

Grey Court School eBulletin

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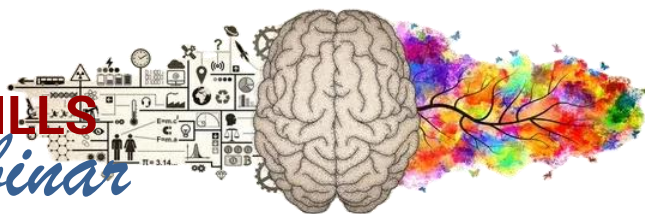


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EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING SKILLS

Webinar



DATE: Tuesday, 5 March | **TIME:** 5pm to 6pm GMT

See page 35 for more information and to book



MOGOS

Wednesday 20 March 2024

**Betty Thomas
Amy Curley
Ella Waldmann
Teddy & The Bears
Noah Cervantes
Archie Falchikov & 6th Form band
Maya Sills
Arian Thomas Sood & Band
Emilia Saville
Alfred Noble
Jolie Fok & Band
Ipek Lena Ayduran
Dhanee Hazlee
Carlo Tillman & Band
Inigo Bell & Band**



Behind the scenes with Teddy & the Bears MOGOS 2024

The theme for this year's MOGOs has been announced and auditions have taken place. Britpop is the theme (loosely). Some of our previous bands have merged to create supergroups, and there is a new and improved Teddy and the Bears (improved because Mr Allchurch isn't in it this time).





#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**

KS3+KS4 News



Year 7

It was fantastic to welcome back Y7 after what we hope was a nice and relaxing half-term break. There is a huge amount to look forward to over the coming weeks, with competitions, performances and our Easter Celebration assembly.

Attendance has again been excellent this week and we hope now that we are through the worst of the cold weather (hopefully!), and the coughs and colds which accompany this, that we continue to see high attendance across the year group.

A huge congratulations must go to the U13 Girls Hockey side, which featured **Jenna R, Jasmine R, Olive S, Charlotte Choi, Ruby B and Erin W**, from Y7 playing a year up! The girls won the tournament finishing unbeaten.

The boys basketball team also continued their winning run, with a fantastic victory in the borough league.

Well done!

Mr Day, Head of Year 7

Star of the Week

A	Matilda K	On making a fantastic start to Grey Court and for being extremely polite, kind and motivated to do well in all her subjects
B	Lucas C	For being resilient and committed to improving his behaviour and organisation. Lucas has also significantly increased class contribution and working with peers.
C	Doruk S	For his helpful manner and commitment to improving in all his subjects.
E	Zoe S	For mature and thoughtful contributions during PDW and setting an example for everyone - well done!
M	Mabel I	For mature and thoughtful contributions during PDW and setting an example for everyone - well done!
O	Rafaella N	For showing fantastic resilience and kindness to other.
R	Anna WO	Always bright and cheerful in form time, and this week, in her role as Quiz Master, managed to inspire 7 Rowan to a record score in the weekly quiz!
W	Kartal G	For always saying good morning and asking how others days are as well as being such a kind and considerate member of our form-you do Willow very proud. Well done, Kartal!

House Comp etition

Design and Make a Kite

Completed design sheets and prototypes can be handed to Mr Nair in room T2 or brought to the D&T office by no later than Friday 29 March 2024

[Competition Details](#)

Year 7 D&T



Year 8

It's been a great first week back with one of the highlights being Mr Khan's assembly on an introduction to the government budget and how the country's finances work. The students were very attentive and interested in what was said and now have a better understanding of our budget and the role of the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

We have been granted more places for our summer residential and so confirmation will be coming out this week to all those students who have applied for a place.

We also look forward to activity day on Tuesday, 5 March, when A' band will be travelling to St Paul's Cathedral and B' band will be travelling to Leeds Castle. Further information has been sent out via email so please doublecheck your inbox.

8 Cedar are on Gradu8 Enterprise over the next week, and we are encouraging students to bring in 50p or a £1 to help support and buy a treat.

Mr Ridley, Phase Leader Y8+Y9

Year 8
D&T
House
Comp
etition

INEOS

Helmet

Competition

Design a helmet for Sir Lewis Hamilton!

To be in with a chance of your helmet design being photographed with Lewis at a 2024 Grand Prix event, as well as exclusive F1-signed merchandise and experiences, use the [template](#) and let your creativity and imagination run wild!

The judges will be looking for designs that celebrate and promote a sense of inclusion.

Entries close at 23:59 on 31 March 2024.

Students can also register online by using this [link](#)

Completed design sheets can also be handed to Mr Nair in room T2 by Friday 29 March 2024 for submission.



Boys Interhouse Results



Congratulations to Spartan who came first,
and well done to the runners up: Trojan
(second), Roman (third) and Aztec (fourth)

Year 9

A big welcome back to year 9.

This week has seen the start to the options process with the addition to parents evening. Students will need to consider their options carefully over the next coming weeks with their taster sessions in all subjects.

A big thank you for your time and support during parents evening, with 99% of students all having available appointments with their teachers. It is greatly appreciated by all!

Ms Woods, Head of Year 9

Options Booklet and Video Presentation to Parents



The Year 9 options booklets have been emailed to parents and students today.

The Options Video Presentation to Parents can be found [here](#) and Ms Moran's short video explaining the Key Stage 4 Science [courses](#) can be found here

Ms Price
Associate Headteacher

Year 11

A well done to Year 11 for completing another set of Maths and English exams on Monday after their half term break. The energy has been good and I urge Year 11 to stay focused on success. We have another short term with lots

Just a reminder that interventions are being completed until the Easter break and year 11 should attend and make the most of these. Creative Media and Food and Nutrition practical exams happen this term, too which are all essential for boosting those final grades.

