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IKER DECIMAVILLA GARRIDO
(Y12) art work (featured above)

Dear Grey Court Community

Welcome back! We are delighted to have the students back at school.

Comic Relief We will be holding a muffin day on Friday, 19 March, in aid of Comic Relief. All students are asked to bring a £1 donation. In addition, an inter-house mixed football-rounders tournament will be held, and a house 'one-liner' Comic Relief challenge will also be taking place. For further details, please see pages 3 and 5.

Y10 Parents' Evening will be taking

place on **Thursday, 25 March**. This will be a virtual event, and the KS4 team will have sent information about the booking details to parents.

Misinformation: The Musical Casting Call

Audition workshops will be taking place the week of the 22 March. Click [here](#) to view the promotional video and see the casting dates on page 20.

Lastly, should you have any concerns about your child please contact my PA who will make arrangements for you to have a Google meet or telephone conversation with me.

Kind regards
Chris Rhodes, Headteacher

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“Going above and beyond for every child, every day.” Chris Rhodes, Headteacher



KS3

#Y7

We are delighted to welcome back Y7 this week into school. Whilst we have had approximately 20 students coming in through the lockdown, it was great to see everyone return, hopefully wiser and certainly taller than when they were last in!

I have been very impressed with the maturity, initiative and motivation shown by our Y7 students during the period of remote learning. The students have shown a fantastic resolve and commitment to their studies. Whether it be their subject work, national careers' week posters or their activity day challenges, they really seem to have made the most of the opportunities we have given them.

Understandably some students have also found it difficult working at home. At school, we place student well-being at the centre of our practices. Students have been sent an online well-being survey to complete. We ask students to complete the survey openly and honestly. We will analyse these surveys to identify students who may need some additional support. I, Ms Shore, tutors, and the Y7 team will always be available - so please encourage students to come and speak to us if they have any concerns. You are also always welcome to contact me or tutors directly with any questions or issues.

At Grey Court, we are lucky to have such a superb sports offering. The extracurricular sporting timetable has been sent to students via their form Google classrooms and I encourage students to take advantage of what is on offer. We know the huge benefits sports and exercise have on the well-being and development of our students so it has never been more important, and you will struggle to find such a wide and high quality sports offering in any state school in the country.

Mr Day



Walbrook Teddington
ROWING CLUB

Junior Learn to Row - Easter

I did a 'learn to row' course at Walbrook in 2015 and ever since rowing has become a great way for me to socialise and engage in sport, as it is seemingly the only sport I am semi-good at! Before I did 'the learn to row' course I thought rowing as a sport was reserved for the upper class. Walbrook makes rowing accessible to everyone and it's a very lovely atmosphere and group of people to be a part of, even for just a week! Even if you don't end up pursuing rowing further, it is still an amazing and completely new sport which you might enjoy!

Alice Warrington, Sixth Form

Walbrook Teddington are offering two junior learn to row courses during the Easter holidays at the following times:

Course 1:

Date: 5 to 9 April

Time: 14:00 to 16:00

Course 2:

Date: 12 to 16 April

Time: 14:00 to 16:00

They expect to be able to accommodate 16 children on each course with three coaches to cover 4 boats.

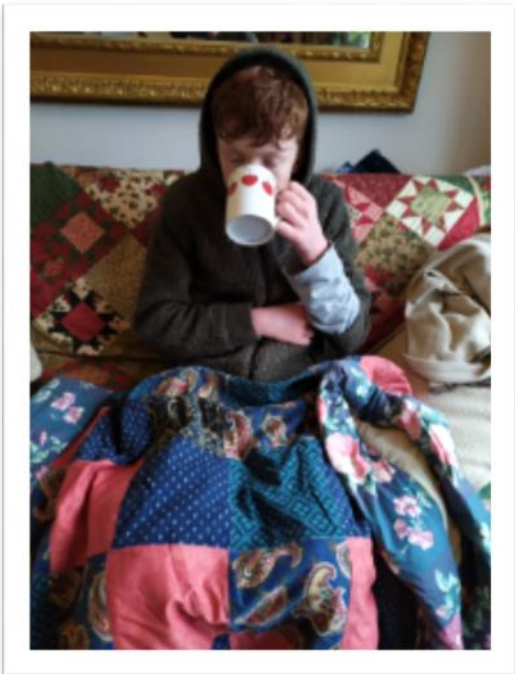
These courses are aimed at juniors who are new to rowing, aged 12 on 1 September 2020 (Y8) and confident swimmers. Parents will be required to confirm that their children can swim 50 metres in light clothing. The coaching will be provided by the clubs existing coaches who are all CRB checked and British Rowing Qualified. They will be assisted by the clubs existing junior rowers who will act as coxes to help the new rowers.

Click [here](#) to find out more

A belated coronation is bestowed upon Y7 student **George Archer** for his outstanding performance in the Tanzania Challenge. A technical hitch meant that George's distance of 69.91KM (recorded via his Strava app) failed to reach the Roman cycle team's media centre in time for last week's eBulletin publication. George covered the distance with his father - Jeremy, a former national track cyclist, around Richmond Park in the pouring rain last Wednesday. I have managed to obtain an Instagram shot of George recovering at home after his ordeal!

This also clears up the mystery of the Y7 who kept lapping me during my own circumnavigation of Richmond Park last Wednesday. On reporting this feat to Mr Wilmore, he puffed out his cheeks and referenced Eddie Merckx and the Paris Roubaix of his youth.

George Archer is in 7W and is also a proud Roman. His achievement makes no difference to the final standings as the legions were so far ahead anyway, so kudos to George and kudos to the patchwork quilt he is wrapped in.



Y7, Y8 and Y9 Inter-house football-rounders tournament

19 March 2021

Following on from the successful Tanzania challenge - we will host a mixed football-rounders tournament next Friday. The sports house captains from each year group will be charged with selecting 5 boys and 5 girls from their year bubble to compete in this prestigious invitational tournament.

In a pathetic attempt to help non-Roman houses bridge the chasm that is opening up on the leader board, 100 house points will be made available to the winners of each year group.

The event will comprise two-semi-finals, a final and third place play-off.

Mr Clements and Mr Ridley (both ex-"beach" football-rounders internationals) will no doubt make the rules up as we go along.

Representatives from each year group will muster underneath the rugby posts in PE kit at the following times:

Y7 period 3

Y8 period 5

Y9 period 6

Sports house captains from each year group are required to present a team of 10 participants and 2 reserves typed, double-spaced in Tlme New Roman font by Wednesday lunch-time.

...all that remains to be said is, to the Roman victors, the spoils!

Mr Clements

Maths Surgery on Tuesdays

Y8 in M4 from 2:45 - 3:15

Y9 in M2 from 2:45 - 3:15

Extracurricular Club Timetable

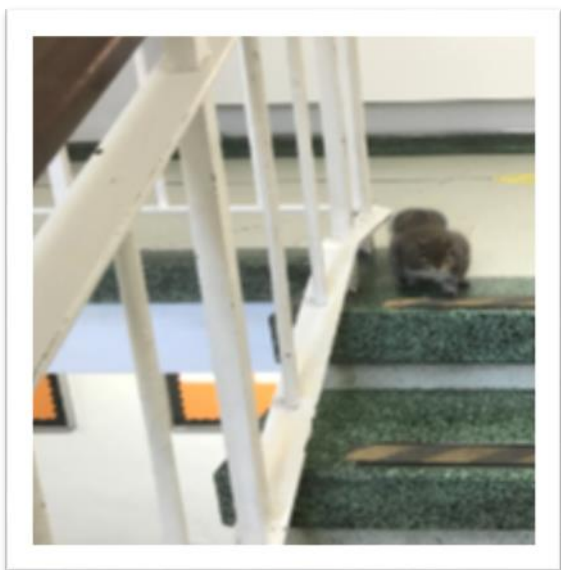
Click [here](#) to download the extracurricular club timetable.

This timetable is for the remainder of this term. A new timetable will be issued after the Easter holidays.

Squirrelled Away

After the success of Mr Bashford's last viral video - 1000 views and counting - Tufty entered the school premises once again - presumably to volunteer for his excellent COVID testing regimen - or maybe he was confused by the one-way system?

