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# THE NOTICE BOARD

Sunny summer days ahead...

Remember when the weather is warm to provide your child with a good sunscreen cream, water and a hat.

## **School Calendar**

21-22 Term dates 22-23 Term dates Events

The School Menu

Breakfast Club
Daily from 7:45am to 8:15am

PA Appeal GoFundMe

**Digital Screens for Science** 

Do you need help with decluttering your home, property management or staging your home for lease? If so, consider using Ruby Slippers

Ruby Slippers are offering a 5% discount to the Grey Court family

Have nothing in your house that you do not know to be useful, or believe to be beautiful - William Morris

# KS3 News

#### #Y7, Mr-Day

It has been wonderful to see our Y7s return so well from their Easter Break. The year seems to have gone very fast! There is lots to look forward to this last term: school productions, activities and sports' day.

Next week, Y7 students will begin their end of year exams. Students received their exam timetables on Friday which lays out the schedule for the next two weeks. On Google classroom there are copies of the exam booklet which contains revision advice, as well as a copy of the exam timetable, if needed.

It is important for students to remember that being a little worried or apprehensive about exams is a normal emotion to feel. In fact, we say to many students that this is actually a good thing as it shows that they want to do well. If they didn't want to do well, we would be concerned. In assembly, Mr Holden spoke to students about the exams. His key tips were to be organised and start revision early. It is also important to frame students thinking positively around these exams - they are a chance for students to show off all the hard work they have done this year.

Now we are in the summer term, summer polos are permitted as part of the uniform. Students must ensure that they wear a blazer with their polo shirt.

#### #Y8+Y9, Mr Ridley

We had assemblies on safeguarding this week, led by our senior team. Mr Rhodes welcomed the students back from their Easter holidays and briefed the students on their exams that are starting next week.

Mrs Mercer and Ms Price also introduced the students to our 'anonymous reporting form', which we hope students will feel comfortable to use in order to promote a safe and positive environment at school.

We had great success with our year 9 boys' football, they became only the second team from Grey Court in the last decade to reach the Surrey County Cup final. We face Hampton Boys in the final after a convincing 5-0 win over George Abbott School.

Truly a great start to the term!

#### One Afghani Woman's Art

Samira Kitman, award-winning entrepreneur and artist, alumni of Turquoise Mountain Foundation will be exhibiting some of her work at Ham Youth Centre.

Samira has been very successful as an artist and businesswoman, voted Afghan businesswoman of the year, praised by Prince Charles and has had her art displayed at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London and the Smithsonian in Washington. Founder of Maftah-e Hunar, an art foundation which trained 80 young, deprived women to become artists and make a living.

Tickets include entry and a glass of wine/soft drink and 50% of the proceeds from selling art pieces will be allocated to the support of other Afghani artists & artisans and to keep arts alive in Afghanistan. Please book your ticket here



The Summer term always seems to pass very quickly and this year is no exception, we are already into week 2!

**For our Y11 students** the exam experience has already begun, those taking MFL subjects are currently undergoing their speaking exams, we wish them well. For our BTEC students they are finishing off their coursework and completing their practical exams, and for the remainder of students in Y11 the countdown to May 16th, when the first exam starts in the hall, is fast approaching. Please ensure students are using the revision planners that Ms Weston handed out last term and crucially, please check that you all have the exam timetable.

**Y10 students** had a slightly different start to term as we embarked on our restorative conferences last week. These conferences underpin our ethos as a restorative school. Students covered a range of topics in these conferences that we felt were pertinent to their experiences in Y10. These included: gender stereotypes, the gender pay-gap, concepts of toxic masculinity and mental health. These were, of course, tailored to the students in Y10 and included strategies for students to recognise these behaviours and how to address them.

See some photos on the next page.

