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



Cover photo: year 10 media students at the film studios during a visit to Sky Studios this week.

MOGOS 2026

**The Music of
James Bond**

19 March 2026

**£7 Adults
£5 Children**

**Tickets available via
Scopay**

MOGGOs Finalists

The MOGGOs competition returns on **19 March 2026**, this time featuring music from the James Bond film franchise. Congratulations to our finalists:

Maheen Aatif
Teddy Button + band
Amy Curley + band
Olivia Fisher
Victoria Godard
Dhruv Gokul
Dhane Hazlee
Freya Kirrage
Xavier Mtandabari + band
Heidi Phillips
Raul Saggarr + band
Amber Simon + band
Arian Sood + band
Ella Waldmann
Sophie Walsh

Tickets are available on Scopay (£7 adults, £5 children) - book early to avoid disappointment!

#KeepInTouch

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Thursdays 3:15-4pm

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Lorenza's Challenge

Over the course of her school Electrical Engineering module, Lorenza has to build a circuit that can generate a pulse train. She has to use a 555 timer, a resistor, and a capacitor to create a pulse train. She has to use a breadboard to build the circuit and a multimeter to measure the pulse train. She has to use a logic analyzer to capture the pulse train and a scope to view the pulse train.

LED Pulsar Circuit

This circuit generates an LED pulsar circuit. It uses a 555 timer, a resistor, and a capacitor to create a pulse train. The pulse train is used to drive an LED. The circuit is shown in the diagram below.



What does it look like in Real Life?



Now you can see what the LED pulsar looks like in real life. The circuit is shown in the photograph above. The LED is flashing on and off, creating a pulsar effect. The circuit is built on a breadboard and is connected to a power source. The timing network consists of a resistor and a capacitor connected to the timer's timing pins. The output of the timer is connected to an LED through a current-limiting resistor. The circuit is shown in the photograph above.

Congrats!

UKMT Maths Challenge

Congratulations to all the Year 9s, 10s and 11s who participated in the first round of the UKMT Maths Challenge this year.

The following students have made it through to the next round on the 19 March.

Titus Ng
Noah Lam
James McWilliams
Oli Dorey
Kara Wong
Anton Vu

This is a great achievement! Well done!

Y7

We have come back to school after the half-term break and straight into house assemblies, where students have been updated on the Achievement Points totals and the upcoming Inter-House tournaments. We are half-way through the school year and the competition is hotting up, with last year's winners Spartan, being hunted down by the others.

The last Tutor group challenge saw Willow holding a 'Guess the flag' competition, with Seren taking the victory for Elm, Elias and Jude coming second for Willow and Tobi and Ryeen with the bronze medal position. Well done to all who took part and we look forward to Ash holding this week's 'Guess the sport' competition.

World Book Day is celebrated next week and tutor groups have been discussing ways that they would like to celebrate, from classroom door decorating to guessing the book character sketches. It should be a lot of fun and our assembly next Friday is on this very theme.

We are still top of the school attendance race but it is very close. With the milder weather approaching, I am hopeful we can see less colds and flu and get all the students into school and making progress, playing with their friends and enjoying their extra-curricular passions too!

Wednesday is Activity day with all of Year 7 off-site on trips to either the Winchester Science Centre or Whipsnade Zoo. Letters were emailed out so please ensure you have read them and students arrive at school on time for their early starts. It should be a great day and a wonderful way to start the half-term, so let's have a good one!

Mr Ridley
Phase Leader

ACTIVITY DAY: WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

A reminder that activity day is on Wednesday. Please [read the letter](#) about your child's activities.

Y8

Welcome back! I hope everyone enjoyed a chance to rest, recharge, and (briefly) enjoy some sunshine. Year 8 have returned in good spirits and are ready to crack on for the next stretch of term. A huge well done goes to our conduct champions: Elliot, Lucca, Louis, and Jasper. Their positive choices, and excellent attitudes have really stood out, especially in PDW. A fantastic achievement and one they should be very proud of.

With the lighter evenings making a tentative return, a quick safety reminder for students travelling to and from school: please ensure bikes are dismounted and walked over Teddington Lock. It's a busy area and we want everyone getting home safely.

As we move into this half term, there will be a renewed focus on uniform standards. Please ensure skirts and shorts are below fingertip length and that students are wearing the correct uniform in full each day. If there are any issues with uniform, do get in touch.

Ms Sutcliffe
Head of Year

ACTIVITY DAY: WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

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Y9

We have had a busy start back for Y9 students!

We had our Y9 parents evening on Thursday. With the start of the upcoming options process we hope it was a really useful opportunity for parents to discuss your child's progress in subjects and potential avenues for GCSE. The evening had very high attendance so thank for the high level of parental engagement and support we are seeing for our Y9 students.

On Friday Y9 students also had the option assembly. The assembly was led by Mrs Price who coordinates the process. Students were told about the process, timeline and how it all works.

The most immediate milestones will be the sending home of Options booklets which outline the different subjects which can be taken at GCSE. Over the next few weeks students will have taster lessons in their lessons highlighting what the different courses entail. We will also have assemblies led by BTEC courses - such as Health and Social Care and Media which students will not have experienced before.

The other element of the options process which will be starting from next week will be students options interviews. Students will meet with a member of the Pastoral team, or a member of the Senior Leadership team, to discuss the process, and also have a discussion about what options they are thinking about. This does not mean students need to have a final decision by the time of the interview - but the conversation can help to guide students and answer any questions which they have.

Final option decisions are made towards the end of the year -so students still have plenty of time to discuss any questions with teachers or any of the Y9 team

