to exams on the whole, but hopefully this week has given them some food for thought and they realise the importance of hard work and that the time is now!

A reminder that we have 8 weeks left of school before Easter and that time is limited. The focus should be on hard work, completing coursework ahead of deadlines, practical subjects and revision. A reminder of the English and Maths exams on Monday 19 February - please check your emails for timings from Mr Gordon Walker for the day.

This weekend and the next few weeks should be spent getting ready for exams and ensuring class notes are in order and revision timetables are being done. The summer after GCSEs is the best one - but only when students know they have done their absolute best and their hard work has paid off!

Ms Clark

Stars of the Week:

Technology and Wellbeing

Week of 15 January

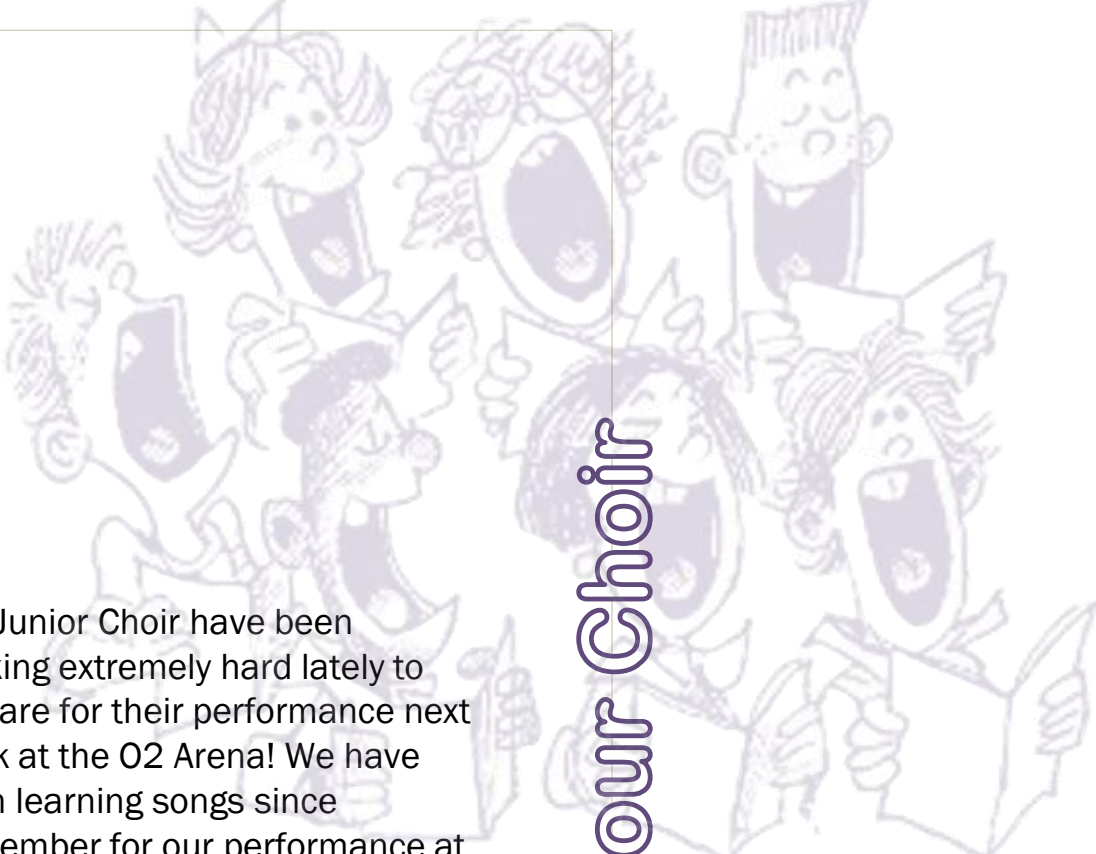
Year	Name	Subject	Reason
7B	Sophie Shek	Computing	Excellent engagement in class
8M	Ella Waldmann	Computing	Excellent classwork
9O	Nemeash Fernando	Computing	Excellent engagement in class
10C	Eshwa Haidrani	Computer Science	Excellent classwork
11M	Beth Bucklow	Computer Science	Excellent progress in the subject
12B	Sofiane Tahir	Computer Science	Excellent engagement in class
13F	Mikel Van Dyk	Computer Science	Excellent progress in the subject
7C	Kian Potterill	Food & Nutrition	Excellent engagement in class
8E	Alexander Engelbrecht	Food & Nutrition	Excellent contributions
9R	Jayeson Jain	Food & Nutrition	Excellent classwork
10M	Harry Elsden	Food & Nutrition	Excellent progress in the subject
11E	William Bond	Food & Nutrition	Excellent progress in the subject
8R	Ida Eikelberg	KS3 DT	Excellent homework
9O	Tillie Enright	KS3 DT	Excellent engagement in class
10W	Ana Matu	Graphics VCERT	Excellent progress in the subject
11R	Maria Djukic	Graphics VCERT	Excellent progress in the subject
13C	Hanna Souintez Gisbert	Enterprise & Entrepreneurship	Excellent engagement in class
7A	Leni Quierin	Wellbeing	Excellent contributions

Stars of the Week:

Languages

Week of 22 January

Year	Name	Subject	Reason
8A	Josie Tanner	French	Outstanding achievement
9A	Ikey Ellwood	French	Excellent engagement in class
10M	Stanley Monaghan	French	Excellent engagement in class
11B	Annabel Locherer	French	Outstanding achievement
12C	Frankie D'Souza	French	Excellent progress in the subject
13E	Noah Peereboom	French	Excellent progress in the subject
8W	Rudrakshi Sisodia	German	Excellent contributions
9A	Leo Senanayake	German	Excellent engagement in class
10E	Hannah Niss	German	Excellent progress in the subject
11M	Azelea Ovuike	German	Excellent engagement in class
7B	Bianca Andreatta	Spanish	Excellent classwork
8C	Evan Maouhoub	Spanish	Excellent engagement in class
9M	Sara Victoria Altun	Spanish	Excellent engagement in class
10A	Laura Wise	Spanish	Excellent engagement in class
11A	James Alleyne	Spanish	Excellent progress in the subject
12E	Sophie Elsdén	Spanish	Excellent engagement in class
13B	Sofia Beroldo	Spanish	Excellent engagement in class
7M	Feidhlim Bradley	Mandarin	Excellent progress in the subject
8W	Kirill Rusnac	Mandarin	Excellent contributions
9A	Gryffin Stone	Mandarin	Excellent engagement in class
10R	Florence Lavercombe	Mandarin	Excellent engagement in class
11C	Maja Hehir	Mandarin	Excellent progress in the subject



The Junior Choir have been working extremely hard lately to prepare for their performance next week at the O2 Arena! We have been learning songs since September for our performance at Young Voices and have also learned some sign language to go with some of the songs.

