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



Cover photo: our allotment club students outside Newman House

#KeepInTouch

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IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Children’s “Spy” Books

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children’s books by Andrew Cope, including the *Spy Dogs*, *Spy Cats*, and *Spy Pups* series.

Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back.

This link used to go to the author’s website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content.

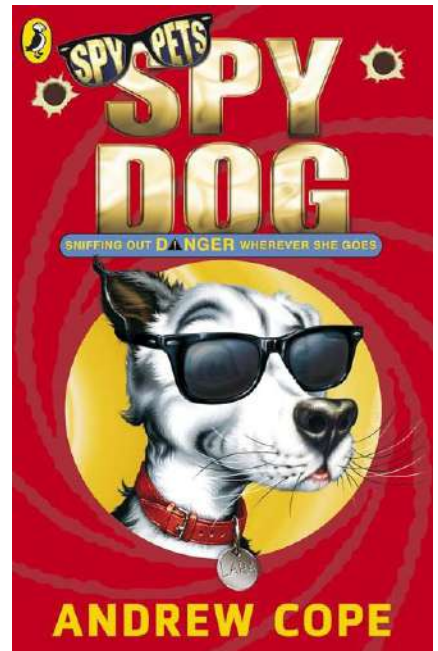
The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU:

If your child has any *Spy Dog*, *Spy Cat* or *Spy Pups* books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site.

It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves — the concern is only with the outdated link.

We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first



Cultivating Care: The Green Grafters' Gift to Our School

- Ms Munday



If you've passed Newman House recently, you'll have noticed a remarkable change. The once overgrown borders around the SEN department situated in Newman House have been cleared, restored and replanted, thanks entirely to the dedication of a local volunteer gardening team called the Green Grafters, who are part of Ham United Group (HUG).

This community group is passionate about revitalising outdoor spaces and helping them thrive. You can learn more about their work at <https://hamunitedgroup.org.uk/green-grafters/>

Over five Saturday's, a group of horticultural professionals gave an incredible 150 hours of their time preparing, researching, planning, and planting. They dug out invasive weeds, brambles and ivy, cut back self-seeded trees and uncovered hidden historical features of the listed building. Fresh compost was added to enrich the soil, and new life has begun to take root with plants kindly donated by Petersham Nurseries, including *Euonymus* 'Red Cascade', *Viburnum* 'Coppertop' and *Aucuba japonica* 'Crotonifolia'.





Before... and after





A huge Thank you to the Green Grafters, led by Thérèse Rebeiz and Emma Dowsett and to Petersham Nurseries for their plentiful plant donations. Your outstanding generosity and community spirit have created something beautiful and lasting asset that embodies our commitment to well-being and exceptional enrichment for all.

This transformation is about more than plants. Students, staff and visitors now arrive at a space that feels cared for and welcoming. It's also a space with history. Cardinal John Newman, recently declared a saint, spent part of his early life here, and Newman House is proudly marked with a blue plaque in his honour. Future planting will include snapdragons, inspired by his poetry and to be grown by students themselves.

Importantly, the work won't stop here. Grey Court students at the Tuesday lunchtime Allotment Club will help maintain and care for these new beds and ensure they continue to flourish for years to come while connecting with nature.





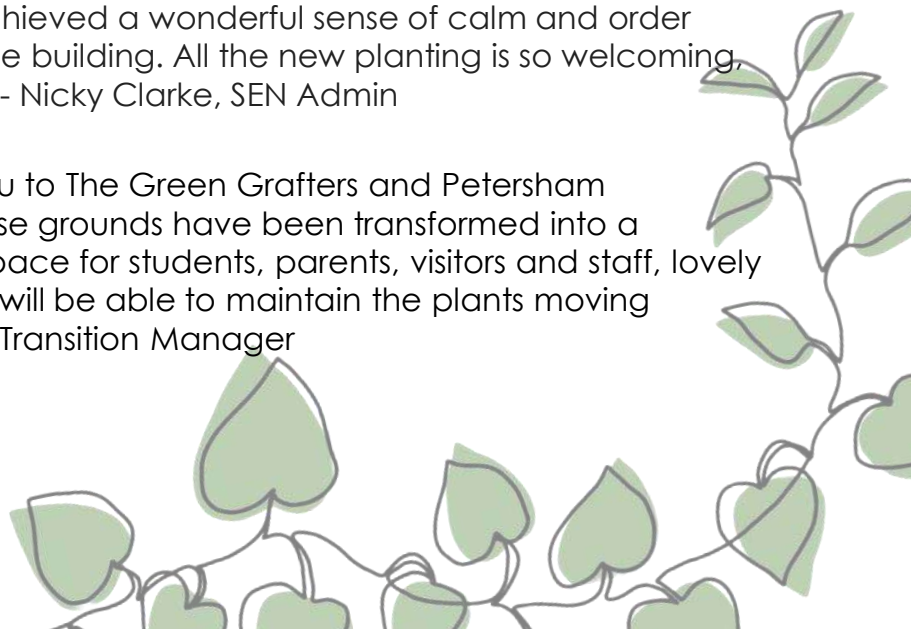
"The beds look so neat and tidy! I am looking forward to finding out more about what has been planted and how to look after them".
- Violet O' Dowd (student)

"I'll be coming to allotment club every week because I want to make sure these beautiful flower beds keep going". - Marcus Wright (student)

"I am so impressed with what the Green Grafters have done. The flower beds look so nice and colourful and make me feel relaxed". – Fredrick Collier (student)

"The Green Grafters have achieved a wonderful sense of calm and order when you're approaching the building. All the new planting is so welcoming, showing care and thought". - Nicky Clarke, SEN Admin

"I'd like to say a big thank you to The Green Grafters and Petersham Nurseries. The Newman House grounds have been transformed into a welcoming and attractive space for students, parents, visitors and staff, lovely that our own allotment club will be able to maintain the plants moving forward." Louise Groves SEN Transition Manager







GRACEY TOWNHOMES COLLEGE
In this house
John Henry Newman
1801-1890
later
**CARDINAL
NEWMAN**
spent some of
his early years





Our Allotment



Club





KS3 + KS4
News

Year 8

It's been another busy and brilliant week for Year 8, who have collectively earned an impressive 479 achievement points. A huge well done to Dries V, Kanishka K, and Freda P, who topped the conduct leader board this week.

This week's assembly, led by Ms Price and Ms Mercer, focused on the important topic of safeguarding. Students were reminded that school is a safe place where every voice matters and that there are always trusted adults and the anonymous reporting system to turn to if something doesn't feel right.

In form time, students have also begun their Gradu8 programme, using their restorative diaries to record acts of kindness each week. Whether it's helping a classmate, offering encouragement, or showing respect, these small moments build the positive culture we're so proud of in Year 8. It's wonderful to see students recognising their positive attitudes. Well done!

Year 9

Another busy week for Year 9, and it's great to see everyone continuing to engage so positively across school life.

In assembly, Ms Price and Ms Mercer spoke about safeguarding and wellbeing, reminding students of the importance of looking out for themselves and others- and knowing who to talk to if they ever have concerns.

We had an exciting second assembly this week where Mr Jacob launched the ski trip in Canada next year - what an amazing opportunity to hit the slopes.

Finally, a big well done to Hamdan, Josh, and Olivia for leading the achievement points race this week. Fantastic effort all round!

Year 10

This week has been an exciting and busy time for our Year 10 cohort!

We kicked off the week with school tours, where our Year 10 leaders have been doing an outstanding job supporting the school and showcasing their leadership skills. Their commitment and enthusiasm truly make a difference.

We also held the ski trip assembly, which provided students with lots of important information to prepare for the upcoming adventure. It's great to see such enthusiasm for this exciting opportunity!

A big shout out to Ida T-S from Ash for winning the £5 Tutor Award this week—well deserved! Congratulations also to the other winners:

- Anna L (Beech)
- Evan M (Cedar)
- Molly M (Elm)
- Megan C (Maple)
- Amy C (Oak)
- Gabe M (Rowan)
- Adrian C (Willow)

Well done to all the nominees for their hard work and positive attitudes.

Keep up the great work, Year 10!

YEAR 11

This week has brought another amazing week of intervention attendance. Teachers across the school have praised Year 11's efforts so far and have said this might be the best attendance yet - ever! So a big well done to all and please keep it up. This series of interventions will run until the week commencing 17th November.

This week students were given an assembly of information about the upcoming ski trip which is an exciting opportunity for a Canadian adventure! Please check your emails for more details.

Please keep an eye out for details on the INSET day after half term as Year 11 are required to be in school for some trial exams. They will have revision sessions for these on the last day of term to help them prepare.

