



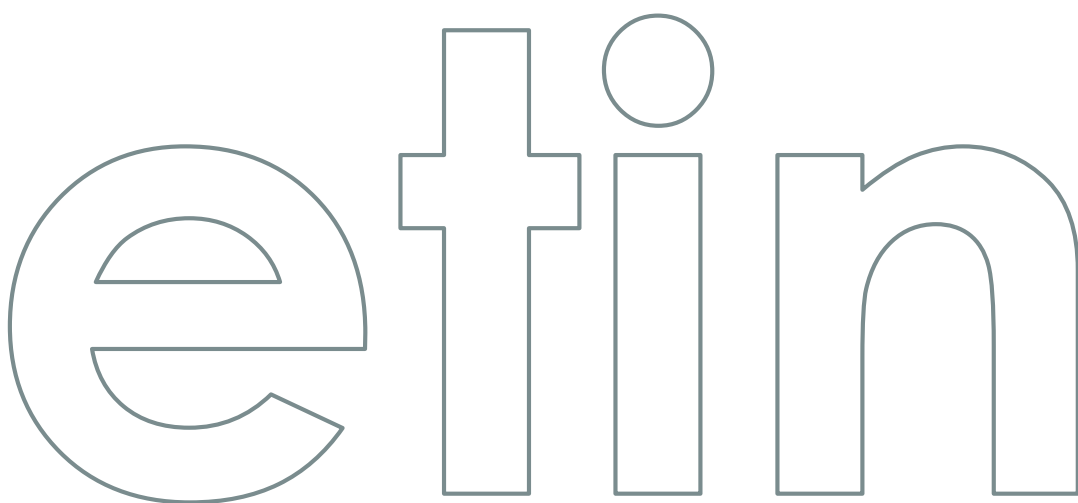
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"...a school where all pupils flourish" - Ofsted 2024



Cover photo: year 12 creative media students at the Sky campus at Elstree studios

#KeepInTouch

24-25 Term Dates

School Events

Sports TT

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Blast from the Past

Grey Court is throwing it
back to the Noughties.

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gymnasts and dancers perform!**

Tuesday 1st April at 7pm

Doors open at 6:30pm

£5 for children

£8 for adult

Payment available on Scopay or on the door



Kids of Africa



Year 8 student Leo Leguel (and his mum) will be volunteering at an orphanage in Uganda over the Easter holidays. **Kids of Africa** is an organisation dedicated to the operation and development of a children's village, schools, and various aid programmes in Uganda. Their mission is to provide sustainable local support to children in need, with a focus on fostering responsible, life-skilled individuals within their home country. The organisation does not support international adoptions or emigration, rather emphasising community-based solutions. The village they support is home to ten houses, a school, a farm, and sports facilities, providing a safe haven for over 100 orphans.

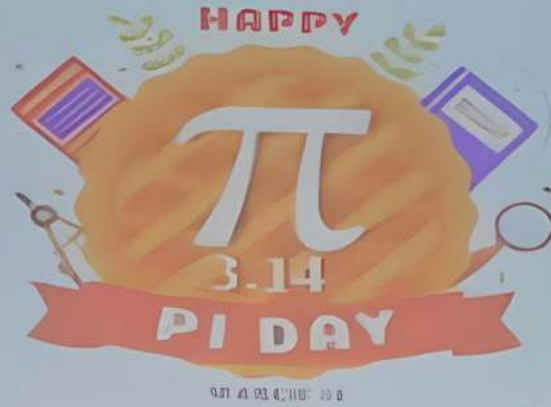
We will hold a non-uniform day on 4 April to raise funds for **Kids of Africa**. Students, who wish to participate, are requested to bring a donation of £2 to school.

Should you wish to contribute, please click on the [GoFundMe](#).





Pi Day 2025



News

KS3+KS4

Year 7

I sit writing this e-bulletin entry with the sunshine on my face and 17° warm weather. It is a fantastic time of year when we start to see the sunshine again.

This week the students had their house assemblies where they were given updates on the points tallies of the year and all the competitions that have been. They were also rallied for the competitions that are due to take place over the next term, building up to the grand finale that is sports day.

The MOGOs will have taken place by the time this e-bulletin is published, and I'm sure it will have been an epic event as it always is. We are fortunate enough to have a few year seven students taking part so I congratulate them on their bravery and efforts.

Last week's tutor challenge was run by Mr Von Son and Rowan. Congratulations to Jeco in 7C and Noora in 7O for coming in joint first in Dalgona! Well done to Tabitha in 7R in a close second place.

Mr Ridley



Pi Day - An Infinitely Great Day!

Last Friday (14 March) Grey Court celebrated Pi Day 2025.

Why March 14th?

We write the 14th of March as 14.3 but in other countries around the world it is written as: **3.14** The first 3 digits of Pi.

To celebrate, all Form Groups took part in the Pi Day Dingbat Challenge! A few of these have been included so you can test yourself at home!

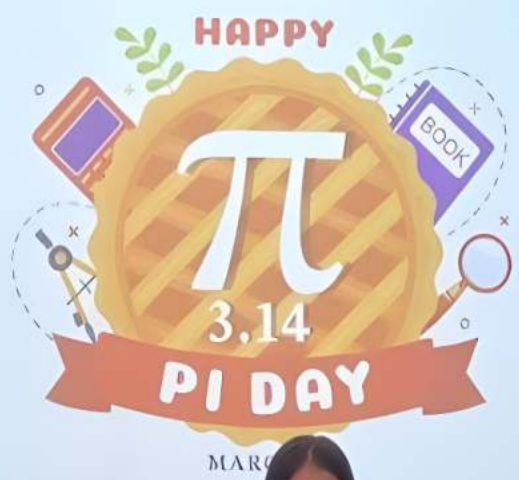
Our Year 7s all took part in our annual Pi Day Interactive Quiz where they worked in teams to answer some delicious Pi based questions. The engagement was fantastic with special shout outs going to our winners: Carin & Tabitha (7B) and Ella & Gaby (7R).

It was a great day and we are already counting down until next year!