Please look back to the last issue of the bulletin for the Easter revision timetable and take notes of the dates. Exam timetables are being finalised and will be with students (and you) soon. Language oral exams begin 22 April and GCSE written exams 6 May.

Have a great weekend.

Ms Clark, Head of Year 11

UKMT Interm ediate Maths Challenge Year 9

Several of our year 9, 10 and 11 students took part in the Intermediate Mathematical Challenge 2024. This challenge is the first round of the UK Maths Trust competitions. The next round is either the Kangaroo round or, for the top achievers, the McLaurin Maths Olympiad.

Special mention to the following students who achieved certificates in the first round:

YEAR 9

GOLD

Joseph Bailey, Ki Wai Lau

SILVER

Alyssia Capper, Kingsley Fan, Luca Grima, Eddie McCarthy, Sonya Mishchenko, Coco Mtandabari, Pablo Nava-Parejo, Can Oran, Isla Reindorp

BRONZE

Farhan Abbas, Jenin Abo Zeinah, Yousef Al Bayati, Gunes Atakan, Matthew Chester, Franciszek Ciasnocha, Lulu Rose Civiero, Ignatz Keating, Andrew McPherson, Anthony Porter, Frederick Weatherhead-Pusey

YEAR 10

GOLD

Yavuz Seyis, Helena Staple, Frank Wong

SILVER

Alkinoos Andraos-Doukas, Noah Cervantes, James Glanville, Herbie Henry, Bade Isik, Gabrielle Judkiewicz, Naeem Khan, Kosta Ljubicic, Eva Logan-Wilson, Rory MacGregor, Maya Sills, Enoch Tang, Philine Zoeller

BRONZE

Basit Ademola-Lawal, Ben Clark, Sacha Crivellari, Corrado D-Orsa, Finn Davis, Leonardo Dorey, Ryan Farahmand, Maximillian Flint, Jacob Heller, Oliver Hislop, Martha Huddart, Cass Lam, Ned Lipton, Mydah Malik, Nidhi Patel, Mitchell Reader, Maia Sehgal, Alex van Dyk, Omran Walli

YEAR 11

GOLD

Oliver Engelbrecht, Artem Kysil, Tudor, Pataca, Kihyeon Lim, Xavier Mtandabari

SILVER

Saajan Ball, Joseph Belfield, Nathalie Dermott, Isabella Flint, Freya Grant, Claudia Jimenez Peraleda, Felix Marchi, Jeremy McCarthy, Luca Mesa Steward, Viet Hoang Nguyen, Dogu Ozmen, Tobias Plowman, Joseph Woodall

BRONZE

Doruk Alpay, Hajeet Baryan, Rhodri Chow, Rhys Chow, Burney Feng, Thomas Howkins, Leanna Hui, Harry Jackson, Cherie Lou, Lucas Melo-Foxton, Elise Mertens, Zakariya Nawaz, Charlotte Rae, Dylan Rajapaksa, Fiona Stewart

The Mathematics Department would like to congratulate the following students on making it through to the Kangaroo round:

YEAR 9

Joseph Bailey
Kingsley Fan
Luca Grima
Ki Wai Lau
Sonya Mishchenko
Coco Mtandabari

YEAR 10

Frank Wong

YEAR 11

Oliver Engelbrecht
Tudor Pataca

And a special congratulations to **Kihyeon Lim** and **Xavier Mtandabari** for advancing straight to the Maclaurin Olympiad. This is a great achievement!

Ms Niss, KS4 Maths Coordinator



With Ofsted out of the way I had intended to have a peaceful week with snooze at the end of each day by the roaring Newman house fire, a pipe, slippers and perhaps Ms Shore's dog Teddy, as a comfort blanket to rest my feet upon. However, the rhythm of Grey Court does not work in such a sedentary way since staff and students at the school are imbued with the type of restless disposition that fired many a renaissance scholar. Therefore, Mr Rhodes' mantra of "Always outstanding, never complacent," has meant that Teddy has been running laps of the playground rather than warming my feet.

So well done to...

The governors, Mr Tim Metcalf and Mr Tim Glover who on Wednesday afternoon delivered a highly interactive and thought-provoking leadership and team working seminar for our Year 12 Senior Prefect team. The session sparked debate covering diverse topics including whether tyrants can be classed as great leaders, the amazing efficiency of Mumbai's Dabbawallas, why Nasa's janitor felt he was launching rockets to the moon, and what makes Ms Higham such a legend. Tim and Tim also focused on the subject of how to deliver work through others, and equipped the prefect teams with some tools and tips to help them with their projects'.

Mr Taylor who has volunteered to take on a Year 9 technology class for a few weeks and is pioneering a 3D printing programme where they will make giant chess pieces. Mr Taylor has already researched the programme, fired up the printer and filled an outbuilding with 3D chess pieces to highlight that he is no rookie in this field.

A Solaar *pleure* shout-out to year 13 scholar, Eliza Shaw, who has just handed in her 5000 word extended essay on French rap and its status as a "culturally distinctive art form." As I am supervising the project this has meant that I have had to brush up on my knowledge of MC Solaar, Da Uzi and the Supreme NTM as well as research Digga Dee's latest collab with Timal. It has made me feel truly *down with the yut* or *à bas la jeunesse* if you pardon my French.

Year 13 Minna Lipton deserves praise for combining high level study and the ambition to master most of the great novels in the English canon with volunteering for *Ruils* - a charity

based in Teddington which supports people with disabilities and long-term health conditions in living independently. It was very easy to write Minna's reference as she does so much for our own school community. Elsewhere, an overheard conversation between Mr Wilmore and Enzo DaCruz Fatuda of Year 11 fame, has revealed that he has won a place at a prestigious basketball academy next year. Hopefully, representing the school team has helped him hone those skills.

And behind the scenes, as ever, thanks to Ms Rahmani who has literally worked through the pain barrier for me to help source a language examiner to provide advice and guidance to our Ukrainian contingent who are being organised by Ms Hansar-Maldonado, nurtured by Ms Smith and advised by Ms Nair.