**#Y10+Y11** 

Mr Gordon Walker





EXTRACURRICULAR CLUB TIMETABLE

# What's cooking...

#### by Holly-Anne SHEAHAN-LAMBERT

The **Cooking Club** has worked very hard over the last term to produce delicious and challenging foods such as pancakes for pancake day, Swiss rolls and a variety of other dishes. Before the holiday they produced Easter cupcakes in light of the upcoming Easter break with some great results. Week after week the members of the club have continued to show their cookery talents and are ambitious and keen to learn new recipes. The club is a great place to learn a new





The Duke of Edinburgh's award is a prestigious award to receive, it gives the participants the opportunity to push themselves, learn new skills, and do something beneficial and rewarding. It is also a good way of being able to help out and give back to the community through volunteering. Recently Year 10 students have been working hard in preparation for their Expedition sections which take place in the Summer term. This is an important part of the Duke of Edinburgh's award as it requires the participants to be independent and resourceful. In order to prepare themselves for the expedition the students have worked in small teams to set up and build tents outside whilst inside they have been learning important planning and mapping skills.





#### Right Side Of The Room

We are a musical group of 5 people called Right Side Of The Room and we have just released our first EP, RSOTR. It consists of a mix of genres such as Electronic and Lo-Fi. We spent 6 months planning, producing and promoting the project around the school. More information about the tracks can be found on our website

#### **Group members:**

Ben Peace George Robinson Matthew Ingram Sam Morris Reuben Thomas

This EP is a part of our Music Technology BTEC coursework and we would appreciate it if you could listen to some of our music and tell us what you think of it:

Website YouTube Soundcloud



(cover download link)

# ART HISTORY in schools

#### About this event

Are you in the Sixth Form and considering studying Art History and/or Art & Design at Higher Education? We invite you to attend the seventh annual Art History and Art & Design Higher Education Conference and Fair. Organised by Art History in Schools CIO, and hosted by Putney High School on Saturday 25th June from 10.00-15.30. Keynote speakers include British South Asian artist **Sutapa Biswas** whose work has recently been on show at Kettle's Yard, and art historian **Julian Stallabrass** from the Courtauld Institute. There will also be short talks on early career opportunities. Join in workshops for personal statements, and Art & Design portfolio applications, and prepare for both ARTiculation and SPoKE competitions. Meet undergraduate representatives from universities and art colleges around the UK to find out what you really want to know about life after school. Please book using school email addresses.

#### **FAOs**

Do I have to be studying Art History at school to attend this event? No you do not, there will be an opening talk introducing you to the subject.

Do I have to come with my school or may I register as an individual? 16+ students may register and attend on their own, or with friends, and school.

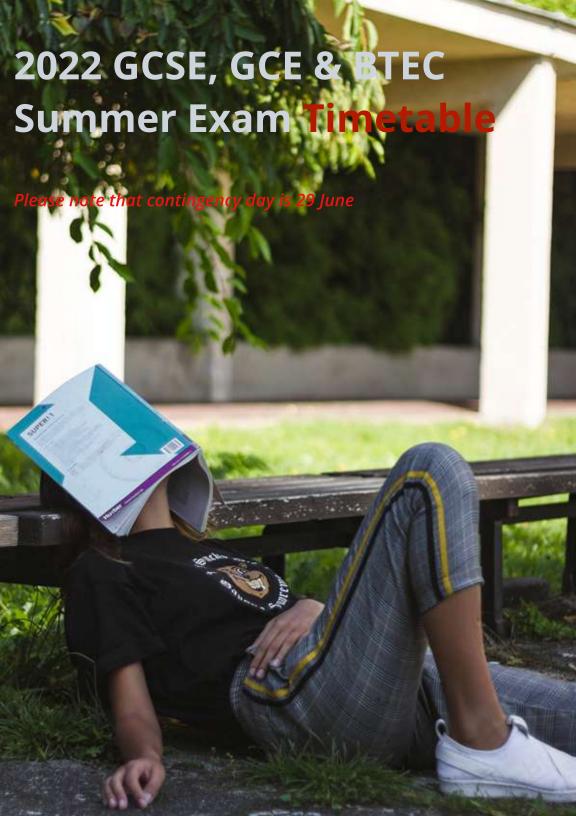
#### What can I bring into the event?

Students please bring a packed lunch to eat on the premises. A light lunch will be provided for teachers, and speakers. Phones or notebooks will be useful for note taking, recording contacts at art colleges and universities.