...and many thanks to KS4 students **Ella, Honey, Jade, Selina** and **Kelsey** for their attempts at evicting Tufty from the main school stairwell last Friday, after his raid on Ms Price's office. A combination of shouting, screaming, laughter, hysterics/hysteria seemed to do the trick!



#Y10
#Y11

Welcome back! It has been fantastic to see the school full of students, I think we were all very ready to move away from our laptops and get back into the classroom. We have been really impressed with the attitude and motivation of the students in KS4 towards their learning, hopefully they are feeling the benefits of being in school. There are some fantastic lockdown haircuts on display, the best I have seen so far is Finn Phillips in Y10 who is sporting the early stages of a mullet that Chris Waddle would be proud of!

It is important to note, that we are aware, however, that not every student is finding the transition back into school an easy experience, we are on hand to support any students that require us help.

Please could you use this weekend to make sure that uniforms are ready, we have had a number of students arrive without correct uniform and we would like this addressed ASAP. A note on mobile phones, we know that during lockdown mobile phone use became everyday in online lessons, however, a reminder that phones should not be seen or heard in school. If a phone is seen out, it will be confiscated and students have to wait 30 minutes after the end of the school day before they can collect it.

Y10 Parents' Evening

Please note that Y10 Parents' evening is on **Thursday, 25 March**, this will be an online event. You should have received a letter explaining all the details of the event, please do make sure that you follow the instructions. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the KS4 team.

Mr Gordon Walker

HOUSE COMIC RELIEF DAY “ONE-LINER” CHALLENGE

FRIDAY, 19 MARCH

THERE WILL BE A NON-UNIFORM DAY on Friday in aid of comic relief. All students are asked to bring a voluntary donation of £1 which will be collected by their form tutor. Monies will be donated to the “Comic Relief” fund which supports a wide range of philanthropic initiatives.

In addition, students from all Years are invited to submit a gag containing a pun or one liner onto their house classroom by 18.00 (Bashford time) on Friday, 19 March. The pun/one liner should either be recorded by the student on video OR submitted as a picture with the student holding a white piece of paper with the joke clearly written or typed on it.

For example, here’s a gag from Mr Bashford:

“I’ve bought tickets to see Sunderland play in the Pappa John’s trophy final on Saturday. I’m desperate for a pizza the action.”

A black cat clearly walked in front of the Bashmeister when he was making that joke up this morning!

So here’s some examples from the professionals:

“I saw a documentary on how ships are kept together. Riveting!” Stewart Francis

“I waited an hour for my starter so I complained: ‘It’s not rocket salad.’” Lou Sanders

“Crime in multi-storey car parks. That is wrong on so many different levels.” Tim Vine

“I picked up a hitchhiker. You’ve got to when you hit them.” Emo Philips

“As a kid I was made to walk the plank. We couldn’t afford a dog.” Gary Delaney

“I’m sure wherever my dad is; he’s looking down on us. He’s not dead, just very condescending.” Jack Whitehall

“Trump’s nothing like Hitler. There’s no way he could write a book” Frankie Boyle

“I’m looking for the girl next door type. I’m just gonna keep moving house till I find her” Lew Fitz

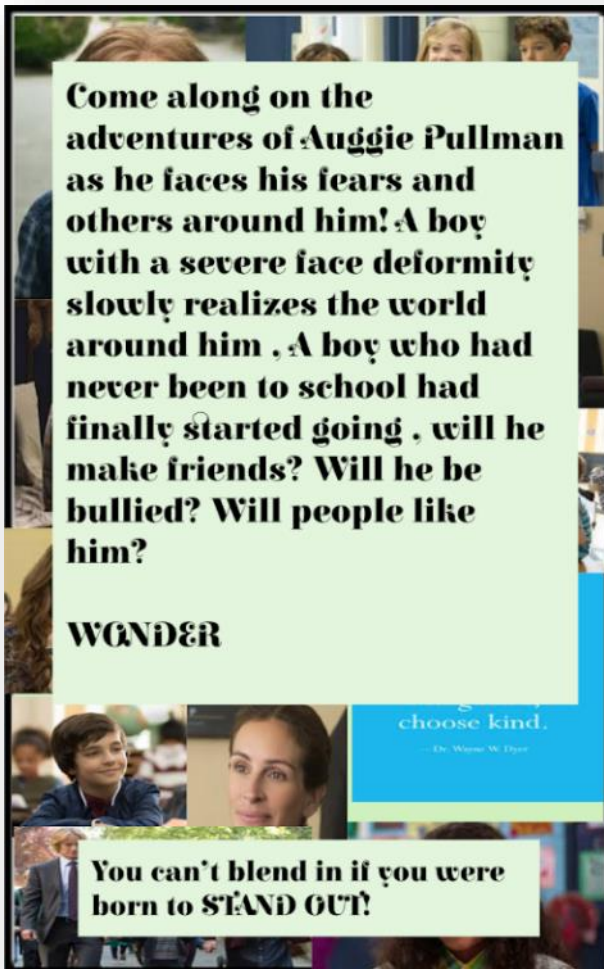
Source: <https://inews.co.uk/light-relief/jokes/edinburgh-fringe-one-liners-best-jokes-170356>



Activities' Day

#Y7

English Book Cover Design



Come along on the adventures of Auggie Pullman as he faces his fears and others around him! A boy with a severe face deformity slowly realizes the world around him. A boy who had never been to school had finally started going. Will he make friends? Will he be bullied? Will people like him?

WONDER

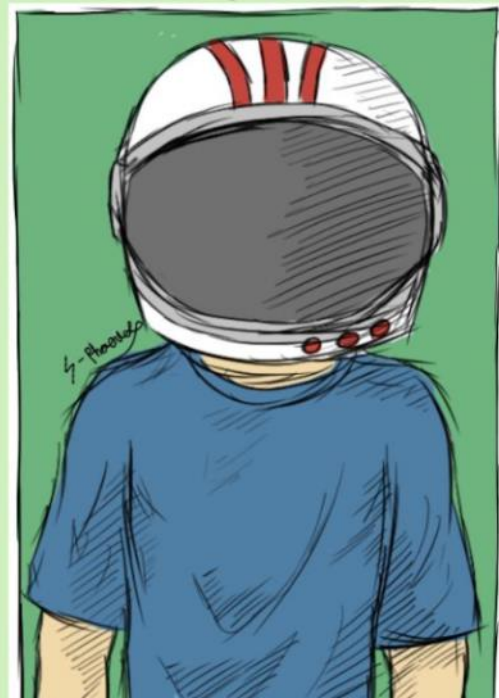
choose kind.
Dr. Wayne W. Dyer

You can't blend in if you were born to STAND OUT!

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WONDER

R.J. Palacio



Message from the PA

If you need another face mask or two ... head to <https://oliveandcici.co.uk/product-category/face-masks/>

Use code **GREYCOURT21** and £3 from each face mask ordered will be donated to the school PA



THE INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLER

"I wish every day could be Halloween. We could all wear masks all the time. Then we could walk around and get to know each other before we go to see what we looked like under the masks."

'Wonder is a really awesome book'
Guardian.