Mr Day
Phase Leader

ACTIVITY DAY: WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

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Y9 Options

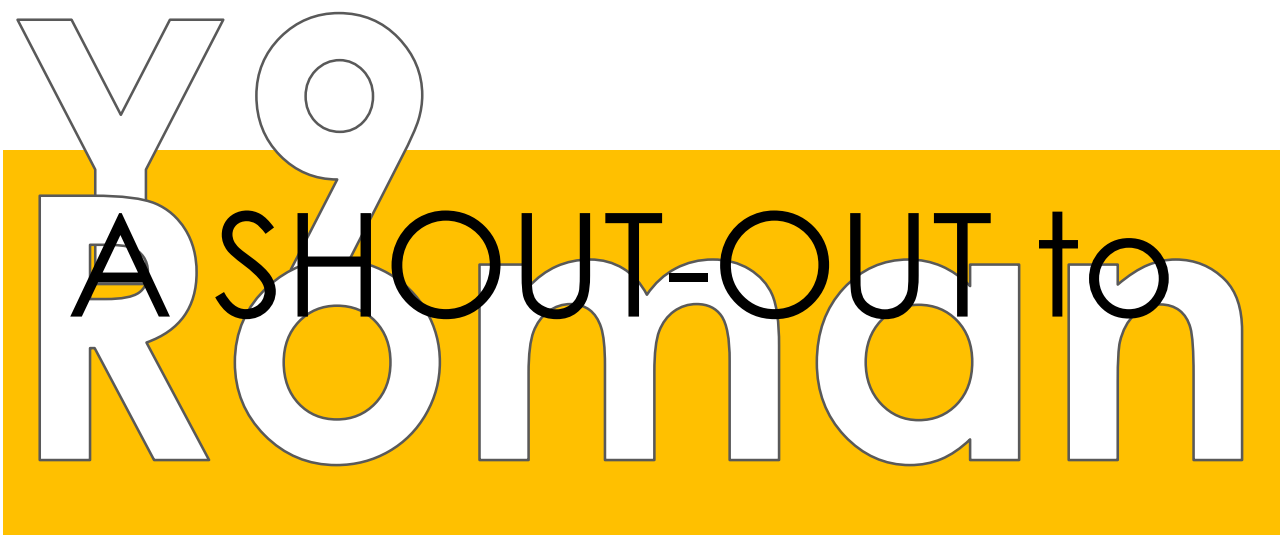
Following the Year 9 Options Presentation during period 6 today, the options booklets will be emailed to parents/carers and students by this evening.

Parents/Carers should [watch this video presentation](#) prior to looking at the booklet.

Students can submit their options choices from the 20 March. The deadline is the 24 March. The options choices form can be accessed only from the student school Google account.

Further information about the two science courses is outlined in Ms Moran's short presentation found here:

GCSE science option - [Watch Video](#)



An [excellent piece of work](#) from our year 9 Roman students:
Ayanfe A, Lucas S, Shaun M, and Kian P

- Mr Willmore

TECH

Tech for Good Challenge

Six Year 9 students were invited to take part in the Tech for Good Challenge at Imperial College London, a prestigious enrichment day sponsored by Apple, designed to inspire more young women to pursue engineering and computer science.

The students represented the school brilliantly throughout a full day of hands-on activities in the Electrical Engineering Department at Imperial. They began with an inspiring introduction to engineering pathways, followed by a panel Q&A featuring Apple engineers, academics, and current students, offering insights into the future of technology and the role of women in STEM.

The girls then took on two major challenges:

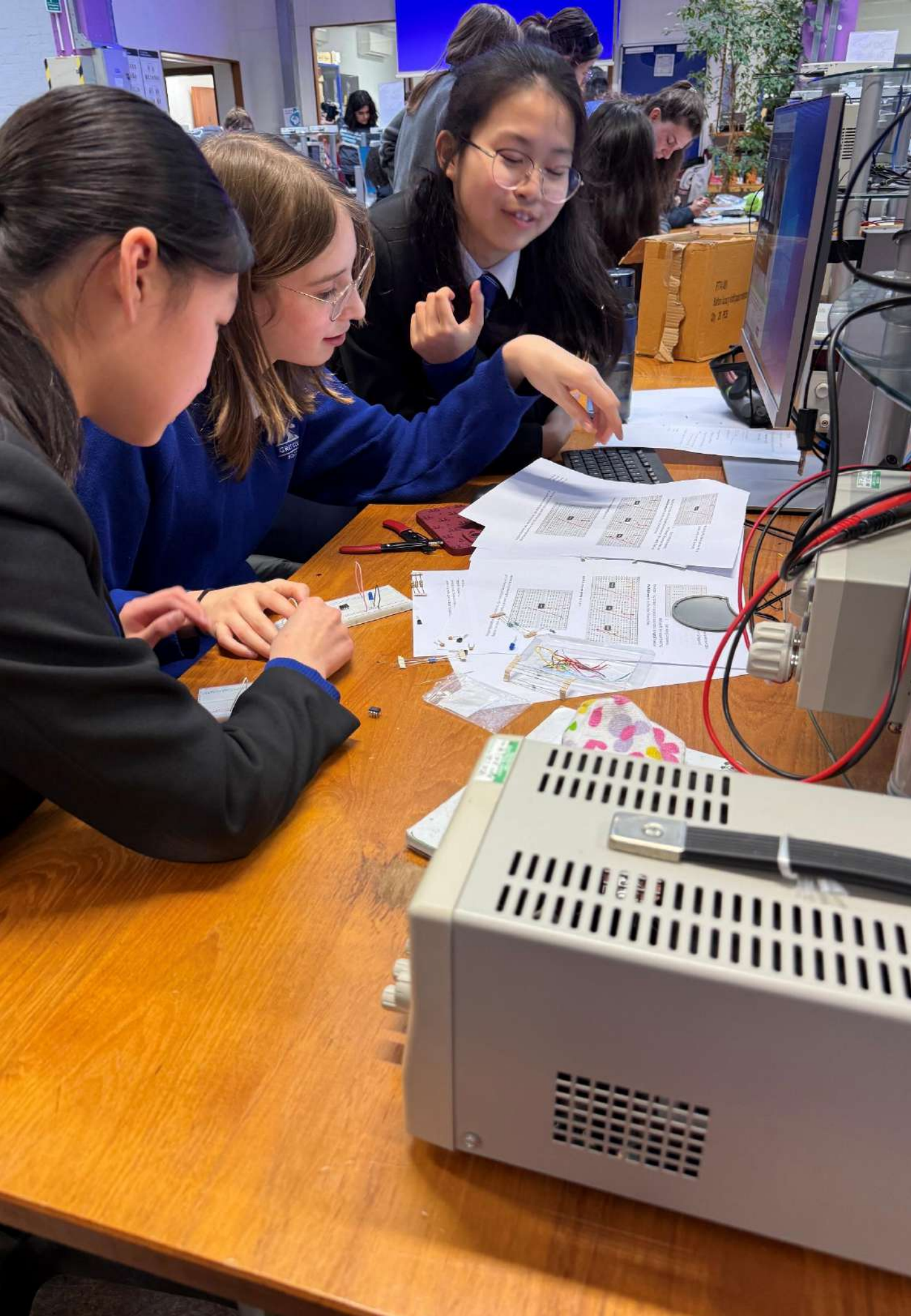
- Designing innovative “technology for good” ideas: apps and devices aimed at solving real-world problems facing their generation.
- Constructing complex electrical circuits on breadboards: stretching their understanding of electronics and applying classroom learning in a real engineering lab environment.