How can I contact the organiser with any questions? caroline@arthistoryinschools.org.uk

For more information and to book, click here





#### A Rose is a rose is a rose... behind the magic

What an exceptional Wednesday afternoon for our A Level Drama students who had the 'magic of showbiz' *ruined* for them in the most wonderful and creative way. We were welcomed onto The Rose Theatre stage and control room by the Head of Production, Head of Stage and two senior technicians who gave us an hour and half of their time to chat, demonstrate, explain their jobs and talk through how a production comes to fruition. They chatted about the logistics of the set and staging coming in and out of a theatre (A Monster Calls 'get-out' finished at 7.30 am), how you cannot 'mask' the space, how lighting and sound work (including glass gobos), the dynamic demands of a DSM and then shared one of their beautiful model boxes by one of the country's leading the logistics.



In a bespoke session, exclusively for our Grey Court A Level students, The Rose gave us a guide to the workings of the space, referencing the plays we'd been to see and showing off their wonderful lighting desk, demonstrating the intelligent light system and then taking us to the sound control room and explaining how it all works. We were not allowed to touch anything today, but students were offered (TBC!) possible future work experience...from helping out on the FUSE Festival during July to observing, close up, a DSM during a live show, attending, alongside the theatre director, rehearsals for an upcoming in-house show and actually operating the follow-spot for an upcoming production!

For their A Level, the students have to write about how they would direct and perform in their set texts, so it is brilliant for them to understand the precision and detail required to make a professional theatre function successfully. From the architecture of the building to the sub-stage and traps, we were given a wonderful insight. Oh, to have a real theatre in our school!! And, as we have come to expect, our students behaved beautifully with their wonderful, incessant, inquiring minds.

Thank you to Dan, Kat, Philip and Emma for their time, and thank you to Mr 'Part-time' Page for giving up a 'non-GC day' to make it possible. Edie and Raisharnai were staying on in the venue as members of The Rose Theatre Collective to continue work on their devising project due for production in the summer.











# Friday 20th May

GENERAL PICTURE KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

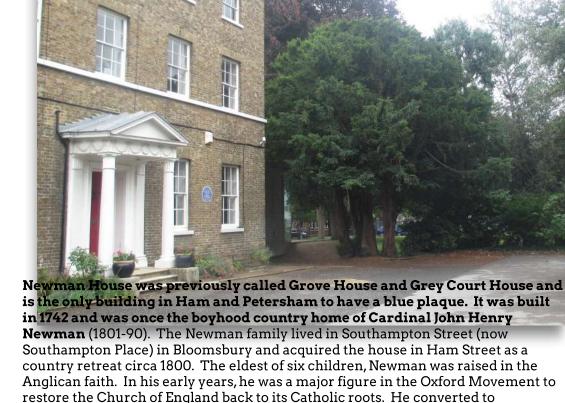
Doors open 6.45pm Starts 7.15pm

Tickets £12 each - includes meat/veg chilli meal max 8 per team Licensed cash/card bar - over 18s only

Tickets via: www.pta-events.co.uk/greycourtschool

Entrance via Sandy Lane

The History of Newman House



Newman moved to Birmingham, worked among the poor, wrote extensively, founded a school, and travelled to Ireland with plans to establish a Catholic university. This was unsuccessful because his ideas on education did not find favour with the Irish Bishops, but his book *The Idea of a University* has since become a classic and reads as a refreshingly modern-sounding challenge to cliched notions of education.

Catholicism in 1845 and was posthumously proclaimed 'venerable' by the Roman

Excerpt from The Ham & Petersham Magazine, 2009

Catholic Church in 1991, and canonised in 2019.

Miss Magaret Pegram would have liked to have gone to a nursery school. But that would have been over 50 years ago and since then she has made up for lost time. Miss Pegram has spent the past 28 years at Grey Court Nursery School as headmistress. Miss Pegram answered an advertisement in a local paper, and arrived at the doorstep of Grey Court in 1948. "I was immediately struck by the area as a perfect place for children. It had everything a child could ask for. Ducks on the duckpond, a river and boats, countryside walks, and horses and cows. Many was the time we had to rush out of the classrooms and drive cows out of the school grounds when they wandered in on their way to nearby Secrets Farm." Secrets Farm is now a council estate but the charm of Grey Court Nursery School is as strong as ever. The classrooms are all labelled 'shoeshop', 'hospital' and 'grocers'. When the children are not inside they can bathe in the little swimming pool or play under the 200-year-old Plane tree which spreads over the lawn. In the days of post-war rationing, the teachers spent December making presents for the children and Christmas is still just not Christmas without Fred Pearce, the Sandy Lane milkman. Fred has swopped his uniform for a Santa Claus outfit and acted as Father Chrismtats for the children ever since Miss Pegram arrived. Now the school is closing down, 56-year-old Miss Pegram is looking forward to joining nearby Meadlands School in Broughton Avenue, Ham, as a teacher.

