

eBulletin

Friday, 19 November 2021

Our Sports' Superstars

Borough netball champions

Borough cross country champions

Food + Nutrition News

Grey Court Debaters

leave Deputy Head speechless!

Join the Club!

all the extracurricular club
details



Buy a lotto ticket and
support the school

Grey Court School
Lottery

Academic Tutoring Day

Thursday, 25 November 2021

Please contact Ms Plumridge
dplumridge@greycourt.org.uk if you
have not received your appointment.

COVID VACCINATIONS

As you may be aware, the latest advice from the government is that [all healthy 16 to 17 year olds should be offered a second dose of the Pfizer vaccine](#). These can be booked through vaccination centres, community pharmacies and GP led primary care network sites. The national booking service will be available from Monday, 22 November.

Grey Court Uniform Shop

(opposite the sixth form drama studio)

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday afternoons from 3pm - 4pm. Please note that only card payments are acceptable.

School Calendar

2021-2022 **Term Dates**

2022-2023 **Term Dates**

News & Events Calendar

Bus Routes

Should you have any queries or wish to raise a concern with TfL please contact them on **0343 222 1234**

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Notices

Congratulations!

to our SUPERSTARS



Congratulations to our **U16 girls' netball team** who were crowned Borough Champions this week in a convincing win against Waldegrave (31-11)



FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD

The
Grey Court
Breakfast
Club

Daily from
7:45am to
08:15am

school menu

SAVEN NEWS CLUB BUTS

Below are some highlights of the 20+ clubs that are on offer. See the **timetable** for all the club details.

Ukulele club

Year Group: 7,8 and 9

Day: Mondays

Time: 3pm to 4pm

Venue: MUB

Teacher: Ms Cowper

Editing Club

Year Group: All groups

Day: Thursdays

Time: 3pm to 4pm

Venue: 6CS4

Teacher: Ms Howell

Click Photo Club

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 3pm to 4pm

See website for **cost**

ART CLUB

Year Group: 7,8 and 9

Day: Thursdays

Time: 3pm to 4pm

Venue: A1

Teacher: Ms Maybey

Chemistry Help Drop-in

Year Group: 10 and 11

Day: Tuesdays

Time: 3pm to 3.30pm

Venue: Lab 1

Teacher: Mr Gundry

CHEMISTRY CLUB starts 1 December

Year group: 10 and 11

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 3.00pm to 4.00pm

Venue: TBC

HELP WANTED

My name is **Oscar Croft** and I am completing an **EPQ** about the impact of parental divorce and how this changes depending on your age at the time. If you have experienced this yourself, then I would really appreciate it if you could please take 10 minutes to answer these questions. Your contribution will be anonymous. Please find the **Consent form** and **Survey** should you choose to participate. Thank you!



An EPQ (**Extended Project Qualification**) is, to put it simply, a BIG independent project for which a person can earn a qualification

Board Games Urgently Needed for Sixth Form Board Game Club

If you have a board game at home that doesn't get played anymore, (and you need a clear-out plus some extra space for Christmas), the sixth form Board Game Club desperately needs some new additions.

Please check there are no missing pieces before donating so as not to disappoint our enthusiastic players.

Games can be handed in at reception for the attention of Ms Mannion.

Thank you in advance

#Y7

Mr Day

This week is anti-bullying week. In assembly, students were spoken to about the issue. Our ethos in Y7 is positivity: think positively, speak positively and act positively. Students were told of the importance of their actions and words to others. They were also reminded that it is vital that any nastiness is reported - so that the school can deal with any issues that arise.

A growing focus of anti-bullying week is online safety and the use of social media. Students have been reminded that apps such as Discord, Whatsapp, Twitter and Instagram have age restrictions of a minimum of 13+ and, therefore, no student in Y7 should access them. To support the school and our young people I would implore parents to ensure these apps are not being used - it can lead to significant bullying issues, as well as impacting mental health. Please have a discussion with your children about their use of phones and social media - it is also a good idea to sit down with them to see what they have been messaging/what apps they have/who they are following - as this can help supervise their online activity.

A final well done to all the sports fixtures which have been continuing this week. Our Y7 girls A, B, C, D had their first outing in netball at KGS in what was some competitive fixtures. Our footballers also continued an excellent start to the season with games on Monday.

#KS3+KS4

It's been a busy week and we celebrate many students participating in the Borough Cross Country Championships. As I write this, many will be finishing their races and hopefully bringing some podium places back to Grey Court.

Our assemblies looked at the theme of inspiration and who inspires us. We looked at people from the public eye, the likes of climate activist Greta Thunberg, Josh Cavallo (the footballer) who has recently become the first openly gay professional Footballer, Liverpoolian taxi driver David Perry, who courageously locked a terrorist in his taxi to stop others being injured. We also discussed that inspiration doesn't have to come from famous people; it could be your family, your friends, your tutors...