Finally, attention must be paid to my English colleagues for wowing me at a recent Teaching summit with their passion, enthusiasm and insights into the teaching of Macbeth, Othello and Gothic fiction, Ms Howell for defining contrapuntal sound for our year 10 media class and Ms Thomas for forging links both with the Ham Open Gardens committee and Hampton School.

So across the Grey Court ecosystem students, colleagues and governors have provided me with enough insights into tyrants, leadership, 3D printing, French rap, volunteering, hoop dreams, the Mysteries of Udolpho, private public partnerships and clipped topiary to make me feel dog-tired and sink into a well earned reverie.

Busy,
Busy,
Busy,
...

Mr Clements

Stars of the week

Maths & Stats

Year	Student	Subject	Comment
7B	Mariella Porter	Maths	Excellent engagement in class
8E	Willow Ireland	Maths	Excellent contributions
9B	Amayah Rhule	Maths	Excellent engagement in class
10W	Margo Ferris	Maths	Excellent classwork
11R	Thomas Lowe	Maths	Excellent contributions
12G	Nela Hrckova	Maths	Excellent classwork
13F	Sofia Beroldo	Maths	Excellent classwork
10E	Matteo Selini	Statistics	Excellent engagement in class
11E	Olivia Woolner	Statistics	Excellent contributions
12B	Verity Woodward	Further Maths	Excellent classwork
13D	Josh Nagaur	Further Maths	Excellent classwork



Extracurricular Clubs

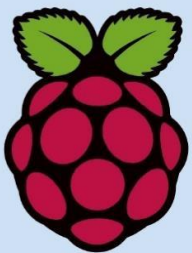
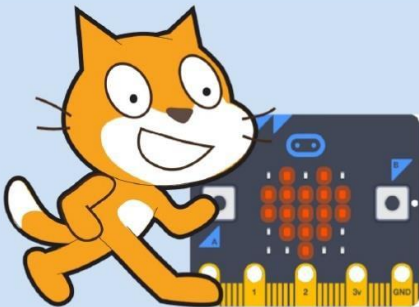
Extracurricular TT

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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(Wednesday after-school in T4!)



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Chess Club

Wednesdays

12:25PM to 1PM

Room T6

All years welcome

MATCHES

TOURNAMENTS

PUZZLES

NEW AND EXPERIENCED PLAYERS

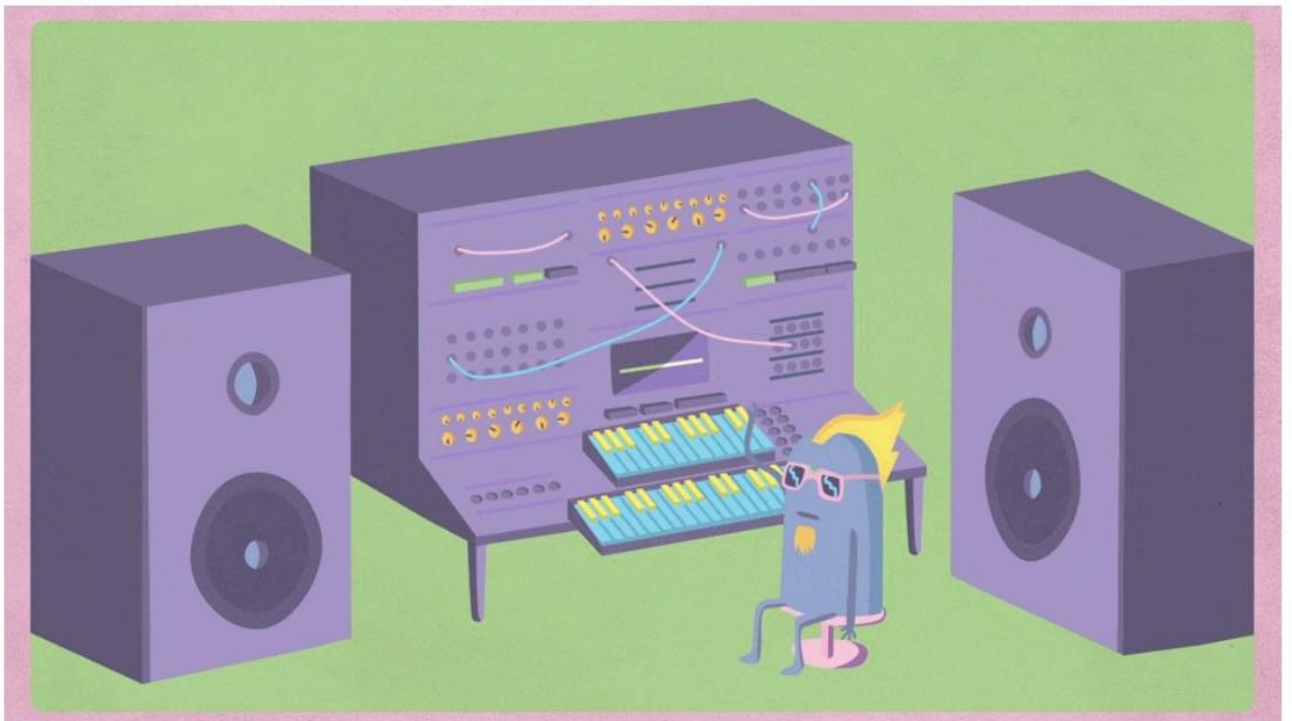
WELCOME

LEARN, PLAY AND SHOWCASE YOUR

CHESS SKILLS!