Excerpt, written by Hugh Kirby, taken from a local news paper, circa 1976

How can you help...
Renovations of such an old, listed building do not come cheap and, ironically, while the building is listed enough to require English Heritage oversight of the repair programme, it is not listed enough to be eligible for many funding tranches. Therefore, this is only the first phase in what will have to be a multi-stage approach to the building's restoration, with each phase being approached once funding is in place. However, Grey Court school has been working with English Heritage on a programme to tackle the most urgent of the repairs and is hopeful that the glazing and front door works can commence soon.

We are hopeful that the end result will be a building worthy of its blue plaque, able to be appreciated by local residents and generations of students long into the future.

If you are passionate about historic restoration and are able to help Grey Court School meet the financial shortfall that is involved in preserving this important local building, please contact Madeline Thomas [mthomas@grevcourt.org.uk] to find out how you can help.

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Year Group	Week One	Week Two	
<b>7</b> SRE catch-up from primary school	Physical boundaries	Privacy + digital - not always right to keep secrets if they relate to being safe	
<b>8</b> Alcohol and drugs	Smoking	Alcohol and benefits of not drinking	
<b>9</b> Socialising/friendships	Whatsapp/IG groups - being sensible	Trolling	
<b>10</b> LGBTQIA+ Equality Rights etc	Gender vs sex?	Why is the idea of heteronomativity dangerous?	
<b>11</b> Current Affairs	What are local elections	What has caused the current cost of living crisis?	



#### The bodies in the library!

#### by Mr Clements

Ever since I was a child I have had a secret passion for those temples of sweet silence and quiet contemplation affectionately known as libraries. This stems from the memory of being dropped off at the local bibliotheque every Thursday night where I would immerse myself in reading history books about the American frontier whilst my mum completed the Tesco's shop. The library in question was a circular 60s brutalist masterpiece with shelving arranged like the spokes of a wheel and a concrete crazy paving around its outside. This meant that I could run around its circumference peering down aisles of shelves featuring arresting labels such as anthropology, earth science, house husbandry and military history whenever I was bored or needed a break.

As I grew older, the university library - a red brick edifice flanked by a lawn where everyone picnicked in summer - proved to be a focal point. It had a war veteran with one arm, a swallow tattoo and a 1000 yard stare who would put my bag through the X-ray machine in case I stole a copy of Heaney or Keats or John Donne. He regarded me with a mixture of disdain, contempt and cynicism every time I passed through his metaphysical portal with a shrill "beep." It also had free newspapers whose sports pages were always missing and large wooden mahogany trestle style tables whose varnished whorls and eddies stretched across the horizons of endless reading rooms. This palace proved to be a hotbed of gossip, knowledge, innuendo, day-dreaming and

romance; or at least the tantalising possibility of romance, that sadly never accumulated as fast as my "late" return fines!

Later, when I lived in New Zealand a land of where library design has reached an elevated art form - my young children would run riot amongst books, bean bags, sensory rooms, reading amphitheatres and indoor waterfall installations. Plate glass windows of poetically titled Aeroteorean towns and villages such as Wanaka, Whangaparaoa and Orewa would look out onto beaches, mountains and lakes as welcoming and child friendly librarians would read the lilting iambic pentameter of "Hairy McLary from Donaldson's dairy..." aloud to rapt toddlers.

I have therefore followed with almost cultish excitement the progress of the design, announcement, completion and unveiling of Kingston University's new "Town House" library. Indeed, when I read that it was a deserved winner of the RIBA Stirling Prize for architecture for its noble intention to be "a theatre for life – a warehouse of ideas...(to) seamlessly bring together student and town communities,"

I felt a similar sense of tingling excitement that I had last felt when I had visited the "Highbury library" in Islington for the first time!