I asked the students to think about who inspires them and what they could do to inspire others.

#Y8+Y9

Mr Ridley



Support your favourite charity when you buy your sprouts this Christmas!

AmazonSmile nominate Grey Court Education Fund and every time you shop with smile, the charity gets 1% of your basket value at no extra cost to you.

EasyFundraising download the Easyfundraising app, nominate Grey Court PA and allow the app to prompt you to accept donations every time you shop. Then, whatever you buy, from your favourite supermarket to M&S undies, that retailer donates a typical 1% of your basket value (sometimes more) to your nominated charity.

It's never been easier to fundraise for charity

If every parent at Grey Court used the app for their weekly online grocery shop for one week, we would earn c. £1500. That's enough to buy:

- 7 Chromebooks (with licenses) to support digitally excluded pupils.
- One term's grocery supplies to enable students in years 7, 8 and 9 to have practical food tech lessons, or additional chemicals to support the new after school chemistry club for a whole year.

So, don't delay, download the app today!!



Exam Invigilators

A great opportunity for flexible work! We are looking to appoint invigilators on a casual contract for the Internal and Public exams which are held sporadically from December to July. Invigilation will include the distribution and collection of exam scripts, stationery to students, and ensuring the exam rules and regulations are adhered by students and staff at all times. Previous invigilation experience is not essential as training and guidance will be provided.

Shifts from AM: 8:00-11:30 and/or PM: 12:30-16:00. Flexibility is, however,

required for the finish times as exams can be shorter/longer.

Hourly rate: £10.50 p/h

Interested applicants, please complete **this form** to receive an application form.

Closing Date: 21 November 2021

If you have not heard back from the school after submitting your application, please consider your application unsuccessful.

Y11 Trial Exams: 29 November - 10 December

Y11 trial examinations commence on Monday, 29 November, and finish on Friday, 10 December. We have produced this **revision booklet**, as an invaluable resource that is designed to support all students with their upcoming examinations. Enclosed in the following pages are the exam timetable and bespoke revision guidance and exam information for each subject. Please do take the time to read and discuss this booklet in detail so that every student is as prepared as they can be for these examinations.

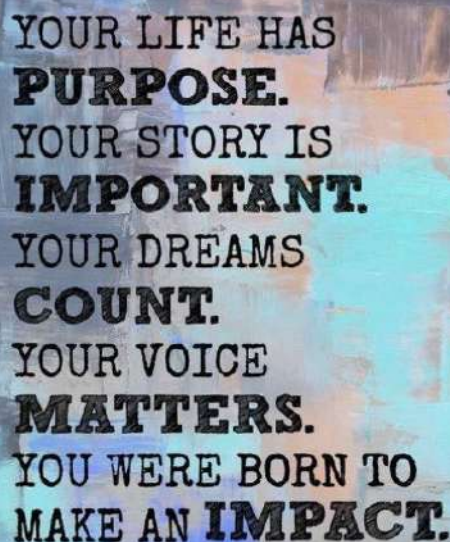
In recent years, with the cancellation of GCSE examinations, trial examinations have taken on an even greater importance. We stress that each student should take these examinations seriously and prepare themselves accordingly. In addition to this booklet, students have received a revision planning booklet that we discussed with them in significant detail. If any student is feeling anxious about these upcoming examinations they should of course contact any member of the KS4 to ensure that they receive the support and advice they need.

#Y10+Y11

Mr Gordon
Walker

Y11 interventions

Our Y11 interventions started again after half term. We offer the best in Borough, with our intervention programme, no other school provides such a comprehensive offering. Students and parents have received emails outlining the time and location of the interventions, please encourage your children to attend. The full list of interventions is **here**



YOUR LIFE HAS
PURPOSE.
YOUR STORY IS
IMPORTANT.
YOUR DREAMS
COUNT.
YOUR VOICE
MATTERS.
YOU WERE BORN TO
MAKE AN IMPACT.

Food + Nutrition

by Ms Clark

#Y10



This week in Food and Nutrition, Y10 have started their new GCSE topic, Food Choice. They were tasked with creating a dish that celebrated a festival and where typical foods were eaten. This ranged from Christmas yule logs, to Mexican Dias de los Muertos and Hawaiian celebrations. See some of our fantastic students with their dishes.

Y7s this week were cooking apple crumbles and discussing how to adapt their recipes throughout the year to make use of seasonal British fruits. What would you put in your crumble?

Our **Y11s** have been working really hard on the practical elements of their NEA with some fantastic results. After today they will focus on some revision for their mock exams until we start our NEA again after Christmas.