Alongside students from a wide range of other London schools, our Year 9s showed great creativity, teamwork, and resilience.

It was a fantastic opportunity to get a glimpse of university-level engineering and cutting-edge AI research. The students said that it was great to see where STEM choices at GCSE can eventually take you!

We're incredibly proud of the students' achievements and the way they represented the school.

- Ms Marchant





Grey Court Presents...

A Night at the Movies

Gym and Dance Show 2026

Join us for our annual Gym and Dance Show to watch our gymnasts, dancers, cheerleaders and trampolinists take the stage.

Tuesday 24th March at 7pm.

Doors open at 6:30pm

Adults: £6

Kids: £4

Payment via SCOPAY or on the door.

You dont want to miss it!



Introducing the Grey Court
2026 Musical...

ROALD DAHL'S
Matilda
THE MUSICAL JR.

2-3 July 2026



Sign up to audition here -
vocal auditions via Google Classroom



Y10

Year 10 have settled amazingly well into the new term. I have been visiting lessons over the past few weeks, and it has been fantastic to see such enthusiasm and engagement across the board. The positive start they have made is a real credit to them.

We will of course be returning to coursework season soon for some subjects. It is really important that productive conversations are taking place at home about completing coursework and staying on top of deadlines. Supporting students to plan their time effectively and maintain consistent effort will make a significant difference in the months ahead.

Next Wednesday, we have our second Activity Day of the year. Year 10 will be heading out on trips linked to their option subjects, providing valuable opportunities to enrich their learning beyond the classroom. We are looking forward to a purposeful and enjoyable day for all involved.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mr Khan

Head of Year

ACTIVITY DAY: WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

A reminder that activity day is on Wednesday 4 March. Year 10 have nine activities planned and individual letters have been sent to the parents of students involved. A reminder to please check your emails.



MEDIA

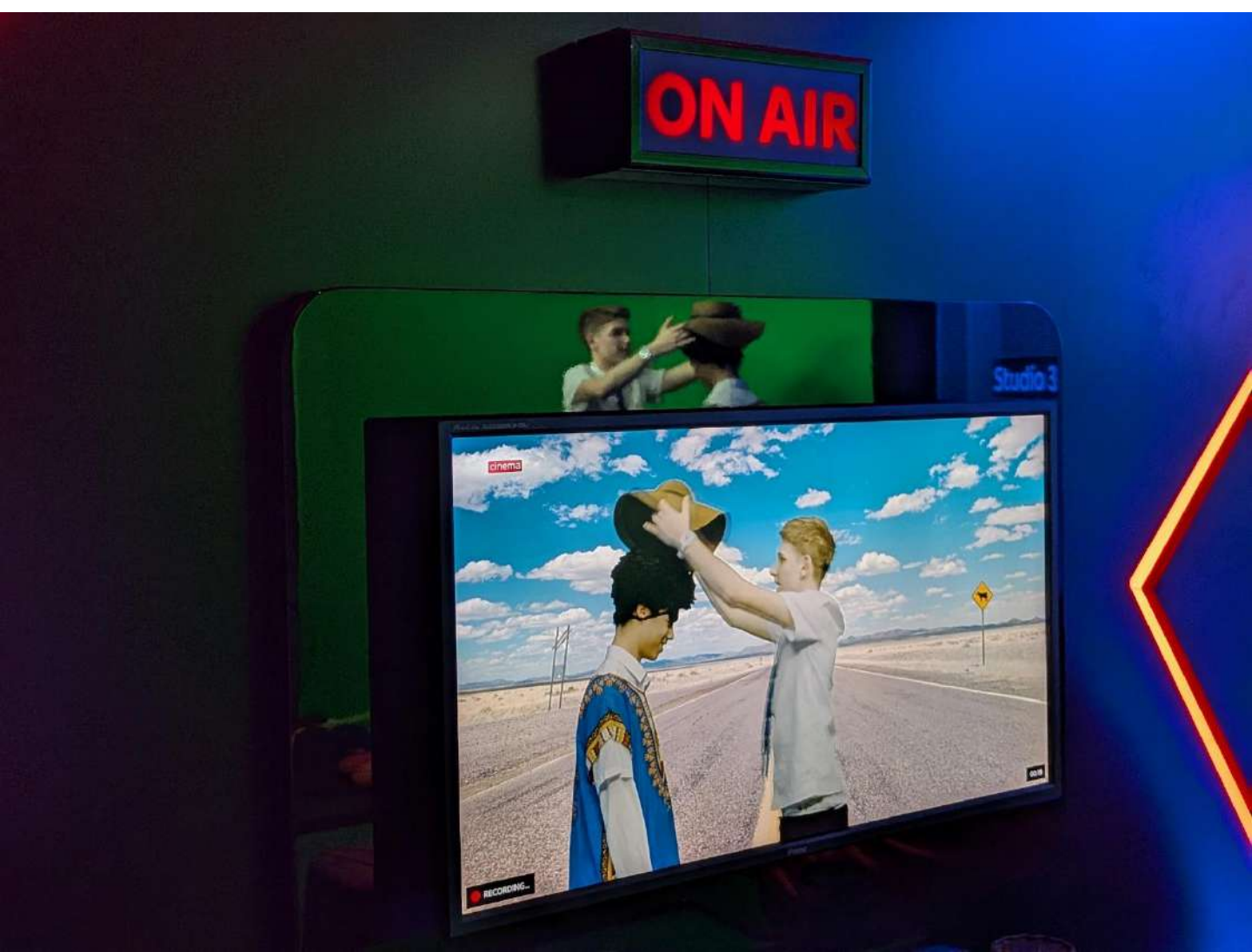
Sky Studios

This week some of our Year 10 students swapped their desks for the film studios during an unforgettable visit to Sky Studios.

Students had the chance to create their own fictional trailers in their state of the art studios, working collaboratively and creatively to produce some very entertaining pieces of work.

Beyond the fun, this trip allowed the students an insight into a professional workplace; giving an insightful view as to the potential careers and aspirations open to them in the future. Students represented themselves and the school to the highest of standards - it was a fantastic trip!

- Ms Woods





What a positive start to this half term! This week finally offered the playground some sunshine of which all Year 11s made the most of at lunchtime.

The Year 11's have also successfully completed their English and Maths mock papers in the hall this Monday and were (mostly) all on time. Well done. Their hard work and revision has not gone unnoticed and hopefully the students will reap the rewards of this in a few months time!