The Year 11 team are super proud of the year group and hope they continue their hard working attitude until the end!

6 October to 10 October

Physical Education Week

Year	Name	Subject	Reason
7A	Alfie Thorpe	PE Core	Outstanding achievement
7A	Olivia Fisher	PE Core	Outstanding achievement
8A	James Bryant	PE Core	Excellent progress in the subject
8C	Xenia Papadopoulou	PE Core	Excellent engagement in class
9E	Demid Getmanov	PE Core	Excellent progress in the subject
9B	Laila Talbot-Smith	PE Core	Excellent engagement in class
10B	Bobby Scoble-Jenkins	PE Core	Excellent engagement in class
10M	Ella Waldmann	PE Core	Excellent engagement in class
10B	Tayte Mavale	GCSE	Excellent engagement in class
10W	Jolie Fok	GCSE	Excellent engagement in class
11W	Samuel Farah	GCSE	Excellent assessment grade
11O	Sophie Shaw	GCSE	Excellent progress in the subject
10M	Alys Mchardy	Sport BTEC	Excellent engagement in class
11E	David Pandi	Sport BTEC	Excellent engagement in class
12A	Che Bell	Sport BTEC	Excellent classwork
13E	Maxwell Seddon	Sport BTEC	Excellent engagement in class

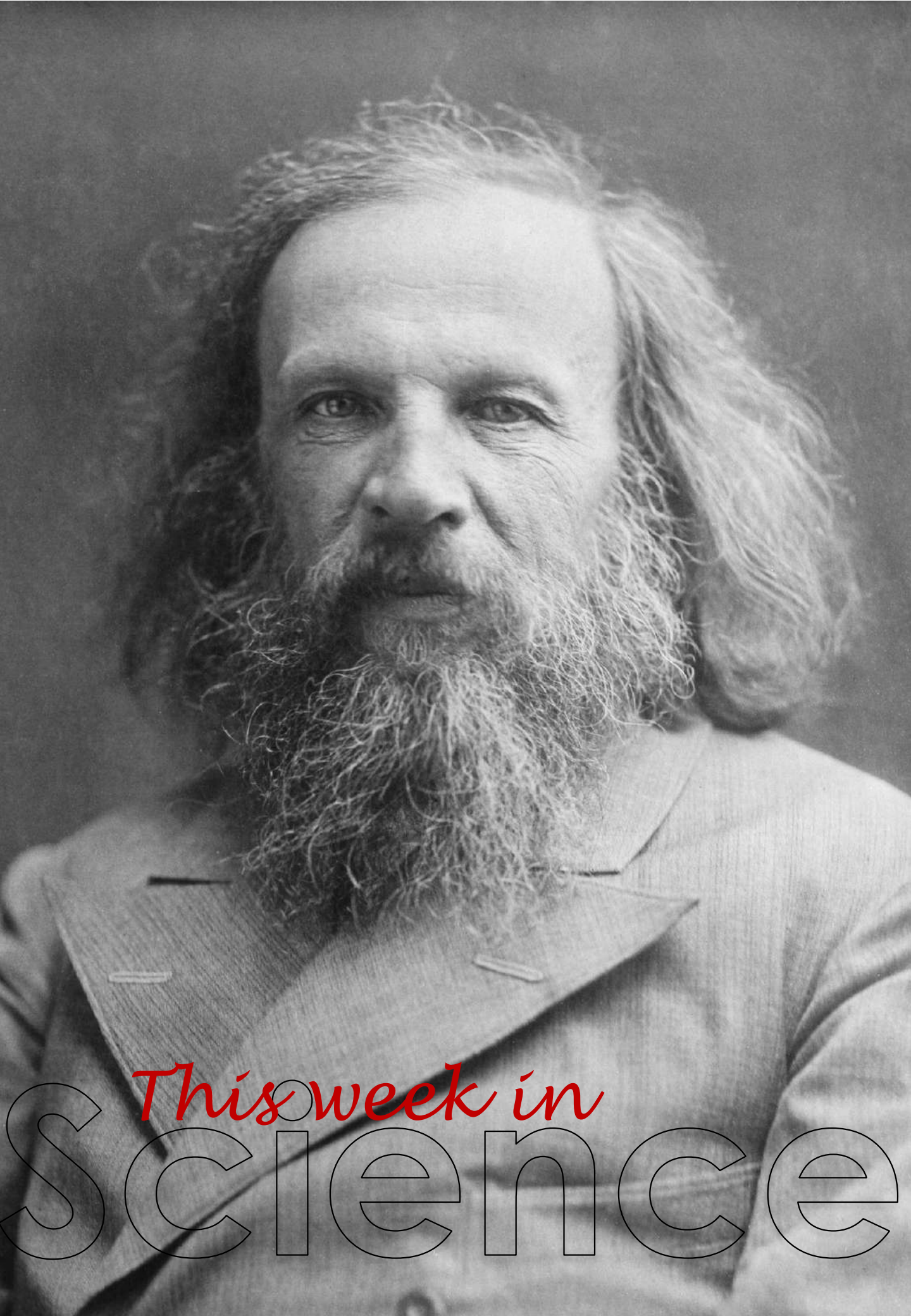
30 September to 3 October

Attendance matters

"Attend today, achieve tomorrow! - Anonymous

Year Group	Attendance %
Year 7	98.2%
Year 8	97.1%
Year 9	95.3%
Year 10	94.6%
Year 11	96.4%

Tutor Group	Attendance %
7 Elm	100%
8 Rowan	99.4%
9 Maple	98.8%
10 Elm	98.8%
11 Beech	99.4%



This week in

Science

Digging Deeper

Periodic Table

- Mr Gundry

The periodic table looks simple, yet it is one of the most powerful ideas in science. Long before we truly understood atoms, Dmitri Mendeleev arranged the elements by the way they behaved and left gaps where he thought new ones would be found. When those elements turned up with the properties he had predicted, the table proved itself as more than a poster. It became a map that helps chemists and engineers make smart choices.

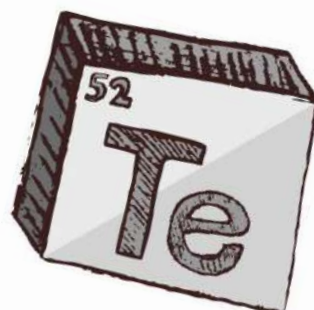
Periodic Table																																			
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You can see that map at work in every phone and laptop. Pure silicon does not conduct electricity well, so engineers tune it by adding tiny amounts of neighbouring elements from the table. A touch of boron nudges silicon to carry positive charge. A touch of phosphorus nudges it to carry negative charge. Put the two regions together and you can switch currents on and off in precise ways. That switching is a transistor, and billions of transistors make a processor. The choice of boron and phosphorus is not guesswork. It comes from reading the periodic table, counting outer electrons, and using a pattern that holds across whole columns. Without that periodic logic, modern electronics would not exist.

The same map guides today's battery revolution. Lithium sits at the top of its group and forms very small, highly mobile ions. That makes it perfect for light, powerful batteries in phones and electric cars. On the other side of the battery, the useful metals are often cobalt, nickel, manganese or iron. Their place in the table tells us how easily they change between charge states, which is the heart of storing and releasing energy. As society pushes for cheaper, safer and more ethical materials, the table points to sodium as a good stand-in for lithium in large grid batteries, and to iron and manganese as abundant choices for the positive side. Periodic thinking helps industry balance performance with cost, safety and sustainability.

The periodic table also helps doctors and chemists choose elements for medical imaging that are effective and safe. It helps water companies remove unwanted ions to make clean drinking water. It helps materials scientists design tougher ceramics for jet engines and cleaner catalysts for car exhausts. It even helps governments plan for critical raw materials by showing which elements are scarce and which can be substituted with less risk.

Mendeleev worked with incomplete information and still saw the pattern. Today we have richer data, new needs and the same guide. When students learn to read the periodic table, they learn to predict, to compare and to make better choices. That skill travels from the classroom into research labs, design studios and factory floors, where it helps turn big challenges into practical solutions. Simple to look at, profound in use, the periodic table is a reminder that good chemistry is not just knowledge.





Richmond - A borough of Sanctuary

- Ms Nair

I was delighted to attend the recent Launch of Richmond's bio diversity Action plan at Hampton Court Palace, organized by Habitats and Heritage, the charity that acts for the natural and historic environment in South West London.

There are 55 sites of nature conservation in Richmond, and 2800 hectares of bio diversity. The aim of the launch was to engage residents in conservation and empower the voice of the next generation to become stewards of our environment and there were many organizations involved in conservation and young people present..