CONGRATULATIONS

A big well done this week to Sofia Seghal in Y10 who won a Jack Petchey award for all the work she has done with our younger students in Food Club this year. She has decided to spend her prize money on some skills workshops for her class when we visit Borough Market after Christmas!







See some of our lovely Y8s with their jam tarts and cheese scones.



Grey Court debaters leave Deputy Head speechless!

Well done to our linguistic warriors **Euan Janes, Francesca Nutland** and **Lara Broad** who engaged in a bout of linguistic fireworks last night in the English speaking union's prestigious MACE competition. Arguing for the socialist motion that: **"This House Would make fines for criminal and civil offences proportionate to the wealth of the offender"** they faced off against Woodmansterne School from South London, last night.

Grey Court have been competing in the ESU since the inception of the Sixth Form in 2015 and frequently face-off against our cousins from the independent and grammar sectors. It is, therefore, heartening to see more state school's competing in the competition this year.

Debating as a discipline builds confidence and rational thinking skills. Students have to speak fluently when placed under a great deal of pressure and watching the proceedings even via zoom is very nerve-wracking!

Thankfully our competitors seem to thrive in such an atmosphere which I fear would reduce yours truly to a nervous wreck!

Since 2015 we have endeavoured to build a debating framework across the school. It was therefore heartening when Euan approached me this year and volunteered to compete in the event as he was inspired by his year 9 debating experience when we entered the Junior version of the competition which was hosted by Ibstock school in 2018. In order to practise for the event, our Year 12 team competed against a dynamic team of debaters, **Ella, Helena, Lamar, Mughda, Yohanna** and **Diren**, from year 10, who Ms Laws and Ms Comrie have been mentoring since the beginning of term.

As an observer of this debate, I was hugely impressed with the confidence and intensive preparation that was exhibited by the Year 10 debating team who endeavoured to place the year 12 team under a lexical cosh! There was certainly nothing tongue in cheek about the intensity of proceedings. In fact so tongue tied was I, that my own feedback resembled a Detroit mumble-rap!

PDW

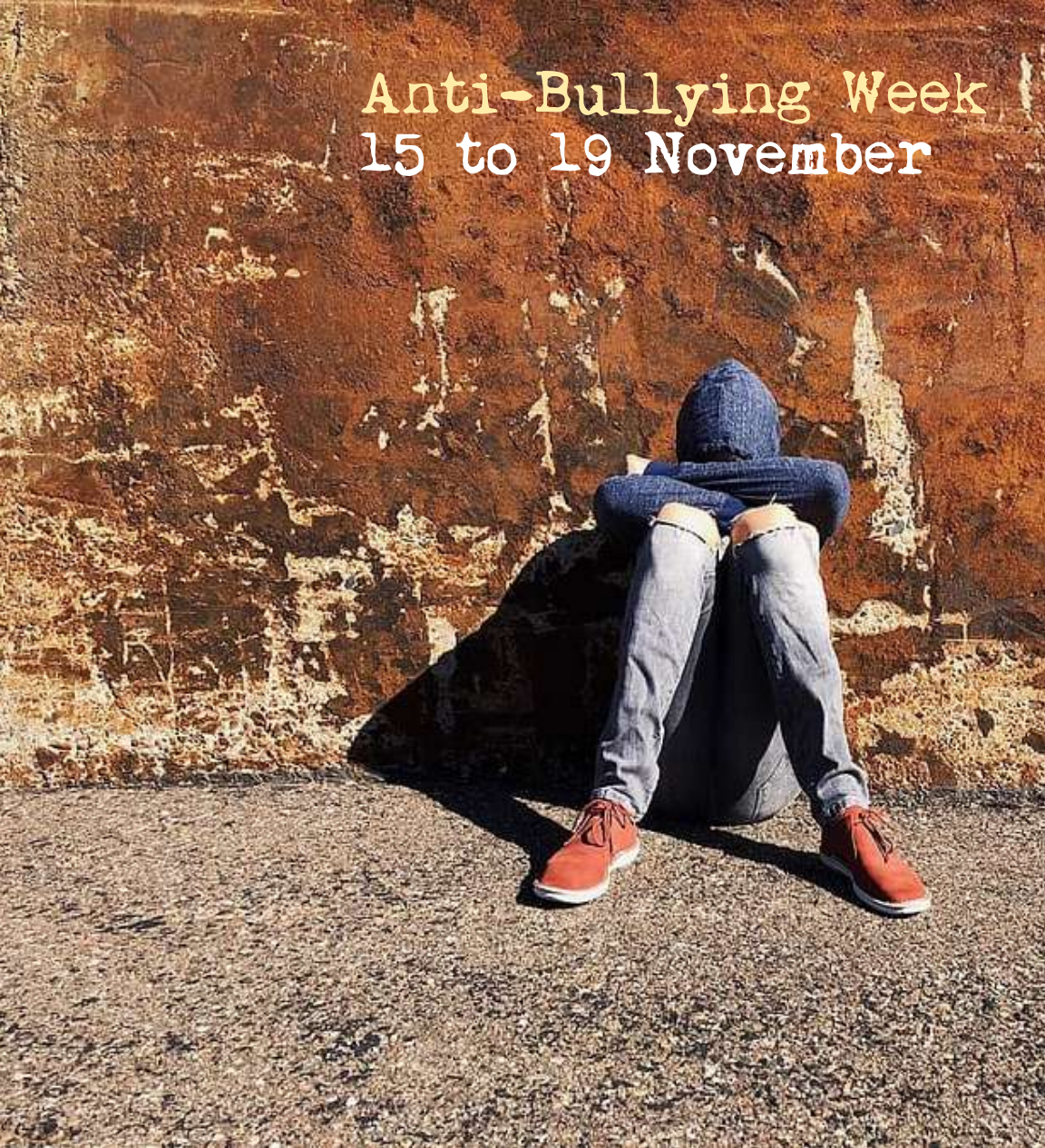
Year	Topic
7	Democracy in the UK This week: local councils Next week: HOC
8	Keeping Healthy This week: drinking water Next week: healthy eating hacks from the GC Sixth Form
9	Careers and GCSE options What are options? This week: how do we learn? Next week: hobbies and options
10	Extremism and radicalisation This week: what is hate crime? Next week: what is a cult?
11	Sex - Let's be realistic This week: how can you have safe sex? Next week: contraception - the responsibility of both partners, including the negotiating contraception use with a partner.