The official GCSE 2026 Examination dates are now on the Grey Court website, under the 'Exams' section for you to view and plan accordingly to. Please note that all students need to be available for the end contingency date.

All students should now have also received their individual exam dates/times on a piece of paper this week. I have provided a template timetable to accompany this sheet. Please encourage students to complete this (or one similar) so they can map out their time more clearly and effectively. This will in turn then help our students to feel more confident and prepared for their exams.

Well done to all students for their continuous efforts with intervention as this will no doubt impact positively for their future - keep it up!

Ms Woods

Head of Year

ACTIVITY DAY: WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

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On Wednesday 25 February, some of our year 10 and 11 students were invited to a talk from the University of Cambridge.

Lindsay, the Outreach Manager, who also attended Cambridge, gave an insight into:

- Why University
- What is Cambridge and Oxbridge
- Student Finance
- How to apply
- Student perspective

The students then asked some brilliant questions in the Q&A session at the end. For more information on what was covered you can access the PowerPoint: [Cambridge talk](#)

Stars of the Week

Maths and Statistics

Year	Name	Subject	Reason
7O	Nico Brennan	Maths	Excellent engagement in class
8O	Ayrton Florio	Maths	Excellent homework
9B	Dylan Kerr Elliott	Maths	Excellent progress in the subject
11W	Setayesh Walid	Maths	Excellent engagement in class
12A	Martha Huddart	Maths	Excellent progress in the subject
13C	Daniel Lowe	Maths	Excellent engagement in class
10E	Zachary Sill	Statistics	Excellent progress in the subject
11M	Tara Arts	Statistics	Excellent progress in the subject
12F	Frank Wong	Further Maths	Excellent contributions
13B	Aimee Howkins	Further Maths	Excellent engagement in class

Attendance Matters

9 February to 13 February



Year Group	Attendance %
Year 7	95.1%
Year 8	94.8%
Year 9	95%
Year 10	93.8%
Year 11	91.4%

Tutor Group	Attendance %
7 Ash	97.8%
8 Ash	97.5%
9 Beech	97.5%
10 Oak	98.1%
11 Elm	93.4%



Wellbeing



This Week

- Year 7** What is the difference between sex and gender?
- Year 8** What is sexual consent and how do you know you have it?
- Year 9** A Band: GCSE options
B Band: Knife crime
- Year 10** What are microaggressions?
- Year 11** Statutory RS

Next Week

- Year 7** Who was Oscar Wilde and what happened to him?
- Year 8** Revenge porn, part 1
- Year 9** A Band: Knife crime
B Band: GCSE options
- Year 10** What is a cult?
- Year 11** Revision timetables

Support

[MHST Parent Information Leaflet \(Spring 2026\)](#)

General information about AfC MHST services, including the links to the Helping with... Parent webinars (topics chosen by parents)

Parent webinars on county lines and criminal exploitation (Iverson Trust)

The Iverson Trust (formerly Pace) is a national charity working to keep children safe from exploitation by supporting parents, disrupting exploiters, and working in partnership with police and family services. Their work is grounded in a trauma-informed, family-centred approach. During March 2026, the Iverson Trust is delivering a series of live webinars for parents and carers focused on county lines and criminal exploitation. The sessions help parents understand how exploitation happens, how children are groomed, what warning signs to look out for, and where to access advice and support. Each webinar includes local context, time for questions, and input from a parent with lived experience. More information and booking details are available at:

<https://iversontrust.org.uk/webinars/>

Hub of Hope

We are the UK's largest mental health support directory. Whether you want to find a service to help you feel better or you want to support someone who is struggling, we can help.

<https://hubofhope.co.uk/>

Kooth Bytes

This month, Kooth is sharing resources and sessions designed to support conversations about feelings, resilience and belonging

[Please find resources from Kooth.](#)

YOUNG MINDS



3 min read

No matter what a young person is going through – whether it's relationships, school stuff or our mental health – parents and carers are often the first person they turn to.

That's why for **Children's Mental Health Week** this month, we were talking to parents. We want parents and carers to know:

You're there when they need you most – and we're here for you.

Check out the expert advice from our Parents Helpline advisors below and share them with a parent who might need it.

We'll also be talking about:

- Leaving a gift with lasting impact
- Real stories
- The latest headlines

Parents Helpline

[Our Parents Helpline](#) is here – no matter what a young person is going through. Advisors are a call or a click away and ready to help, but it can be hard to take that first step.

That's why we want to do more to reach parents who need us. And this month our partners M&S stepped in to help.

If there's a child or young person in your life that is struggling with: anxiety, avoiding school or feeling low often, these tips can help.

But first, if you or a parent you know could use some advice from people who get it, visit our parents section for guidance, support and someone to talk to.

Careers

with Miss Corrighan



National Careers week takes place across the UK and this provides the school with the opportunity to discuss the importance of planning for the future life and exploring different opportunities.



Year 9, had the options launch on Friday 27 February and next week they will part in a career networking event on Activities day (Wednesday 4 March) which gives them an opportunity to meet with a range of people from different professions. In PDW they are looking at the [BBC Bitesize Careers](#) resources to research into their ideas and they have access to [Unifrog](#) which is a careers platform we use from year 7-13.

Careers activities take place in Grey Court throughout the year, not just careers week. For example this week, there was a Media trip to sky where year 10 students found out about working at Sky and used their industry standard equipment to make a movie trailer. We also had the University of Cambridge in school to talk to year 10 and 11 about applying to competitive universities. If you want to know more about the careers programme at Grey Court please see: [Grey Court School - Careers programme](#)

Year 11: Sixth Form and College Applications for September 2026

Many students may decide to stay in the Sixth Form, but you need to ensure you have a backup plan and apply to college. **Kingston College, NESCOL, Richmond upon Thames**, and others are still taking applications, so if you have not applied yet, you need to do so as a matter of urgency as you have to confirm your place for next year. There are still open events to explore these options:

NESCOT have an open evening on **Tuesday 3 March**

[Nescot Open Events](#)

Richmond upon Thames College in Twickenham has an open event on **Wednesday 4 March**

[Events | Richmond Upon Thames College](#)

Kingston College: Wednesday 18 March, 4.30pm-6.30pm

[Register here](#)

Apprenticeships: students, parents, and carers can look at the [Find an apprenticeship](#) website and look for jobs that will start in Sept 2026. If you are not sure how to apply, speak to Miss Corrighan bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk who is based in the Careers office.