I am really proud of how hard they have worked on this - they have learned the BSL alphabet and a significant number of signs to sign along with the Matilda medley and other songs.

Take a look at how they are doing - this is from our rehearsal of the Matilda medley this week.

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Behind the scenes with our Choir

Shrove Tuesday - Pancake House Competition

Students of Grey Court, register your place to take part in the 'pancake house competition' in honour of Shrove Tuesday.



This is a chance to win house points and also some prizes.

Pancakes should represent the different houses whether that be shown through decoration or the actual presentation of the pancake itself.

Spaces are limited, email kcampbell2@greycourt.org.uk to register your space.

The competition will take place on Monday 5 February in T5 from 3pm - 4pm.

This will run instead of food club this week.

Winners will be announced after with all entries earning house points.

For some inspiration, see below:



Cosy + smell of pancakes - alarm clock = weekend

I first met our charismatic economics teacher, Dr Thompson, in the Summer when he arrived for an interview at Grey Court, in an impossibly large black SUV and parked in the space normally reserved for Mr Bashford's jag.

Both men are larger than life and have a penchant for a tailored suit adorned with pinstripes wider than the slip road on the Heathrow corridor leading to the Hayes Travelodge. (Bashford's favourite Valentine's venue) . However, that's where the comparison ends as whilst The Bash is fond of quoting Martin Lewis' "The money supermarket" at the end of the bear market that is a Monday SLT meeting; Dr Thompson will sagely reference the "Gospel of Wealth."

Which is perhaps why, Mr Rhodes, opted to stage Dr Thompson's job interview in the form of a word association contest with yours truly!

Mr Rhodes: Dr Thompson and Clements: I will now say a number of words with fiscal connotations and you will say the first thing that comes into your head. We'll start with: **Broker.**

Clements: My month by month bank balance.
Thompson: My man whose private box I frequent at the Emirates!

Rhodes: Offshore
Clements: Surf break.
Thompson: Account

Rhodes: Tiger
Clements: Beer
Thompson: Economy

Rhodes: Gordon
Clements: ...the gopher.
Thompson: Gekko - Greed is Good - Wall street 1987!

Rhodes: Prudence
Clements: Er...a Beatles track on "the White album?"
Thompson: My middle name.

Rhodes: You're hired!

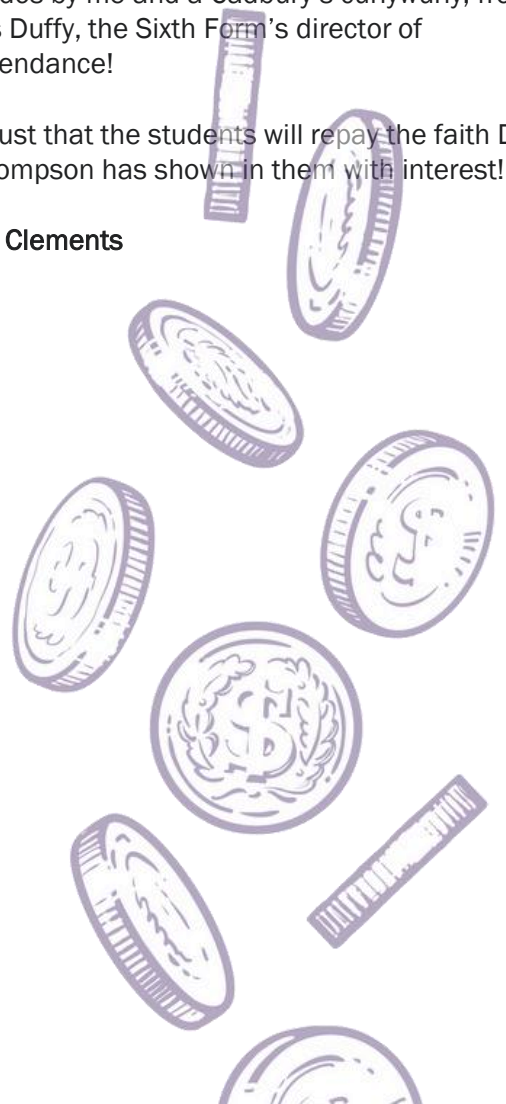
And so before you can say: "Money never sleeps, pal. I just made \$800,000 in Hong

Kong gold," Dr Thompson has spent the last term investing his time and considerable talents in the youth of Grey Court. The indefatigable Thompson has been organising trips to economics conferences, leveraging his contacts to secure work investment placements with trust fund managers and conducting practice interviews for aspiring economics graduates aiming for Oxbridge and LSE.

Taking place next Wednesday in enrichment, Thompson's next venture - as a consequence of his contact book - will be to host a talk with the fund manager of the trading and investment platform, eToro. Given a 4 star rating by Forbes who have praised it for its social and educational features, Dr Thompson then intends to launch a monthly trading competition amongst sixth formers based around "dummy" eToro money (£50,000) to buy shares. Winning students have been promised some eToro "merc" and "opportunities" by Dr Thompson, a bottle of Kudos by me and a Cadbury's curlywurly, from Ms Duffy, the Sixth Form's director of attendance!

I trust that the students will repay the faith Dr Thompson has shown in them with interest!