Music Tech Club

Now on a MONDAY
3pm-4pm
in PC1



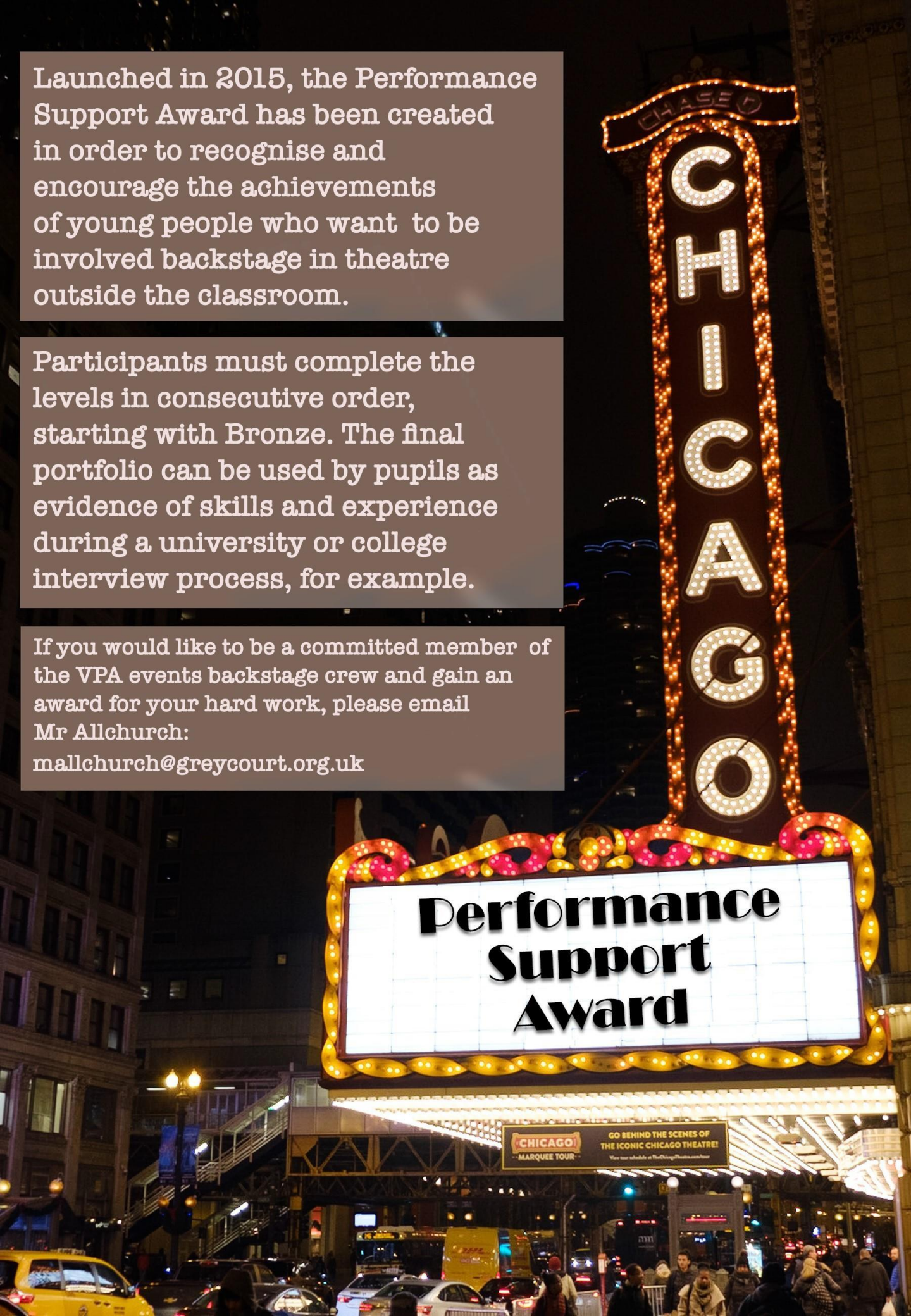
Learn to make music on a computer
with state of the art, industry
standard software. Record your own
instrument, singing or rapping,
and make your own beats.

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's marquee at night. The marquee is a tall, vertical sign with the word "CHICAGO" in large, illuminated letters. Below it, a horizontal sign reads "Performance Support Award". At the bottom, a smaller sign advertises the "CHICAGO MARQUEE TOUR". The scene is lit up with the warm glow of the marquee lights and the city lights of Chicago.

Performance Support Award

CHICAGO
MARQUEE TOUR

GO BEHIND THE SCENES OF
THE ICONIC CHICAGO THEATRE!
View tour schedule at TheChicagoTheatre.com/tour

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!

GREY COURT TRIATHLON CLUB

Spaces available after half term for Y7-Y9 pupils



27 February & 5/12/19 March

(£20 for 4 sessions)

7.25-8.15am

Meet @ Grey Court School

All abilities and types of bikes welcome, helmet essential

Please contact the PE department to reserve a space



Wellbeing





Tuesday 20 February to Friday 23 February

Year 7	What are appropriate physical boundaries?
Year 8	How can you share information safely online? Scams Social Media Blackmail
Year 9	What can you do to educate yourself on and limit knife crime?
Year 10	What are nudes? What is sexting? Why should we be cautious about them?
Year 11	Bloom: what is stress?

Monday 26 February to Friday 1 March

Year 7	Speaker in the main hall: social media legality
Year 8	What happened to Breck Bednar and how can we spot the red flags?
Year 9	What can you do to educate yourself on and limit knife crime?
Year 10	Zara McDermott – BBC – uncovering rape culture
Year 11	How can we be resilient – especially when we are stressed?