Resources for Parents/Carers

[Talking futures](#) is a great resource to inform parents and carers about the options available to their children. It has conversation starters, information about the range of options, which include technical qualifications and apprenticeships and more. It is a really good starting point for parents and carers to find out more about what their children can do in this ever-changing education landscape.

[NEXT STEPS LONDON](#) which is a collection of guides designed to support young people, parents, and educators as they explore future career pathways across the capital. These resources aim to spark meaningful conversations, build confidence, and provide practical tools for navigating the next stage of the careers journey.

PAPA News



**YOUR
SCHOOL
LOTTERY**

**The Golden
Draw is
BACK!**

Did you know that Grey Court School has a school lottery? Every week, one lucky parent wins a cash prize.

The more parents who sign up, the bigger the weekly cash prize. It's currently around £20 - £30 for the winner with a 1 in 100 chance of scoping the winning. You win and we win. What could be easier.

Now, you can be put in the draw for the monthly Golden Draw jackpot. Just by entering the lottery you could win £5,000 for you and £5,000 for Grey Court School. Sign up [here](#).



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for Grey Court
parents and staff**

50% off storage with Big Yellow for 8 weeks exclusively for Grey Court staff and parents with a further 10% off thereafter. Just visit them via the link



News

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NYC



1 city. 5 days. 33 students.

1 city. 5 days. 33 students. 3 staff. Our trip to New York took time to plan, but it did not disappoint.

As soon as we landed and checked into our hotel, we headed straight to Times Square. While some of us were in awe of the bright lights and crowds, others went straight to Raising Cane's to sample the fried chicken. Some claimed it was the best they had ever tasted.

The trip was busy and packed with sightseeing. On day one, we immersed ourselves in art at The MoMA and visited Central Park. Some students explored the Central Park Zoo whilst others enjoyed playing in the snow.

Over the next few days, we paid our respects at the 9/11 Memorial, walked across the Brooklyn Bridge to DUMBO, and took in the incredible views of NYC from the Top of the Rock. Some visited the United Nations Building, while others went thrift shopping in Brooklyn.

We also watched *Stranger Things: The First Shadow* (the best thing I have ever seen in my life), toured the iconic Radio City Music Hall and walked the High Line. Chelsea Market was a hit with plenty of delicious food. Efe treated himself to a full lobster. On the final day, the group ticked off landmarks including Grand Central, Stonewall and Chinatown.











A huge thank you to Miss Duncan and Mr Kempton for making the trip so memorable and ensuring everything ran smoothly. An equally huge thank you goes to our amazing students, who were incredibly mature and reminded us why we run trips like these. It was lovely to get to know them outside the classroom and to see them enjoy such a fantastic city.



Final food tally: 68 \$1.50 pizza slices, 58 Crumbl Cookies, 20 pink frosted Dunkin' Donuts, 14 smash burgers, 10 Chick-fil-A breakfasts, 1 giant lobster and a single chicken tender packed in someone's luggage as a souvenir.

- Ms Howell





OLD NAVY
NEW POWERSOFT
BOUNDLESS

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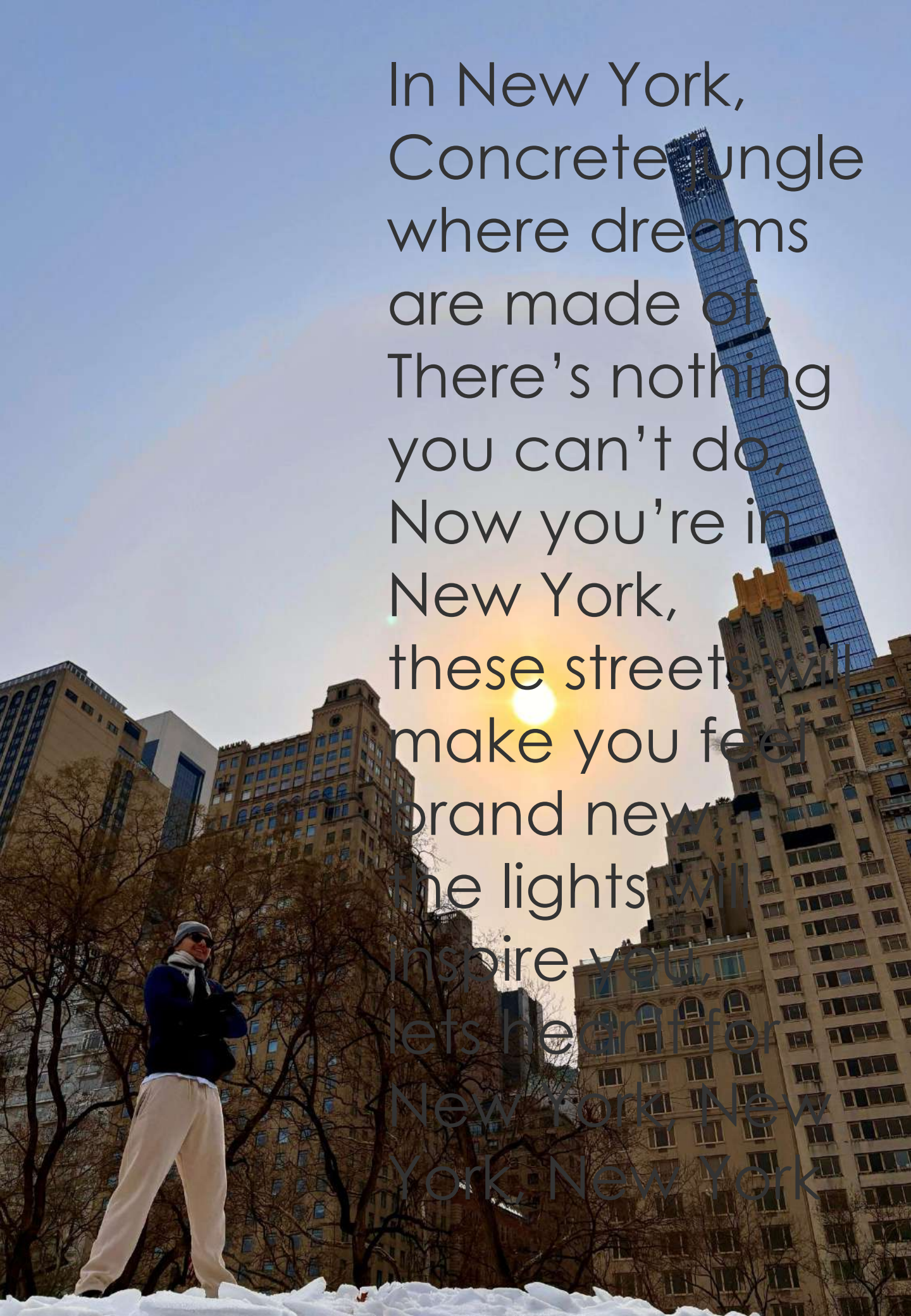
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A photograph of a person standing in a snowy park in New York City. The person is wearing a dark jacket, light-colored pants, a grey beanie, and sunglasses. They are standing on a patch of snow in the foreground. In the background, there are several tall buildings, including the Freedom Tower (1 World Trade Center) which is the tallest building in the image. The sky is a pale blue with a bright sun visible behind the buildings. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