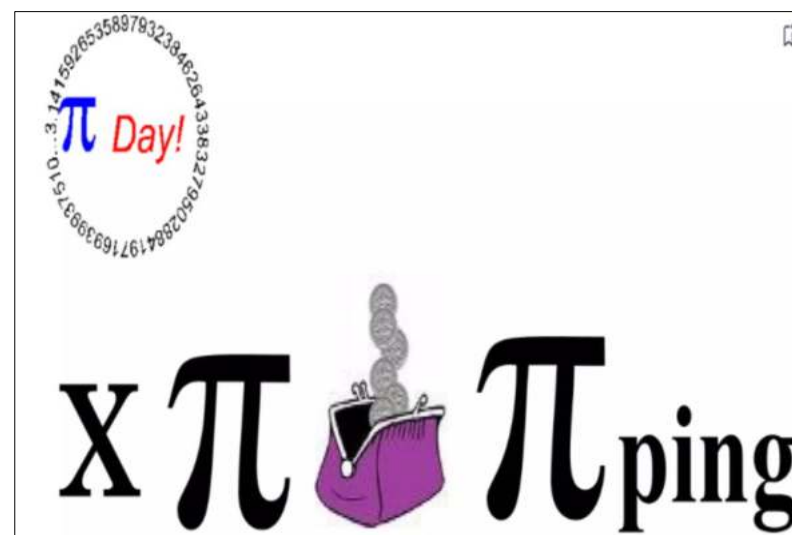
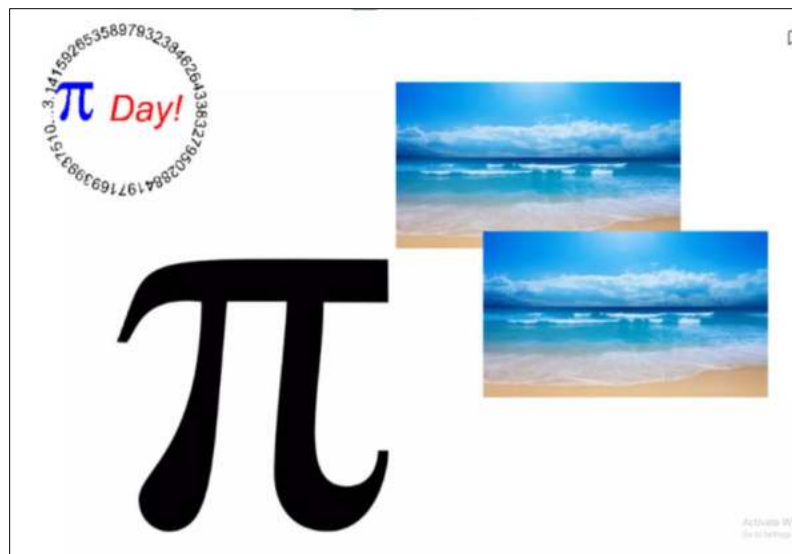
- Mr Lunniss



Pi Day 2025



Test yourself...



Bookworms



A Big Shout-Out to Those that Read!

The South West Regionals for the National Reading Champions Quiz 2025 took place on Tuesday. Congratulations to everyone who participated!



"The more that you read, the more things you will know"



Geniuses read very quickly

The average reading speed of an ordinary man is 230 words per minute. This is about 2 pages. Pretty solid, right? Well, not for the sharpest among us! Napoleon, for example, read at a rate of 2,000 words per minute, while Balzac could finish a small novel in just half an hour!



One of the longest sentences ever printed consists of 832 words

You may find it in Victor Hugo's "Misérables". By the way, the novel was translated into 60 languages and adapted to screen countless times. It's loved by millions of fans all over the world and is a highly recommended read.



Year 8

A big well done to Shirin K and Jack P for leading Year 8 in our conduct points challenge this week!

This week's house assemblies, led by our house leaders alongside Mr. Murphy, revealed the current standings in the house competition. There are still plenty of opportunities to earn house points, so make sure to get involved in upcoming house competitions.

Our penultimate Enterprise challenge before Easter was led by 8 Rowan this week. A special shoutout to Daniel H for taking charge of recording daily sales and calculating the total profit each day.

Ms Saccheri







Jake with his cool ice box

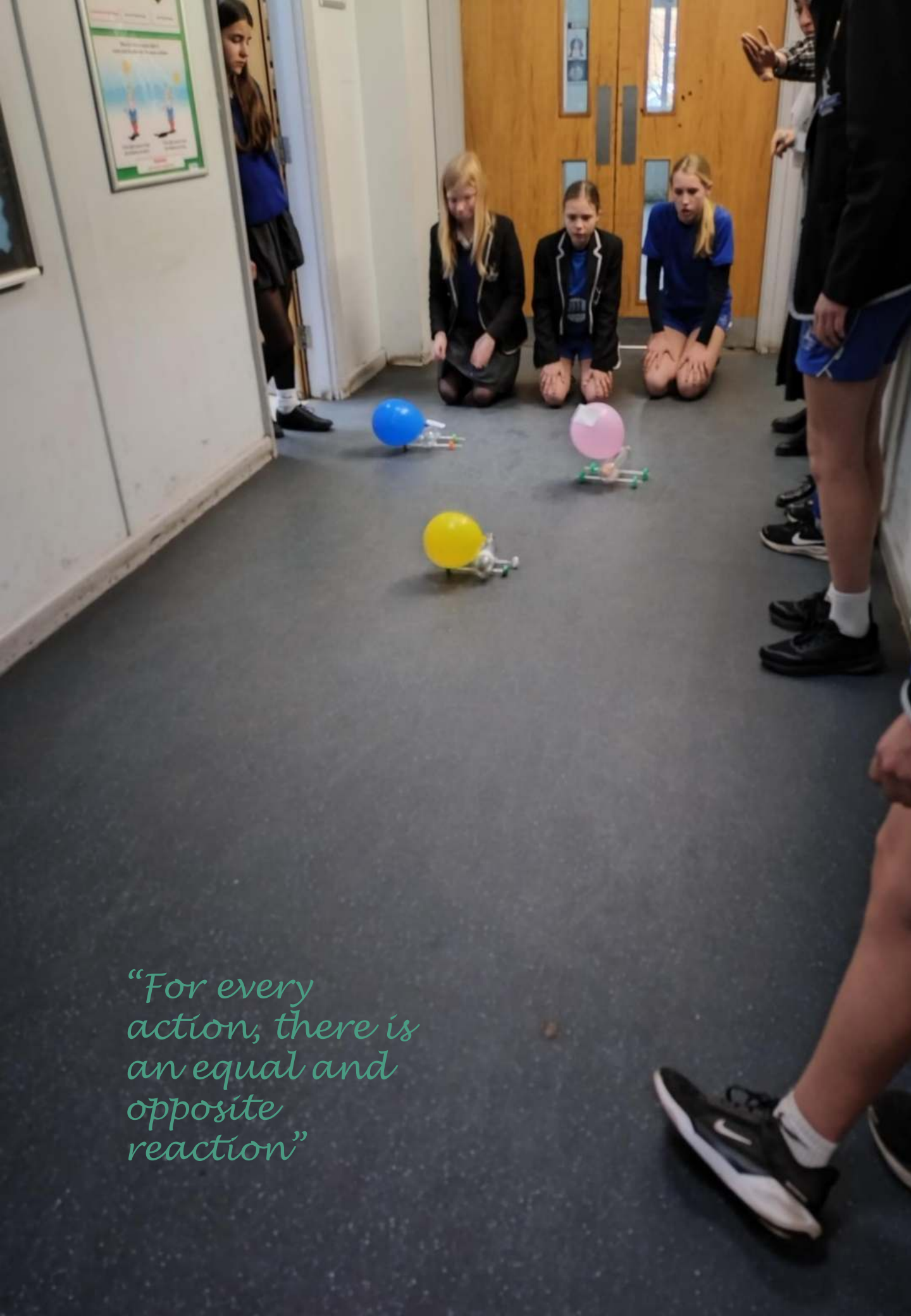
Year 8 students learning about Newton's Third Law in a fun and interactive way. They designed and built balloon rocket cars, competing to see who could create the fastest one!