WELLBEING

November Wellbeing **Calendar**



Anti-Bullying Week
15 to 19 November



childline

For information and help on how to deal with bullying, cyberbullying, and how to take care of your mental health.



Next Steps (What happens after Y11?)

Support for parents and carers who are worried about their child's transition into post-16. Read the advice and guidance [here](#).

AfCinfo Website Relaunch

The refreshed [AfCinfo website](#) (including the SEND Local Offer) is now live. Improvements include:

- improved home page design
- easier navigation
- improved search
- simplification of directories and the What's On calendar

There will be a dedicated Senco Zone coming soon

The Youth Enquiry Service (YES)

Bus

Tuesday - 6 to 8pm - Cambridge Road

Estate (near Jpitch or Piper Hall)

Wednesday - 1 to 5pm - Memorial

Square, Kingston Town Centre KT1 1RJ

(near JD sports & Accessorize)

Support available outside these hours

via: insta: [@afc_southsideyouth](#) or

email:

[matthew.angell@](mailto:matthew.angell@achievingforchildren.org.uk)

[achievingforchildren.org.uk](mailto:matthew.angell@achievingforchildren.org.uk)



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Support for Families - Food & Essentials

Information for families who may need access to food and essentials

support: **Kingston families:** [Food & Essentials - Kingston](#)

Richmond families: [Food & Essentials - Richmond](#)



The ADHD Embrace popular parenting course 'Parents and Teens - building better relationships' is now open for booking!

You can now book your place on our [upcoming Parenting Course for parents of teens](#).

"A really insightful and practical course to help understand and reframe the challenges parents & teens with ADHD face"- Previous attendee

This online parenting course will be delivered by Julia Langensiepen, Psychotherapist and life-coach.

Start date: 3 November (running every Wednesday for 6 weeks)

Time: 8 - 9.30pm, via Zoom

Topics covered in this course will include:

- Psycho-Education or More Empathy, Less Stress
- Emotional Regulation
- Effective Communication
- Time-management

There will be a maximum of 8 participants on the course and while there are a lot of new concepts being introduced, the course will aim to be as interactive as possible - enabling invaluable discussion, sharing of experiences and ideas and the use of breakout rooms.

Spaces are £120 for the 6 sessions and couples wishing to join will need to book two places for this course. There are a limited number of assisted places available at the discounted price of £15 for those suffering financial hardship.

For more information and booking, please click [here](#).

Year 13 Assessment Week

Week commencing 29 November 2021

During assessment week students will be on exam leave. Should they want to attend lessons then subject teachers will provide students with revision materials or they can revise from home. Please click [here](#) for the exam timetable and [here](#) for the revision booklet, both of which are on the Google classroom for students.

These will take place in the exam hall with external invigilators. While we are aware that this may cause stress and anxiety for students, it is important that they experience formal exam conditions as this allows them to familiarise themselves with the set up and also provides teachers with data about how they perform in a formal exam scenario.