Mr Clements



Extracurricular Clubs

...get involved

Extracurricular TT

Chess Club

Wednesdays

12:25PM to 1PM

Room T6

All years welcome

MATCHES

TOURNAMENTS

PUZZLES

NEW AND EXPERIENCED PLAYERS

WELCOME

LEARN, PLAY AND SHOWCASE YOUR

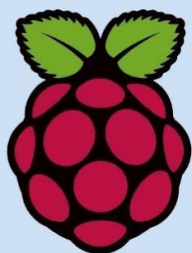
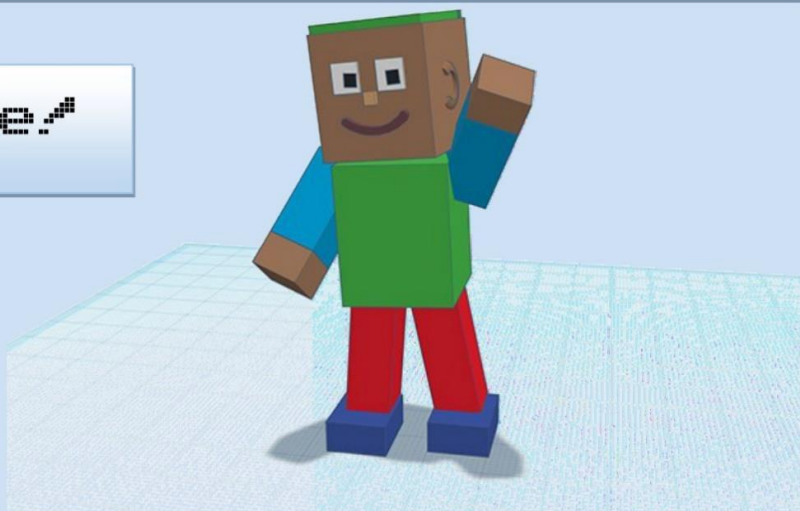
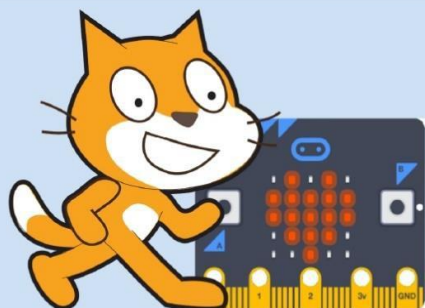
CHESS SKILLS!

COMPUTING CLUB

Programing labs and competitions to improve your coding skills!

Physical computing workshops to push your creativity!

All years welcome!



Location & Time

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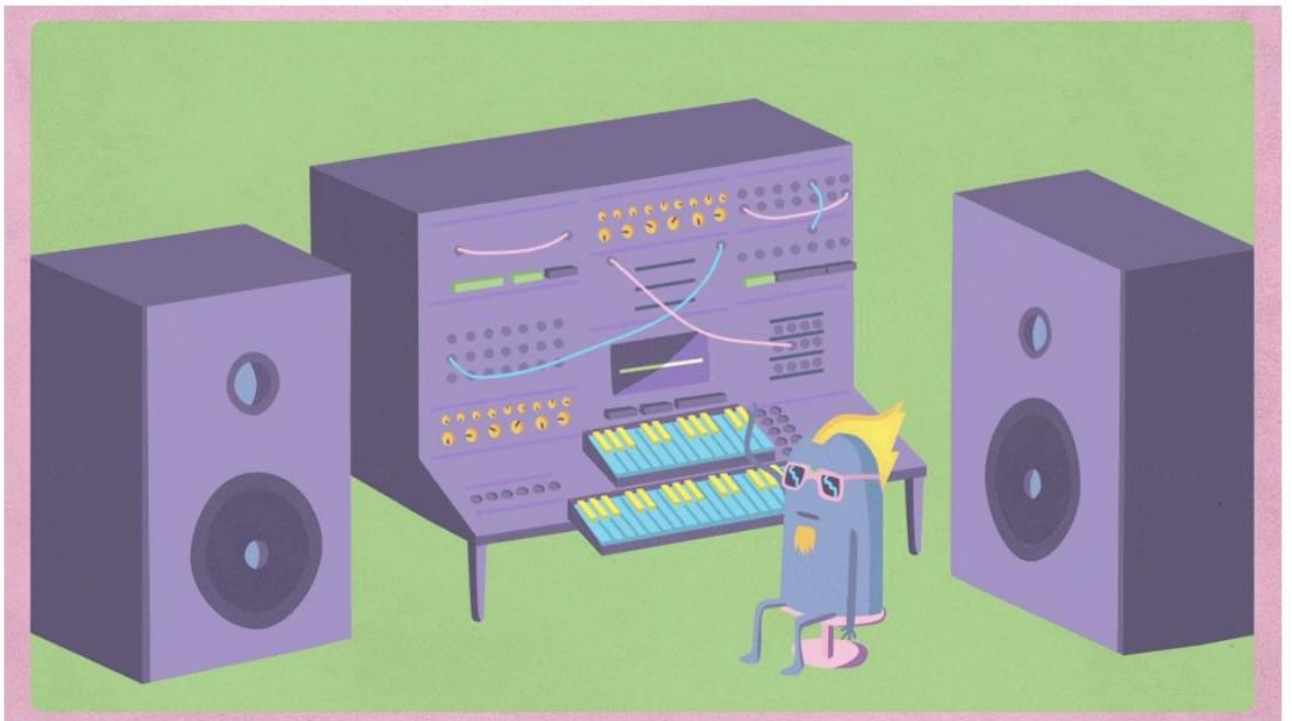
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Music Tech Club

Now on a MONDAY
3pm-4pm
in PC1



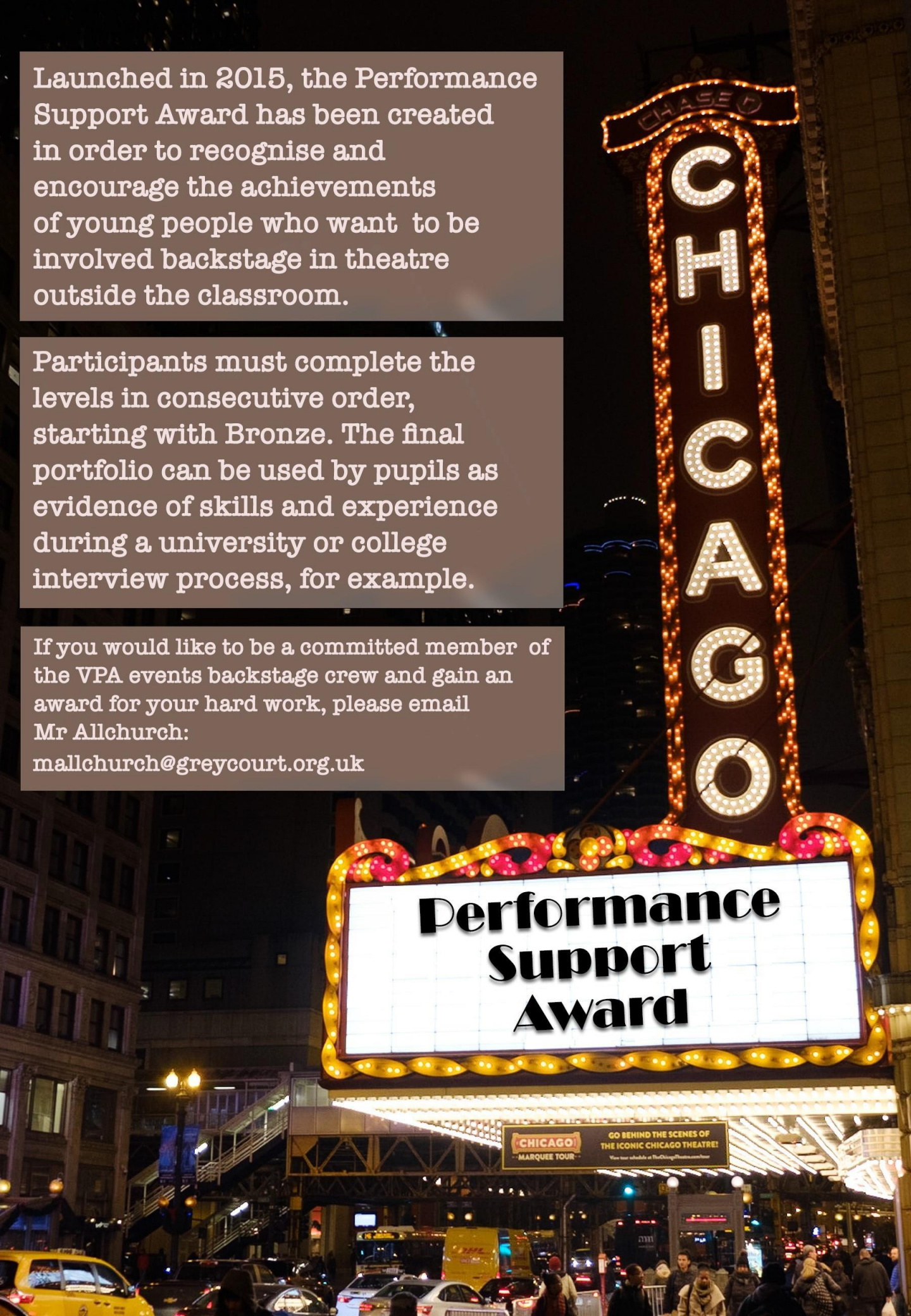
Learn to make music on a computer
with state of the art, industry
standard software. Record your own
instrument, singing or rapping,
and make your own beats.