- Dr Alaian

Year 8







*“For every
action, there is
an equal and
opposite
reaction”*

Year 9

GCSE options discussions continue for Year 9 with every student being seen by a member of the year team or senior leadership to chat about their decisions. Many students are already looking towards A Level and future careers which is fantastic to see!

Students have had house assemblies this week to celebrate Aztec, Roman, Spartan and Trojan houses and their collective triumphs. Obviously as their head of year I hope all houses do well (but as a loyal Aztec member I hope we do better!).

And finally our front runners in achievement points so far are Spencer H for the boys and Lizzy Weston for the girls - well done both!

Ms Sutcliffe



Year 10

Week 4 is now complete with only two more weeks to go!

BTEC students are pressing on with their coursework, whilst others are busy getting in the extra maths interventions at the maths clinic on Wednesdays.

This week was the first week of the targeted achievement point drive for our Year 10 students. All students are working to collect as many points as possible for the final count up next Thursday, with the spot prize on Friday! This will also count towards the final certificates and prizes for our Easter Celebration Assembly too! A really well done to all so far, and keep up the hard work!

Ms Woods

Y10

Congratulations to **Fereshta Najib** who achieved First place at the Jack Petchey public speaking regional finals last Thursday at Waldegrave school. Both Grey Court representatives were amazing. They were up against a strong field of 15 competitors from 8 schools in Richmond. **Setayesh Walid** also gave a brave performance in front of a panel of judges and a large audience.

Both girls worked hard at perfecting their speeches over a few short weeks and overcame their nervousness to give their best.

- Ms Holmes

Jack Petchey Public Speaking Regional Finals Jack Petchey Public Speaking Regional Finals



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Year 11

Week 4 is now complete! Well done to Leem (11R) for winning the tutor award and to Sophie L (11O) and Dylan H (11M) for winning the 100% attendance awards. Being in school matters, and we are happy to be celebrating this with the cohort.

A huge congratulations to Miss Campbell and her Food cohort. The students have worked incredibly hard on their final dishes, and I know the results will reflect their efforts.

As we approach the Easter break, it is important that students remain focused on the end goal. For many subjects, the content will be coming to an end, and students should be actively engaging with the revision material being delivered in lessons.

Finally, if students are confused about the Easter revision sessions, they must check their emails for their individual timetables. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at jkhan@greycourt.org.uk.

Mr Khan



British Physics Olympiad Intermediate Challenge

I am pleased to share some fantastic news about our Year 11 students' incredible achievement in the **British Physics Olympiad Intermediate Challenge!**

A total of **39 of our students** participated in this prestigious competition, competing against **5,071 students from 173 schools across the country**—and their results have been outstanding!

Four of our students achieved the Gold Award, placing them among the top **19.4% in the country**. What makes this achievement even more special is that **all four Gold Award winners are girls!**

Huge congratulations to **Gabi Judkiewicz, Matilda Dibb, Sophia Trybuszewski** and **Margo Bliss Ferris**

23 students received the Silver Award

12 students earned the Bronze Award

Dr Alaian

Student name	Medal
Aaima Ahmed	Silver
Beth Cagle	Bronze
Ben Clark	Silver
Finn Davis	Silver
Matilda Dibb	Gold
Aleksander	Silver
Lucas Galant Draysey	Bronze
James Glanville	Silver
Herbie Henry	Silver
Betsy Ireland	Silver
Frank Wong	Silver
Cosmas Tai	Bronze
Leem Mohamed	Bronze
Philine Z	Silver
Andy Fedczuk	Silver
Maya Sills	Silver
Ethan Sethna	Silver
Katrina Louise Killey	Bronze
Mydah Malik	Silver
Margo Bliss Ferris	Gold
Stanley Monaghan	Silver
Leo Marcel Sarasini	Silver
Enoch Tang	Silver
Jacob Heller	Silver
Mitchell Reader	Silver
Kulsoom Syed	Silver
Indie P-S	Bronze
Tejan Patel	Silver
Lama Mansour	Bronze
Flo Lavercombe	Bronze
Naeem Khan	Silver
Sophia Trybuszewski	Gold
Anekathrine burdock	Silver
Martha Huddart	Silver
Gabi Judkiewicz	Gold
Adam Mahmoud	Bronze
Diyana Ansari	Bronze

Stars

of the week



Year	Name	Subject	Reason
8 W	Cara Budden	French	Excellent test results
9 C	Mateo Mesa Steward	French	Outstanding achievement
10 C	Ella Holliday	French	Excellent progress in the subject
11 R	Swasti Jain	French	Excellent progress in the subject
12 A	Alexander Donnell	French	Excellent contributions
13 D	Kevan Veerapatrapillay	French	Excellent engagement in class
8 M	Kaloyan Petrov	German	Excellent test results
9 W	Kirill Rusnac	German	Excellent test results
10 E	Joseph Bailey	German	Excellent test results
11 B	Diyana Ansari	German	Outstanding achievement
7 C	Freddie Davies	Spanish	Excellent progress in the subject
8 O	Kerem Ozturk	Spanish	Excellent contributions
9 E	Josie Bryant	Spanish	Outstanding achievement
10 A	Lucy Tiffin	Spanish	Excellent assessment grade
11 A	Lily Taylor	Spanish	Excellent progress in the subject
12 C	Fabio Gohar	Spanish	Excellent engagement in class
13 G	Sophie Elsdon	Spanish	Excellent engagement in class
7 M	Shano Karim	Mandarin	Excellent progress in the subject
8 C	Ruby Rock	Mandarin	Excellent progress in the subject
9 M	Eddie Monaghan	Mandarin	Excellent engagement in class
10 A	Frederick Weatherhead-Pusey	Mandarin	Excellent engagement in class
11 R	Florence Lavercombe	Mandarin	Excellent engagement in class



10 March to 14 March

matters

“The more that you learn, the more places you'll go”

Year Group	Attendance %
Year 7	95.6%
Year 8	97.9%
Year 9	95.5%
Year 10	93.8%
Year 11	93%

Tutor Group	Attendance %
7 Oak	98.8%
8 Rowan	100%
9 Elm	98%
10 Cedar	97.4%
11 Beech	94.5%



VPA SCHOLARSHIP

VPA Scholars of the Month - March

At the start of the year, the VPA Scholars were set a variety of challenges, ranging from completing graded exams on musical instruments to performing in shows outside of school. We will be celebrating the success of different students each month.



**Miss Cowper's
Scholar of the
Month**

Aria Cahalane

Aria has made fantastic effort in Music lessons so far this year. She gives her best to every task set and has shown excellent creativity. She has really developed and grown musically this year and has really impressed Miss Cowper with her attitude. Well done, Aria!

Audrey Edmonds

Audrey is constantly enthusiastic and proactive in lessons, in particular in her Art lessons. She has developed some lovely ideas with Ms Brown-Duthie and is always engaged in every task she is given, as well as being happy to help out wherever needed. Well done, Audrey!