Friendly February 2024



MONDAY



5 Make time to have a friendly chat with a neighbour

12 Focus on being kind rather than being right

19 Share something you find inspiring, helpful or amusing

26 Make uninterrupted time for your loved ones

TUESDAY



6 Get back in touch with an old friend you've not seen for a while

13 Smile at the people you see and brighten their day

20 Make a plan to connect with others and do something fun

27 Call a friend to catch up and really listen to them

WEDNESDAY



7 Show an active interest by asking questions when talking to others

14 Tell a loved one or friend why they are special to you

21 Really listen to what people say, without judging them

28 Give positive comments to as many people as possible today

THURSDAY

1 Send a message to let someone know you're thinking of them

8 Share what you're feeling with someone you really trust

15 Support a local business with a positive online review or friendly message

22 Give sincere compliments to people you talk to today

29 Acknowledge someone's problem or pain rather than trying to fix it

FRIDAY

2 Ask a friend how they have been feeling recently

9 Thank someone and tell them how they made a difference for you

16 Check in on someone who may be struggling and offer to help

23 Be gentle with someone who you feel inclined to criticise

SATURDAY

3 Do an act of kindness to make life easier for someone

10 Look for good in others, particularly when you feel frustrated with them

17 Appreciate the good qualities of someone in your life

24 Tell a loved one about the strengths that you see in them

SUNDAY

4 Invite a friend over for a 'tea break' (in person or virtual)

11 Send an encouraging note to someone who needs a boost

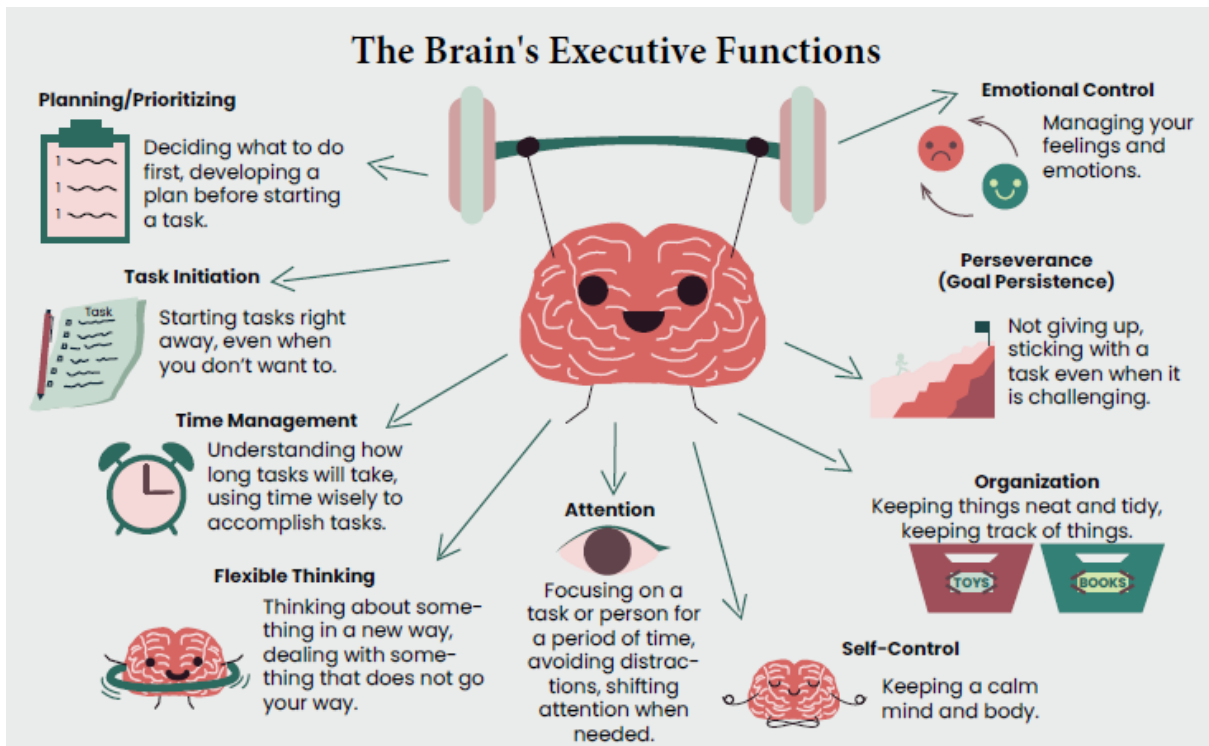
18 Respond kindly to everyone you talk to today, including yourself

25 Thank three people you feel grateful to and tell them why



EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING SKILLS WEBINAR

Executive functioning skills enable individuals to manage their thoughts, actions, and emotions in order to achieve goals. Understanding and supporting the development of these skills can really promote academic success and overall well-being.



By actively supporting the development of these executive functioning skills, parents can contribute to their child's academic achievement, emotional well-being, and overall success. Mrs Groves already works with students at Grey Court to support them with executive functioning skills, and is keen to share her knowledge with the parent community.

If you are interested in learning more about Executive Functioning Skills, then please attend our on-line webinar: **The Teenage Brain: Executive Functioning, Dopamine & what we can do to help**

DATE: Tuesday, 5 March

TIME: 5pm to 6pm GMT

Please click the link: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/grey-court-school/t-noznvxe> to book. You will receive an eTicket with the link to the webinar.



Our families frequently tell us that their children and young people struggle to come to terms with their ADHD diagnosis. From the lack of support and information appropriate to their ages, it is a difficult time that parents and carers must navigate with little help and no clear direction.

As many of you know, we have been helping families with newly diagnosed children via our very successful Post Diagnosis Workshop and we are now delighted to announce that we will be introducing a Post Diagnosis Workshop for young people to support them in understanding and dealing with their diagnosis directly.

The first one will be on Saturday 9 March and bookings will open soon.

Group 1 – Age 7 to 11 (Primary School) – 10.30am to 12pm.

Group 2 – Age 11 to 18 (Senior School) – 1pm to 2.30pm.

The objective of the workshop is to provide young people with an understanding of their condition and will aim to support self-esteem by helping them recognise that while their condition comes with some challenges, there are also many strengths that they can build on.