I was invited to represent a former student at Grey Court, Oliver Myo who arrived here in 2022 after escaping from Myanmar. His mother was a member of the opposition government and they fled Myanmar very suddenly after a military coup, and escaped into the forests on the border with Thailand, leaving all their possessions behind. Oliver completed Year 8 in the jungle. His story, which was the closing film at the launch, highlights the importance of Richmond as a borough of sanctuary. It was somewhat surreal to sit in Hampton Court palace, to look out at the terraced lawns and manicured flowerbeds, and reflect on what this young person had been through. People found his story intensely moving, and many came up to speak to me afterwards.

Today Oliver is studying Travel and Tourism at college, thanks to the support in adapting to the UK that he received at Grey Court. He recorded his story for our multicultural evening and worked on the sound with Mr Allchurch putting in long hours before and after school. It was shown at our recent show "A Place in the bend of a River" as part of Richmond Arts and ideas festival. His story is a testament to the resources this school puts into supporting children and what that can do. [You can see Oliver's story here.](#)

Nature provides us all with solace in times of need, and here in the borough we are so very lucky to have so much green space. Our school recognizes this, and children at our school are actively involved in conservation, going out to work on Ham Lands each week with Ms Mannion who leads on this project. They truly are the future custodians of our rich natural heritage.



Paw Patrol

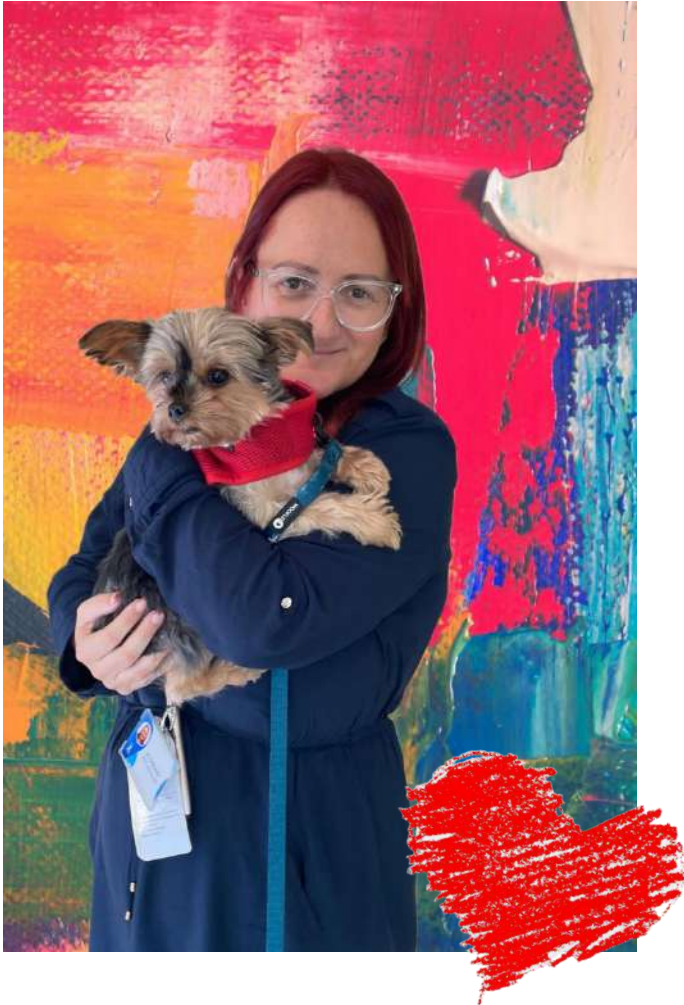
- Mr Clements

The dog days were certainly not over earlier this week as my daily bus patrol anthropomorphised into a paw patrol on account of the discovery of a furry friend by the name of Woofles. A mid-afternoon duty that normally involves advocating for children with lost bus passes, confiscating a sugar mountain of sweets from sour patch kids and imploring battalions of cyclists to wear their helmets, well and truly went astray when Wooflies was found tethered to a lamp post!

In true Grey Court fashion, Woofles' well-being was not in jeopardy for long as he soon found himself comforted by Year 11 students Emily Costigliola Logue, Sophie Shaw and Sara Victoria Altun. However, after 5 minutes of pampering and not an owner in sight a quick phone call courtesy of a number on the pooch's collar revealed an absent minded (and mortified owner) who was half way to Richmond on the 365!



Luckily, for Woofles, the canine's pedigree chum and official animal whisperer, Mr R Clements, was on hand to hoist the hound onto his shoulders and carry it into the pet rescue centre that is Grey Court reception. Woofles was then given the once over by school nurse and honorary vet, the esteemed Emily Garland, who gave him a cuddle.



And before, Ms Garland could say, "No job is too big; no pup is too small" Woofles was reunited with his grateful owner.

Unfortunately, my escapades meant that I was late for our weekly SLT meeting. On recounting my furry tale to Ms Price she looked incredulous so I shrugged my shoulders and said, "Dog gone!" Mr Price frowned and declared that I was barking and so once again confined me to the dog house!

Finally, In other news this week, Ms Moran, our effervescent head of science, having spent all summer hanging out at the Crick institute, has persuaded Mr Rhodes to fund a whole staff flu jab! The move has been designed to augment well-being and reduce winter absence. Well done to Ms Moran: she really is a top influenza.



**Wellbeing
+ PDW**

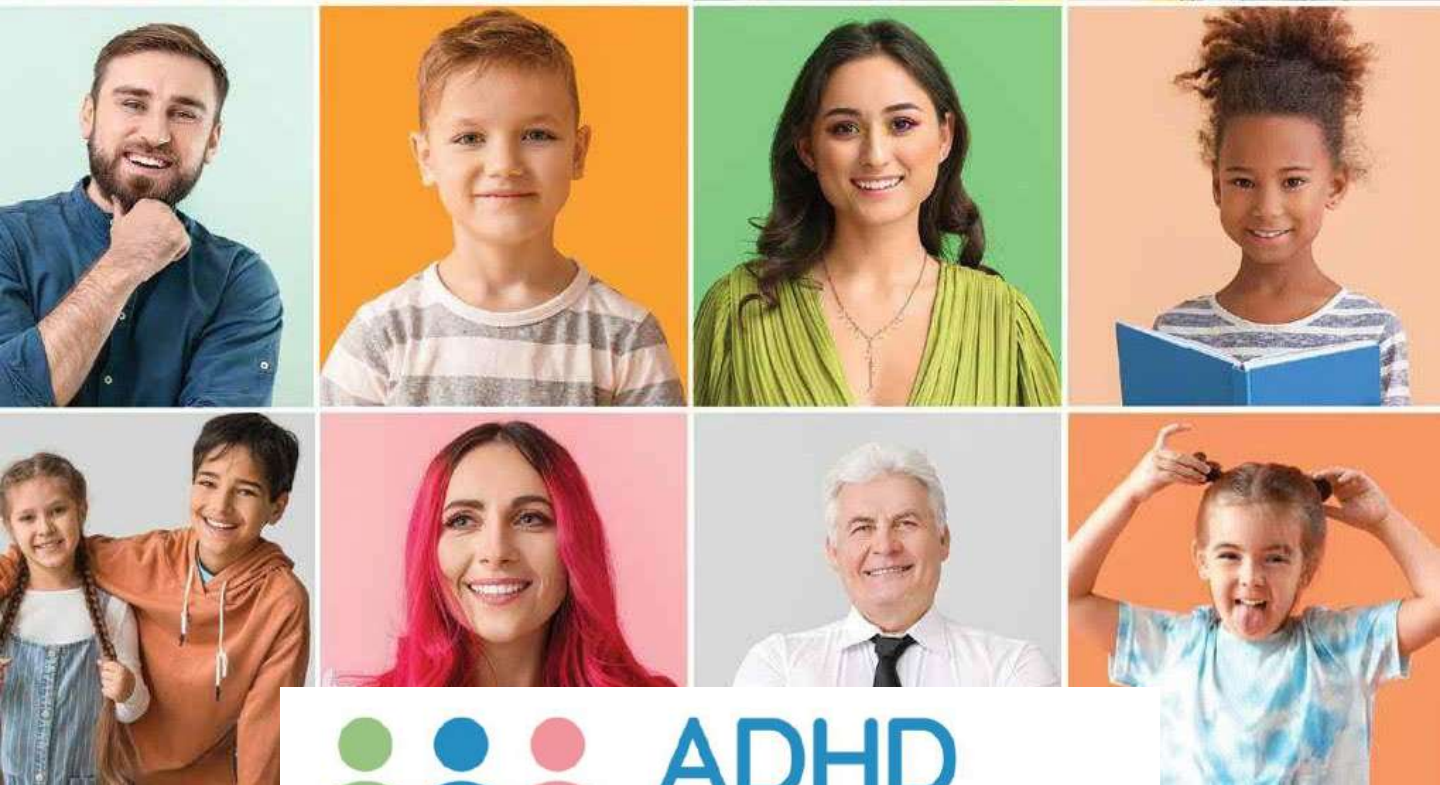


This week

- Year 7** Talk from the Daniel Spargo-Mabbs Foundation (drugs education)
- Year 8** What happens during puberty?
- Year 9** Gang violence
- Year 10** Uncovering rape culture and victim blaming
- Year 11** Writing personal statements

Next week

- Year 7** How are women treated differently in the world today?
- Year 8** Is there such a thing as a 'perfect body'?
- Year 9** What are County Lines?
- Year 10** Uncovering rape culture and victim blaming
- Year 11** Writing personal statements



ADHD Embrace™

Supporting families and professionals

It's ADHD Awareness month, and we're kicking off a month-long drive to reduce stigma and foster a deeper understanding of ADHD's diverse impacts on individuals and families, and the professionals trying to make a difference.