**Ms
Brown-Duthie's
Scholar of the
Month**



VPA Scholars of the Month - March



**Mr Allchurch's
Scholar of the
Month**

Teddy Button

Teddy is enthusiastic in everything he does and has impressed Mr Allchurch with his consistent engagement in lessons and outside. He particularly stood out recently when writing and asking questions for visitors as part of Ms Nair's Multicultural evening project, which will feature the VPA Scholars heavily. Well done, Teddy!

Tabitha Costigliola-Logue

Tabitha has consistently impressed Ms Johnson with her creativity in lessons, as well as her focus and engagement in every task. She has made fantastic progress in Drama so far this year and is a great collaborator, creating some brilliant work. Well done, Tabitha!



**Ms Johnson's
Scholar of the
Month**

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We are excited to share some **upcoming events and opportunities** at NeuroSpark London that you will not want to miss:

Synaptic Essay Competition 2026

Last year, we received incredible essays from talented students, and we are thrilled to announce that the competition is returning in 2026! This year, we are making it even bigger and better, with **new prizes and awards** for winners. We are also honoured to welcome **Professor Steve Gentleman** as one of our judges.

Stay tuned for more details, as we will be opening submissions soon!

Subcommittee Recruitment

We are currently recruiting passionate students to join our **subcommittee**! This is a fantastic opportunity to develop new skills, work with a dynamic team, and contribute to exciting neuroscience initiatives. Here are the roles we are looking to fill:

Outreach Coordinators: Help us connect with schools, organisations, and professionals to expand our reach and impact.

Content Creators/Graphic Designers: Create engaging visuals, infographics, and educational content to share neuroscience knowledge.

Writers/Editors: Write and refine articles, blogs, and resources to make neuroscience accessible to all.

Why Join Us?

Gain hands-on experience in neuroscience outreach and education.

Develop skills in teamwork, leadership, and project management.

Work alongside students from **Imperial College London** and **University College London**.

Connect with world-class neuroscientists and contribute to meaningful projects.

Applications are open now—apply here: <https://forms.gle/wF2FDe7UY77haDeh7>.

More Exciting Events Coming Soon!

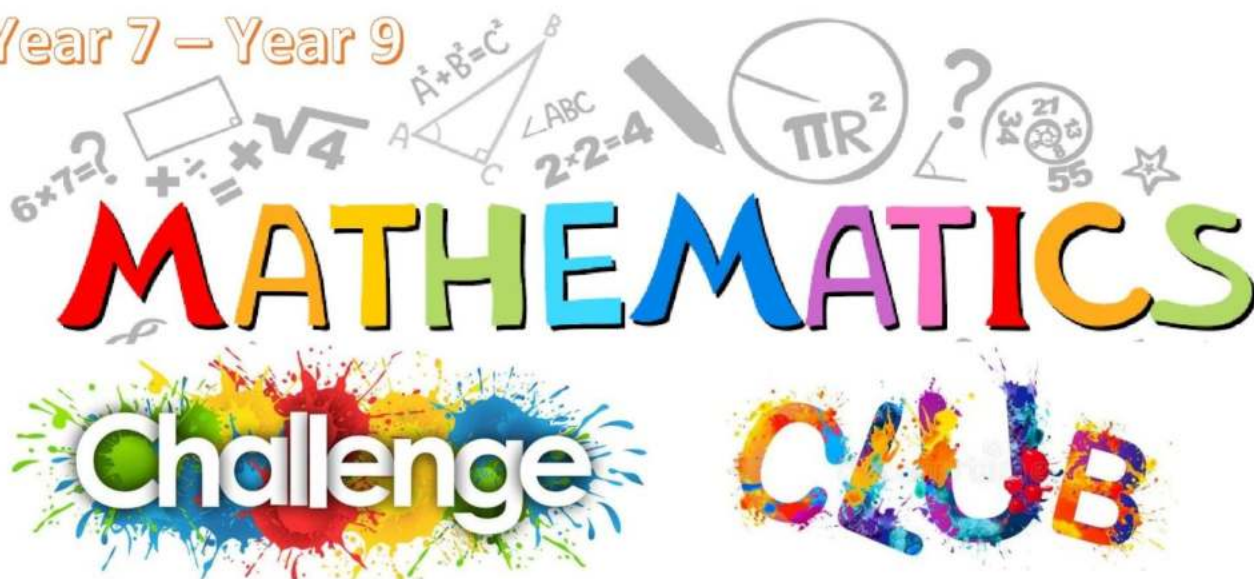
We have lots of other events in the pipeline, including workshops, talks, and outreach programmes. To stay updated, make sure to follow us on Instagram: [@neurosparklondon](https://www.instagram.com/neurosparklondon).



clubs

Extracurricular
timetable

Year 7 – Year 9



3 – 4 Every Wednesday in M5

- Opportunity to experience Maths in a different environment!
- Work in a team to solve puzzles, riddles and challenging problems!
- Opportunity to represent Grey Court in National Competitions!
- Refreshments provided!
- Please speak to Mr Lunniss or Mr Edmonds for more information.



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6 WEEKS YOUTH LEADERSHIP COURSE

Every Wednesday 12:25-13:00

Starting 19th of March

in NH3 in Newman House

Discover your strengths,
Develop your leadership skills,
Gain confidence,
Improve your self-esteem.