So as Easter beckoned and Mr Hurley announced he was off to read Kant on a football tour of Magaluf, Ms Price revealed that she was attending a Northern Soul all-nighter on Wigan Pier, Mr Bashford remarked that he'd purchased a pair of antique driving goggles for his spin in the Aston Martin down to the South of France and Mr Rhodes admitted that he was conducting a cost analysis of the luxury Kalamazoo gaucho outdoor barbeque set: I promised to devote 48 hours to reading "Murder in Mesopotamia" in the nooks and crannies of

Kingston University library.

After a number of hours sampling the quiet zone, mezzanine, whisper room and rooftop garden, I had nearly reached the end of Christie's murder mystery, when from around the corner of a concrete loggia, who should I spot but two of our esteemed Grey Court students, Plamedi Mavula and Christian Ronald! Weighed down by their science books, it is fair to say that they were quite surprised to see me. And a while later, just as I was about to discover the identity of the body in the library, from around the corner walked bookish year 13 student, Bronwyn Ackroyd with her own copy of Agatha Christie!

What all three students have evidently realised is that this communal space will keep them away from all the distractions a modern home affords. Netflix, Fifa and Spotify to name but a few gadgets, may improve hand-eye coordination and peer group cultural capital - but a surplus of this unholy triumvirate will not spell out EXAM SUCCESS!

For my part, so in love am I, with library life, that my ambition is to write a travelogue when I retire called "Great Library journeys." Indeed, I rather fancy myself as the Michael Portillo of libraries. I have even pitched it to a number of publishers but the response thus far has been rather quiet. Perhaps they don't think it will turn out to be a page turner? So for now all I can do is recommend this wonderful meditative space to Grey Court students, so that they, like Bronwyn, Christian and Plamedi, can get into my good books!





#### **After School Groups**

Our service offers after school groups to young carers aged 5-18 that provide regular peer support and fun activities during the school term. Our groups provide an opportunity to make friends and build relationships with other young carers, while also having plenty fun!

#### Mentoring

We offer weekly mentoring sessions at school to young carers aged 8+ (Year 4 and above). Our talented support workers understand the challenges young carers face, and aim to provide a safe space to talk through those challenges while learning coping skills and resilience.

#### **Activity Programmes**

If you'd like to access fun social opportunities during the school holidays, our activity programmes provide a chance for young carers to have a day out at a fun activity with lots of other young carers. They are a great chance to make friends and access fun activities!

#### **Bespoke Activities**

Our team partners with lots of fun, local services to provide a range of bespoke activities and groups for young carers. These include sailing projects, drama groups, music therapy and more. We always aim to share these opportunities as soon as they are available!

#### **School Transition Mentoring**

We are now offering weekly school transition mentoring sessions during the summer term to young carers in year 6.

Our Young Carers Support Workers understand how much of a challenge young carers face when making the change between primary and secondary school, and are aiming to provide a safe space to talk through those challenges while also preparing young carers for what is to come.

These sessions will take place over 6 weeks during the summer term, with some follow up sessions in the new school year.

If you would like to find out more about our School Transition Mentoring Service, or to a refer a child for any of the above support, email us on youngcarers@richmondcarers.org



# Ham Open Gardens Sunday 22 May from 12pm to 5pm

On Sunday 22 May the Grey Court School Allotment and Wildlife Club will be taking part in a local event, Ham Open Gardens.

Students will be showcasing their area to members of the public to raise money for local charities.

Once every two years, this event provides the opportunity to go 'behind the garden wall' of a selection of the most beautiful private gardens in Ham. The event takes visitors on a fascinating journey through a variety of gardens which reflect the diversity of the area's rich history.

The year's *Open Gardens* will include lots for the family to enjoy. Guests will be treated to the sounds of the excellent Salamander Saxophone Quartet, who will be situated on Ham Common and will play a range of classical pieces and requests. In addition, there will be a barbecue on nearby South Avenue run by the local Scout group from 12pm, and delicious home-made teas served from 1pm to 4:30pm at St Thomas Aquinas Church near the pond on Ham Common.