The course will cover; what is ADHD?; strengths & challenges of ADHD; strategies to help manage some of the challenges that come with ADHD; turning negative thoughts into positive thoughts; how I can support myself and take care of myself through sleep, exercise and nutrition

Booking will open shortly - please keep an eye on our [Facebook Page](#).

Best wishes

The ADHD Embrace Team

Webinars

Sensory Integration in children with ADHD? With Karen Garman, Specialist Occupational Therapist and Director / Owner of The Sensory Smart Child

27 February 8pm

This webinar is for parents, guardians and family members who wish to gain an understanding of sensory processing and the impact it has on children with ADHD including how to spot the signs and symptoms of Sensory Integration Dysfunction.

Click [here](#) to book



Wellbeing Newsletter

<https://bit.ly/KAE-CSWnewsFeb24>

In this issue we include details of *Explorative sketchbook & Mixed Media* and if you are travelling to Italy this year, *Italian for your holidays!*



Safeguarding



Protecting your Child from Criminal Exploitation

Online Event: Wednesday 28 February at 19:30 GMT

Parents are invited to join a free online event which raises awareness and shares insights into this safeguarding issue on Wednesday 28 February at 19:30 GMT.

For event details and to reserve your place, please click [here](#).

Further information on Child Criminal Exploitation can be found on the Grey Court School [safeguarding area](#) of the school website

If you have any safeguarding concerns regarding your child, please contact Ms Price (Designated Safeguarding Lead) or Mrs Mercer (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead).

Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day took place on 6 February 2024.

This is an annual event across the UK and this year focussed around the theme 'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'.

Assemblies throughout the week addressed online safety.

Year 7 looked at Social Media, the age recommendations for the different apps, the harm of social media and what they can do to protect themselves.

Year 8 and 9 covered the recent changes in technology, how it can change us and our habits; and how we can change to use it positively, and to our advantage. This was then followed with how the students can help protect themselves and where to find help within the school community.

Year 10 explored how to maintain a safe online presence and how to use social media and AI positively.

Year 11 watched a video that encouraged them to consider the positives and negatives about the internet and how they could be using it more effectively with their revision and upcoming exams.

KS5 students watched a short video from the UK Safer Internet Centre, encouraging students to think about how they can get involved with engaging more safely online.

For further information and support, please see the online safety tab in the safeguarding area on the school [website](#)

If you have any concerns regarding a child please contact **Ms Price** (Designated Safeguarding Lead) or **Mrs Mercer** (Deputy Designated safeguarding Lead).

Calling...



Can you support our upcoming careers event on Tuesday 5 March?

Our annual year 9 careers networking event offers students a chance to speed network with people from a range of careers backgrounds.

If you have a couple of hours you could spare on Tuesday 5 March, we are looking for people to talk informally to our students about their career paths.

The sessions are: 8.45am – 10.00am, 10.15am – 11.30am, Lunch is provided and then afternoon sessions - 12.15pm – 1.30pm and 1.30pm – 2.45pm, so it is flexible within the day.

We appreciate this is taking place soon. However, if you are free for a couple of hours or perhaps working from home, we'd be delighted if you could help us out.

For more information and sign up: <https://forms.gle/qUH7q58CNfSZV9hd9> or contact Bernie Corrighan bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk who is happy to provide more information.

A close-up photograph of a person's lower leg and foot. The person is wearing black leggings and a bright orange sock. They are wearing a black, lace-up, rubber-soled boot. The boot is stepping on a wet, muddy surface, causing a large splash of water and mud to erupt from the sole. The background is a blurred, wet ground with some green moss or grass visible. The text "Sixth Form News" is written vertically in white, bold, sans-serif font on the right side of the image.

Sixth Form News



On 5 March, we are taking our year 12s to the Festival of Apprenticeships at The Kennington Oval. The Festival of Apprenticeships is a roadshow exhibition promoting and celebrating apprenticeships.

The event is a one-stop shop for anyone looking to find out more about apprenticeships. From discovering local opportunities by meeting organisations first-hand, through to guidance on how to apply for and make the most of an apprenticeship.

Top employers and learning providers will highlight their talent and promote opportunities to future apprentices. Even if your child has not been considering an apprenticeship, this event will give them information about degree apprenticeships as well as possible pathways for graduates.

Students should arrive at sixth form at 9.00am to register. We will then travel to The Kennington Oval, London SE11 5SS using public transport. Members of the sixth form team will be at The Oval to register students on arrival.

Festival of Apprenticeships
5 March 2024

CAN YOU HELP WITH PROVIDING A PLACEMENT?

We rely on a range of sources for work experience and one of those is from our Grey Court community.

If you think you or your company might be able to offer work experience during the week of 1-5 July, please let us know. It doesn't have to be for the full five days necessarily, even three days would be a great insight into an industry. Please fill out this really short form if you want to help and Bernie Corrighan will be in touch: [contact us](#)

INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS/CARERS

This term's focus is students should be looking for placements or summer schools for 1-5 July 2024 and they must confirm their placement using the **Unifrog placements tool** by 28 March 2024.

Please just speak to Miss Corrighan if you have any questions bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk and do refer to Google classroom for more information where weekly information is posted. Especially in year 12, we advertise all the relevant opportunities so it's important students do this as part of their weekly routine.

All sixth formers should check the [Weekly opportunities bulletin 23/02/2024 Sixth Form Careers opportunities](#)

This your personalised information sheet about:

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

Virtual University Fair | 13 March from 4:40pm to 7pm

This virtual fair is suitable for students in Years 10 to 12, and is free to attend. Teachers, advisors, parents, and caregivers are all welcome!

Students can [sign up](#) for the Virtual University Fair where reps from 40 universities will answer questions and help them find the best fit.

Live sessions will discuss topics like student finance, contextual offers, and personal statements.