**"The youth of today are
the leaders of tomorrow."
- Nelson Mandela**

For more details speak to Mrs Nair or
email: pnair@greycourt.org.uk



Wellbeing



2025

Mindful March 2025

SATURDAY

1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult

29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice

SUNDAY

2 Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them

30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling

MONDAY

3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life

TUESDAY

4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

18 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted

WEDNESDAY

5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today

THURSDAY

6 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today

27 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are

FRIDAY

7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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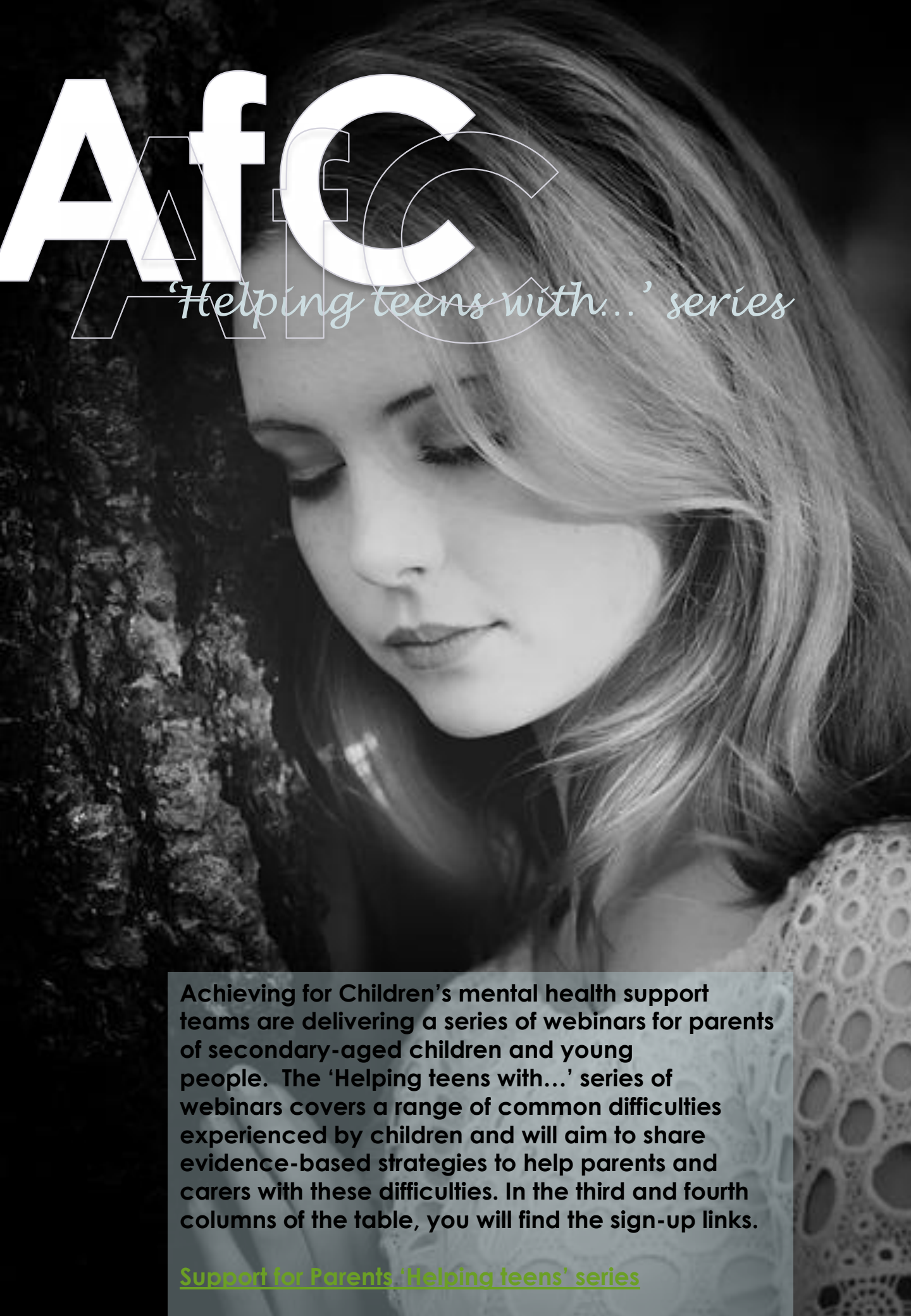


This week

- Year 7** The Aids Epidemic
- Year 8** What do we need to know about fertility and our reproductive health?
- Year 9** What can you do if... you hear that your friends are taking drugs?
- Year 10** How can we establish clear sexual boundaries?
- Year 11** RS/computing and the Grey Court survey

Next week

- Year 7** Inclusive relationships
- Year 8** What can you do if you want to make a long-term commitment to someone?
- Year 9** What should you do if... you're worried about an Internet scam?
- Year 10** Cyberflashing
- Year 11** Revision skills



AfC

'Helping teens with...' series

Achieving for Children's mental health support teams are delivering a series of webinars for parents of secondary-aged children and young people. The 'Helping teens with...' series of webinars covers a range of common difficulties experienced by children and will aim to share evidence-based strategies to help parents and carers with these difficulties. In the third and fourth columns of the table, you will find the sign-up links.

[Support for Parents 'Helping teens' series](#)

Sixth Form



Invaders of the Lost Chart - Year 12 Sky Trip

- Mr Clements

On Wednesday afternoon I had the pleasure of accompanying Ms Eaton and a band of highly talented Year 12 creative media students to the Sky campus at Elstree studios as part of an innovative careers and education package they run for partner schools.

Producer and director team Corrighan and Howell have over the years forged a formidable careers offer for the creative media cohort with frequent visits to Sky studios being a highly sought after experience the next generation of directors, producers, screenwriters and editors fight over.

I had assumed I had been invited on the trip on account of my expertise in all things Scorsese, Coppola and Bigelow until Ms Howell flatly informed me that it was "because I generated less cover than the more important teachers!" Luckily, with Ms Howell generating the letters, risk assessments and instructions, Ms Eaton taking the register and Ms Woods charged with sending me several reminders a day in case "I forgot" my only responsibility was to make it to the bus on time.

A sunny journey along the North Circular later and we were climbing the imposing Elstree staircase which is decorated with the imposing array of films this dream factory has produced from *Star Wars* to *Indiana Jones* to *Bridget Jones*. Once ensconced in the studio's epicentre the students were tasked with creating a pitch for an adventure movie and scripting, rehearsing, shooting and editing its middle act in just over 45 mins!

With our instructor highlighting that time was of the essence and that they "needed to work collaboratively," Agnes naturally took on the role of directing the gang and Lottie endeavoured to take on production duties. I decided that this was a wise choice on the group's part as both students can be trusted in a crisis! Meanwhile as important decisions were being made Ridwane and Ameer had found the dressing up box and appeared in leather jackets and cowboy hats whilst Josh and Jack tried on sunglasses!

It was therefore left to the producer director team to conjure up an adventure script with the help of Tilly who acted as a script doctor. Our adventure movie would involve a lost map discovered by two dazed and confused backpackers (Josh and Jack) who are pursued by a pair of goof-ball treasure hunters - Ridwane and Ameer. Think - *the inbetweeners* meets *Raiders of the lost ark* and you would just about be there - cue the title "*Invaders of the lost chart*" which Sam decided was "satiric."

As jungle scenes were projected onto Sky's state of the art green screen and the rushes rolled in, it was left to Isabelle, Artem and Filip to edit the masterpiece together, fix the lighting and add sound effects. Meanwhile, Ms Eaton was spied in the adjoining room bent over a ream of papers frantically scribbling down notes. When interrogated it transpired that inspired by the team's creative energies, in a mad opium induced haze, she had started to pen her own screenplay which she pitched as "*Bridget Jones meets Die Hard*!"

A short while later with the film wrapped (it will be on a streaming platform in a galaxy far away...soon) we were escorted on a studio tour to a huge soundstage which - and this is a Grey Court exclusive which Ms Eaton was instructed to keep top secret - will be used for a forthcoming adaptation of *Wuthering Heights* which will star Margot Robbie who had only been on set a couple of hours before our arrival!!!!

And so with the sage words of our instructor echoing across the soundstage that "at Sky a myriad of job roles are open to everyone with a bit of passion, creativity and initiative," we boarded the bus home. All that was left was for me to discuss Danish cinema with Sam and be questioned by Tilly with regards to my critical opinions on the best colour of nail varnish! (Violet - for those interested) As we eased back home through the rush hour traffic, I drifted off to sleep dreaming that I was directing Margot Robbie in "Wuthering Heights." After all this was a Sky endorsed learning aim! It had been a perfect day!





Year 12

A major focus this half-term is for year 12 students to arrange their summer work experience or university summer school for 30 June to 4 July.

Well done to all those students who have organised this already and gained some very interesting placements.