In New York,
Concrete jungle
where dreams
are made of,
There's nothing
you can't do,
Now you're in
New York,
these streets will
make you feel
brand new,
the lights will
inspire you,
lets hear it for
New York, New
York, New York



Y12 Year 12

Y12 UCAS Discovery Fair @ Excel Centre

On 24 March, Grey Court Year 12 students will be travelling to The Excel Centre to gain first-hand information about a wide range of different universities and courses on offer. They can also talk to providers about degree apprenticeships and open days. Students considered various pathways during PDW this week, and I encourage them to look at the UCAS website to start doing their own research into universities and courses. All students are expected to attend and have been sent a link via UCAS to sign up. Students will be given more information on arrangements soon but for what to expect see: [PDW UCAS fair slides](#)

Oxbridge Update

This week students should have had a one to one short meeting with their tutor to discuss whether they are in a position to consider an application. Students should have submitted their developing super curricular records on the classroom in preparation of drafting UCAS statements in two weeks' time. Students also had the opportunity to attend a presentation from Cambridge about making a successful application.



A huge thank you and well done to our volunteers at the new Ham Library club, where students are playing board games with local pensioners. What a lovely way to spend a Thursday afternoon! (photo above)



Well done to Yasmine Noory and Diyana Ansari for being incredibly proactive and securing a weekly work experience placement at the Dysart School. And finally, another huge well done to Swasti Jain and Dora Cengiz for launching a new Law Society for KS4 students.

LAW

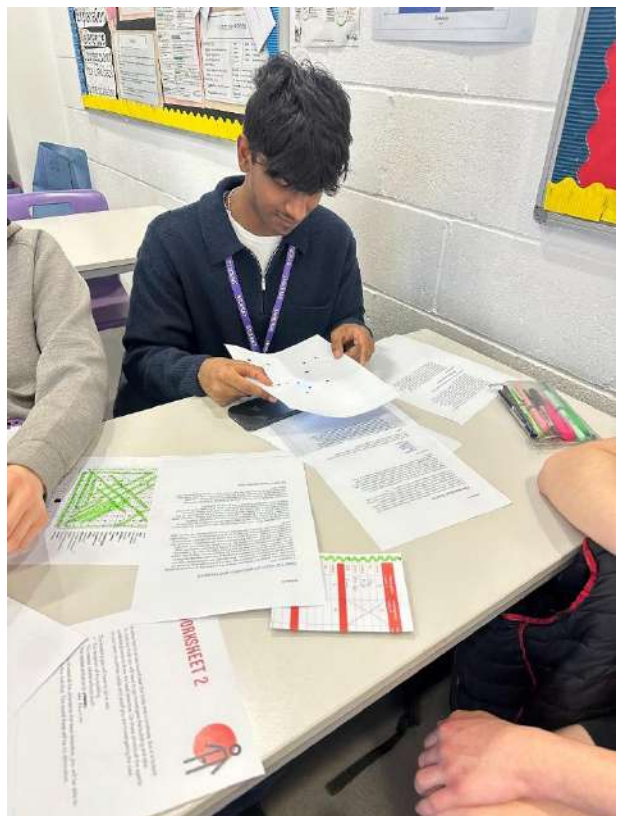
Law Society

During enrichment this week, students in Law Society developed their communication and detective skills by taking part in a murder mystery activity. Students completed a variety of challenging tasks, including word searches, mazes, deciphering a coded text, solving puzzles, and uncovering hidden codes placed around the Sixth Form. The final challenge required them to interview potential suspects in order to solve the case.

Winners: Jodie, Aara and Finn
Runners-up: Izzy, Sophi and Connor

Well done to all members of Law Society, it is truly a pleasure to work with such an enthusiastic, dedicated and engaged group.

- Ms Duncan



Explanation
Reference
Counterpoint
Your Link back
to the question

THEORY

SOCIOLOGY REVISION

1. Social Structure	2. Social Interaction
3. Social Change	4. Social Stratification
5. Social Inequality	6. Social Mobility
7. Social Control	8. Socialization
9. Social Identity	10. Social Capital



RIGHT MINDS
SCISSORS

WORKSHEET 1A



Fill in the missing words in the crossword puzzle. The words are related to the topic of the lesson. Use the clues to help you. The words are: Social Structure, Social Interaction, Social Change, Social Stratification, Social Inequality, Social Mobility, Social Control, Socialization, Social Identity, Social Capital.



YEAR

Activity Day

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Wednesday 4th March

Session 1

9:00 am-10:30 am

12A & 12B: Egg drop Challenge

12C & 12D: Dragons' Den

12E, 12F & 12G: Team Building

Session 2

10:45 am -12:15 pm

12A & 12B: Dragons' Den

12C & 12D: Team Building

12E, 12F & 12G: Egg Drop Challenge

Session 3

13:00 pm -14:30 pm

12A & 12B: Team Building

12C & 12D: Egg drop Challenge

12E, 12F & 12G: Dragons' Den



GREY COURT

SIXTH FORM



Year 13

Year 13 students have made a positive and focussed start to this half term, and it is really encouraging to see the number of students who are arriving at school early, or staying on after the school day in order to study. This is a clear indication of their commitment and ambitions for themselves at this very busy time.

Trial Exams (from 16 March)

Trial exams start on Monday 16 March and run for 2 weeks. This is the link to the [Year 13 Trial exam booklet March 2026](#), which includes the timetable. In the first week exams will take place in the hall and in the second week they will be in lessons. Only BTEC and Art students will have to go to lessons, all other Year 13s will be on study leave.

We know that some students may be feeling very overwhelmed and stressed at this point of the year, so we encourage them to come and speak to one of the sixth form teams if they would like additional support. There is also support available here: www.kooth.com.