The Department for Education is committed to its plans to hold GCSE and A-level exams next summer as usual. However, Ofqual has completed a consultation on a "plan B", in case exams need to be cancelled for the third year in a row. If exams are cancelled, teacher-assessed grades (TAGs) would be used again. Therefore trial examinations have an even greater importance than ever due to the previous cancellation of exams. Ofqual has asked that we inform you that in the unlikely event that GCSE and A Level exams be cancelled this set of trial examinations will form part of the 2022 TAG evidence base that we used to ascertain each student's TAG. Therefore, we stress that each student should take these examinations seriously and ensure that you prepare yourself as effectively as you would for the real exams at the end of the year.

#SixthForm

Accessing Support

Remember your tutor, Ms McNicol, Ms Higham, Mrs Moore and Mr Taylor are available to talk but we recognise you may want to talk to someone outside of school and outside of your family.

Off The Record	talkofftherecord.org	Online counselling and support
The Mix	0808 808 4994	Open everyday 13.00-23.00 for 1:1 support and guidance
Relate	0300 100 1234	Live chat and counselling
Kooth	kooth.com	Online support for young people Mon-Friday 12.00-22.00 Sat-Sun 18.00-22.00
Childline	0800 1111 childline.org.uk	1:1 counselling and support, advice and information
Samaritans	116 123 samaritans.org	Support for young people in crisis
Shout	https://giveusashout.org/ To start a conversation, text the word 'SHOUT' to 85258	24/7 text support, to listen, support and advice.

UCAS

a note on 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 you BBB; BDD would turn into ACC or BBC.

However, 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 are coming home in reports next week 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).

Academic Tutoring Day

In preparation for Academic Tutoring Day students have been asked to fill out a reflection form that they will discuss with parents and their tutor. This is the link that they have been given to complete: [click here for the Academic Tutoring Day form](#). It is very important that they spend the time completing this form - there are questions about how well they feel they are learning and wellbeing questions. Students also need to set three Academic Tutoring Day targets for each subject they study. These should be generated from the ones contained in the [SMART target booklet](#).

Oxbridge Update

The first round of mock interviews has now been completed and all students have had personal feedback and the opportunity to download a video of their experience for future reference. Well done to Ella Logan-Wilson who is our first confirmed interview candidate. Please let Ms Fincham know as soon as you hear about interviews so that further interview preparation can be put in place and necessary changes to your mock exam timetable can be made to accommodate this important process.

EPQ Update

Students should now be entering the production phase of their project; creating either their essay or their artefact. This is worth 20 out of the 50 marks as is at the heart of the qualification. Students need to plan carefully to manage this alongside preparation for their mock exams and come to an agreement with their mentor for a date to submit their draft for feedback.



From Mr Willmore: Congratulations to **Tom Williams** who has been selected for the **Middlesex U18 rugby squad**. We are thrilled for Tom who is a superb individual and role model to the lower school.

India Bonacina came in extra early after open evening and moved all the tables and chairs in the **Psychology classroom** back to normal by herself because she 'didn't want to waste lesson time' and she wouldn't let Ms Clifton do any of it as she is pregnant.

Ella Walton for being really proactive and efficient at rallying 6th form students for the upcoming house sporting events. Fantastic work, Ella!

Andreia Pandi is the worthy winner of the **Jack Petchey award** - Ms Thomas nominated her for the following reasons: At the charity art auction, Andreia showed immense initiative, fantastic organisational skills, and worked with a calm demeanour and professionalism. She liaised with successful bidders, allocated sales chits, distributed around 40 works of art at the live event, the like of which she had never had prior exposure to. It was an immensely mature impressive performance and her efforts helped to raise £4,000 in a single night

Date for your Diary

Y12 Friends and Founders Event

Date: Wednesday, 8 December

Time: 6.30-8pm

We will be running our annual careers event for Y12 students. ALL students are expected to attend the evening in school and meet with people from a range of different career backgrounds.

We invite former Grey Court students (Founders) as well as contacts from business and the local community (Friends) to talk to you about the range of careers options. Ms Corrighan will be talking to you more about this. We ask students to come in business dress, and prepare a CV. This is a great opportunity to find out more, and many students have gained work experience from attending this event.



Weekly Careers' Bulletin

15/11 opportunities for sixth formers

This is packed with university open events, apprenticeships, work experience and other opportunities to build your CV.