'Best novel I've read'
Sunday Express

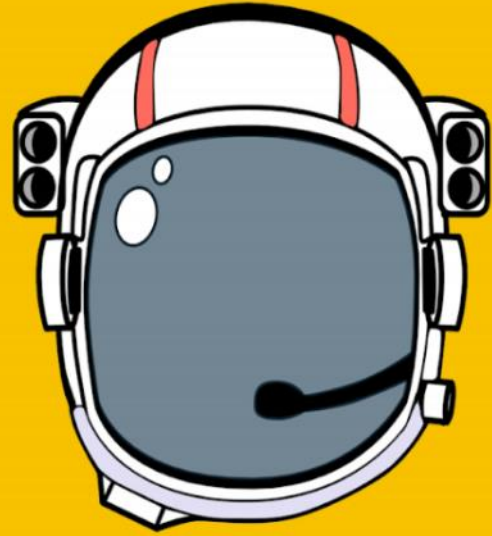
'Touches yor heart'
Observer



Illustration by Tad Carpenter

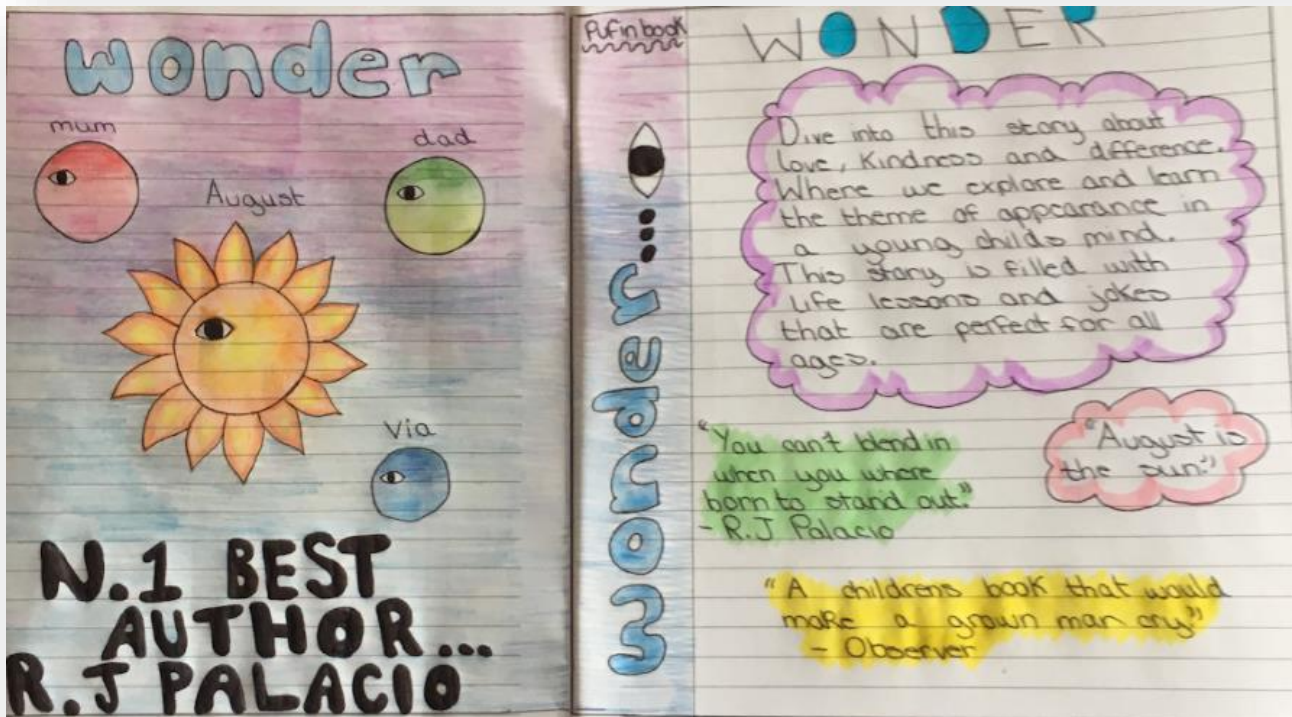
WONDER R.J PALACIO

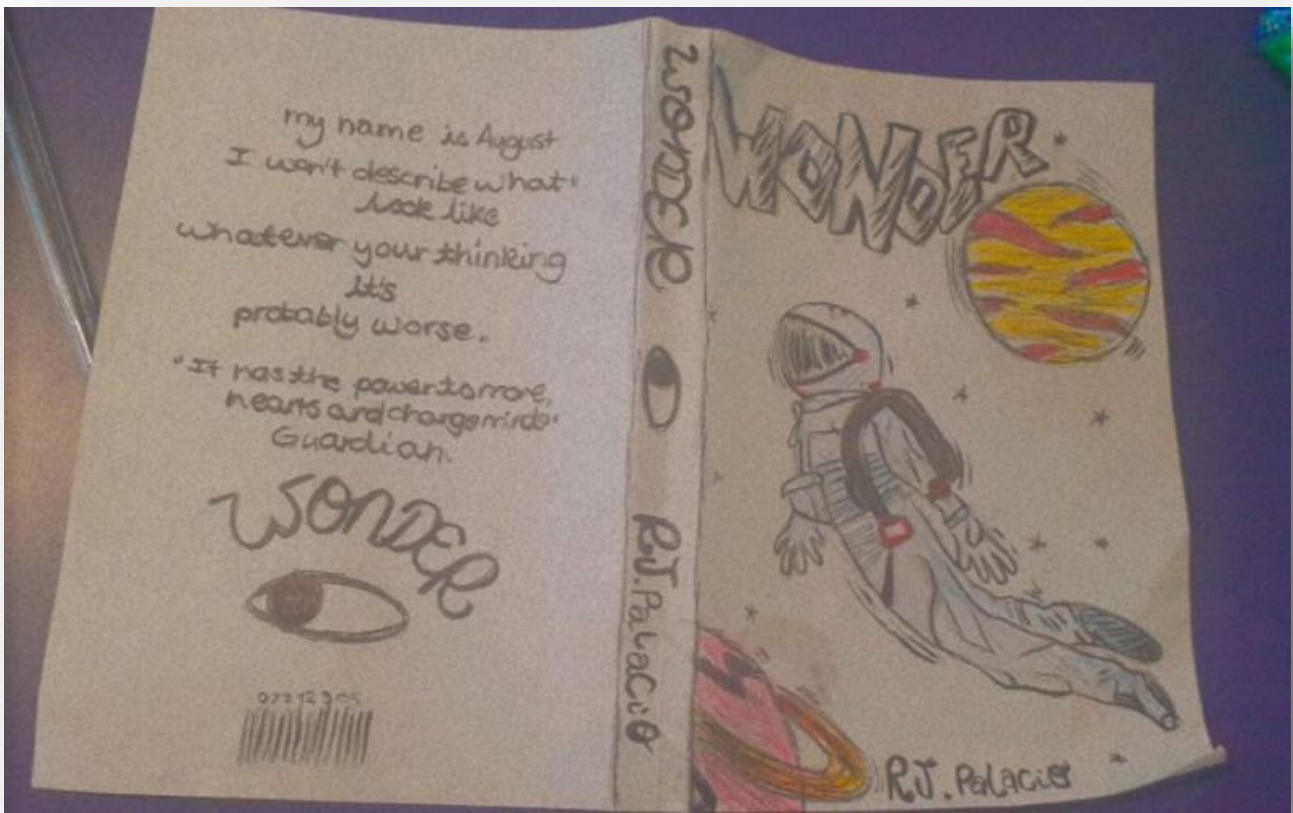
WONDER



"Your Physical Appearance
Doesn't Define You!"

R.J PALACIO





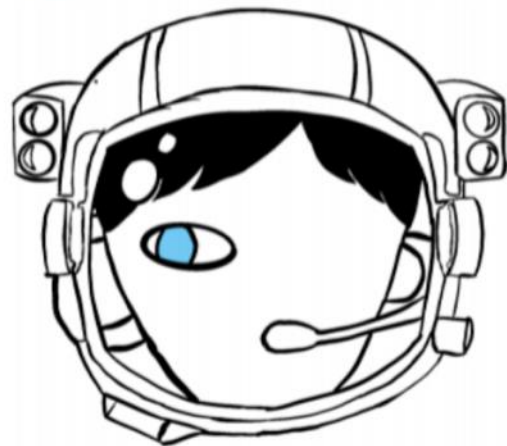
RJ Palacio's debut novel, *Wonder*, has been on the *New York Times* bestseller list since March, 2012, and has sold over 5 million copies worldwide. The book's message of kindness has inspired the Choose Kind movement, and has been embraced by readers, young and old, around the world.

Read the amazing, heartwarming story of August Pullman; a boy that cannot seem to fit in no matter how hard he tries

Amazing
- **The Times**

There is nothing to hate about this amazing novel!
-**The Guardian**

Wonder



By R.J. Palacio

*READ WONDER FOR
A HEARTWARMING
TALE*

Wonder is a story about
a young boy named
August who was born
with a facial deformity
who tries to fit in at his
new school... can he do
it?