UCAS

Update

Eighty-nine students have now heard from all five of their university choices and twenty-five year 13s have made their firm and insurance choices.

Year 13 Star of the Week: Lunar Occultation of Mars by Josh

Taken in Kingston Upon Thames, Surrey, UK, 8 December 2022

Equipment used: Celestron Astromaster 102AZ Refractor telescope, 102 mm Achromatic lens, Manual Alt Azimuth mount, Apple iPhone SE 2nd Generation, 12 mp wide camera, 660 mm f/1.8, IS O 80, 1/15-second exposure.

This was Josh's first ever Astro-photography image, this year Josh has entered an image for the Astronomy Photographer of the Year Competition (photo on the next page). Good luck Josh!





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 May to accept your choices so there is plenty of time for making decisions.

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.

EXTRA
UCAS

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 Duncan, Ms Higham or Ms Tanner 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.

We are now in the final phase of this qualification. Students should have prepared their presentations and arranged a time to deliver these in front of an audience. This leaves just the final reflections and folder organisation to complete, so that final folders can be handed in. Students who have not finalised their folders by the 4th March Activity day should attend school to work on completing their projects.

Update
EPQ

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Careers

with Miss Corrighan

Work Experience

oBulletin

All sixth formers should be checking the **Weekly opportunities bulletin** in year 12 and 13 notices - this your personalised information sheet about: work experience, careers talks, university tasters/summer schools, apprenticeships. Especially for year 12s - we advertise all the relevant opportunities so it's important students do this as part of their weekly routine. Please see this week's bulletin: [GC Careers opportunities bulletin 27/02/2026](#)

Work experience and University Summer Schools

Students have been spoken to in tutor time and PDW about their upcoming work experience 29 June-3 July.

Students can also access university summer schools during that week.

Once the student has spoken to an employer and agreed a placement, this needs to be added to the Unifrog placements tool as this is where all the information is kept and shared between the student, employer, parent/carer and the school. A short video to show this step by step: <https://cdn.unifrog.org/video/n193u79dee/720.mp4>

The deadline for this to be completed by student, employer, parent and school on the Unifrog system is: 20 March 2026. Contact Miss Corrighan if you have any questions bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk

Can you help with providing a work experience placement?

We rely on a range of sources for work experience and one of those is from our Grey Court community. If you think you or your company might be able to offer work experience during the week of 29 June-3 July, please let us know, it doesn't have to be for 5 days necessarily - even 3 days is a great insight into an industry. Please contact Bernie Corrighan bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk – careers lead.



STARS

Careers Stars of the Week

We offered the opportunity for students to attend the University Fair at the German School on Tuesday evening. Well done to all the students who attended from year 12 but a special shout out goes to **Sophia** and **Aika** who really made the most of the event talking to UK and International Universities.





SPORTS

News

PLAY. MOVE. COMPETE.

Congratulations to Finlay, who represented the South East England basketball team at the Aspire Inter-Region Tournament over the weekend. His team finished third overall.



Congrats!



Tuesday 23 February: Huge 4-2 win for our u13 football team in the league. 2 goals apiece for Troy and Mazhar

Congrats!



Grey Court had a great weekend at the LAC for the Middlesex Counties during the half-term break.

Ida was county champion in the 400m free and won silver in the 200m free and bronze in the 100m free. Seb won silver in the 200m back. Charlie won bronze in the 800m and 400m free. Millie won bronze in the 1500m free

Congratulations, everyone!

Congrats!



Friday 13 February: superb team performance by our indoor rowing team who won the team event at the Borough Championships

Congrats!



Friday 13 February: congratulations to Jack H and Tate L who were crowned individual Indoor Borough rowing champions.

Player of the Month

March 2026

Ida



Well done to Ida Heggarty-Sparks, who is our player of the month. Ida has competed for Grey Court in the annual Richmond Borough Swimming Gala. Ida took part in Fly and Freestyle races, as well as the Girls Open 100m IM which she won! Ida was also a key member of the relay teams.

Outside of school, Ida competes for Teddington Swimming Club. Ida has achieved the following so far this season:

Middlesex County Championships at London Aquatics Centre

- County Champion (Gold) in 400 free
- 200m free - silver
- 100m free - bronze

Wales Winter Nationals, Swansea National Pool

- Ida swam in the age group above but still managed to win -
- 400m free - silver
 - 200 free - silver
 - 800 free - bronze

Also, Ida was selected for **Swim England's National Age Group Development Programme (NAGDP) 2025-26**; she regularly participates in swimming development days and online training about swimming and nutrition as part of the National Age Group programme.

Ida continues to show determination, dedication and enthusiasm towards her sport. We are also looking forward to seeing her in the athletics season. Well done Ida!!

Scholar of the Month

March 2026

LYLA



Lyla has proudly represented Grey Court in indoor rowing and netball, demonstrating outstanding commitment and versatility across multiple sports. Her determination and resilience are clear every time she competes, always pushing herself to achieve her very best while encouraging those around her to do the same.

In indoor rowing, Lyla showed tremendous focus and stamina, giving her all in this new sport for her. On the netball court, she combines skill, composure, and excellent decision-making, making a significant impact for her team.

Beyond her sporting ability, Lyla is a natural leader. She leads by example through her positive attitude, strong work ethic, and unwavering commitment to her team. She motivates others with her encouragement, sportsmanship, and dedication, truly embodying the values of our Sports Scholarship programme. A fantastic role model and an integral member of our sporting community, Lyla should be incredibly proud of her achievements.

Well done, Lyla!

Scholar of the Month

March 2026

Finlay



Huge congratulations to Finlay Webb, our scholar of the month, after an outstanding period of sporting achievement.

Finlay recently finished an impressive 5th at the Middlesex Cross Country Championships, showing excellent endurance and determination in a highly competitive field. He also enjoyed great success at the Borough Swimming Gala, winning gold in backstroke, silver in butterfly, and playing a key role in the gold medal-winning freestyle relay team.

Alongside his competition success, Finlay is a keen and regular attendee at Triathlon Club, consistently demonstrating commitment, resilience and a strong work ethic across all three disciplines.

A brilliant example of dedication and all-round sporting excellence, well done, Finlay!

Team of the Month

U14+U16 Girls Rugby Team



RUGBY

Congratulations to the U14 and U16 girls rugby teams for their fantastic start to the season.

They were recently faced with a brutal match against the Elite Rugby Academy; a star studded group of players who train together regularly with many competing at county level. But Grey Court didn't let that faze them! We held our own and did not back down.