Choose a job
you love
and you will
never have to work
a day in your life

Confucius

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Grey Court provides a career programme for all students. For more information on the careers' programme, please visit: [Careers at Grey Court](#)



Time: 6.30pm - 8pm



If you think you can support, please do get in touch and we appreciate not everyone would like to come into school so if you can help virtually we would also love to hear from you. Please contact Ms Corrighan. bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk

Y11 - It's a busy term for you thinking about your post-16 options. Please see link for the details of the local sixth forms/colleges and applications deadlines:

[College Sixth Form Open Days Deadlines 2021-2022.pdf](#)



Don't forget the fantastic resource of Unifrog - it's not all about University! It has information on careers, personality profiles, subjects and much more!

Parents can create their own account using the code: **greycourtparents**

Log in: unifrog.org/code where you can fill in their details and enter that code. You will then be able to use Unifrog as if a student. You can also see the Parent Pack found in the Resources Library ([here](#)).

College/Sixth Form	Open event date, time & Registration link
Grey Court Sixth Form	Open eve took place 10th Nov - to apply visit: Application and prospectus Applications open NOW and deadline 15 December 2021
Kingston College	Sat 27 November 10am-1pm Kingston College Open Event Applications open October 2021
Richmond upon Thames College (Twickenham)	Next event is 2 March. Applications open October 2021 Find out more about courses: Richmond College courses
Nescot College (Epsom)	Wednesday, 24 November 4.30-7.30pm Event Registration - Customer Self-Service Applications open October 2021
BRIT School (Croydon)	Applications are open NOW and close 15 November 2021 (For Music, Dance, Musical Theatre) and 31 January 2022 (Media, visual arts and more creative subjects) https://www.brit.croydon.sch.uk/joinat16
Capel Manor College <i>Specialises in Animal & Land based courses</i>	23 November virtual event - 6-8pm Capel Manor Open events Applications open Oct/Nov 2021



Life as an architect

On Wednesday, 17 November, Kathryn Gundry from WWA Studios came in to speak to Grey Court Sixth Form about life as an architect, how to apply for Art Colleges and portfolio advice. Her words were really inspiring and it was great to see such a high student attendance of students wishing to learn about potential avenues for their future. We would like to thank Kathryn for her generous donation of her time and look forward to welcoming her back to work with our Y11 GCSE artists next week.

U14 basketball team



Autumn Sports' Timetable

Congratulations to the **U14 basketball team** (featured above) who finished runners up in the Borough tournament. The team won their group recording two comprehensive victories 24-2 and 20-2. They won their semi final 17-9 but unfortunately lost the final 20-10.



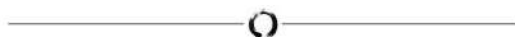
Congratulations to **James Russell** who has been selected for the Surrey U14 Football squad.

MESSAGE FROM RICHMOND RUGBY CLUB

Thanks to all who came to our amazing Girls Pitch up and Play event last Sunday.

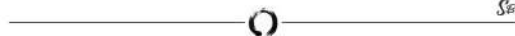
As discussed at the end of the session, we would love all the girls to continue to come and train and play with us at Richmond Rugby. So, from this Sunday we will run the weekly girl's sessions at the club from 1200 - 1:30pm. Run by our amazing team of Richmond players who also coach! And very soon we hope to start playing some matches.

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday! Any other girls who show an interest are more than welcome as well.



PERSISTENCE CAN
CHANGE FAILURE INTO
EXTRAORDINARY
ACHIEVEMENT

MARY LEVY



Borough Cross Country Results

Borough Cross Country Champions

#Y8

Huge congratulations to **Tilly Dibb** who won the year 8/9 girls race. She led from the front and didn't look back.



#Y12

Sam Nesbitt won the senior boys race comfortably.



Borough Cross Country Results



#Y7

Congratulations to **Milo Downey** who came 7th overall. **Luca Grima**, **Will Marshall**, **Eddie McCarthy**, **Thomas Barry** and **George Robinson** all finished in the top 20.

Julia Allen finished in 18th position with the rest of the team finishing in the top 40. **Lizzie Webster** finished in 38th place.

Congratulations!



#Y8

Huge congratulations to **Tilly Dibb** who won the year 8/9 girls race. She led from the front and didn't look back. **Neve Rugette** finished superbly in 8th place followed by **Lily Bogstad**.

Rory McGregor finished the strongest out of the year 8 boys in place.





Congratulations to **Elsie Hobson** who came 5th overall. **Rosie Mcdermott** came in the top 20 finishers.

Josh Harwood-White finished in 4th place and **James Russell** finished strongly in the top 10.

#Y9



Congratulations!

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Nina Blazevic came 13th overall, followed by **Delphi Wells** in the top 30. **Luca Leutchens** finished in 11th place in the boys race.

#Y10





#Y11



Charlie Richardson came 4th. **Marcus Rodgers** also ran strongly finishing in the top 10.