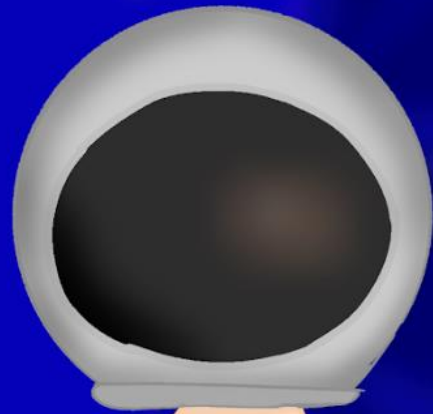
Remarkable... has the power to move hearts and
change minds - Gaurdian

Incredibly charming, brutal and brilliant

Back

You can't blend in when you were born to stand out.

Front
Wonder



R.J PALACIO



I do believe
something very
magical can happen
when you read
a good book.

—
J.K. Rowling



I know I'm not an ordinary kid.
 I mean, sure I do ordinary things.
 Eat ice cream. I play ball.
 But I know ordinary kids don't make other ordinary kids run away screaming.

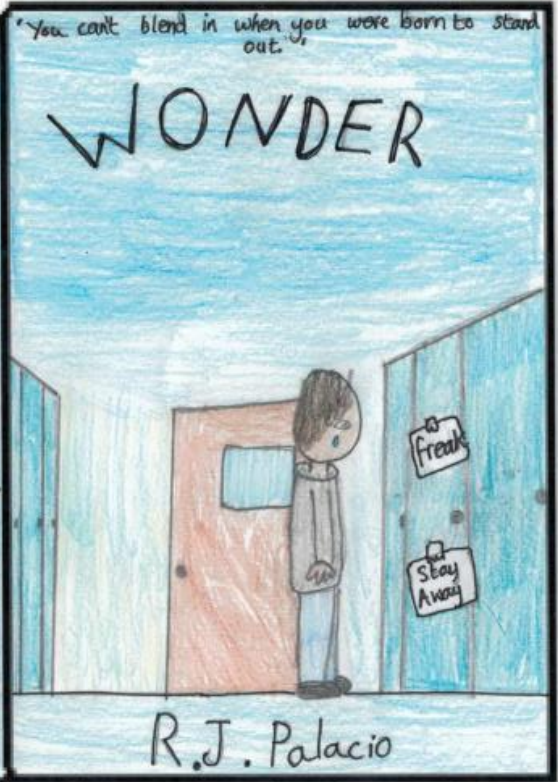
"Friendship at its best" *The Standard*

"It wreaks emotional havoc" *Independent*

£6.100

Illustrated by J. Sarisbury

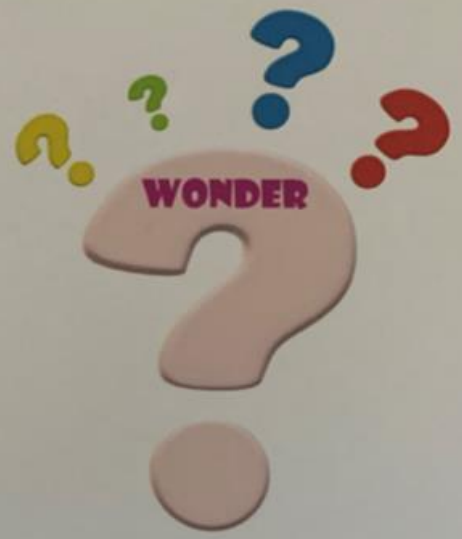
Wonder ♥ R.J. Palacio



Wonder has been on the New York Times bestseller list since March 2012. It is a sympathetically told story about a child August, with physical differences trying to fit into everyday life at school, home and I wonder if he will???



WONDER???



R.J. PALACIO

The world faces challenges none to big to overcome

Breathtaking, reminds you who you are - New York Times

This draws you in, you can't put the book down - The Guardian

Wonder R J Palacio

The world can be anything as long as you wonder

Don't judge a ~~book~~ by its ~~cover~~ Boy His face

"Has the power to move hearts and change minds" Guardian
"It weaks the emotional havoc" Independent
"Incredibly charming, brutal and brilliant" Observer
"Tremendously uplifting and a novel of all-too-rare power" Sunday Express

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WONDER

*My Name is August.
I won't describe what I look like.
Whatever you're thinking,
It's probably worse.*

*"It reeks emotional havoc"
The Times*

*"Has the power to move hearts and change minds"
Guardian*



Wonder By R. J. Palacio

*"You can't blend in when you were born
to stand out"*

Wonder

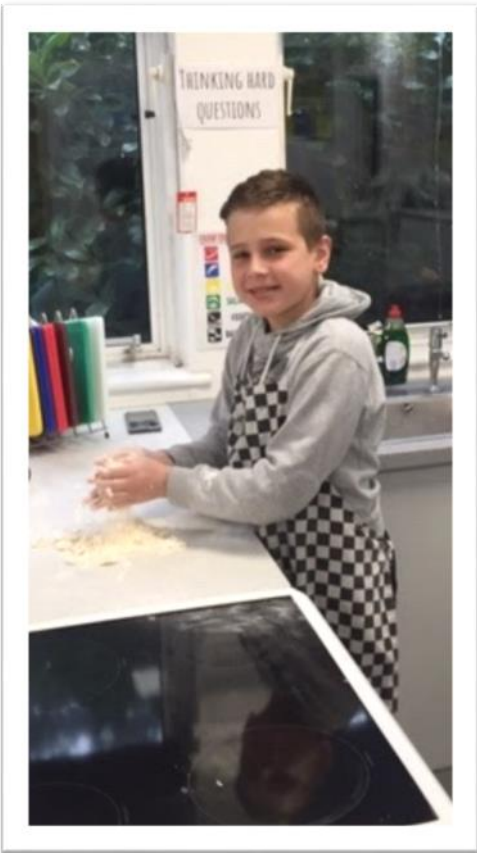


By R. J. Palacio

#Y8 Pasta Making



Life is about exploring pasta-bilities





**LIFE IS A
COMBINATION OF
MAGIC AND PASTA**

#Y10

Health and Social Care
by Marwa/ Chloe/ Tilly



As a result of the Coronavirus Pandemic: 730,000 jobs were lost since lockdown began. We understand that some of you have lost your jobs or have been made redundant as a result of the pandemic so we'd like to provide you with some other options...



- Volunteer work to help covid tests
- Helping around the hospital: Porter or cleaner.
 - Volunteer work at other places
- [Volunteering Project Jobs | Jobrapido.com](https://www.jobrapido.com/volunteering-project-jobs)



The Film/Entertainment Industry:

The restrictions the pandemic have put in place has impacted this industry severely and as a result it's been made evidently clear that a lot of you have suffered and maybe financially struggled.

However your capability to attention to detail and applying instructions effectively and efficiently lead us to believe there is an alternative job in the NHS for you...

Self Employed workers:

Similarly to the Entertainment industry self employed workers have had it hard during the pandemic, the decrease in customers as a result of the lockdown has had harsh consequences on your business

However you are very goal oriented and imaginative and these aspects give you in alternative job in the NHS...

Nurseries

Just like the previous jobs and industries as well as many more Nurseries have had to be shut down as a result of the Pandemic.

Meaning you kind compassionate teachers have had to leave your jobs or socially distance from the children you work with making it extremely difficult.

But the qualities you have could also be applied in the NHS...

The Film/Entertainment Industry:

Qualities you have that would be of use to the NHS include:

- Your attention to detail and ability to apply and relay specific instructions in your work environment
- These aspects would be of great benefit to the NHS
- Jobs suggestions include:
- Surgeons and
- Volunteer work to help out with COVID tests at local stations and help people coming in to take their tests



Self Employed workers:

Qualities you have that would be of use to the NHS include:

- Your determined, driven, goal orientated mindset
- These aspects would be of great benefit to the NHS because of:
- Your creative and imaginative strengths



Nurseries



So, we'd like you to know that there is hope and that there are other options for you, all you need to do if reach out and we can help you and in return you'd be helping the Nation. Working as part of the National Health Care Service isn't as easy as it looks Not all heroes wear capes but as we've seen these past two years a little help goes a long way and a little help is all we need.