This includes the following workshops:

- Study in Wales
- What it's like to study computer science
- How to ace your personal statement
- Don't have the grades for your dream university? Explore Contextual Offers
- What it's like to study engineering
- Student finance at uni: how to live affordably
- Study in London
- Creating the perfect arts portfolio
- What it's like to study business and management
- 10 things you need to know about university
- Study in Scotland
- What it's like to study abroad

The new Oxbridge classroom for year 12 was set up prior to half term. All students with a genuine interest in applying should have completed the two tasks set before the holiday. This involved making an effective start to their super curricular record and researching their course options and requirements on the university websites.

We are now in the final phase of this qualification. Students should have prepared their presentations and arranged a time to deliver these in front of an audience. This leaves just the final reflections and folder organisation to complete, so that final folders can be handed in the week beginning the 4th March. This avoids any clash with the Easter mocks.

Trial Exams

The final set of trial exams will take place during the week commencing 25 March and students will be on study leave for this period.

All students should now have a revision plan that they have been working on during tutor time, and the timetable can be found here.

[Year 13 March Trial Exam Timetable](#)
[Individual Student Revision Plan](#)

Sports News Congratulations



Congratulations to Sofia, U14 Indoor Borough Rowing Champion

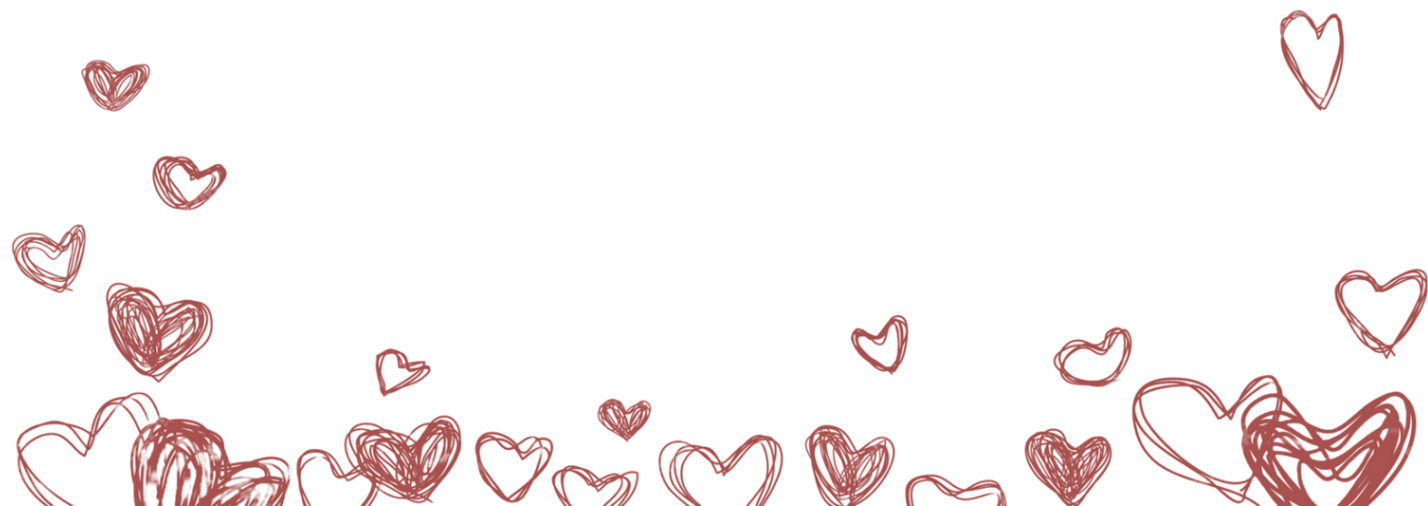
Congratulations

The total distance covered by all competitors was 88,558m which is nearly as far as rowing from Dover to Calais and back again!

All Combined entered all events)	
Grey Court	7576
Orleans Park	7497
Christ's	7238

Girls Combined	
Grey Court	3627
Waldegrave	3533
Christ's	3510
Orleans Park	3490
LEH*	3353
Richmond upon Thames*	3219
Richmond Park Academy*	2997

Boys Combined	
Christ's	4082
Hampton	4066
Grey Court	4007
Orleans Park	3885
Richmond upon Thames	3605
Richmond Park Academy*	2359





Tuesday 20 February: The U14A team had a great game against [@BenniesSport](#). It was great to see the team being versatile! POM Sara



Tuesday 20 February: Superb victory for our U13 girls hockey team in the London qualifiers. We look forward to the London Finals in March



Congratulations to George R in Year 9 who spent his half term in Ireland with the Wales U15 squad, with fixtures against Hungary and Republic of Ireland





George Robinson (#5) playing for the U15 Wales team against ROI on 14 February



Eva had a 16U tournament, at Ash Manor Tennis Centre in Aldershot, during half term and finished runner-up which was a great achievement considering the higher age group. She is ranked 484 in her age group (14U). Congratulations, Eva!

Boys Team of the Month Year 7 Indoor Athletics Team



Year 7 Indoor Athletics Team

Boys Team of the Month

The year 7 indoor athletics team enjoyed an excellent first round performance at Lee Valley on Wednesday 24 January.

The team had been training very hard with Jaden and Ramell doing extra sessions at Kingsmeadow on Tuesday evenings. We entered two teams in the event which gave a lot of students an opportunity to race and experience a competitive event.

The standout performances of the afternoon were from Zach Sansbury, 1st in 60m sprint and 1st in the Long Jump with a very impressive 4.47m. Lemar Zamani clocked 2.39m in the 800m. Jaden Joseph and Ramell Kargbo both finished 2nd in their 60m hurdles. Quinn Andrews and Robert Cunliffe both cleared 1.25m in the High Jump.

The team has qualified for the next round which will be held on Wednesday 7 February.