One of the enduring myths of ADHD is that it is always negative, and whilst ADHD does bring challenges, children with ADHD bring a unique spark to the world. Their brains are wired for curiosity, energy, and creativity, and these qualities often shine in ways that surprise and inspire those around them. By reframing ADHD traits as strengths — we can help our children feel valued for who they are. In safe, supportive environments where differences are celebrated, children with ADHD can thrive and build resilience, self-esteem, and a strong sense of identity.

Community advocacy is crucial right now, and we need your help to drive awareness in local schools - we're here to help with assemblies, parent talks or just to start a new conversation with key decision-makers. There's also no better time to join one of our community events; our Post Diagnosis in-person sessions, advice clinics and meet ups are all designed to support parents and carers this autumn – [more details linked](#).

- Team at ADHD Embrace.

Helping Teens Webinars



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' series of webinars cover a range of common difficulties experienced by young people and will aim to share evidence-based strategies to help parents and carers support their children with these difficulties.

The webinars are being run online at different times, morning and evenings, throughout the year:

Worries and Anxiety: 31 October & 21 January

Understanding Changes in the Adolescent Brain: 7 November & 4 February

Digital Wellbeing: 14 November & 14 January

Friendship Difficulties and Bullying: 21 November & 28 January

Self Esteem: 28 November & 11 February

Low mood and depressive feelings: 5 December & 4 March

Exam Anxiety: 25 March & 27 March

Please find the link to book:

https://afcsself.achieveservice.com/service/MHST_Helping_Teens_Webinars_Secondary

We would also recommend that you obtain a copy of [this](#) book: *Blame my Brain: The Amazing Teenage Brain Revealed* by Nicola Morgan.

Left To Their Own Devices



An individual workshop from Care For The Family that helps parents and carers navigate the challenges of raising children in a digital world.

The program is designed to provide practical advice and strategies for managing issues like screen time, social media, and online gaming.

It also addresses more serious concerns such as online bullying, grooming, and exposure to inappropriate content. It is a single two hour long session featuring video content and discussion.



Where: Barnes Children's Centre, 67b Lower Richmond Road, SW14 7HJ

Thursday 16th October

9.30am - 11.30am

Contact Tom Maybey to book a place.

Email: tom.maybey@achievingforchildren.org.uk



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for children**

Miss Corrighan's Careers Update



Careers Fair

On Thursday 2 October we held our Careers Fair for our Year 11 and sixth form students and parents. With over 60 volunteers from a range of career industries as well as colleges and universities, it proved to be a busy and inspiring evening.



Thank you to all our alumni (former students) who came back and shared their stories with our students; Graham, Alessandra, Neil, Terry, Deborah, Simon and Martin. We were also extremely happy to see some of our Sixth Form alumni who have become so successful in their line of work. Nick who is a Structural Engineer, Libby who works in Healthcare and Oliver who works at the National Physical Laboratory



Nick: structural engineer at WSP



UCFB proved popular with our sports students



Ben is a drone engineer and computer science graduate

forget what you said,
what you did,
how you made them feel?



The army and police recruitment teams spoke about public services



Stuart Brown, Executive Chef at Sodexo, talking to our students about the range of the catering industry



Miss Duncan talking about the range of courses our sixth form offers

thank you

There were over 60 exhibitors including representatives from; **sciences, engineering, construction, technology, business, childcare, health and social care**. We have volunteers from the **creative industries** (journalism, TV/Film, Media), **Law** as well as the **Army** and the **Police** and many others.

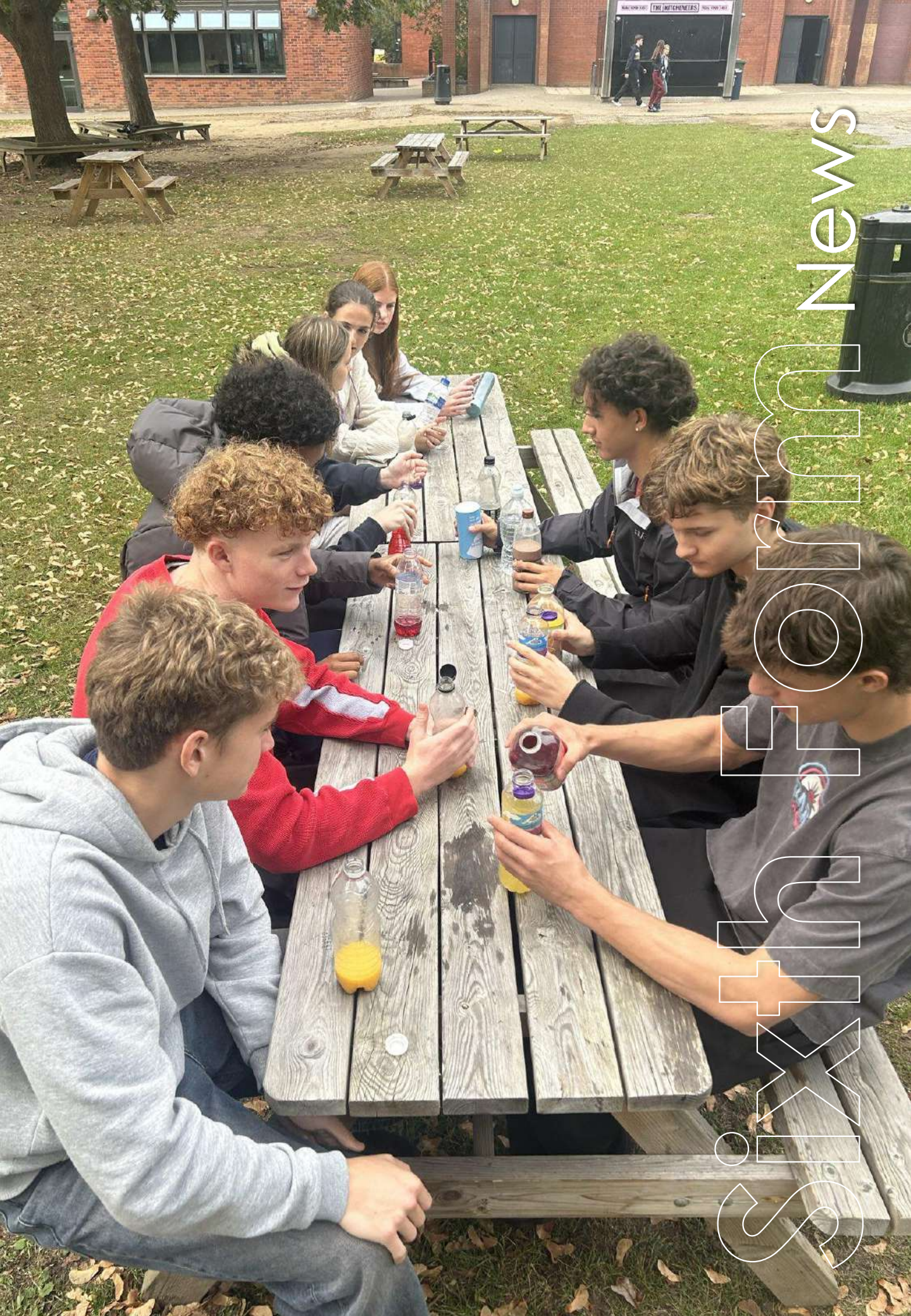
Also a big thank you to all the staff who stayed to make the event a success and Mr McCormick for being our Teaching Champion!