Work experience must be on the Unifrog placements tool by Friday 28 March.

For this to be completed - it has to be on the Unifrog Placements tool, this is how we record and safeguard students on their placements. This will confirm with the employer the placement. See this step by step guide of how to add on your placement: [Unifrog - adding a placement .pdf](#)

We support students by advertising weekly opportunities and they can access this via year 12 Google classroom - [this includes all of our work experience opportunities](#), uni events, summer schools and apprenticeship opportunities and you can see this week's edition: [21/03/2025 Sixth Form Careers opportunities](#)

It's vital students are checking this weekly to not miss out. We encourage students to take part in a range of experiences throughout the year so if other opportunities come up we can look at accommodating time off for work experience or university activities. However we will be unable to grant time off during the year 12 exams. If you have any questions about this please contact Miss Corrighan bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk

During PDW the Year 12s completed the 'Post Sixth Form Pathway' session which outlined the different types of apprenticeships and started to encourage our year 12s to think about beyond sixth form and the opportunity they have. They also went through how to pick a university:

- Do they offer the subject you want to study?
- What types of degree do they offer e.g. BA or BSc
- Do you want to be in a city?
- Do you want to be by the sea?
- How far away do you want to be from home?

PDW

SPEAKING FOR TOMORROW

THE HEALTH AND EARTH CHALLENGE



I am delighted to share the fantastic achievements of our Year 12 team—**Alice, Aditi, Charlotte, Evelyn, and Yasmeen**—who competed in the first-ever **Speaking for Tomorrow – Health and Earth Challenge** at **Imperial College London** this past Saturday.

Competing against **30 secondary school teams from across the country**, our students delivered exceptional speeches on **air pollution and plastic pollution**, showcasing in-depth research, critical thinking, and outstanding oracy skills. The event, hosted by university students and professors from London, Hong Kong, and beyond, provided a prestigious platform for young voices to engage with global challenges.

Their team, **“Clean Voices, Clean Air”**, ranked **5th overall**, just missing out on the final (reserved for the top four teams), but earning the **Highly Commended** certificate - a testament to their skill and preparation. Impressively, they had already faced three of the four finalist teams earlier in the day and held their own as fierce competitors.



Judged on Content, Audience Engagement, and Impact, our students ranked in the top category for all three. Their first speech explored air pollution, delving into how some of the gases and particulate matter affect the environment and our health - as well as the surprising impact of ocean acidification on marine communication. Their thorough research allowed them to handle challenging questions from judges with confidence. In the second round, with only two hours to prepare, they tackled plastic pollution, presenting fresh solutions to combat the crisis.

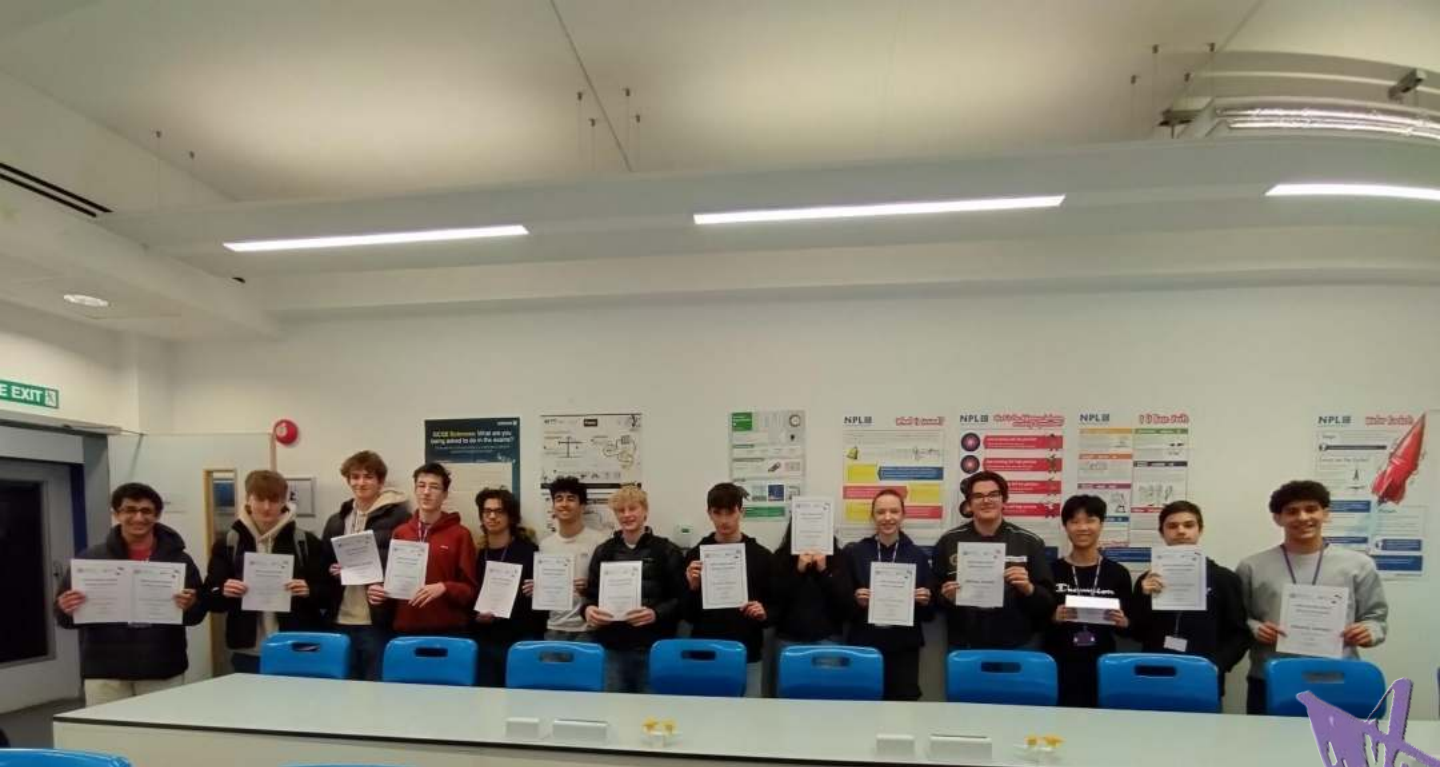
Taking part in such a high-level competition required immense courage, teamwork, and resilience, and I am humbled and privileged to have been asked by the students to accompany them. They should be incredibly proud of everything they achieved. Their hard work, dedication, and ability to think on their feet were truly inspiring.

Please join me in congratulating **Alice, Aditi, Charlotte, Evelyn, and Yasmeen** - if you see them, do take a moment to celebrate their success!

- Mr Gundry







Our year 12 students celebrating their remarkable achievements in the British Physics Olympiad/Senior Physics Challenge, proudly holding their certificates.

Congratulations, everyone!



Y13 Year 13

Year 13s have made a fantastic start to their three-week period of trial exams, with close to 100% attendance. We hope that they are going well and good luck with the rest of them!

PROM

We are very excited to announce details of the Year 13 Prom.