Girls
Player of the Month
Neve Rugette

Neve Rugette is our girls Player of the Month for January. Neve is a fantastic sports person whose specialist sport is basketball but her talents extended across many sports.

Neve is an integral part of the school Netball and Basketball squads, her positivity and determination shines through in these matches.

Neve was part of the Richmond Knights Under-16 Girls team that won the National Cup to remain as the only undefeated team in the entire country! Neve was awarded the Finals Most Valuable Player with 24pts, 11 rebounds, 6 assists.

She competed in the U16 athletics team placing where she assisted her team to 3rd place overall in the competition. As well she competed in the borough cross country competition where she placed 4th qualifying for the Middlesex cross country competition where she placed 24th.

Her commitment to basketball and self improvement is exactly the reason why she has been chosen as our Player of the Month for January. We look forward to hearing about more of her successes and the performances she will put in during the Athletics term

Girls Player of the Month Neve Rugette



NATIONAL CUP CHAMPIONS

Richmond Knights **U16 GIRLS** are the
2024 National Cup Champions!



The Knights U16 Girls SHOWED UP in Manchester to bring the **National Cup** to Richmond for the first time in club history! The young stars delivered a confident and accomplished performance on the biggest stage that included stand-out contributions from Chloe Vella, Precious Godwin, Bade Isik, Chayana Collins-Foster and Finals MVP Neve Rugette.

Head Coach Chanel Mubeen, who is completing her Masters in Sports Coaching at St Mary's University, guided the team through the undefeated cup-run alongside Assistant Coach, Isaac Omirin, who used his experience in the club's two previous cup final appearances to commanding effect.

Coach Chanel see's this achievement as just part of a journey that the team are on, having coached many of the players since they were in primary school, stating *"Our development comes first... they've worked so hard but the season's not over and we've still got so many goals that we want to achieve with such a young team."*

Club Founder and Director, James Merchant, sees the win as an opportunity for the club: *"This trophy is the result of years of learning and growing as a club and with this particular group of exceptional players. We hope this success inspires more young players and that they get to experience the challenges of such a journey that builds character and confidence."*

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Boys
Player of the Month
Ricards Misins

Boys Player of the Month

Ricards Misins

Ricards enjoyed a great experience at the Olympic games in South Korea. The Great Britain 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 in sixth place.

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

Ricards is an exceptional ice hockey player and is Grey Court's first Youth Olympian. We look forward to seeing Ricards develop and follow his dream of playing in the NHL.



Girls
Scholar of the Month
Lily Schueler

Girls Scholar of the Month

Lily Schueller

Lily is the girls' scholar of the month for January! Lily skates 4 times a week, in Slough and Basingstoke which means on top of a busy academic and extracurricular timetable at school she has many early (4.45am) starts and late nights. She trains very hard in her sport. In Lily's recent skating competitions Lily won a bronze medal in the Britannia Cup 2024, the British National Competition in synchronised skating. Lily skates in a team of 16 with Slough Synchro Club, and the club medalled in all 6 categories they skated in. Her team was also 2nd at Skate London in November and they will also skate at the Steel City Trophy in Sheffield in March and possibly in an international competition in Belgium in April. She's done synchro since she was 6 years old. Last week, Lily competed at the Guildford Open where she was 12th of 20 skaters - it was her first solo free skating competition so this was a strong performance and she even recorded a PB. She is an outstanding athlete not only in skating but also in netball at GC and in her scholarship lessons. Well done, Lily!

Boys Scholar of the Month Ramell Kargbo



Boys Scholar of the Month

Ramell Kargbo

Ramell has made an excellent start to his time at Grey Court. Ramell is a very talented young sports person who is demonstrating all the right attributes in lessons and extra curricular.

Ramell is an important member of the football team. He plays centre forward and leads the line very well. He has an excellent 1st touch and his ability to bring others into the game is a valuable asset. Ramell is also part of the indoor athletics team and has been training incredibly hard since before Christmas. He attends extra hurdles sessions on Tuesday at Kingsmeadow from 5-6pm which shows his dedication and drive to improve. At the Lee Valley 1st round competition on Wednesday 24th January, he finished 2nd in the hurdles, jumped 4.12m in the long jump and was part of the winning 4 x 200m relay team.

Well done Ramell, keep up the outstanding standards.

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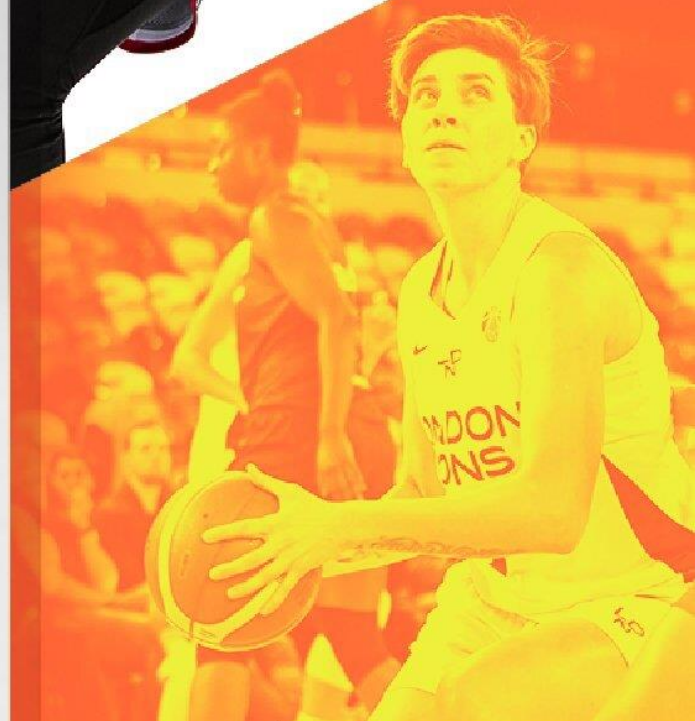
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