We had some moments of brilliance on the day. Molly Roscoe scored a pitch length try against all odds, swerving, dodging, and sprinting her way to score. Laila Talbot-Smith was sublime; making tackles left right and centre, her dedication clear for all to see as she was caked from head to toe in mud! Finally, Mabel Ireland showcased her exceptional leadership by playing smart rugby and we even saw her goosey despite the mud.

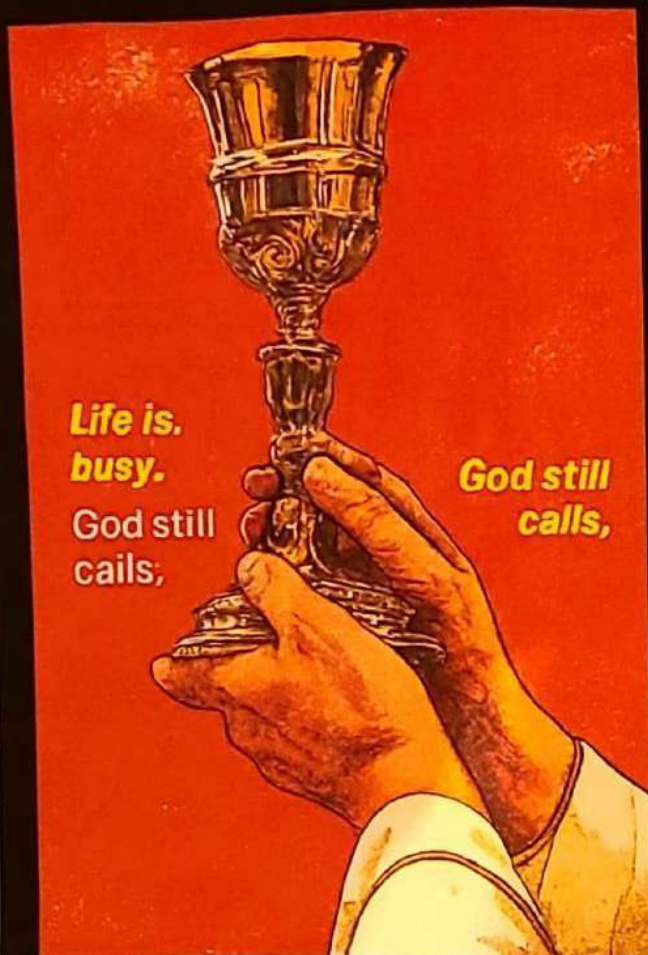
All attention is now set on Rosslyn Park 7s - our golden ticket to the national stage of rugby 7s where we plan to put training into practice and put in a winning performance for Grey Court School.

What's happening...



HOLY MASS & BREAKFAST

A Lenten initiative on Thursdays at
St Thomas Aquinas Church, Ham



*Life is,
busy.*

God still
calls;

*God still
calls,*



WHY COME?

Because Lent Isn't About
Giving Up – It's About Rising Up

- ↔ Re-Engineer your inner life – Repent
- ↻ Re-Align with a community that lifts you – Renew
- 💧 Re-Gain the spark God placed in you – Rise

📍 WHERE

St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
Ham, TW10 7HT

🕒 WHEN

Every Thursday in Lent
07:30 am – Holy Mass
08:00 am – Free Breakfast
& Community Hangout
Dates: 19 Feb • 26 Feb •
05 Mar • 12 Mar • 19 Mar
26 Mar

Rev. Arulraj Antony
St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
2A Ham Street, Ham
TW10 7HT London

The Mayor's Silent Disco

Orleans Park School, Richmond Road, Twickenham TW1 3BA

Saturday 28 February 2026

Welcoming and Relaxed Afternoon Session – 4:30pm to 6:00pm

Designed for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

Tickets £10 – accompanying adults attend for free.

Evening Session – 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Open to everyone – come and dance the night away!

Tickets £20 – 25% discount for groups of four or more.

A chill-out zone/quiet room will be available.

Free headset when booking in advance.

Booking

Tickets can be purchased

via: www.richmond.gov.uk/mayors_charities

Box Office: 020 8891 7123

All proceeds go to the Mayor's charities:

Crossroads Care – Supporting Carers

Small Steps – Helping Children with Disabilities



Quiz Night

**Fundraising Quiz Night,
for the 2027 Abiball**

**£15 per person (£7.50 for students)
which includes a homemade all-you-can-eat buffet**

6pm

6 March 2026

DSL Forum



Benefits Workshop

Are you financially impacted by your child or young person's Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND)?

Did you know that some children and young people are eligible for financial help because of their SEND? Join us for a workshop with a benefits advisor who specialises in helping families with SEND access the support they are entitled to.

When: 10am or 12pm, Tuesday 10th March 2026

Where: Online via Zoom

Workshop One - 10am-11.30am

Disability Living Allowance (DLA)
Carer's Allowance
Universal Credit Disabled Child Element

Workshop Two – 12pm-1.30pm

Personal Independence Payments (PIP)
Moving from DLA to PIP
Universal Credit for 16/17 year olds

Book Your Place [here](#) or scan the QR code

Have your say on support services to help families access benefits advice [HERE](#)



Who we are, what we do

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Giving families with SEND a voice

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RICHMOND PARENT CARER FORUM

Coffee Morning



Are you thinking about the transition to Secondary School for a child with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND)?

Please join us at The Patch in Twickenham where we'll have a focus on the move to Secondary school. If you've just been offered a secondary school place for your child, are considering which school to name as your preference or are thinking ahead to your child's next steps this event may be useful for you. If your child has completed the move to secondary and you need support or would like to share your experiences you might also wish to attend.

When: 10am-11.30am, Thursday 12th March 2026

Where: The Patch, 42 York Street, Twickenham TW1 3LJ

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We'll be joined by our friends from Ruils. Members of their SEND Advisory team will be on hand to share general information and answer individual queries

**Book your
place [HERE](#)**



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For more info. contact:

ben.skelton@achievingforchildren.org.uk



**Achieving for Children
and
Daisy Roots Movement
Presents**



FREE Dance Classes

*As part of our weekly Monday youth club for young women, Ham Youth Centre are teaming up with dance collective Daisy Roots Movement to offer free dance classes every Monday in a variation of Dance styles including elements of Hip Hop, House and Shuffle
All abilities welcome!!*

***Every Monday
(only during school term)
4:30pm-5:30pm
Ham Youth Centre,
Ham Close, TW10 7PL***

***Contact Ben Skelton for more information:
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