Health and Social Care Task Sheet
(click [here](#)) by Marwa

Statistics Enterprise Challenge

Stallion Energy

(click [here](#)) by
Alex, Callum & Akam

Joe's Pizza

(click [here](#))

Splash Zone

(click [here](#)) by
Abbas, Nicolas, Isaac &
Frederik

The Donut Ring

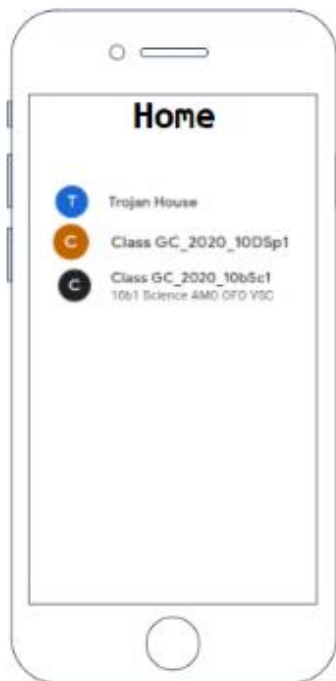
(click [here](#))

Smoothie and Hot Drinks Café

(click [here](#))



#Y10B Computer Science Building an App



Group 1:

Archie, Mikel, Ollie, Amaan & Reece

Group 2:

Bea, Flora, Flo, Katie & Tallulah

Group 3:

Mohammed, Matthew, Ben, Adam B & Shebby

Group 4:

Areeb, Andriy, Peri, Brandon & Adam N

Click [here](#)



THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD



Year 9 & 10 Bronze Award Evidence
Deadline: Friday 19/03/21

**Maia Savvari
Year 9**

Fundraising for WaterAid

[justgiving.com/crowdfunding/maia-savvari?utm_term=2ZAMEKQy8](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/maia-savvari?utm_term=2ZAMEKQy8)

Year 11 Bronze Award
Training: Saturday 20/03/21
Expedition: Thursday 01-Friday 02/04/21



Year 12 Silver Award
Training: Saturday 20/03/21
Expedition: Thursday 01-Saturday 03/04/21



Madi Warren Year 9

Fundraising for SmallSteps charity:

[justgiving.com/fundraising/madiw-50k](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/madiw-50k)



A **BIG** thank you to **Uma Senanayake** and **Lily Huddart** in year 9 who have have been using their DofE Volunteering to clean up Ham Woods. Many more students have been giving their time to help in our local community talking to our elderly and helping at food banks!

Misinformation: The Musical

Casting call

AUDITION WORKSHOPS ARE 3.00PM - 4.00 PM

<u>YEAR 10</u>	DRAMA STUDIO	TUES 23RD MARCH
<u>YEAR 7</u>	DRAMA STUDIO	Mon, 29th
<u>YEAR 9</u>	6TH FORM DRAMA ST	WEDS 24TH
<u>YEAR 8</u>	DRAMA STUDIO	THURS 25TH



COME FOR SOME FUN.

MISINFORMATION: THE MUSICAL

PROMOTIONAL VIDEO

Click [here](#)

"You might win £100 if you are the lucky 100th person to watch this?"

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We need a **scaffolding company** to volunteer to build a set for the school production next term. We will need you to erect and dismantle (full H&S checks etc) and it will be on site for three weeks.

Contact: rpage@greycourt.org.uk

THE SONG ACADEMY YOUNG SONG- WRITER 2021 COMPETITION

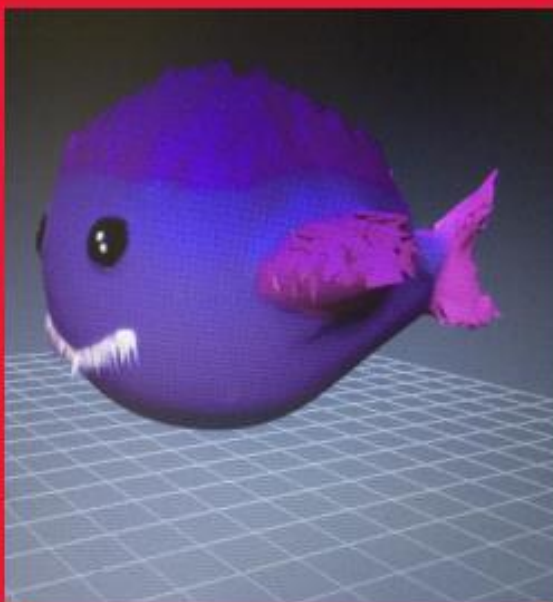
Don't miss the opportunity of celebrating your creativity! There are **only 3 weeks left to enter The Song Academy Young Songwriter 2021 competition.**

If you aged 8-18 and love writing songs, please enter the competition and be part of an inspiring community of young songwriters around the world. Now more than ever it's important for young people to express themselves and be heard.

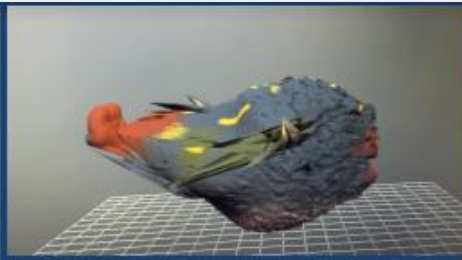
Click [here](#) for more information.

CALLING ALL SONGWRITERS

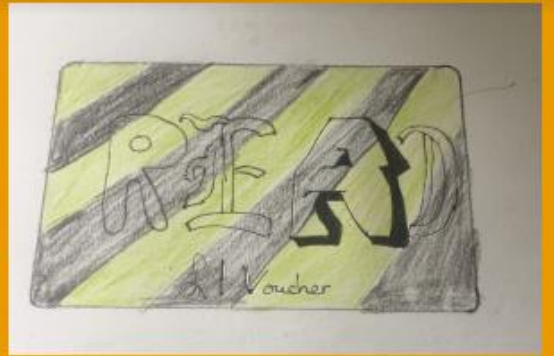
Holly - Iker- Kane
Kitty - Mariia-
Matteo



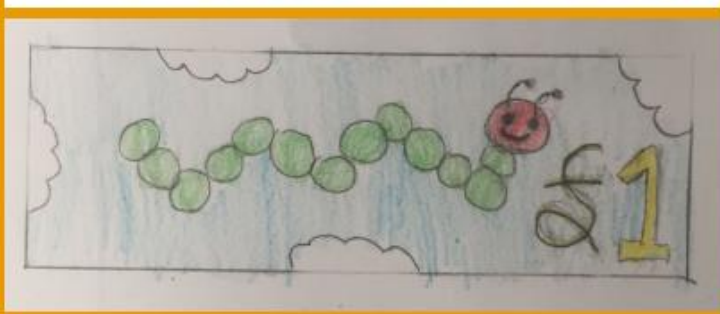
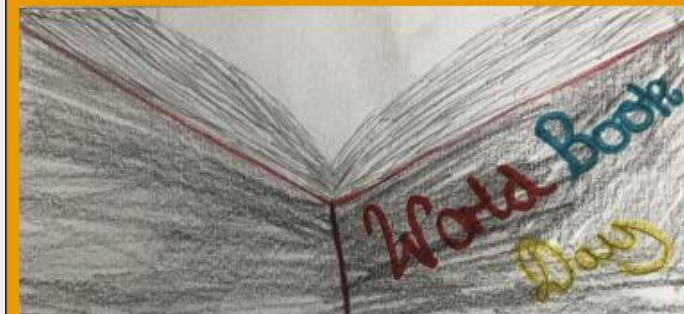
The week in Art



Myla ~ Ned ~ Nour
Nur-Khan ~ Oliver
Sophie ~ Tyler

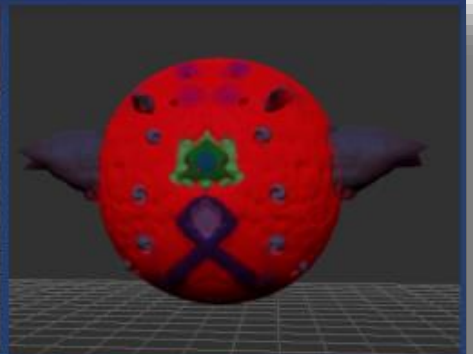


Aishani
Ali
Marcus
Noah
Zinnia





Harry
Francis
Ella
Bade
Ed
Harriet



#Y11
BTEC

Music Technology EPs and feedback forms

As part of the final work prepared on the Level 2 Music Technology course, students have worked together to create their own EPs, singles and marketing materials. They have created some outstanding pieces of work and have worked extremely hard to reach such professional standards. The pupils would very much like you to hear them and gain your feedback. The links to their work and feedback forms can be found below. I hope you enjoy adding their new music to your listening rotation.