Launched in 2015, the Performance Support Award has been created in order to recognise and encourage the achievements of young people who want to be involved backstage in theatre outside the classroom.

Participants must complete the levels in consecutive order, starting with Bronze. The final portfolio can be used by pupils as evidence of skills and experience during a university or college interview process, for example.

If you would like to be a committed member of the VPA events backstage crew and gain an award for your hard work, please email Mr Allchurch:

mallchurch@greycourt.org.uk

The background of the entire page is a photograph of the Chicago Theatre at night. The marquee is brightly lit with yellow and red lights. The word 'CHICAGO' is written vertically in large, illuminated letters. Below it, a large white sign with a black border displays the text 'Performance Support Award' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom of the marquee, there is a smaller sign that reads 'CHICAGO MARQUEE TOUR' and 'GO BEHIND THE SCENES OF THE ICONIC CHICAGO THEATRE!'. The street in front of the theatre is visible, with cars and pedestrians.

Performance Support Award

ROCK AND POP CLUB

TUESDAYS
3PM-4PM
IN MUSIC



COME AND PLAY THE DRUMS,
GUITAR, BASS, KEYBOARDS OR SING
IN A BAND. ALSO OPEN TO OTHER
INSTRUMENTS IF YOU HAVE ONE!



MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE

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This past Saturday, our remarkable group of ten Year 12 and 13 students, led by Ms James and Ms Sutcliffe, embarked on an extraordinary journey to the prestigious St Paul's and St Paul's Girls School Model United Nations.

Amongst 12 esteemed independent schools from across the UK, our talented team represented both Switzerland and Croatia with unparalleled dedication.

Working seamlessly together, each student showcased brilliance in diplomacy and collaboration. A special mention goes to **Suhan Wasim**, whose exceptional performance earned him the Highly Commended delegate award in the ECOFIN meeting—an outstanding achievement!

A huge congratulations to **Zayn Al Bayati, Sophie Elsdén, Ella Hand, Morgan Kerr-Elliott, Minna Lipton, Jasper Page, Sophie Ravichandran, Katharina Von Wittgenstein, and Verity Woodward.**

We are immensely proud of their accomplishments and the positive representation they brought to our school.

Well done to our outstanding delegates!



Wellbeing and PDW



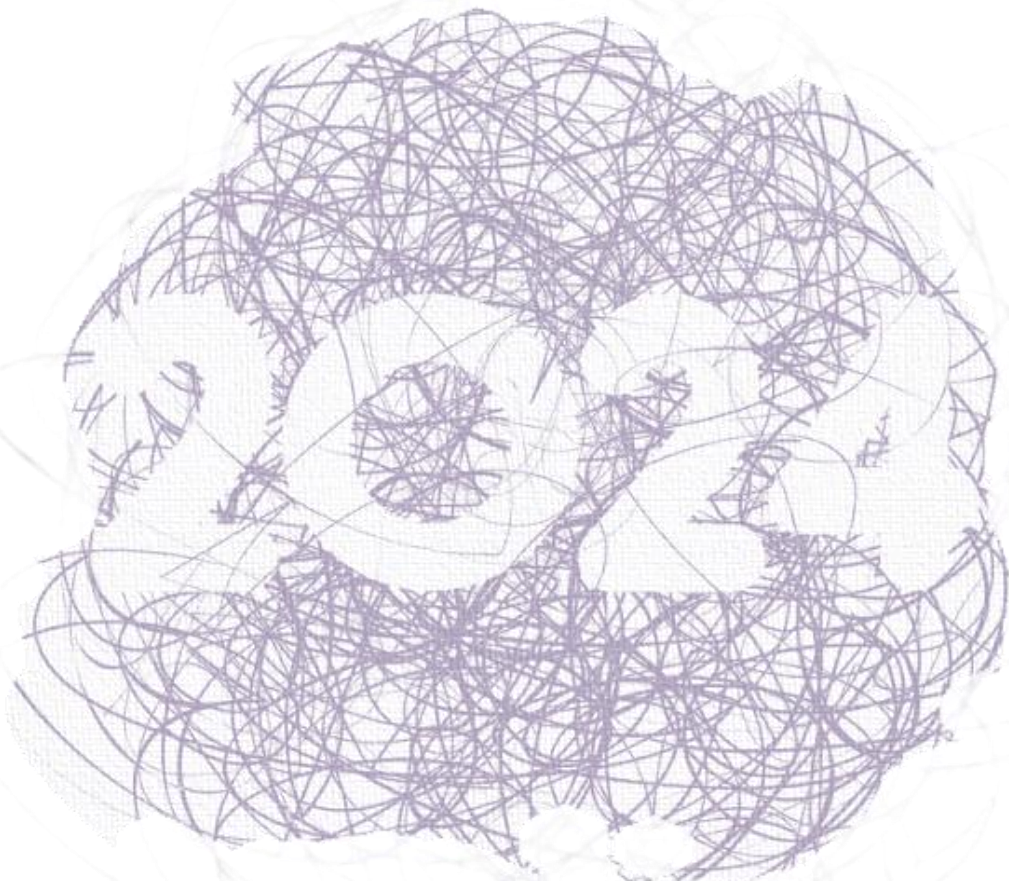
PDW

This Week: 22 January to 26 January

Year 7	Who was Oscar Wilde and what happened to him?
Year 8	What is revenge porn?
Year 9	What different types of STIs are there?
Year 10	What is a cult?
Year 11	A Band: the Instagram effect - filters - social media B Band: RS/Computing - Y11 Ethics & iDEA

