



Be Kind
Year 7

Winning

means you're

doing better than you have

Grey Court PE Department Extra-Curricular Timetable Spring Term 1 2023

Day	Time	Activity	Teacher
Monday	10:00-11:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Monday	11:15-12:15	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Monday	12:30-13:30	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Monday	13:45-14:45	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Monday	15:00-16:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Monday	16:15-17:15	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Tuesday	10:00-11:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Tuesday	11:15-12:15	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Tuesday	12:30-13:30	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Tuesday	13:45-14:45	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Tuesday	15:00-16:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Tuesday	16:15-17:15	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Wednesday	10:00-11:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Wednesday	11:15-12:15	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Wednesday	12:30-13:30	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Wednesday	13:45-14:45	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Wednesday	15:00-16:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Wednesday	16:15-17:15	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Thursday	10:00-11:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Thursday	11:15-12:15	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Thursday	12:30-13:30	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Thursday	13:45-14:45	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Thursday	15:00-16:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Thursday	16:15-17:15	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
Friday	10:00-11:00	Table Tennis	Mr. Smith
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World Book Day

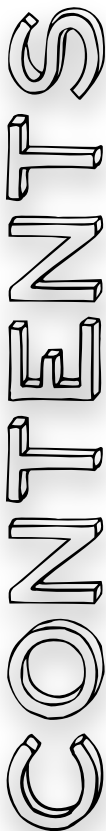
Music Tech Club

Wednesdays 3pm-4pm
in the Ingenium

Rock and Pop
Band Club
Mondays 3pm-4pm
in Music

Grey Court School
eBulletin

10 March 2023



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YEAR 12 CYBER EPQ SURVEY

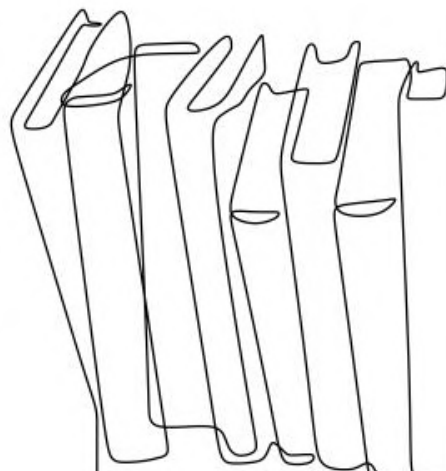
Hi, I am currently in Year 12 taking a Cyber EPQ course in which I have to write a 5000 word essay about a specific area of cyber security. I am going to look into how the Coronavirus pandemic has changed working habits and impacted cyber security and am hoping you can help me do that by completing this anonymous survey.

<https://forms.gle/kCj6uKD5hoUPKm817>

Thanks, Katie H 12D



Cover photo: photo taken on World Book Day (Friday 3 March). One of our students with Teddie. See World Book Day photos of our staff within the bulletin.



#KeepInTouch



22-23 Term Dates



23-24 Term Dates



School Events



Sports' TT



Sport SOCS



Education Fund



ScoPay



The Uniform Shop



Thursdays 3-4pm



Breakfast Menu



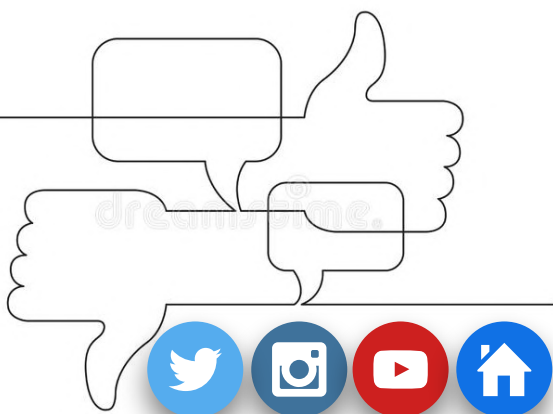
Weekly Menu



Graze Menu



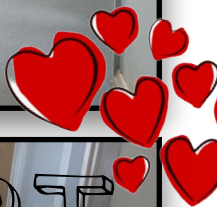
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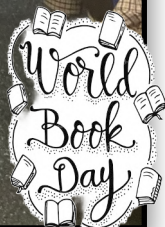
Dressing up for
WORLD BOOK DAY



ENGLISH DEPT.



SCIENCE DEPT.