Please remember to share, like and subscribe!

Mr Allchurch

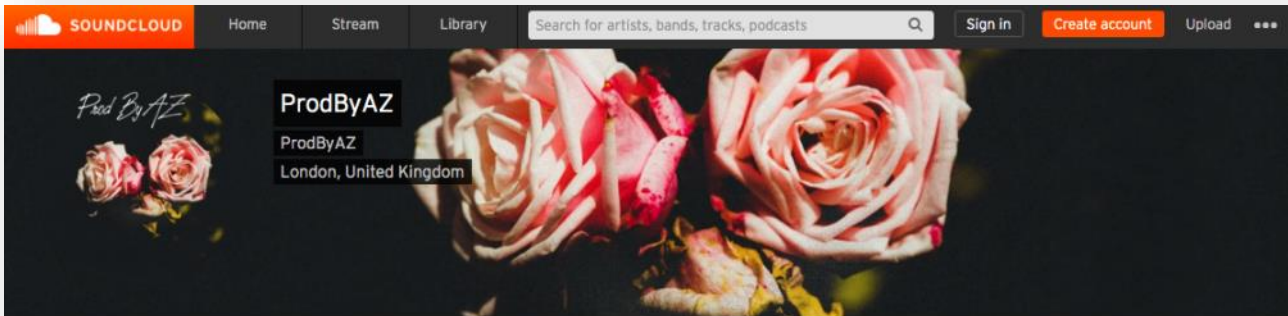


- S.N.B -
Scott Hamilton, Nadir Hamdi,
Billy James

Website: <https://bjames160.wixsite.com/-snb->
SoundCloud page: https://soundcloud.com/snb_musicproduction
Feedback form: <http://bit.ly/3rrJZof>

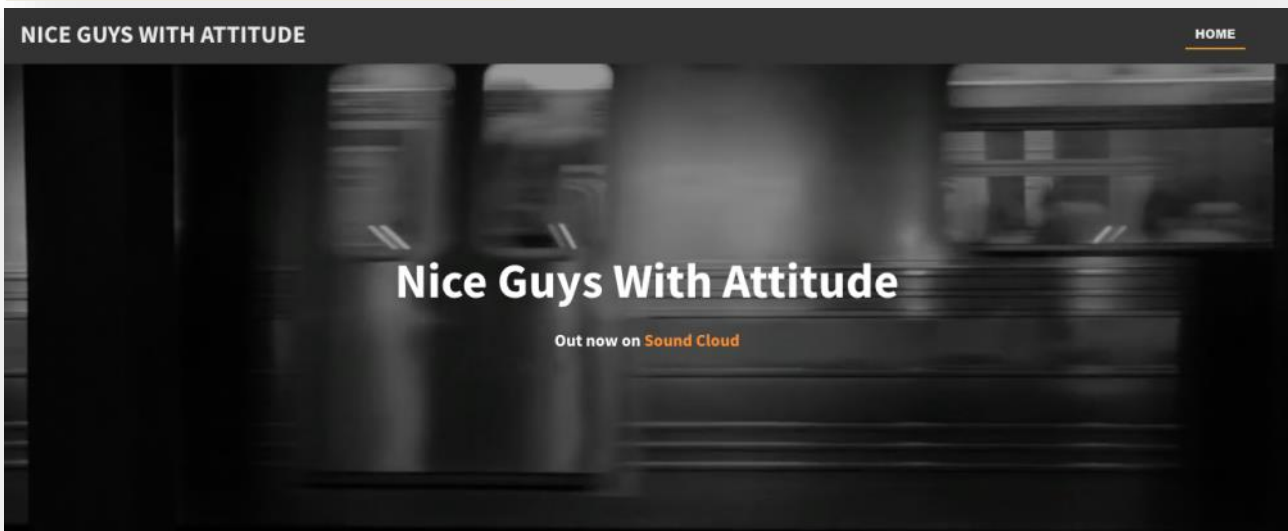
ProdByAZ
Zak Saidi

SoundCloud page: <https://soundcloud.com/prodbyazofficial>
Feedback form: <https://forms.gle/vDrigeFqkXf43ZAd8>



Nice Guys With Attitude
Alexis Tughan, Yousof Spahi-Shoaib, Joe Hayes, Nabil Haque

Website: <https://niceguyswithattitude.webador.co.uk/>
SoundCloud page: <https://soundcloud.com/user-747865112>
Feedback form: <https://forms.gle/fYGYHrNm636FdQXr9>



UCL IOE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHERS' COMPETITION 2020 WINNER

Run by IOE Confucius Institute, The Young Photographers' Competition is a competition for young people which challenges them to explore their relationship with Chinese language and culture using the medium of photography.

Congratulations to one of our Y12 Mandarin students, **Jashan Ball**, who has been awarded 1st place in this competition for his photographic series based around Chinese cuisine. Jashan has been awarded an Amazon voucher for £100 and his work will be featured on the UCL website.



“My inspiration for cooking these Chinese dishes was derived mainly from my trips to China. I have had several visits to China with my family and also one with school. During my school trip to Beijing, I was lucky enough to attend a much-needed cooking lesson. I learnt how to make Chinese dumplings and aubergine & pork hot pot. I have since been obsessed with Chinese cuisine.” - **Jashan Ball**

For more information please visit UCL IOE Confucius Institute [website](#)





**FOOD
GLORIOUS
FOOD**

Yum!

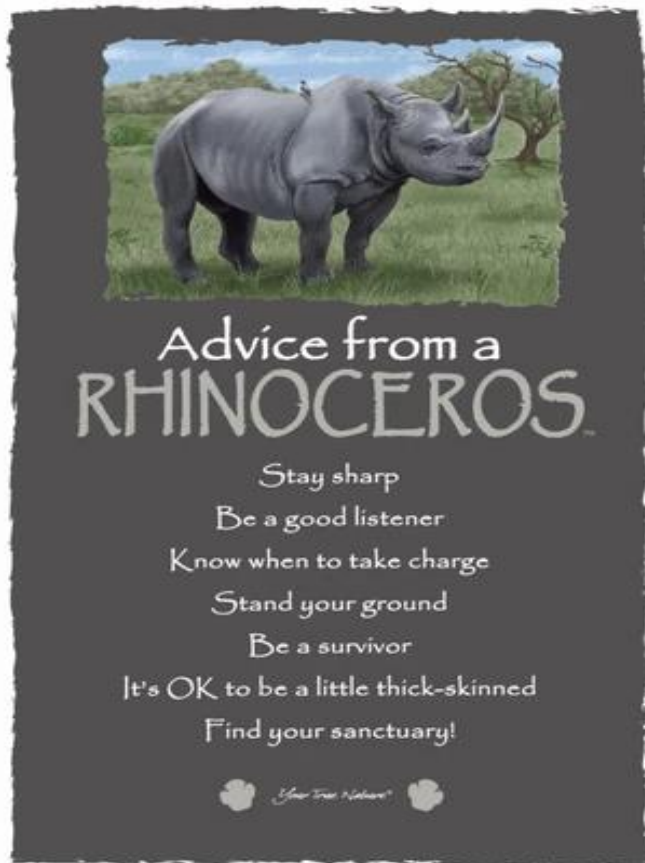


House News!