Year 11 decisions and choices for next year

In the careers interviews students are encouraged to consider two or three options for next year. Even if you are certain you want to stay at Grey Court, it is advisable to look at other Sixth forms or Colleges, so you can make an informed choice.

Please contact Miss Corrighan if you would like to book an appointment: bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk

College/ Sixth form	Open event: date and time
Grey Court Sixth Form	Thursday 6th Nov 2025 6.30-8.30pm Application and prospectus Book a place now on the website
Kingston College	Weds 19th Nov 4.30-7pm Events & Open Days - Kingston College
Richmond upon Thames College (Twickenham)	Sat 11th October 10am-2pm & Tues 18th Nov 5-8pm Register via: Open Events
Nescot College (Epsom)	Sat 11th October 10am-1pm & Weds 19th Nov 4.30-7.30pm Nescot Open Events They offer animal care, construction & many more courses!
Capel Manor College	Specialise in Animal and Land based courses. Gunnersbury Park is the nearest campus - Sat 11th October 10am-3pm Register here



News

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Invitation

Grey Court Sixth Form Open Evening Thursday 6 November 2025

I am delighted to invite you to our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 6 November 2025. The event will be held in our Sixth Form Centre with tours and keynote speeches at 5.15pm and 6.15pm. Please book your tickets through the Grey Court website.

During the course of the evening you will be able to meet Sixth Form staff and students, take part in A-level and BTEC activities, tour the site, meet our higher education officer and listen to a keynote speech from the Sixth Form Leadership team.

You will learn about our academic ethos, teaching philosophy, enrichment programme and community engagement scheme. In addition we will provide a clear explanation of the difference between a personalised school-based Sixth Form and a college experience.

I am very proud of the creativity, ambition and warmth exhibited by our current Sixth Form cohort as well as the drive and focus of our teaching staff, which I am certain will be evident on the night. The confidence of these students has obviously been bolstered by the outstanding range of university and apprenticeship destinations achieved by last year's cohort.

I know they are very much looking forward to welcoming a new band of positive and forward thinking individuals (as well as their positive and forward thinking parents) into our vibrant Sixth Form.

If you have any questions about the evening or the Sixth Form enrolment process, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Activity Day

Wednesday 22 October

Year 12	Year 13
<p>Apprentice challenge Pupils will take part in a challenge in the style of the TV show “the Apprentice”. They will work in teams of 6 to complete a series of challenges either in central London or in the Kingston/Richmond areas where they will be unsupervised by staff. Pupils should register in sixth form at the normal time before heading off to complete the challenges. GC staff will be stationed at points around London to assist pupils if needed. Details of the challenges can be seen here:</p> <p>Apprentice Day challenges 2025</p> <p>Apprentice Day letter 2025</p>	<p>UCAS This will be a full day of support for students with their UCAS applications. Students will be with their tutors and members of the Sixth Form team will be available to finalise references and predicted grades, and send applications off to UCAS. This will be the last time that we will be dedicating specific sessions to UCAS as all applications are expected to have been completed by this point.</p> <p>UCAS Day</p>

Y12 Calling all Year 12s!



The Duke of Edinburgh Award is the world's leading youth achievement award that "has helped countless young people on their sometimes difficult path to adulthood".

What is it all about?

In many cases the award is a recognition of things that many of you already do as part of clubs in and/or outside of school.

You will Volunteer for 12 months, then complete a Physical and Skill activity for either 6 or 12 months each, you decide. If you are a direct entrant and have not done the Bronze or Silver you will have to complete an extra 6 months in either of the 12 month activities. Each of the 3 activities are done for 1 hour week and these can be spaced out over year 12 and 13 giving you the 2 years to complete the award. Evidence in the form of signed logs, photos and an assessor report are required for each activity also.

You will take part in training and complete a practice and assessed expedition that involve a 4-day hike each and 3-nights camping, carrying everything you need in your rucksack. For the Gold award [ActivAdventure](#) run our expeditions.

Finally, you must complete a Residential, which is a programme that spends 5 days and 4 nights away from home on a shared activity with people that you have never met before.

WHO ARE WE?





We are an activity company based in Tolworth.

We run Bronze, Silver and Gold DofE expeditions.





We are licensed by DofE and AALA.

We use professional, fully qualified outdoor staff on all expeditions.

DofE EXPEDITIONS activ

 THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD



AIM

To inspire young people to develop initiative and a sense of adventure and discovery, by planning, training for and completing an adventurous journey as part of a team.

BENEFITS

Sharing responsibility, teamwork, leadership, self-reliance, overcome challenges, decision-making, manage risk, taking responsibility, learn new skills.

WHAT HAPPENS ON EXPEDITION? activ


The training day and practice expedition are designed to prepare teams for remote supervision with instructors teaching navigation and campcraft.

The Qualifying Expedition is completed self sufficiently without help from outside the team. Teams follow a route they have planned. Assessors and supervisors check in with teams at pre-set checkpoints.

Key points:

- 6/7 people in a team
- 8 hours walking each day
- Following a route the team has planned
- Carrying everything needed in a rucksack
- Camping overnight
- Cooking on camp stoves

Throughout the programme Activ staff provide supervision to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience. Activ staff remain on the campsites overnight.



EXPEDITION COSTS activ

Cost	Includes
Gold £455	7 day GOLD EXPEDITION PROGRAMME TEAM KIT - Tents, Trangia stoves, fuel, maps, compasses FULLY QUALIFIED STAFF - Walking qualification, outdoor first aid, DBS, safeguarding CAMPSITE FEES & ACCREDITED ASSESSORS
Personal Kit and Equipment	Clothing, boots, food and personal camping kit. With planning and understanding you can work out exactly what you need. Can you borrow kit? What do you already have which is suitable?
Travel arrangements for expeditions	Activ Adventures will advise of the expedition meet point in advance, giving you plenty of time to arrange your travel. Can you get a group travel ticket or lift share?

If you are interested...

Email Miss Casey (ecasey@greycourt.org.uk) to express an interest and to find out further details regarding costs/equipment/locations/expedition dates

Deadline: Wednesday 22 October 2025

Y13

A Note on Year 13 Predictions

UCAS predicted grades:

It is important to note that the grades that are predicted for UCAS are aspirational as they have been taken from the best grades that were achieved in the mock exams and that we add an additional grade per subject in order to allow for aspirational predictions and university offers that inspire and motivate. For example, if you got CCC last year then we would predict BBB; BDD would turn into ACC or BBC.

Predicted grades on the recent report:
While our UCAS predictions are aspirational, they are not necessarily a prediction of what classroom teachers feel students will achieve and do not form part of the body of data that we take into consideration when assessing how students are doing. Therefore the predictions that came home in reports are the most accurate indicator of what teachers feel are the most likely grades to be achieved at the end of the year. These are based on mock examinations, classwork, coursework and practical work (when relevant).

INSET Days

Monday 3 November and Tuesday 4 November

UCAS Applications

Any students whose UCAS application has not yet been submitted **to UCAS (not just to school)** need to be in school to submit their applications with their tutors and members of the sixth form team.

Coursework/Classroom Catchup Sessions

Some students may be asked to come into school to complete any work that they need to catch up on. Individual subject teachers will let students know if this affects them.

UCAS

Running the university applications process every year, sometimes the sixth form team forgets that the language of UCASese is not universally understood. To help demystify the process UCAS have produced a handy guide. Click here and you will be able to outsmart your child [UCAS Terms Explained](#).

If you are struggling to submit your UCAS form, please speak to your tutor, Ms McNicol, Ms Higham, Ms Duncan or Mr Bhumbla. Don't bury your head in the sand - your UCAS form won't go away and getting it sent off nice and early will pay huge dividends. The second half of this term will be a busy one for Year 13s so having your UCAS form submitted and having uni offers rolling will take away lots of potential stress and anxiety. Submitting early is a concrete way you can help yourself in your Year 13 journey so now is the time for action!

Oxbridge

All applications must have been sent to UCAS by the 15 October. The next step after half term will be to look at interview preparation.

EPQ

This week students have been working on completing their research and evaluating their sources. They need to return from the half term ready to write a full essay or artefact plan and begin the drafting process. Students who are behind should plan to catch up on key tasks during the half term period.

MedSoc

This week our students shared a discussion around their most recent piece of wider reading. Some notable recommendations include - All that remains by Sue Black and the Naked Scientists podcast. In addition, our first Year 13 applications were sent off this week with the remainder finalising their applications.