YEAR 7

Mr Holden, Mr Day and Ms Shore

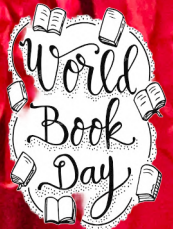




Photo above: Ms Vucenovic as *The 'girl' in the Striped Pyjamas*

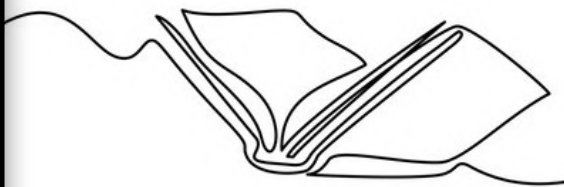
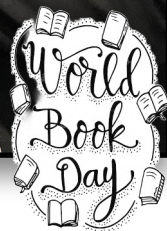
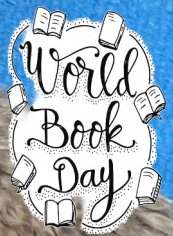


Photo below: One of our students reading a book to Teddie







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By Elsie and Taylor
doing better than you have
Rock and Pop
BAND CLUB
MONDAYS 3PM-4PM
IN MUSIC
COME AND PLAY THE DRUMS,
CONGAS, TRAPS, KEYBOARDS, OR GUITAR
IN A TRAND ALSO OPEN TO OTHER
INSTRUMENTS IF YOU HAVE ONE
World
Book
Day

Grey Court Gym & Dance Show 2023

Tuesday 28th March

Come and watch our amazing gymnasts
and dancers perform!

Doors open at 6:30pm

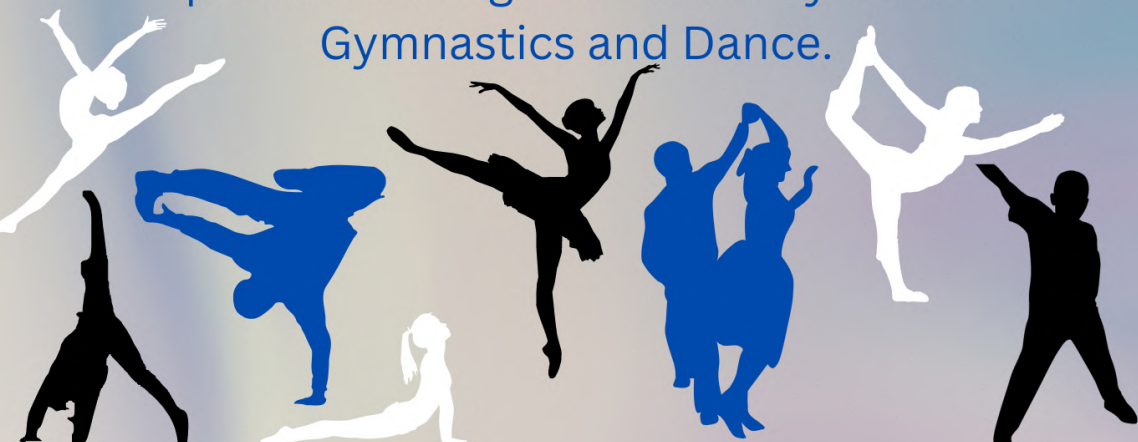
The show will start at 7pm.

£4 for children

£6 for adult

Payment available on Scopay or on the door.

A tuck shop will be available on the night. All
proceeds will go back to Grey Court
Gymnastics and Dance.



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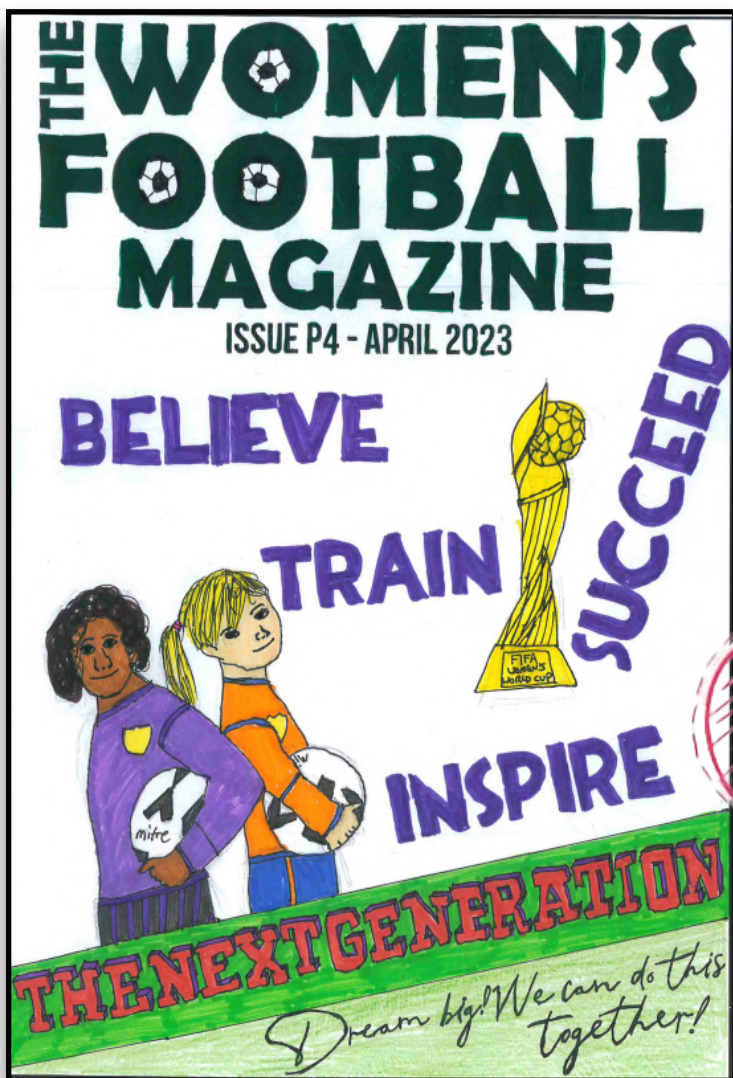
A multimedia performance of our
original migration stories