To purchase tickets, please click this link.



# Sixth Form News

#### Year 13 study leave/'passport'

Year 13 lessons will officially end on Friday 13 May as the formal exam period for public exams starts on Monday 16 May for GCSEs and A Level exams. In order to provide continued support through the process, Year 13 teachers will be available to teach "passport" style sessions up until the date of their scheduled exams. These sessions may involve whole class teaching, intensive small group revision sessions or individual Q and A style conversations. Attendance is not compulsory at these sessions as at this point in the year many students want the option of being able to revise at home. Due to the fact that many classes are re-roomed because of the exam schedule, teachers take students to a spare room if the normal teaching room is being used. If rooming is changed this will be posted on the "stream" section of Google classroom.

#### Year 13s - Student Finance

Student Finance England is open and you should all be applying for your tuition fee and maintenance loans. Use this link to set up your account and to start the application process **Student Finance**. If you are still mystified about student loans then we recommend you watch the Martin Lewis video which explains the ins and outs of it all and debunks many of the myths around what the loans mean. Make a cup of tea, watch this **video** and you too will be a student finance expert.

#### **UCAS**

#### Year 12s

Each week we are dedicating one tutor time to information about higher education for year 12s. We thought parents might want to see what information is being passed on the students so here are three of our tutor time sessions.

Higher Education Tutor Time 1
Higher Education Tutor Time 2
Higher Education Tutor Time 3
Higher Education Tutor Time 4

Mark Evison Foundation Judging

This week we hosted Margarette Evison, executive trustee of the *Mark Evison Foundation*. Several groups of pupils have been preparing submissions to the foundation seeking funding and support to undertake a personal or group challenge. Four groups have successfully made it to the final judging stage and presented their full proposal for judgement this Wednesday. Margarette was impressed with the calibre of the applications and formal decisions will be made in the next few weeks.

#### Miss Fincham's Oxbridge and EPQ Update

Students from the Oxbridge group met on Monday afternoon to clarify the next steps of the process and to look more closely at how to write an Oxbridge level personal statement. Students were provided with two examples of good statements and a 'Steps to Success' powerpoint for this has been posted on the Oxbridge google classroom. They should now work on initial drafts for their statement along with updating and submitting their super curricular record and clarifying their course and college choices.

#### **EPQ**

The next few weeks involve the marking and moderation of the EPQ files for the current year 13. When this intensive process has been completed there will be an opportunity for interested year 12 students to find out more about the qualification and start the application process.

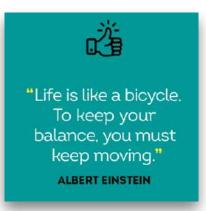
### Careers' Opportunities Bulletin

For apprenticeships, work experience, uni tasters and more please see our **weekly** careers opportunities bulletin:

27/04/2022 Careers opportunities

#### MedSoc

Students are now receiving support with writing their personal statements. Each student has also been given guidance on what they should be looking out for during their work experiences. Recently, students completed a presentation highlighting topics of relevance to them. Students will get tailored support for writing their personal statement and make them relevant to their work experiences. In the following few weeks a member of the Royal Surrey County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust will be working with the school to support the year 12s with the rest of the application process.



#### Stars of the Week

Our Year 13s have had some great university offers this year. They should all be congratulated especially in the light of many applicants deferring offers from last year and a population bulge of an increase in 18 year olds this year.

Particular highlights are:

**Many Amisten** for an brilliant offer to study Nursing with Registration as an Adult Nurse form King's College, London

**Jashan Ball and James Williams** received great offers from LSE (which has more applicants for fewer places than Oxford and Cambridge).

James Paz-Cundy, Iker Decimavilla Garrido, Nivi Nair, Moshie Sasikaran, Bilal Siddiqui, Ryan Haque, Alex Lomaha all received offers from Imperial College, London another notoriously difficult university to get an offer from.