Y12

Unifrog for Parents

All year 12 students have been sent their logins for Unifrog. Unifrog is used in sixth form for researching post sixth form options and logging competencies in preparation for writing their personal statements at the end of the year. To find out more about this useful tool you can watch this [short video](#).

O-Bulletin

Students and parents/carers can access the weekly bulletin: [GC Careers opportunities bulletin 10/10](#) which shows a range of careers, work experience, university and apprenticeship opportunities. These opportunities are great to add to their experience and help students think about the future.

This is also posted weekly in the year 12 and 13 notices classroom. Students should be accessing this every week to take advantage of all the opportunities they are offered.

After half-term, we will launch the year 12 work experience programme – including all the information regarding their work experience week which takes place 29 June - 3 July 2026.

Young Professionals – Parent Workshop

We are excited to invite you to an exclusive online parent/guardian event designed to provide valuable insights into how you can support your child in making informed career choices when they leave school/university.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn how to help your son or daughter gain a foothold in the world of work with the many major brands (mentioned below) from various sectors who will be joining us for the event.

This event will touch upon applying to corporate roles and the application process, commercial awareness and how young people can develop these skills as well as highlighting degree apprenticeships, what they are and key deadlines to make applications.

There will also be breakout room sessions with sector-specific panels and workshops that you and your child can participate in throughout the evening. Please note that to join the breakout rooms, you will need the Zoom app on your laptops or phones.

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, 16 October

Time: 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Location: Zoom

Employers Involved:

- Law:** Mishcon de Reya, Clifford Chance, A&O Shearman, University of Law
- Business/Finance:** KPMG, PwC, BDO, CIMA, RSM
- STEM:** Wates, RAF, The Army, National Grid

This event will provide you with an in-depth understanding of the career and work experience prospects for your child in sectors such as Finance, Data, Technology, Law, Engineering, and different Corporate Functions.

The entire session will be led by the direct hiring managers at these global firms, so you'll learn from the very best on how to support your child as they transition from education to the professional world with leading brands.

We would encourage you to join this event with your child to get the most out of this session.

Sign up below to secure your place:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Childs_Future_25



SPORTS

News

ESAA Cross Country Cup

Congratulations to our Junior Boys, Inter Boys and Inter Girls who all won their first round event at Harrow School on Thursday 9 October. The Junior Girls finished second, and the Senior Boys third.

Fantastic set of results and all teams have qualified for the Regional Finals on 10 November

Junior boys team

1st



Inter boys team

1st



Inter girls team

1st



Junior girls team

2nd





Thursday 9 October: well done to our U14 team who played at the Middlesex Tournament this afternoon. 2 draws and 3 losses but some excellent netball with only 7 players! CPOM: Hattie for her great defending!!



Wednesday 8 October: some of our U18 players played in their first Surrey Netball League games this afternoon against a strong side at Reigate College. Some moments of great netball but a loss for the team today. POM Rosa!

Tuesday 7 October: the U13A girls commence their borough league football campaign!





Monday 6 October: well done to our U16 team who beat Christs in their borough league match! POM Alys



Monday 6 October: our U14 team played Christs today in their borough league match! Not a win today, but good play from all! POM Daisy



Monday 6 October: excellent 5-0 victory for the u16 football team today. Goals from Zayden (3), Ektor and Hudson

Congratulations! Shaun McAllister



Congratulations to Shaun who has been selected to represent Surrey U14s Football Squad this season.

Well done, Shaun!

Adys So Congratulations!



Congratulations to Adys, who, along with her partner, was the runner-up at the U15 Girls Doubles in the Surrey Junior Badminton Tournament held on Sunday 5 October.

Well done, Adys!

Congratulations! Euan and Andrew Roberts

Congratulations to Euan and Andrew Roberts who have been selected for the South East England Triathlon academy for this year, Lots of training required including 100k of cycling per week

Good luck boys and well done





Congratulations to Joshua Gilbert on his outstanding performance at the Junior Boys National Combined Events Final held at Chelmsford on Saturday 22 September.

Joshua finished fourth overall (first in Middlesex) and demonstrated great consistency throughout his events during the day. His fourth place finish means that he has been selected to represent England in the Home Nations Indoor Combined Events on 6 December in Glasgow.

Below are his results in the different events:

80m Hurdles: 11.96 seconds

Shot: 11.99 metres

Long Jump: 5m 90cm

High Jump: 1m 71cm

800m: 2 minutes 12 seconds (PB by 12 seconds)

Well done Joshua on a superb achievement. We wish you all of the very best in December.



We are thrilled to recognise Elen for her outstanding achievements this month! Elen has been selected for the prestigious Hockey Mentors High Performance Programme (HPP) for the 2025/2026 season. This programme, which provides junior performance players from state schools and ethnic minorities the chance to experience an environment akin to a junior international setting, is a significant milestone in Elen's journey. She kicked off her participation by attending the first of these High Performance Camps in Bristol on 16-17 August, where she demonstrated exceptional talent and commitment.

In addition to her selection for the HPP, Elen has also earned a spot in the 2025-2026 Competition Programme. She played her first games for the programme, marking an exciting new chapter in her development. This season will see Elen facing top-tier competition.

Further adding to her accolades, Elen has been selected to go on tour to Barcelona in January, where she will compete in the prestigious Reyes Tournament, one of Europe's most renowned hockey events. This is an incredible achievement and testament to Elen's hard work and potential. We look forward to watching her continue to excel both on and off the field as she embarks on this exciting journey. Congratulations, Elen!

Lisa Guldner

Scholar of the Month



Lisa is a true embodiment of what our Sports Scholarship programme represents; she's dedicated, a natural leader, and exceptionally talented. Her sporting prowess shines in both tennis and cross-country, where she has recently represented the school in this month's Cross Country event with impressive results.

On the tennis court and in PE lessons, Lisa has consistently been one of our standout players. She always brings her A-game and performs at a high level in everything she does.

Above all, Lisa is known for her positive attitude and strong work ethic. Her enthusiasm for learning, her collaboration with peers, and her eagerness to help others make her a joy to teach and a true asset to the school community.

Well done, Lisa!



Alfie has had an excellent start at Grey Court, making his mark both on the football pitch and in athletics. As an important member of the U12 football team, he has impressed with his energy, commitment, and teamwork. His sporting achievements don't end there, Alfie also showcased his talent in cross country running, achieving an outstanding 2nd place finish in the Year 7 Boys race at the prestigious Lee Valley Cross Country event, helping to lead the Year 7 boys to victory in the team competition. This result highlights his determination, endurance, and competitive spirit.

Alongside his sporting success, Alfie has approached his scholarship lessons with a positive attitude and great enthusiasm. His willingness to work hard, stay focused, and support his peers makes him a valued member of the group, always striving to give his best in every area.

Congratulations, Alfie, on being named Scholar of the Month! Keep up the fantastic work, we're excited to see all you achieve in the months ahead!

Team of the Month



Our Inter-Boys Cross Country team, who won the Lee Valley Cup on Wednesday 17 September, are our team of the month.

The course was 4.5k and a good test ahead of the ESAA first round on the 20 October. The boys ran superbly with their groupings and pacing spot on throughout the race.

We finished an unbelievable first (Thomas B), second (Euan R), third (Andrew R) and fourth (Ifan M) in a 60 string field.

A superb start to the season.

Team of the Month

We are incredibly proud to celebrate the outstanding performances of our Girls Cross Country teams this month. The Year 7 girls were absolutely phenomenal, securing first place in their competition and showing incredible teamwork and determination. Similarly, the Year 8/9 girls dominated their category, also winning the whole competition with a display of grit and athleticism.

The Year 10/11 girls had a strong showing as well, with individual standout performances from Evie, who finished 5th, and Ida, who placed 8th—both of whom demonstrated exceptional skill and endurance. The level of competition was high, and we were extremely impressed by the effort and commitment from every runner across all age groups.

With the first round of the English Schools competition fast approaching, we're excited to see what these talented athletes will achieve next. The team's dedication and passion for the sport continue to inspire, and we're looking forward to cheering them on as they take on new challenges in the upcoming season. Well done to all!



London Youth Games Cross Country

The London Youth Games Cross Country event is confirmed for Saturday 8 November 2025 at Parliament Hill.

In order to be considered for the squad you will need to sign up here: [Apply for cross country trials](#) and complete a park run between Saturday 30 August and Sunday 25 October.

Once you have clicked 'sign up to cross country' on the form it will explain the different distances required.

They will select the 12 quickest times for boys and girls in the following categories. You can run as many park runs as you like in the time period, they will take the quickest time for your child. Your park run can also be complete anywhere, it is not limited to the Richmond borough.