Next Week: 29 January to 2 February

Year 7	How can we challenge gender stereotypes?
Year 8	What is revenge porn?
Year 9	How can we keep vulvas and vaginas healthy?
Year 10	What is unconscious bias and how can we tackle it?
Year 11	What are the principles of a healthy sexual experience?



SUNDAY



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1 Find three things to look forward to this year

2 Make time today to do something kind for yourself

3 Do a kind act for someone else to help brighten their day

4 Write a list of things you feel grateful for and why

5 Look for the good in others and notice their strengths

6 Take five minutes to sit still and just breathe

7 Learn something new and share it with others

8 Say positive things to the people you meet today

9 Get moving. Do something active (ideally outdoors)

10 Thank someone you're grateful to and tell them why

11 Switch off all your tech at least an hour before bedtime

12 Connect with someone near you - share a smile or chat

13 Take a different route today and see what you notice

14 Eat healthy food which really nourishes you today

15 Get outside and notice five things that are beautiful

16 Contribute positively to your local community

17 Be gentle with yourself when you make mistakes

18 Get back in contact with an old friend

19 Focus on what's good, even if today feels tough

20 Go to bed in good time and allow yourself to recharge

21 Try out something new to get out of your comfort zone

22 Plan something fun and invite others to join you

23 Put away digital devices and focus on being in the moment

24 Take a small step towards an important goal

25 Decide to lift people up rather than put them down

26 Choose one of your strengths and find a way to use it today

27 Challenge your negative thoughts and look for the upside

28 Ask other people about things they've enjoyed recently

29 Say hello to a neighbour and get to know them better

30 See how many people you can smile at today

31 Write down your hopes or plans for the future



Careers



There have been a number of trips linking subjects to the world of work this term.

We took the **year 12 economics students to KPMG** in the City and they took part in a careers focused session. The students were fantastic and all had to take part in a workplace challenge and present back to the employees at KPMG.



Miss Holmes has expertly run the last three weeks of Jack Petchey Public Speaking workshops with our year 10s. This is an excellent opportunity for year 10 students to develop their confidence in speaking and we know this can be quite a daunting task for many young people. Thanks to Miss Holmes for all her work on this and the next step is the regional finals!



We work with **King's Wimbledon** to offer opportunities to our students. We had a King's aspirations trip to the National Theatre with year 10 and they saw a production of *Kin* by the theatre company Gecko. It was a production about immigration and the students behaved impeccably and with maturity around this topic.

Year 11s had a session at King's Wimbledon about post 16 and 18 options and this group of students have been a credit to the school throughout their workshops in year 9-11. We wish them luck with their exams and with their future plans.

The **BETT conference in the Excel Centre** was arranged by Mr Jacob and it was an excellent trip for year 10 students studying computer science. This showed the range of options for students and highlighted the need for young people to continue to develop their digital skills. I attended a talk about the Esports industry and this is a growth sector that develops STEM skills that employers are looking for. Our students were brilliant and picked up lots of freebies at the event!



Year 10 trip to the National Theatre



Year 10 trip to the BETT Conference

Please see our weekly bulletin: [26/01/2024 Sixth Form Careers opportunities](#) which highlights careers talks, work experience, university events and apprenticeships. All of these opportunities give students a chance to explore their ideas and see if that's the pathway they want to pursue, this is all part of making informed decisions about their future.

National Apprenticeship week

It's **National Apprenticeship week 5th - 11th February** and there are a number of events being organised across the borough as well as virtually that students and parents can access. Next week we will produce a list of all the activities you can access. Students in Year 11 and Year 13 may find these events particularly useful in making future choices.

Way2Work

Students and parents are invited to attend Way2Work's apprenticeship open day which will be taking place at the Twickenham Training Centre on **Thursday 8th and Friday 9th February 2024** during National Apprenticeship Week. The event is a chance for those considering apprenticeships as a pathway to find out about the apprenticeships. Whilst the school is not organising a visit during the day there is an evening session on **8th February between 5.30-7.30 at their Twickenham Training Centre**. To book visit: [Way 2Work Open Evening](#)

Unifrog Apprenticeship Fair **2024**

Join our virtual fair to learn all about the world of apprenticeships.

Explore the latest apprenticeship opportunities, attend live sessions with top employers including BBC, British Army, KPMG, Lloyds Banking Group and Unilever, and network one-on-one to get top tips on how to find and apply for your dream apprenticeship.

Wednesday 7 February @ 16:30 2 hrs 30 mins - [Share](#)

(sign in to your Unifrog account using your Grey Court email address and go to the webinars tool)



Sixth Form News

The main Sixth Form Parents' Evening takes place on Thursday 8 February 2024 from 4:00-7.00 pm.

For students who take a social science subject (Psychology, Sociology, Criminology, Economics and Health and Social Care) there will be an additional evening on Tuesday 6 February as staff cannot see all the students in one evening. Students and parents will be made aware of which evening their class has been allocated to next week.

The following classes will have parents' evening on Tuesday 6 February:

Psychology	12D/Py1
Psychology	13D/Py1
Psychology	13A/Py1
Health & Social Care	12A/Hs1
Health & Social Care	13B/Hs1
Sociology	12D/So1
Sociology	13C/So1
Sociology	13E/So1
Economics	13D/Ec1
Economics	13B/Ec1

This will be a remote event, so all appointments will be virtual.

It goes without saying that this is a very important evening for parents of our students and we would encourage you to make every effort to attend.

Parents' Evening: 6 & 8 Feb

Please note that the online booking system for both parents evenings open on 31 January 2024 at 8:00am and will close on 7 February 2024 at 6:00pm.

You must ensure that your appointments are booked before it closes.

Please find a guide below on how to manage the booking system:

[School Cloud Booking Guide](#)

You can find a list of questions and answers relating to appointments here: [Q&A](#).

If you have any concerns about how to book, or if you would like us to book the appointments for you if you are unable to, please contact ouluduzatakan@greycourt.org.uk.