Fantastic win for the U16 girls basketball team in their first match vs Twickenham School | POM Nina



U14 Girls Basketball Academy working hard in their first S&C session in the fitness suite



Two excellent wins for our U12 C and D football teams on Monday. Well done boys





The A and B teams also recorded impressive wins. Some superb goals scored in both games!



Boys' Player of the Month

Aiden Foxen

Y7



The boys' player of the month is **Aiden Foxen**. Aiden has made a fantastic start at Grey Court, his attitude, commitment to the school and motivation has been extremely impressive. Aiden has represented the school in Rugby, Football and Cross Country. Aiden has scored 7 goals in 5 games for the football team and has also been awarded the MVP on two occasions. In Rugby Aiden's quick turn of pace has been a real asset to the team scoring much needed tries in what has been a difficult run of fixtures for the Y7 team. Aiden was also selected to travel to Harrow School as part of the U12/13 Cross Country team which he unfortunately missed due to injury. Aiden has also stood out in PE lessons where he has impressed in his fitness testing. We look forward to the athletics season with Aiden as he is showing all the signs of impressing here as well.

Girls' Player of the Month

Lauren Jackson

Y10



Lauren has had a fantastic month of school sport representing the school U16 and U15 Netball teams and the U15 Football team. She is a highly committed student who always gives 110% to every club and fixture.

She plays C in both age group netball teams and is a pivotal member always connecting well with the defence and attack. Her work-rate is second to none. Lauren's understanding of the attacking and defending principles are outstanding. She is also an influential player in the Y10 football team playing CM predominantly. She also trains with Fulham Academy football club outside of school.

Lauren is Trojan sports' captain and was dominant in the Y10 inter-house football competition this month. She is also a GCSE PE student who has made a fantastic start to the course. She is an outstanding role model to her peers and is a pleasure to teach.

Boys' Team of the Month

U12 Boys' Football 'A' Team



The U12 boys' football team has enjoyed a fantastic month. The month started with an entertaining 3-2 win away to Lingfield in our first Saturday fixture for the team, which was followed up with wins against St Richard Reynolds and George Green's school, 3-1 and 8-1 respectively. They've scored 14 and conceded 4 and are eying up their next challenge, Hampton Boys after half-term. Well done lads!

Girls' Team of the Month

U16 Girls' Netball Team



The U16 netball team have had a brilliant month, coming from behind to win their first round of the National Sisters in Sport plate competition against Ranelagh School, 33-30. Skye Swift deservedly won Player of the Match, Lola Ireland had an excellent game against a tough WD. Amy Duffey demonstrated high levels of fitness in her WD role.

The team have also beaten St Richard Reynold, 34-4 with Maddie Warren picking up Player of the match and most recently the squad competed in the Borough Competition at Waldegrave beating Turing House, St Richard Reynolds and Teddington and drew with Christ's qualifying for the semi-finals. Lauren Jackson was exceptional as C in her defending and attacking roles. A strong performance from Florence Woolner at WA and through court connections from Bea Andrews and Nina Blazevic enabled a comfortable 10-6 win sending the team through to the final. A tough match ended in a 9-6 loss to Christ's however the team can be proud of their runners up final position.



The Girl Who Stole an Elephant

Nizrana Farook sets her story on the island of Serendib, now known as Sri Lanka, and transports readers to a vivid, larger-than-life world where young people can be bold, true and have some extraordinary adventures. Twelve-year old Chaya is a thief with a heart of gold, stealing from the king's palace to help those in her village. She makes a mistake when she takes jewels from the queen's bedroom though, triggering a series of events that leads to Chaya and two friends, villager Neel and merchant's daughter Nour, fleeing into the rainforest on the king's elephant. There are brushes with death, but great camaraderie too and it all ends with a much-needed righting of wrongs.

"The Girl Who Stole an Elephant is as rich, dazzling and alluring as a pouchful of royal jewels, and as triumphant as a trumpeting elephant! I loved it."

Sophie Anderson, author of The House with Chicken Legs

Nizrana Farook was born and raised in Colombo, Sri Lanka, and the beautiful landscapes of her home country find their way into the stories she writes. She has a master's degree in writing for young people.



AR Stars of the Week (Wednesday to Wednesday)

Accelerated Reader Stars are chosen because they have excelled at Accelerated Reader, whether it is because they have passed a lot of quizzes, earning lots of points whilst maintaining a high average pass percentage. These particular students should be praised and rewarded.