After discussion with our Year 13 students, the Prom will now be at **The Wharf** in **Teddington** on **1 May**. A new letter will be sent to all parents and students with details of the venue as well as timings. Year 13s must complete the short Prom form and make payment via ScoPay.

The Sixth Form Team are looking forward to celebrating with this wonderful year group.



Leavers Hoodies

The must-have fashion item for 2025 is here! Students can now order their Limited Edition Grey Court Year 13 Leavers Hoodie. Orders Close on April 21st - order yours soon to make sure you don't miss out. The link to order is on the Year 13 Classroom or you can [click here](#).



UCAS What Comes Next?

Once you have heard from all five courses you applied to you should choose a firm choice and to put in an insurance choice of university. Sounds scary but you have a deadline of 6 June to accept your choices so there is plenty of time for making decisions.

Many students will have received invites to Offer Holder Days. This is the best way of helping students choose the best course and university for them. You should look at not just the university but the city or town where it is located. Consider factors such as whether you like the set up of a campus university or a university spread across a city. Think about where you might live in the second year when you will not be living in university accommodation. You might want to think about whether there will be opportunities for part time work to help supplement your living expenses. Check out transport to and from university - how long will it take you to get there and arrive in time for your 9.00am lecture? How long will it take to get back to your family home and how much will it cost? What social activities does the student union offer?

When you are making your choices you should base your decision for your firm choice of the course you most want to study. When choosing an insurance choice it should be a course with a lower offer (but you are still happy to study). This will mean that if you miss your grades for your firm choice you will still be given a place on your insurance course and won't have to go through the Clearing process in August.

Please see this [UCAS guide](#) to accepting offers.

UCAS EXTRA

Extra has now opened. It allows you to add another course choice if you have received decisions from all five, and weren't accepted, or if you declined the offers you received.

Please come and talk to Ms Moore or Ms McNicol before turning down any offers you have been made and using UCAS Extra. It may be that contacting a university and asking to change your course will be a preferable way of making a change to UCAS Extra.

Student Finance

Full-time undergraduate 2024 to 2025 applications are now open! It's quick and easy to apply, it should take less than 30 minutes. To make sure you get your funding in place for the start of your course: new students should apply by 31 May 2024. Use this link to start your application [Student Finance England](#). If you have any questions about student finance look at the UCAS pages [Student Finance - Everything you need to know](#).



EPQ Update

Completed folders should all now be with student supervisors. These need to be printed and tagged together in the order specified on the google classroom. The only element that currently remains electronic is the log book. However, this also needs to be completed for this stage of grading. There are no more formal sessions for this qualification.



SPORTS

News



A good win for the U12 As on Tuesday against Lingfield. Grey Court 45 - 30 Lingfield. Pascal Barikor was man of the match.

London Cup Final

On Sunday, **Chloe** played for Charlton Athletic U14 Girls Academy in the London Cup Final at Barking FC.

The Charlton girls started very strongly and dominated the game throughout. Within 10 minutes, Charlton scored first with a header from a corner, with another header from a corner shortly after, scored by Chloe. Another goal for Charlton meant that it was 3-0 at half time.

The Charlton girls came out strongly in the second half with Chloe finding the back of the net with her left foot. Minutes later, Chloe scored again, getting herself a hat trick and putting the score at 5-0. Another couple of opportunities meant that the final score was an impressive 7-0 win!

For her strong performance throughout the match and her hat trick, Chloe was awarded Player of the Match!

Congratulations, Chloe!



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Congratulations to Seb and Ida, who won silver medals in the 800m and 1500m at the National qualifying meet in Luton last weekend.



Monday 17 March: superb 8-1 victory for the u13 football team yesterday. Harry Phillips was POM. Well done, Harry!



Saturday 15 March: a great morning over at St John's Leatherhead for the U13C team. Goals from Jaden, Stanley, Tait, Abdullah, Kadmiel, Jake, Nathaniel and Max



Friday 14 March: the U13A & B teams enjoyed some great games against KGS this week. The sun even came out for the final quarter



Thursday 13 March: a good 6-2 victory for the U15 B squad against Halliford School. Goals from Kai, Robbie, Freddie, Oliver and a brace from Dylan J. Well played lads!

Ida Teggart-Sparks

Girls Player of the Month

Ida is the girls POTM for February! She is an elite swimmer and all-round athlete in cross country, athletics, hockey and football (to name a few). Back in December Ida qualified for 11 events in Welsh Nationals. She made four finals and won two silver medals and two bronzes. Ida got personal bests in all four finals and is now ranked in the top ten in the country for the 200m, 400m and 1500m freestyle events (short course) in her age category.

Ida swam up an age group at the Borough Swimming Gala recently, winning the IM and fly against swimmers a year older than herself. She has just returned from an intensive 9 day swim camp in Lanzarote with Teddington Swimming Club. The camp prepares swimmers for the regional SE London Swimming gala, in which Ida will participate at the end of April. Ida ran the Middlesex XC event as part of the Grey Court team finishing 15th in the county!



Freda Potts

Girls Scholar of the Month

We are pleased to recognise **Freda Potts** as our Sports Scholar of the Month, a student-athlete who truly exemplifies excellence across multiple sporting disciplines. Her natural athletic ability, displayed consistently in athletics, football, and netball, is enhanced by an outstanding work ethic and mature approach to training.

What sets Freda apart is her leadership and team-first mentality. She consistently supports her teammates, demonstrates tactical understanding beyond her years, and maintains impressive discipline in balancing her various academic and sporting commitments. Her ability to excel in multiple sports while maintaining high academic standards and supporting other students is remarkable.

Freda's selection as Sports Scholar of the Month celebrates not just her athletic achievements, but her character and positive influence throughout our sporting community. She sets an inspiring example for all our students of what can be achieved through dedication and teamwork.

Well done Freda!



U14 Rugby Squad

Girls Team of the Month

The U14 Rugby Squad has shown exceptional spirit and dedication, demonstrating the true values of rugby both on and off the field. Their support for one another has been evident in every match, with each player displaying excellent skills, teamwork, and creative flair.

Most recently, they had a fantastic day out at the Ready For Rosslyn event and represented Grey Court brilliantly. This was an important training day ahead of the prestigious Rosslyn Park National Schools 7s next month where they hope to make the school proud.

The team's positive attitude during training and their willingness to learn from both victories and setbacks speaks volumes about their character. Particularly impressive has been the way senior players have mentored newcomers, creating an inclusive environment where every player feels valued.

The U14s have set a remarkable example through their cooperation, determination, and team-first approach.

Well done team!



Nathan Austen

Boys Player of the Month

Congratulations to Nathan Austen who has been awarded this month's Player of the Month for February. Nathan won the 25m butterfly race at the recent Borough Swimming Gala, with an excellent time of 17 seconds.

Nathan swims for Elmbridge Phoenix, often training 8 hours a week, as he works towards qualifying for the Regionals in his best stroke, backstroke (35.52 PB for 50m, 1:15.89 PB for 100m). As well as his swimming, Nathan does Judo club on a Friday after school and the coach has commented on his ability to coach others and show great leadership within these sessions.