Ages and distances below:

Age Category	Oldest	Youngest
U11	01/09/2014	31/08/2016
U13	01/09/2012	31/08/2014
U15	01/09/2010	31/08/2012
U17	01/09/2008	31/08/20010

Clubs

Extracurricular
timetable



Come and join KS3

DRAMA CLUB

Meeting every Thursday in the Drama Studio
(DRS)

Starting 11th Sep, 3:00pm–4:30pm



Improve your performance skills, grow your confidence,
get ready for our school productions, make friends and
have fun!

Year 7 – Year 9

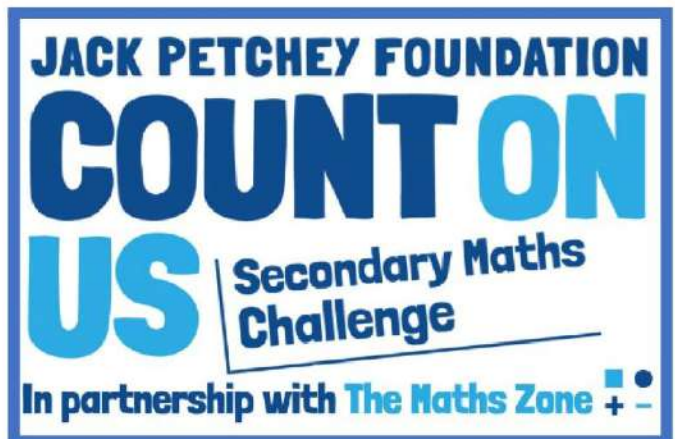


3 – 4 Every
Wednesday in
M1 + M2

- 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 Edmonds, Ms Kataoka or Ms Hunt for more information.



United Kingdom
Mathematics Trust



KS3 MATHS SURGERY

KS3 Maths surgery is on every Wednesday, 3-4 in M3.

This is a great opportunity to receive support on homework as well consolidate the work you are completing in class.

Chromebooks will be provided to support students with independent study.

Any questions: Speak to Mr Edmonds!



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Salters' Chemistry Club

(October): Immunity!

This month's Salters' Chemistry Club theme is Immunity, exploring:

Week 1 – Pathogens

Week 2 – Fighting microbes

Week 3 – Vaccines

Week 4 – Allergies

We're currently fourth in the country for engagement - fantastic work! Let's see if we can push that even higher this month.

Login at home or school, complete the weekly activities, and keep discovering how chemistry protects our health and shapes our world.

A reminder you can go back to previous months and learn about so many other cool chemistry phenomena and applications.

<https://www.salterschemistryclub.co.uk/>



CHEMISTRY INTERVENTION

KS4 Chemistry Drop-In Mondays (after school)

Do you need a bit of extra help with chemistry? Struggling with some homework, finding a topic tricky in class, or just want to chat about chemistry in general?

Come along to our Year 10 & 11 (KS4) Chemistry Drop-In sessions with Mr Gundry every Monday, 3:00–3:40 in Lab 5. This will run until at least the end of this term in December.

You'll also get the chance to work with some of our A-level chemistry students, who are on hand to share their experience and support you.

It's a relaxed and supportive space, so bring your questions, your work, or just your curiosity. Everyone is welcome!

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Why Elizabeth Samuels Drama School?

- Expert, highly qualified LAMDA teachers
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- Official LAMDA Partner, delivering accredited exam preparation

When & Where

- In-school lessons: 30-minute sessions every Monday
- After-school group: Mondays, 3:30 - 5:00 pm



Scan for more details

Spaces are limited – book your free trial today!

Web: www.elizabethsamuelsdrama.com/lamda-grey-court

Email: info@elizabethsamuelsdrama.com

Call: 07429 478447

Free LAMDA Drama Trial for Grey Court Students - Spaces Available!

LAMDA classes are once again running at Grey Court.

We offer two types of sessions:

- **During the school day (Mondays):** 30-minute paired lessons, scheduled in agreement with teachers.
 - **After school (Mondays, 3:30–5:00pm):** 90-minute small group classes. Students are welcome to wait at school until class begins.
- All sessions are led by specialist LAMDA teachers from Elizabeth Samuels Drama School.

All administration, payments and exam entries are handled directly by Elizabeth Samuels Drama School. Our secure booking system collects medical and emergency details, as well as pick-up permissions. Spaces are limited and we expect these classes to be very popular – book your free trial

here: <https://www.elizabethsamuelsdrama.com/lamda-grey-court>

You will also see on our new booking page that we are bringing our Performing Arts Classes to Grey Court. If your child is interested in Musical Theatre, please do sign up for a free trial!



CLICK PHOTOGRAPHY @ GREY COURT

Autumn 2025

Thursday 3.15-4.30pm Y7-9 & DofE

The Click Photography Club is a fun and exciting introduction to Photography.
Students can use their own cameras or use our Canon Dslrs.
Click is an Approved Provider for DofE candidates

Alphabetography, Composition, Light Painting, Selfies,
Land Art, Autumn Macro, Kingston Christmas Lights, & Ghosts

Classes begin on Thursday 25th September 2025
9 weeks Fee £90

Grey Court is keen to ensure this opportunity is open to all students. Should you wish for your child to take part but may need financial assistance, please contact Ms Price by email vprice@greycourt.org.uk

Click Photography Workshops is run by award winning reportage photographer Philip Hollis & Sheridan Morley, former Nikon UK Fashion Photographer of the Year

Bookings @

clickphotographyworkshops.com

or email clickschools@gmail.com



DRAWING MATTERS

'Drawing Matters' is run by experienced practicing artists, Stuart Simler and Tahira Mandarino, who bring with them a broad range of skills from Fine Art and Ceramic backgrounds at BA, MFA (Hons) This course is for all pupils who have an interest in Art and especially drawing, which is an important part of childrens creative development. We encourage freedom of expression alongside learning new techniques and skills.

Dates & Times:

15th Sept - 8th Dec Mondays 3.15 - 4.15pm

Year Groups: 7 - 10

Cost: £115 - 10 weeks (all materials included)
(no class: 27th Oct, 3rd Nov & 1st Dec) 2025

Grey Court

How to apply:

If you would like to book a place for your child on these classes please email: Stuart: stuartsimler@mac.com

Payment terms BACS: Company name: Raw Ground Arts Limited
Sort: 40-26-12 Account: 32189860

Cheques made payable to: Raw Ground Arts Limited and sent to:
56 Cedar Avenue | Twickenham | TW2 7HE

We look forward to welcoming your young artist onto the course.

Stuart & Tahira

*For terms and conditions please visit: <https://www.rawgroundarts.com/drawing-matters>

Grey Court School is keen to ensure this opportunity is open to all students. Should you wish for your child to take part but need financial assistance, please contact: Ms. T Razvand-Atwi: trazvand-atwi@greycourt.org.uk



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What's happening ...

KNIGHTS NATIONS OCTOBER

HALF TERM

**MONDAY 27TH
TO
FRIDAY 31ST
OCTOBER**

**WALDEGRAVE SCHOOL
FIFTH CROSS RD
TWICKENHAM, TW2 5LH**

**AGES: 5-12yrs
TIME: 10:00 - 15:00**
(Early drop off available at 8:45am)

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OCTOBER HALF TERM

OPEN GYM

**27TH, 29TH, 30TH, 31ST
OCTOBER**

**WALDEGRAVE SCHOOL
FIFTH CROSS RD
TWICKENHAM, TW2 5LH**

**SCHOOL YEARS 6-8
TIME: 15:30 - 17:30**

**SCHOOL YEAR 9+
TIME: 17:30 - 19:30**

Please check Open Gym bookings on the day as they may be subject to change based on attendance numbers. This will be notified by email.



*Scan here for further
info and booking*

CONTACT US

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OCTOBER HALF TERM CAMP

THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER

**GREY COURT SCHOOL,
RICHMOND UPON THAMES,
TW10 7HN**

9.00AM - 12NOON

SCHOOL YEARS 3-10



Join Netball Coach UK for a Specialist Netball Camp at Grey Court School

Our camps are open to children in school years 3-10 and are suitable for experienced and aspiring ballers, as well as those new to the game.

What to expect: Expert coaching by qualified coaches, skills development, match play and the chance to make new friends and have tons of fun.

When: Thursday 23rd October, 9.00am-12.00noon

Where: Grey Court School, Richmond Upon Thames, TW10 7HN

Who: Children in school years 3-10 (split age groups)

Cost: £40.00

BOOK: www.netballcoachuk.com/richmondcamp

The Royal Canoe Club

The Royal Canoe Club has an exciting opportunity for children to experience kayaking and other water sport activities in a safe and fun environment right on your doorstep.