The school is rebranding the house system with new house shields and names

INTRODUCING:

THE ROMAN RHINOS



Poppy Clarke will be designing all the new house shields



Thank
you to
our
testing
team

Sixth Form

Welcome back! The combination of COVID testing, 200 external applicants being interviewed by phone on Wednesday and a full scale return to school has ensured that it has been a very busy first week back, however we couldn't be happier to have the Sixth Form full of students again. It's been lovely to see how quickly the students have returned to their routines - Charles Leppard has reclaimed his seat in the Sixth Form library from 3:30-5:00 every evening, Thomas Prestidge has reignited the debate club and Billy Bachelor continues to fall for George Ree's pranks.

Even though we have now returned to face-to-face learning, all lessons will continue to be uploaded onto google classroom for the students who aren't able to attend school yet. If they haven't already done so then it would be advisable for students who are in this situation to make contact with their specific teachers so that they can ensure that they are able to receive the support they need.

Ms Higham

STAR OF THE WEEK

Rebecca Du Plooy - successfully gained a place on the Taylor Wessing Mentoring programme for Law. Taylor Wessing is a global law firm so this is a fantastic opportunity and her place was awarded after a successful insight day—so she really did impress!

Opportunities for Sixth Formers

Every week the sixth form team have been compiling the opportunities that get sent through to us from various different organisations. These range from virtual open days to support with personal statements and virtual work experience or apprenticeship opportunities. Click [here](#) for this week's bumper edition featuring highlights such as:

A series of events from [King's College](#) to support students who are thinking about applying to study with them.

The [VFX Festival EDU](#), has been designed for school and college students who want to learn more about a career in the creative industries. This will be a chance to explore knowledge and hear experts' advice and tips on starting a career in VFX, animation, and games during our panel discussions. Various talks on 16th March 1pm-6.30pm & 18 March 1-5pm.

A series of online [Taster sessions](#) from the University of Sheffield including Engineering, Medicine, Dentistry, Social Sciences and Humanities and the Arts in March/April.

[GSK STEM Work Experience](#) One day insight event on Thursday, 1 April, 2pm -4.30pm. Students interested in careers in STEM at GSK.

#StudentVoice

It was a great pleasure to meet Head Girl and Boy Team, Alfie Price and Martha Johnson-Bailey this week to discuss the school's assessment provision for Y11 and Y13 students.

Alfie and Martha have brought humour, a sense of purpose and real investment in both diversity and mental health provision this year. We have endeavoured to take the student voice into account when making very complex plans for this year's school assessed grades.

Alfie and Martha have asked that we seek to hold celebratory events in the summer term to mark the "graduation" of the Y11 and Y13 cohorts. We will work with them on a suitably fun, rewarding and familial send-off. Maybe Tufty will gate-crash?

Remembrance of things Past

It is great to be back amidst the chaos, chatter, squirrel antics and face-mask now we are back at school. Hopefully this epoch will now be consigned to the past. However, I already have many positive memories of how students in general provided to be cheerful and resourceful in the face of an experience that was quite isolating for some.

Here is a pic of Jazz maestro, Sam Harwood White's, virtual EPQ presentation where he performed "Stella for Starlight" from his home studio as a rapt audience of Alice, David and Adam - watched on and appreciated his talent. This is probably one of the best EPQ presentations I've had the privilege of watching so well done Sam!

MORE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY SUCCESS AT WHITMAN COLLEGE

I received this recent email from a delighted Alfie Price notifying us of his acceptance into the American university system:

I have some positive news to share (after two successive rejections) I have received an acceptance from Whitman College in Washington State!! I have pretty much been given a full-ride scholarship and will be required to pay minimal fees.

I just wanted to say thank you all for your continued support and assistance throughout the process. Also, Ms Clifton thank you so much for the time you dedicated to writing essays, filling out forms, coordinating with teachers and all of the other tasks you had to do- without you it would not have been possible, and the same goes for Ms Hawkins and Ms Fincham for the two teacher recommendations you written. I genuinely can't thank you enough!

And my reply:

Very well done and well deserved, Alfie. Will you be staying in a frat house?

ALFIE: Thank you so much! Never say never - I know they have 4 frat houses on campus so it's definitely a possibility!

So well done to Alfie - I will donate my copy of Whitman's "Leaves of Grass" to you before you embark on your transcontinental and transcendental adventure!



Mr Clements, Deputy Head

Alumni update

Eghosa Ewansiha-Vlachavas, who is now a second year BEng Computer Science student at the University of York, has won the IET scholarship & Bursary award for 2021. Congratulations, Eghosa!



ENRICHMENT

17 March

A Google form will be circulated for you to make your selection:

Boys' 7-aside inter-house football tournament (a girls' tournament will be organised for the following week)

Tennis

Frisbee

Yoga/Pilates

Gym

Debating

EPQ

Raise free donations for Grey Court School when buying a special gift this Mother's Day.

Over 4,500 retailers including notonthehighstreet, M&S, John Lewis & Partners and The Perfume Shop will donate to us for FREE when you shop with them via easyfundraising. If you've not signed to support us yet, it only takes 2 minutes to sign up! Click [here](#)

It'll still be a fair while before we can hold any actual fundraising events so if you can help by donating to our GoFundMe [page](#) it'd be hugely appreciated. We would love to be able to support the school to buy some water bottle fountains this summer.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any queries or fundraising ideas, and/or if you would like to get involved with the PA please contact us at greycourtpa@gmail.com

Amira, Lou and Michaela

PA NEWS



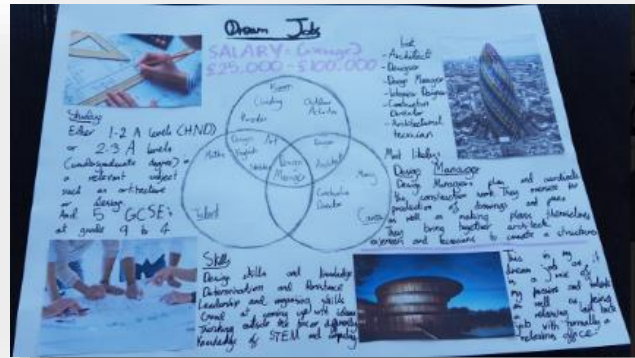
Careers @ Grey Court

By Ms Corrighan
(Head of Careers)
& Ms Holmes
(Careers Coordinator)

The Y7 Dream job competition winners are:
Brook Quinton (7W), Isabella Agraviador (7O),
Philine Zoeller (7O), and Yasmin Dempster
(7E), Eishwa Haidrani (7C)

Special recognition to runners up: Ben Povey (7E), Martha Huddart (7O) and Francis Dewar (7B)

A selection of the entries (in no particular order)



Philine Zoeller (above)



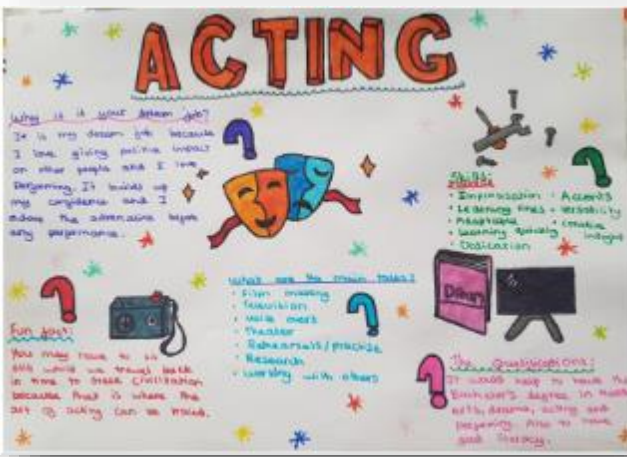
Eishwa Haidrani (above)



Brook Quinton (above)