7 Ash

Farhan Abbas
Irmak Bilik
Emilia Ciasnocha
Franciszek Ciasnocha
Tabitha Lloyd

7 Beech

Oscar Ballantine
Fereshta Najib

7 Elm

Joseph Bailey
Leonardo Klapakis
Richie Luo
Chizelle-Naima
Jacob White

7 Maple

Rory Corp
Ray Gask
Coco Mtandabari
Angela Nott
Poppy Pritchard

7 Oak

Anthony Porter
Kiara Wolf Calleja

7 Willow

Boris Petrov

8aC

Chloe Blower
Jasper Sguiri
Anna Wild

8aL

Charlotte Alexandre

8aV

Diyana Ansari
Sacha Crivellari
Zinnia Croxford
Samuel Ellisdon
Oliver Hislop

8aX

Kevin Erik Back
Archie Boulton
Francis Dewar
Jake Sansbury

8bV

Andy Fedczuk
Florence Lavercombe
Stanley Monaghan

8bX

Neve Rugette

Chess Club

Wednesdays

12:25PM to 1PM

Room H2

Year 7 and Year 8
only (for now)

MATCHES

TOURNAMENTS

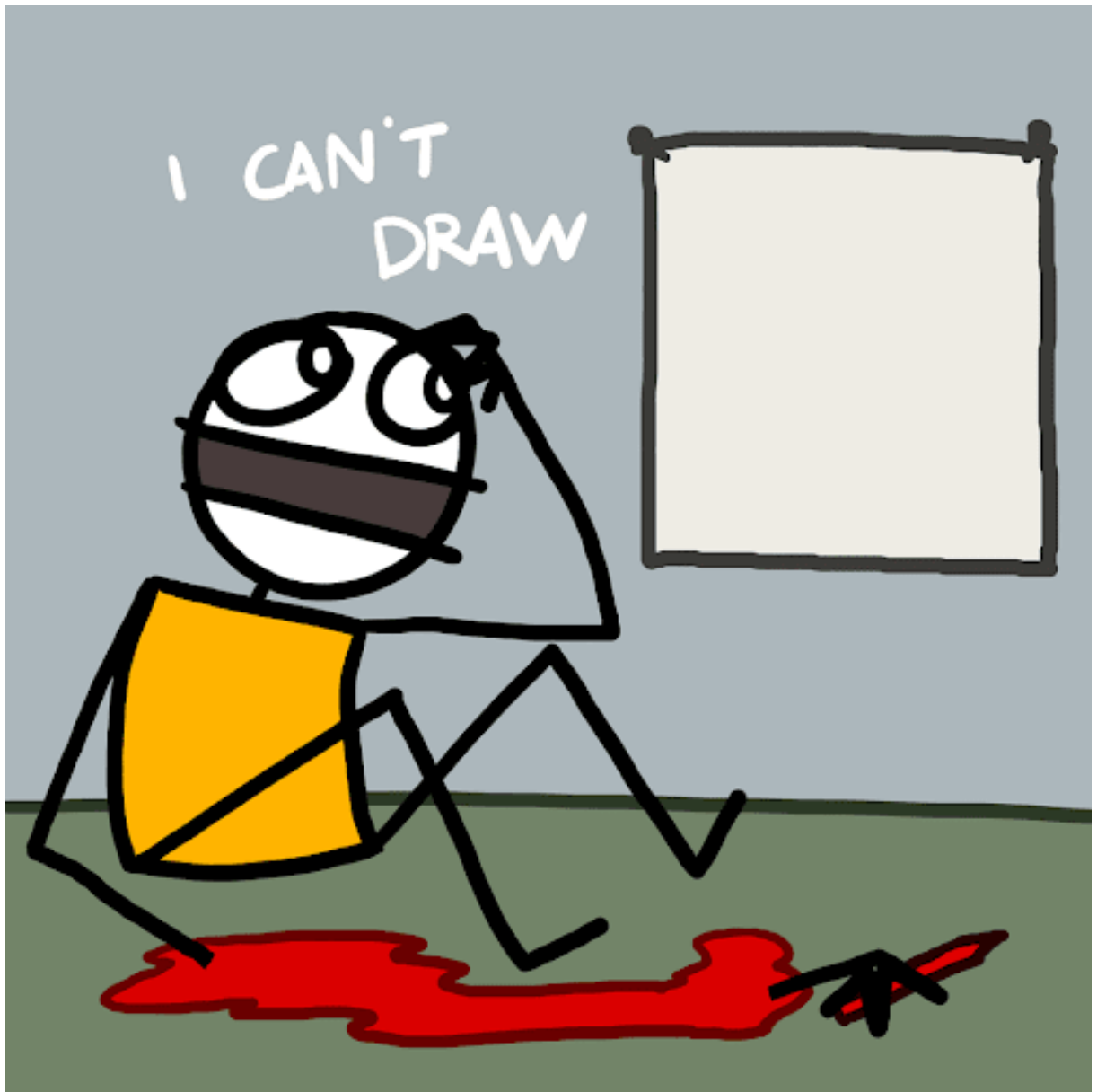
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