**Celine Asmar** for her unconditional offer to study the highly competitive course of Fashion Design Technology at University of the Arts London

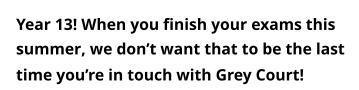
Well done to the following year 12s who have gained a place on Eton College summer schools: Cressida Cooper. Elianna Cornfield, Phoebe Dewar, Emmanuel Kuti, Mae Sayers, Daisy Dickinson, Kenzie Bloomer, David Garcia Brana.

These courses are really competitive to get onto and they will be studying courses in Biology/Chemistry, Economics, English and



# Alumni Blast

Lara Tabuteau - I'm going into my final term of first year studying Politics and International Relations at The University of Sheffield and I am absolutely loving it. The city is beautiful and there's always something to do, even if it does involve walking up the steepest possible hills. In October I trialled for the University netball teams, and have trained and played throughout the year culminating in Varsity. This took place at the end of March and saw us winning 45-28 to a Sheffield Hallam team 3 leagues above us in front of hundreds of people. Following this we ventured to Croatia on tour, including a 36 hour bus ride, and celebrated an amazing season. Academically, I love the course as it's taught by people extremely high up in British and international politics, there's so much to learn from their experience. Ultimately I am really enjoying my time in Sheffield and can't believe that first year is nearly over!



We are working with an organisation called Future First to help us keep in touch with you so they can continue to support you and perhaps even invite you back in to support future students. We would like you to sign up for our alumni website. Signing up takes 2-3 minutes.





If you are a parent or Grey Court alumni who has a yearning to work with Sixth Formers in our wonderful Palace of learning, we are on the look out for a part-time administrator to help us keep-on-top of attendance and keep the staff and students organised.

We can offer lots of friendly faces, fun, a degree of flexibility in terms of working hours and a vibrant forward-thinking environment.

If this job opportunity piques your interest, please email Mr Clements (<a href="mailto:rclements@greycourt.org.uk">rclements@greycourt.org.uk</a>) for more information.

# Sports Action



# Our Sports' Super Stars

A little
progress each
day adds up
to big results

#### Fantastic!

**Neve Rugette** and **Bade Isik** who have been selected for **U14 Girls' 2022 England Basketball Squad**. This is fantastic achievement which highlights their superb talent. Well done to **Madi** for being selected to attend the England camp.

#### Amazing!

**Gabriel Kadir** and **Zuko Robb** have been selected for the **Harlequins U17 rugby academy**. This is a superb achievement by both boys.

#### Excellent!

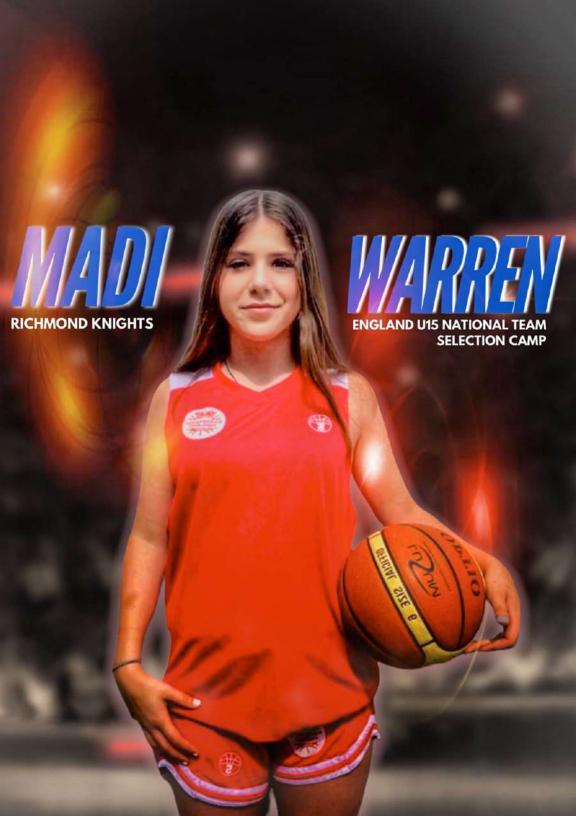
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#### Superb achievement!

Congratulations to **Zuko Robb** who has been selected to be part of the **England U18 Karate squad** for the European Championships to be held in Prague in June.







Congratulations to Gabriel K and Zuko R who have been selected for the Harlequins U17 rugby academy. This is a superb achievement by both boys.