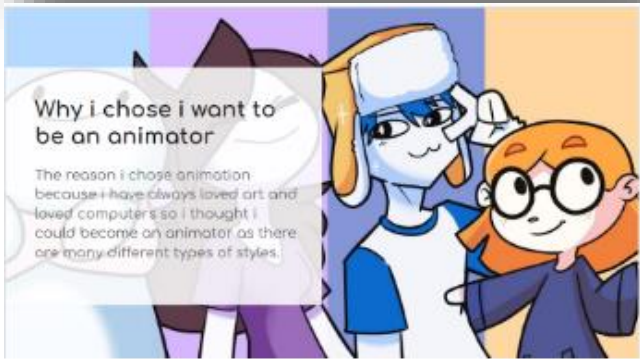
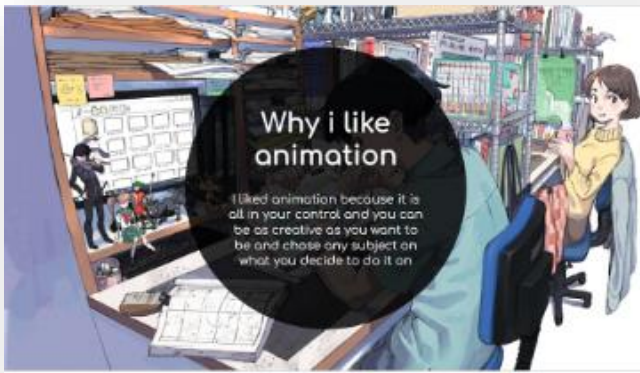
Martha Huddart (above)



Isabella Agraviador (above)



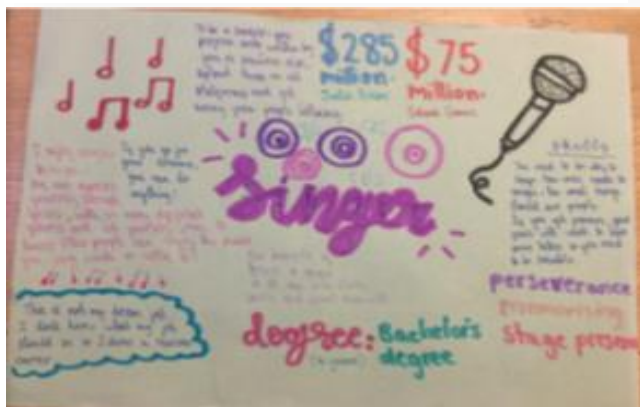
Ben Povey (above)



Maximillian Flint (above)



Harry Elsdon (above)



Mali Westbrook (above)

Apprenticeship highlights this week:

For more live vacancies visit: [National Apprenticeship Service](https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/)

Lettings Apprentice - Savills, Richmond

For a sixth form leaver
Salary: £21,000
Deadline: 16 April
Start date: 1 Sept 2021



<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeship/1000010894>

Bloomberg Apprenticeships – Digital Technology Solutions (Financial Data Specialist/Analyst Path), London



[bloomberg degree apprenticeship](https://www.bloomberg.com/degree/apprenticeship)
Deadline: 1 April
Start: September 2021

GSK - Data Analytics apprenticeship, Brentford



[GSK Data Analytics apprenticeship](https://www.gsk.com/degree/apprenticeship) 2-year apprenticeship with a competitive base salary of £17,000
Deadline: 19 March
Start: 1 Sept 2021

HR (Human Resources) Apprentice at Fidelity, London



[Fidelity HR apprenticeship](https://www.fidelity.com/degree/apprenticeship)
 Salary: £20,000 with a £500 sign-on bonus
Deadline: 9 April 2021
Start date: September 2021

Work experience opportunities:
 For more information on virtual work experience opportunities for year 10-12 see the speakers for schools work experience website: [Experience > Sign In](https://www.experience.gov.uk/sign-in)

#Wellbeing

March Wellbeing Calendar

Click [here](#) to download

As parents, we often find ourselves ill-equipped when it comes to dealing with, or even being aware of, our child's or young person's mental wellbeing. In order to help them, we first need an understanding ourselves of what we mean by mental health. Second, the tools to help our young person with any emotional difficulties.

The first of these two workshops are designed with this in mind and will help you to support your child or young person.

Parents' Workshop 1 Mental Health Awareness for Parents 16 and 22 March at 7pm

Click [here](#) for more information and to book.

Parents' Workshop 2 Managing mental health difficulties in children 18 and 24 March at 7pm

In this second workshop we look in more depth at the types of mental health difficulties that can affect your child or teenager. We also look at the available tools to help our young person with any emotional difficulties. This second workshop will also help you improve communication with your child and support them to build their own mental health resilience.

Click [here](#) for more information and to book.

Autism Seminars for families

Now delivered virtually as a webinar on Wednesday, 24 March, from 09.45am to 11.45am

'Managing Anger' is one of the Autism Seminars for Families which provides information and advice to parents and carers of children and young people with autism.

The webinar will help families to:

- discuss why children with autism often have challenges with distressed behaviour and anger
- identify a low arousal approach for support through stressful situations
- explore the cycle of anger and possible support strategies
- examine strategies for managing feelings.

Seminar cost?

The cost is free while the seminars are being delivered as a shortened webinar.

Book a place

Please complete the registration [form](#) or contact the webinar facilitator below for more information:

Name: Jane Pidduck

Email: jpid-

du2@grandavenue.kingston.sch.uk

Tel: 020 8399 5344

Relate

The relationship people

Parenting teenagers can be challenging and many parents find it hard to adapt to changes in their child's behaviour as they grow up. Here you'll find lots of practical advice on how to deal with common teen issues.

Click [here](#) for more information

Sports Stag

Spring Extracurricular Timetable

Click [here](#) to download the extracurricular timetable.

Sisters n Sport will be running a Netball Performance Workshops for Y7-Y9 over the Easter break:

WANDSWORTH

Date: Friday, 9 April 2021

Time: 12:30pm-3pm

Venue: Wandsworth @ Bank of England Sports Centre

KINGSTON

Date: Saturday, 10 April 2021

Time: 9:15-11:45am

Venue: Kingston upon Thames @ Holy Cross Preparatory School

REIGATE

Date: Sunday, 11 April

Time: 9:30-12pm

Venue: Reigate @ The Hawthorns School

ELMBRIDGE

Date: Friday, 16 April

Time: 12:30pm-3pm

Venue: Elmbridge @ Three Rivers Academy

[Click here to book](#)

LONDON YOUTH GAMES

London Youth Games have launched their Virtual Inclusive Games which all young Londoners can take part in! The Games is 8 weeks long and has 3 new challenges every week. The LYG Virtual Inclusive Games are open to all young Londoners. To participate, simply complete the challenges and submit your scores via our website to earn points for your borough.

Challenges will be released every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9.00am. You will have until Sunday at 6.00pm to complete the challenges and submit your scores. Individual prizes are also up for grabs. Share videos of your challenge attempts on social media using #ThisIsLYG to be in with a chance of winning the weekly MVP award and some Nike swag.

To upload scores, go to: <https://www.londonyouthgames.org/virtual-games/lyg-virtual-inclusive-games/> and open up which week it is. You will see the video of the challenge and where to upload.

To see the new daily challenge, please visit our twitter page or check the LYG [website](#).

As always, any questions, please email Daniel.hayden@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk

Richmond are currently 2nd in the LYG Virtual Inclusive Games which is fantastic!

We are excited to announce that we will be running a training camp over the Easter break. This will take place from Tuesday, 6 April, to Thursday, 8 April, and Tuesday, 13 April to Thursday, 15 April, from 9.00am - 1.30pm on Tooting Common, Wandsworth. We will be offering 1 hour sessions which will be 1:2 with one of our experienced coaches whilst adhering to our COVID-19 safety procedures. Sessions will focus primarily on football, rugby and athletics but are not limited to these. With the new regulations we will be able to introduce more competitive areas with other athletes.

KC Sports will offer a competitive rate of £20 per session or £50 for all three sessions. These will be running on a first come first serve basis, so if you would like to reserve a space please email us with confirmation and two preferred time slots you would like, this can then be secured through payment.

We will do our utmost to secure one of your preferred time slots.

The following sessions available:

9.00am-10.00am
10.10am-11.10am
11.20am-12.20pm
12.30pm-1.30pm

We hope to hear from you so that we can provide your child with high quality, stimulating and tailored training to ensure that your child can continue their athletic progress!

KC Sports Academy Team
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Training Camp

**6 April to 8 April
13 April to 15
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