To add to his already impressive sporting CV, Nathan plays rugby for the U13A rugby team and has been ever-present in their matches throughout the Autumn term.

Nathan demonstrates an excellent attitude in all of his PE lessons and has an admirable willingness to learn in all the activities that we do in PE - that is a fantastic attribute to have and will no doubt help him fulfill his sporting potential. Well done Nathan!



Ollie Greenwood

Boys Scholar of the Month

Ollie has had a brilliant month, showing great dedication and talent across multiple sports. His hard work in athletics training, both in short and long distances, has been impressive, demonstrating his versatility and determination to improve. Alongside this, he has been attending cricket nets, where he has made great progress and shown real promise as we head towards the summer season.

In addition to his sporting efforts, Ollie has displayed a fantastic attitude in his scholarship lessons. His commitment, focus, and willingness to push himself make him a standout student, both in the classroom and in sport.

Congratulations, Ollie, on being named Scholar of the Month! Keep up the great work, we're excited to see what you achieve next!



Y10 Boys Football Team

Boys Team of the Month

Congratulations to the Year 10 football team have had a strong season so far, winning seven of their ten fixtures this season. They have won two and drawn one of their fixtures in February, including an excellent 2-1 win against Richard Challoner to progress to the Quarter Finals of the Surrey Cup. They have scored seven goals in those 3 games and it is promising to see those goals being scored by seven different players - this shows how much of a threat we can be when we are presented with goal scoring opportunities. We look dangerous from set pieces and demonstrate excellent pace on the counter attack, which has been backed up by some excellent defensive displays.

The squad has been strengthened by the inclusion of some Year 9 players and they will be working hard in their football training with Brentford on a Friday morning.

We wish them all the best on their Surrey Cup run!





Mind

Mr Santos is running the London Marathon in April to raise money for the charity Mind

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Please see the following two pages for all information regarding the Easter activities - please pay extra attention to the age bands for each activity.

To sign up, please [click here](#) and click on the corresponding activity button or by sending your request to youngcarers@richmondcarers.org.

The Young Carers Support Team

Tom, Vicky, Georgia, Elly, Zoe & Sophie



EASTER HOLIDAYS

WEEK 1

TUESDAY 8TH APRIL

AFTERNOON TEA AT PETERSHAM NURSERIES

Age Group: 13+ (Secondary school / college)

Join us for an afternoon of calm, cakes and conversation. A chance to unwind in the beautiful Petersham Nurseries.

Additional info: Please let us know if you have any dietary needs/allergies. Those with nut allergies will not be suitable for this activity. We will be meeting at the venue.

WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL

DINOSAUR WORLD LIVE AT THE ROSE THEATRE

Age Group: 5-11 (Primary school)

If you love Dinosaurs or just love learning about our planet then this would be the show for you. Join us at The Rose Theatre for an afternoon of adventure!

Additional info: We will be meeting at the venue.

THURSDAY 10TH APRIL

BARNES WETLAND CENTRE

Age Group: 5-11 (Primary school)

Join us for a relaxing outdoor adventure at the beautiful Barnes Wetland Centre. Spring is an amazing time to visit with so much to see and do.

Additional info: We will be meeting at the venue.



EASTER HOLIDAYS

WEEK 2

TUESDAY 15TH APRIL

HAPPY POTTER CERAMICS AND PIZZA

Age Group: 11+ (Secondary school / college)

A chance to unwind and release your inner creative. Spend the afternoon decorating your own ceramic followed by an afternoon slice of pizza!

Additional info: Please let us know if you have any dietary needs or allergies. We will be meeting at the venue.

WEDNESDAY 16TH APRIL

OUTDOOR LASER TAG

Age Group: 8-11 (Primary school)

Gear up for an epic laser tag battle. Engage in exciting laser battles with friends, strategise as a team and navigate through the arena for an action-packed experience.

Additional info: We will be travelling via minibus to this activity.

THURSDAY 17TH APRIL

GAMES RANGE AT HOUNSLOW GOLF PARK

Age Group: 11+ (Secondary school / college)

Are you someone who loves Golf or someone who is interested to try? This could be the perfect activity for you. The Games Range is full of fun games that helps you track your hits and compete against your friends!

Additional info: We will be travelling via minibus to this activity.

EASTER @ HAM Y.C.



**Easter Holiday activities will run at Ham Youth Centre
Monday 7th to Thursday 10th April 2-6pm**

General youth club will be going on – sports, gym, gaming, music etc but also the following exciting activities:

Parkour 2-4pm

A 4 day course in parkour using our state of the art free running equipment with Coach Joshua

East Asian Cookery Course 2-4pm

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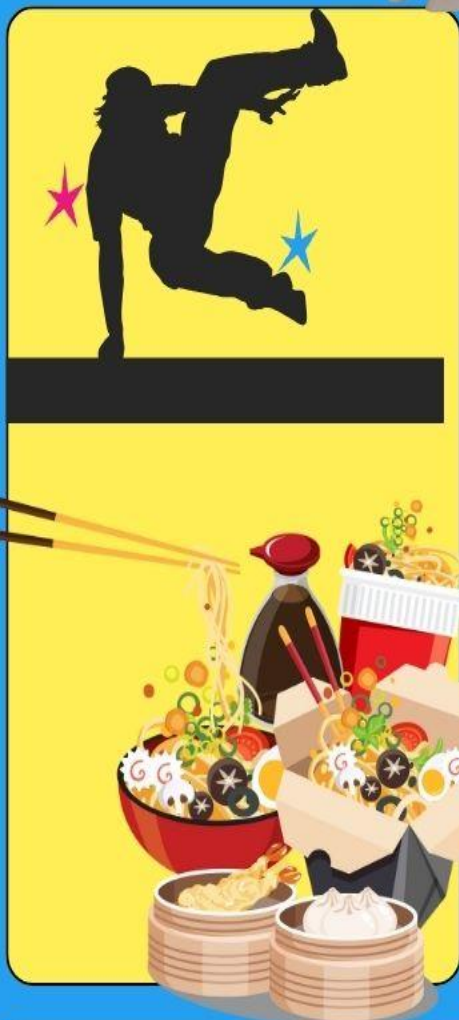
Clothes Upcycling Project 2-4pm

Let your fashion design skills flow making new clothes out of old with artist Tom Parker. Bring old unused clothes.

The 2025 Ham Team Challenge 4-6pm

Young people will be placed in teams and throughout the week compete in a variety of sporting, creative and problem solving challenges.

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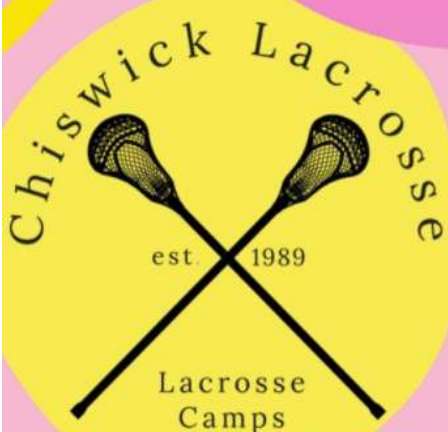
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