We are more than just an activity centre! We are the oldest canoe club in the world and have been the home of many world and Olympic champions.

We offer bespoke school programmes designed for young people aged 9–15, led by highly experienced coaches. The sessions take place on the Thames and focus on developing physical and mental skills through engaging water-based activities.

Prices from £15 per student per hour
Available April–July and September–October

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JOIN THE TEAM



FOOTBALL

Day: Saturdays

Time: players age 11 to 16 - 11.15am-12.15pm
players age 5 to 11 - 12.15pm-1.15pm
Adult players - 11.15am-12.15pm

Dates: 13 September to 13 December (not 1 Nov)

Venue: Whitton Sports & Fitness Centre

Cost: £4.50 per person per session

Coached by coaches from Kew Park Rangers (KPR), a local England Football 3 Star Accredited Community Club, footballers practice a variety of techniques and skills to develop their agility, balance and coordination. KPR encourage players to join in competitively and socially.

These sessions take place indoors in a sports hall.

FUSION ADULT DANCE

Day: Mondays **Time:** 6.00-7.00pm

Dates: 8 September to 15 December (not 27 Oct)

Venue: Teddington Sports Centre

Cost: £52 per person for the term

Fun, energetic and social dance sessions with Combination Dance which will increase fitness, mobility, self-confidence and teamwork. Performers will learn choreographed dance routines to a variety of music genre.

RISE TO SHINE SWIMMING

Day: Tuesdays **Time:** 6-6.45pm

Dates: 9 September to 16 December (not 28 Oct)

Venue: Teddington Pools & Fitness Centre

Cost: £65 per person for the term

Part of our RISE to Shine project, training athletes aged 8-18 years who live or go to school in the borough to compete for Richmond in the London Youth Games. It is a very welcoming group focusing on stroke improvement. Swimmers need to be able to swim a 25m length of the pool unaided.

MULTI-SPORTS

Day: Saturdays **Time:** 12.15-1.15pm

Dates: 13 September to 13 December (not 1 Nov)

Venue: Whitton Sports & Fitness Centre

Cost: £4.50 per person per session

Activities for children 8+, young people and adults Delivered by Brentford Community Sports Trust. Come along and join in with a variety of different sports and exercise activities. These sessions are fun and engaging with the opportunity to try lots of different activities.

FUSION JUNIOR AND TEEN DANCE

Day: Saturdays

Time: 11:30am-12.15pm (Yr7 +)
12.30-1.00 pm (YrR to Yr6)*

*expression of interest as not currently running

Dates: 13 September – 13 December
(not 25 Oct or 1 November)

Venue: Up and Running, Teddington

Cost: £54 per person for the term

These weekly, fun and lively dance classes are led by Combination Dance Company and are ideal for developing gross motor skills, flexibility, self expression and confidence.



To book any of our activities please visit - <https://bookwhen.com/lbrut-rise>

If you would like to attend any of these activities or for more details, please contact the Sports Development Team on 020 8831 6134
email: rise@richmond.gov.uk www.richmond.gov.uk/RISE

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Inclusive Sport and Exercise

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SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

Junior and Teen Football

Sessions for children and young people, 5 to 16 years old who have neurodiverse needs or disabilities and would like to play in an inclusive environment.

Time: 11.15am-12.15pm players 11 to 16 years in secondary school
12.15pm-1.15pm players 5 to 11 years in primary school

Day: Saturdays **Dates:** 13th September to 13th December (term time)

Venue: Whitton Sports Centre, Twickenham School, Percy Road, Whitton, TW2 6JW.

Cost: £4.50 per person per session. There is no charge for parents, carers or support staff.



Coached by coaches from Kew Park Rangers (KPR), a local England Football 3 Star Accredited Community Club, footballers practice a variety of techniques and skills to develop their agility, balance and coordination.

KPR encourage players to join in competitively and socially.
These sessions take place indoors in a sports hall.

We would ask that you please sign up and pay in for the sessions in advance by using the following booking link –

<https://bookwhen.com/lbrut-rise>



If you would like to attend any of these activities or for more details, please contact the Sports Development Team on 020 8831 6134
email: rise@richmond.gov.uk www.richmond.gov.uk/RISE

NO STRAIGHT ANSWER



@ Hampton Youth Zone

Thursdays
4pm to 6pm
Years 7 to 13

A session for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning young people to have a safe, supportive space to explore their identities with like minded people. Activities include cooking, arts, sports, music and many more.

Contact

Ash Lewis: ash.lewis@achievingforchildren.org.uk

Alex Quennell: alex.quennell@achievingforchildren.org.uk

Address: The White House Family Hub, 45 The Avenue, TW12
3RN

HAM YOUTH CENTRE

11-19



TERM TIME
2025/6

DROP IN YOUTH CLUBS

Sports, arts and crafts, gaming, cooking, relaxing and loads more!

- **After School:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays 3 to 5pm
- **Saturdays:** 3 to 5.30pm



AGE RELATED GROUPS



Seniors Session: 15 to 19 years olds. Wednesdays 5 to 7pm
Including dungeons and dragons, gym and music studio.

Juniors Session: 10 to 14 years old. Tuesdays 5 to 7pm.
Including arts, sports, cooking, gaming. Year 6s welcome!

FOOTBALL SESSIONS

- **Football training:** Wednesdays 3 to 5pm at youth centre
- **Football training:** Saturdays 12.30 to 2.30pm at Richmond and Kew Football club



MUSIC

Tuition, recording, production, guitar, drumming

- **Music studio open:** Each day 3 to 7pm. Please book.
- **Orchestra:** Saturdays 12 to 2pm



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PARKOUR

Thursdays 3 to 5pm - Tuition in free running using our state of the art equipment with our expert coach. Learn to cat leap and precision jump!



GIRLS GROUP

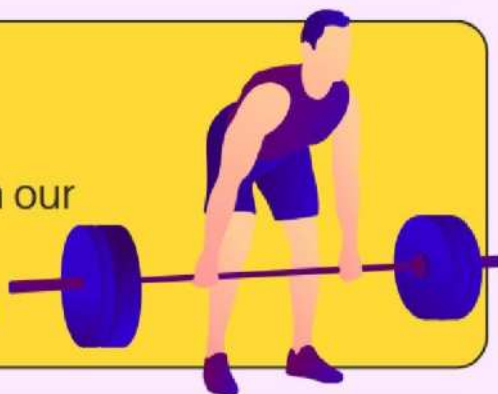
Mondays 3 to 6pm - When young women rule!
An open minded safe space. Including art, street dance, sports, trips, games, discussions, eating...



GYM AND FITNESS

Weights, cardio, boxing, fitness workouts with our experienced personal trainer.

Wednesdays 3 to 5pm, Saturdays 3 to 5.15pm



INFORMATION

We offer a safe and relaxing space where young people can spend their leisure time trying out different activities, making new friends and chat to friendly youth workers.

More info:

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Petersham Horticultural Society



Fungi Walk in Richmond Park

We have the pleasure of offering a Fungi Walk to the members of the PHS. The walk will be guided by Janet Bostock of Friends of Richmond Park, lasting approximately 2 hours.

The date is Thursday 16th October 2025, meeting by the main Pembroke Lodge Gates in Richmond Park at 3.50pm for a 4.00pm start.

Please come weather equipped and with sensible shoes.

The cost of the walk is £10.00 per PHS member and membership is £5.00 pp.

If you are interested, please contact - Catherine Rounce at membership@horti.org.uk who will then book you on the walk and send you the bank details for payment

More PHS information can be found at www.horti.org.uk

Arts Richmond Young Writers Festival 2025/26



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**Deadline
for entries:
Friday 5th
December**



Arts Richmond Young Writers Festival is open to all pupils who either live or attend schools or clubs in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames. It is their chance to demonstrate writing skills, specifically short stories or poems.

Entries are judged in four age groups with prizes for all winning entries. The shortlisted entrants are invited to a gala awards event at The Exchange Theatre Twickenham on Sunday 15th March 2026 where their work is performed by a group of young drama students.

We also produce and sell a professionally printed anthology of all the 40 shortlisted pieces of work.



Anthony Horowitz writes:

I am very happy to be working with Arts Richmond and their Young Writers' Festival. I live in Richmond and love the area... in fact my recent book is set here.

More to the point, I'm always keen to encourage young people to develop their creative skills and if they're living in this area, there's plenty to inspire them.

Good luck. And get writing!

Please visit our website for more information and details on how to submit your work:

<https://artsrichmond.org.uk>

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