How to Guide for Booking Appointments

The unique web address for our Parents' evening is <https://greycourt.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Once you have clicked on this you will be required to enter the following information. Please note that the information we require is the information that you submitted to us and the information we have on our school system:

- Title
- First Name
- Surname
- Email address you want to be contacted on
- Your child's first name, surname and date of birth

You then need to [follow this step by step guide to making appointments](#) with teachers. If you would prefer, please watch [this video](#).

Parents' Evening: Booking

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The deadline for UCAS applications is rapidly approaching. Many of our students have heard from all five of the universities/courses they have applied to. At this point students who have heard back from all five of their course selections need to start thinking about which universities they will select as their firm choice and insurance choice. This may seem a bit intimidating but each student will have been given a date to reply by which will be in May or June so there is plenty of time for making decisions.

If you are unsure about how to accept your firm and insurance choices please see this presentation from UCAS for a step-by-step guide.

[UCAS - Replying to Offers](#)

There is also plenty of information and guidance on the UCAS website. Here is a link to the UCAS page on [how to accept your offers](#). You should also look at this [information from UCAS](#) about choosing your firm and insurance choices.

UCAS: What Comes Next?

Stars of the Week: BTEC

All the BTEC students who sat external exams in January - you conducted yourself brilliantly in the exams.

EPQ Update

This is the final week working independently on final versions of essays or artefacts. Next week students will be given an introduction to creating their final presentations on their EPQ. This is in front of a small audience of their peers and will last about 10 minutes (including a Q and A session). Presentations should be completed in February so that final folders can be handed in by the beginning of March. This avoids any clash with preparation for Easter mocks.

Oxbridge Update

Our new year 12 Oxbridge group has been set up on google classroom. An initial meeting will take place in enrichment on the 31 January to outline the requirements and expectations of making an application.

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Work Experience

This week year 12 have been given additional details about organising their work experience placement in July. Work experience week is 1-5 July 2024 and this can include university summer schools and other related activities e.g. the Valencia trip. Many universities offer summer schools early in July and for some students an academic experience is a great way of building their personal statement.

The deadline for securing a work experience placement and completing the online placements form on Unifrog, is Thursday 28 March (by the end of term). Please look through the recent presentation so you can see the update the students received: [Year 12 PDW Jan 2024](#) and students can access the weekly opportunities bulletin where we will advertise placements. If you have any questions please just speak to Miss Corrighan if you have any questions bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk

Weekly Opportunities Bulletin

[26/01/2024 Sixth Form Careers opportunities](#)

Your personalised information bulletin about:

- Work experience
- Careers talks
- University tasters/summer schools
- Apprenticeships



Ms Handzar-Maldonado took her year 13 Spanish class to see a theatre performance of 'La Casa de Bernarda Alba' in the Cervantes Theatre on Monday. It is a play that they are studying for their Paper 2 exam. The students really enjoyed the play and all of the drama that ensued between the characters set in rural Andalucía, in the south of Spain just before the start of the Spanish Civil War. García Lorca's famous play explores themes such as the women's roles in this society, classism and repression at the time.

The students on the trip were: **Oscar López Harrison, Ana Ortega, Téa Halls, Olivia Castro Doncel, Liberty Kausmally-Rattagan, Sofia Beroldo, Alan Scott and Hanna Souintez Gisbert**

Sports News



Congratulations to George Robinson for being selected for the Wales U15 Football Squad for the tournament in Ireland over half term.

George Robinson
Congratulations



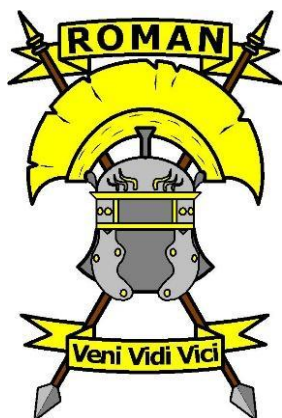
Monday 22 January: the year 7 boys won a 6-a-side Borough tournament, playing some excellent football on their way to victory! Thanks to Hampton High for hosting a great tournament!



Over the weekend, **Chloe Clements** captained the Charlton U13 Girls' Academy team to a 7-0 win over AFC Wimbledon U13 Girls in the London FA Cup quarter final. Chloe scored 4 of the goals taking her tally in the season to 25 goals. Congratulations, Chloe!



It was great to watch ex-Grey Court students Zuko Robb and Theo Povey on either wing for Harlequins U18s over the weekend! We look forward to following their rugby journeys.



Interhouse Update January 2024

Click [here](#) to view the house points, competition results and much more

Teams of the Month

Gymnastics Elite Squad

On 1 December the Elite Gymnastics squad attended the Milano Regional Gymnastics competition. We had 5 teams competing over 5 different categories: U19, U16 and U13 Mixed as well as U19 and U16 Girls. The Milano competition requires a team of 4 to compete across 3 disciplines: individual floor, trio routine and a vault.

The U19 and U16 Girls went up against some strong opponents but showcased their fantastic abilities in all three disciplines. Amelia, Miranda, Jude and Chloe represented our U19 Girls team and placed seventh. The U16 Girls (Olivia, Ruby, Ruby and Millie) were competing up an age group and competed for the first time for Grey Court. These Year 7's have worked extremely hard in training and demonstrated their abilities on the floor and the vault. They placed fifth overall. Our U19 and U16 Mixed teams won the Regional Competition securing a place in the National Finals in March. Although we had some injuries and errors, all members of the team pulled together and showcased great teamwork and determination to ensure they qualified. Lily B scored the highest floor routine for Grey Court scoring 14.76. Our U13 Mixed team placed second; however, this still secures them a place at the National Finals. Cecilie scored the highest vault for Grey Court at this competition scoring 15.4 out of 16, which is a fantastic achievement.

A **huge** well done to everyone who competed at this competition. All of our vault scores have improved from last year which is down to the effort that has been put into training. We have been impressed with how hard the squad has been working together and individually to ensure their routines and vaults were mastered before the competition with extra training sessions and rehearsals. As we continue through the season we are looking forward to seeing them all compete at the Floor and Vault Regional competition. The National Finals will take place in March and we are looking forward to seeing how our 3 mixed teams get on.

Junior ESAA Cross Country Team

The Junior ESAA Cross Country Team's pursuit of excellence has culminated in a series of remarkable victories, making them the undisputed Team of the Month. They started the month with a resounding victory in the Middlesex round of the competition, where they showcased their fitness and unity as a team, securing the top spot. Building on this success, they went on to win at the regional level and secured a place in the national finals.