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#### **Judo Taster Session**

Friday 7 May

At the after school club which is held in the Drama Studio







# I DON'T LIKE CRICKET. LOVE IT.

## Our SPORTS' STARS OF THE MONTH



#### Boys' Scholar Zayden Casimir

Zayden has shown real promise in a variety of sports at Grey Court: he plays left-midfield for the football team, and has scored valuable goals throughout the season; he is developing into a talented winger in rugby, and has scored a flurry of tries in recent games. He has also been training twice a week hard in hurdles. His technique and speed between the hurdles is developing, which is great to see. Keep up the hard work Zayden and continue to drive for more success throughout the year. Well done!



#### Boys' Player Asif Malik

He has performed incredibly well for the school. He was heavily involved in the Gym and Dance Show, as one of the stars of the trampolining routine. Asif was also part of the team that competed in the National Finals, finishing second overall. He scored high 8's across the board for his outstanding performance. Outside of school, Asif also finished in first place in his qualifiers for the Nationals. We are excited to support Asif with his trampolining, so he can keep going from strength to strength.



#### **Girls' Player**

#### Anna Costeanu

Anna has had an outstanding month, she has recently been busy helping to choreograph performances in our annual gym and dance show. During the show, Anna performed her self-taught aerial hoop and blocks performance, stunning the audience throughout. Anna also participated in, and helped choreograph, a number of pieces by the Grey Court gymnastics squad.

On top of this, Anna and her U19 teammates competed at the Milano Team National Finals, representing London. The team have worked extremely hard on their performances and Anna helped the team come home with the gold medal. Outside of gymnastics, Anna is studying BTEC Sport and has recently achieved a distinction in her unit 2 BTEC exam. Anna is a credit to Grey Court and an excellent role model for all our younger gymnasts and dancers.



#### Sports' Team

#### U19 Gymnastics Jeam

Our amazing U19 gymnastics team travelled up to Stoke-on-Trent to compete in the Milano Team National Finals, representing both Grey Court and London. In the competition, each team consists of three or four gymnasts, with three competing in individual floor, three on vault and a minimum of three in a group acro-routine. The U19 team consists of year 12 students **Florence Bradley** and **Sienna Griffith**, year 11 student **Theo Butcher** and year 13 student Anna **Costeanu**. Having spent months preparing, training both in school and with their respective gym clubs, they competed against teams from across the UK - with extremely tough competition from the schools from Wales. They performed outstanding vaults, strong floor routines and finished with a superb group acro-routine, which enabled them to storm to a convincing win, with a whole 2 marks separating them from 2nd place.



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• Level 2 IAG Cargo Apprenticeship

#### **IAG Cargo**

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• Level 2 Heathrow Operations Apprenticeship

#### **Heathrow Operations**

British Airways Careers - Apprentice - Heathrow Operations (5754) (ba.com)

All of these opportunities can be found on <u>our careers website</u> for more information and the links to apply.

To support student's with their application, we have a dedicated student website called <a href="Speedbird-Z">Speedbird-Z</a>. They'll have access to online e-learning modules about British Airways and employability top tips. They'll also have access to our bank of digital mentors that they can chat too, many of who are current apprentices who can share their experiences on the recruitment process and programme.



To enquire/book on a trial session contact Heather on chairwoman@afckingstonyouth.co.uk or call 07717 047 453
Under 7's, 8's, 9's, 10's, 11's, 12 reds, 13's and 14's play on Saturdays in the Epsom and Ewell Youth League
Under 12 Blues and under 15's play on Sundays in the Surrey Youth League
All coaches are qualified up to UEFA B licence and DBS checked (not parents of players)
Team training takes place on Monday or Wednesday evenings







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### TALENT ID DAYS

#### **MONDAY 9TH MAY**

5PM-7PM U7'S - U11'S

6.30pm-8pm - U12 - U15's (CURRENT SCHOOL YEARS 6 to 9)

#### **MONDAY 16TH MAY**

5PM-7PM U7 S - U11 S (SCHBBL YEARS 1 to 5)

6.30pm-8pm - U12 - U15's (CURRENT SCHOOL YEARS & 10.7)

#### **MONDAY 23RD MAY**

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