Their true moment of glory arrived at the National Finals, where they emerged triumphant, as the Junior ESAA Cross Country Champions. Their consistent performance across these challenging competitions is a testament to their hard work, resilience, and determination to succeed as a team.

Beyond these notable victories, the team's exceptional performance in the Junior Knole Run, where they managed to clinch the top spot, further highlights the strength of this team.

The Junior ESAA Cross Country Team, have matched their talent with hard work and determination, and managed to get some impressive results and earned them the well-deserved title of Team of the Month.

Gymnastics Elite Squad



Junior ESAA Cross Country Team



Players of the Month

Euan Roberts

Euan Roberts continues to excel in PE.

In the ESAA cross country events, Euan's hard work propelled him to amazing finishes. This Cross Country season Euan has managed to secure second place in the County round and claimed 3rd place in the Regional round, whilst then achieving an astounding 2nd place in the National Final which illustrates his unwavering commitment and talent. As testament to this hard work Euan has been selected for the Surrey Cross Country team.

Euan trains twice a week at Kingston Athletics and Polytechnic Club for running and six times a week at Teddington Swimming Club, this showcases his work ethic and dedication to both sports.

Euan's commitment to both sports, coupled with his remarkable achievements, marks him not only as an exceptional athlete but also a role model for aspiring sportsmen and women. Euan Roberts is an extremely worthy recipient of the Player of the Month accolade, for a second time.



Eva Mayhew-Wilcox

Eva Mayhew-Wilcox is the girls' player of the month for December! Eva has been busy competing in tennis tournaments over the last few weeks and we are very pleased with her performance and results. She won a grade 5 U12 tournament at Tring Lawn Tennis Club and then the next day she won a grade 4 U12 tournament at the Seaford and Blatchington Open.

Eva has also competed with her school doubles partner Dina Nikpour, winning their match for Ham & Petersham U14 against Roehampton Club B in the Surrey National League Junior Team Trophy. They are currently top of their division! Well done Eva for all your hard work and training.



Scholars of the Month

Theo Heath

Theo Heath has made a great start to his time at Grey Court. His involvement in both basketball and the U12 football team demonstrates not only his versatility but also his exceptional skill and dedication to both sports.

As a valuable member of the basketball team, Theo's contributions have been invaluable. His commitment to the sport, coupled with his skill set, has played a pivotal role in the team's first 2 games. He has also been a significant figure in the U12 football team, being a key part of the team and always showing sportsmanship and leadership whilst on the pitch.

Beyond his impressive sporting achievements, Theo's approach to his scholarship lessons and PE is equally commendable. His great dedication and attitude have been noted by teachers, and this allows him to get the most out of his lessons and sets a great example for others in his class.

Theo Heath's performance on the field and in the classroom, make him a deserving recipient of the sports scholar of the month. Well done, Theo.



Leonie Buchbinder

Leonie emerges as an outstanding sportswoman at Grey Court, actively participating in the football, basketball, netball, and cross country teams. Her remarkable athletic ability, teamwork, and focus exemplify her commitment to excellence. A driven individual, Leonie consistently strives to be the best she can be in all her pursuits.

Her greatest strength lies in swimming, where she recently secured gold in the 100m breaststroke and 50m backstroke at a recent gala, achieving a Surrey time. This accomplishment places her among the top-performing swimmers in Surrey for her age and gender. We wish Leonie success in her upcoming galas, confident in her ability to reach these Surrey times once again.

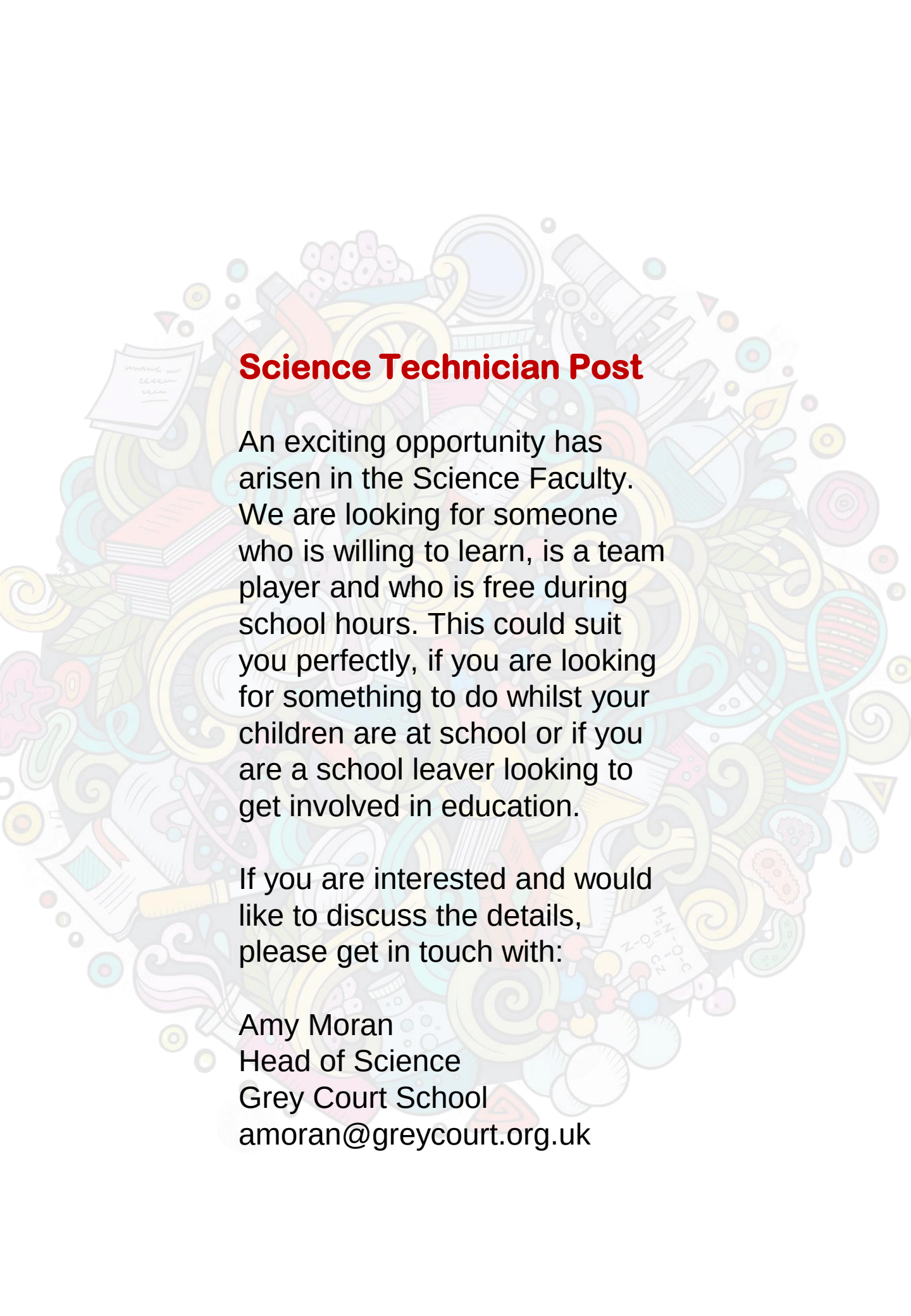
Leonie has thrown herself into sport at grey court and is an asset to her teams and teacher. She takes on feedback well and is motivated to learn and develop. In scholarship lessons, Leonie shares valuable thoughts with the class in a theory setting and has done extremely well in lacrosse, a sport in which she also shows great promise. Keep up the outstanding work, Leonie!



**What's on in the
neighbourhood...**

and beyond





Science Technician Post

An exciting opportunity has arisen in the Science Faculty. We are looking for someone who is willing to learn, is a team player and who is free during school hours. This could suit you perfectly, if you are looking for something to do whilst your children are at school or if you are a school leaver looking to get involved in education.

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Ham Youth Centre,
Ham Close, TW10 7PL

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Mondays

University of the Third Age painting class

Website: www.kingstonu3a.org.uk

Wednesdays

Cooking Up - Cooking activities for local people

Contact: Janet Hilton Email: Janet@cookingup.org

Mini ballers football session for under-5's

Contact: Laura Edbrooke Email: laura.edbrooke@achievingforchildren.org.uk

English language classes based around art and textile activities

Contact: Cornelia Costeanu Email: contact@makers-united.co.uk

Fridays

Multicultural Richmond - Zumba, Chi Gung, trips, socialising. Open to all

Drop in at 11.30am or contact Kiran Rao Email: Kiran@multiculturalrichmond.org.uk

And also...

Romanian Community Group meets several times a year

Contact: Mariana Pandi Email: marianapandi@yahoo.co.uk

Greenwise People Forest School Training

Contact: Maria Sprostranova Email: mariasprostranova@gmail.com

The youth centre's hall, music studio and smaller rooms are available for children's parties and other events on weekend mornings and evenings.

Contact: Ben Skelton Email: ben.skelton@achievingforchildren.org.uk



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January Rugby Fixtures at the Richmond Athletic Ground!

Free Entry for everyone on Saturday the 13th of January. To celebrate our first home game of the new year everyone can get in for free! (our normal entrance fee is £18 for non-members). So adults can enjoy a pre-match beer and relax we will also have our Game Care option available, see [here](#) (price from free to £5). Game Care allows parents to drop off their children in the capable hands of our Community Team. Children then join the guard of honour and play games while you sit and enjoy watching the first team with a beer in your hand. The game is Richmond 1st XV vs Taunton Titans. 3 pm kick off. Game Care 12:30 pm onwards.

Reduced price entry for adults for the home game on Saturday the 27th of January. We have designated this game our Schoolkids Day where we celebrate our Minis and Youth of the Borough. Parents of children attending will be given a discount when you [buy your adult match day tickets in advance here](#). Please enter the promo code PARENT17 when you buy a **Non Member-Adult** ticket to receive a £6 reduction. As ever, under 16s go free. Game Care will also be available (price from free to £5). If you have any questions please get in touch at communityteam@richmondrc.co.uk. The game is Richmond 1st XV vs Leicester Lions. 3 pm kick off. Game Care 12:30 pm onwards.

Try out rugby and February Half Term Camps

Play rugby at Richmond Rugby

Every Sunday until the end of April we will be running rugby Sessions for children 3 - 18 years of age. Our minis (u3-u11) start at 9:30 am and finish at 11:00 am and our Youth (u12-u16) & our Colts (u18) run from 11:30 - 1:00 pm. Our annual minis/youth membership normally costs £200 a season. But this January we have reduced this to £100 as those that sign up then do so halfway through the season (the season runs Sept-Apr). However, if you sign up by 31 January 2024, we will give a £50 'stash' Gift Card to use at our online club store. **Come down this Sunday and have the first three sessions free before signing up!** More details for our age groups and contacts are on our website, [here](#).

Half term sport camps at Richmond Rugby

For the February half term, 13th - 15th February, we will be running our popular Rugby Half Term Camps where Girls and Boys aged 4 - 16 can come down to the RAG and be coached by our first team coaches and players from 9 am - 3 pm. Our sessions are fun, structured rugby-based sessions that help your child develop their fundamental movement skills, hand-eye coordination, and interactions with other children. **£35** for one day. **£65** for two days. **£90** for three days. Please [click here to book](#).

Thank you,
Richmond Community Team

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This is a great chance to represent Richmond Borough in the 2024 London Youth Games U13 Boys' indoor cricket tournament.

ELIGIBILITY

Training and selection is open to all boys that live or go to school in the borough of Richmond-Upon-Thames.

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Players should already have played cricket either at school or club and be of a good ability.

Players that are currently part of a county squad are not eligible.

REGISTER HERE:

<http://bit.ly/RichmondLYG>



TRAINING DATES & TIMES

January:
19th and 26th

February:
2nd, 9th and 23rd

Time: 18:30 – 20:00

AVAILABILITY

Players that are selected for the final squad, need to be available on the weekends of 24th and 25th February and 24th March 2024.

COST

There is no charge for the training

VENUE

Tiffin Girls School
(indoor sports hall)
Richmond Road, Kingston
upon Thames, Surrey,
KT2 5PL

COACHES

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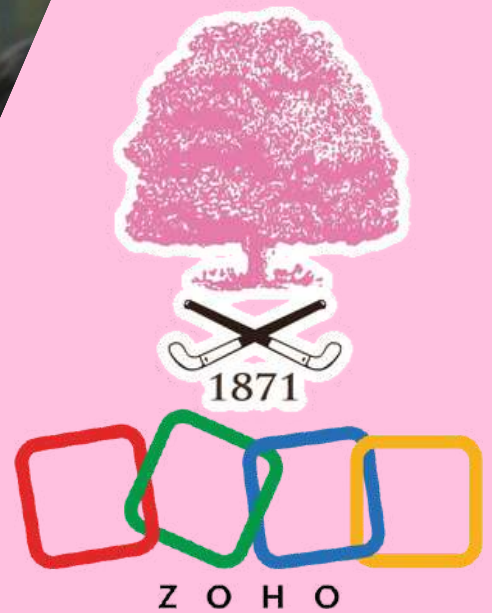


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