MAY 4
5:30-7:00 PM

Grey Court School,
Ham St, Richmond
TW10 7HN

SHOUTOUT *to* Indie

We are delighted to announce that **Indie Peters-Sutherland** has won the Women's Football Magazine Front Page Art Competition. Congratulations, Indie

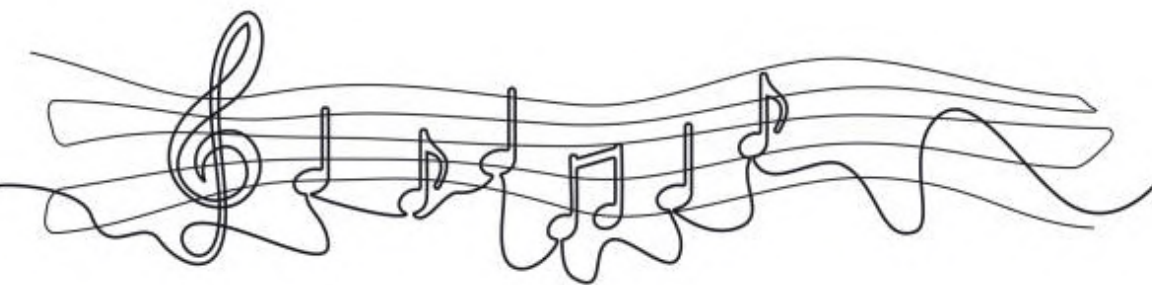


Dream big! We can do this together!

SHOUTOUT *to* Olivia



Out of school, Olivia Kristensen is a member of two choirs, the Children's Chorus at Tiffin and the All Saints Church Choir in Kingston. This week, Olivia will be singing as part of the Congregation Choir for the BBC Radio 3 broadcast. Also, she recently received her surplice at All Saints, which means she moves from being a probationer to becoming a chorister, a great achievement after a year of 10 hours of weekly services, concerts and rehearsals.



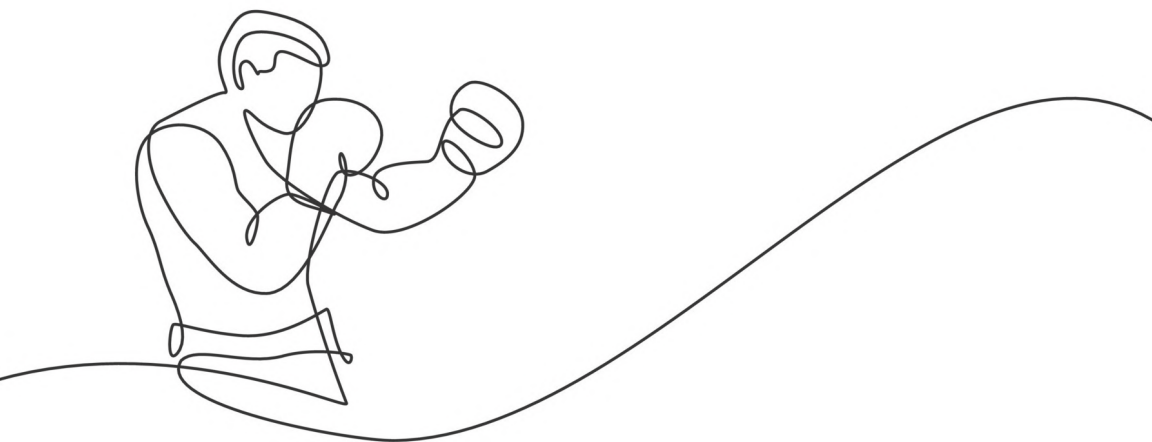
SHOUTOUT

to **Mr Da Silva**
& **students**

Oscar Black **Adrian Chan** **Hannah Niss** **Lillian York** **Francesca Marretta**

Just a note to say that Leo absolutely loved the boxing yesterday, they all had a great time and it was interesting watching them and noticing how they have to think about the coordination. They all really benefitted from the balance, coordination and hand-eye workout. The students from GC were brilliant with them as well, very respectful, patient and good humoured, they were a credit to their school.

Tom Lloyd, Class Teacher – Leo, Strathmore School, Russell Campus



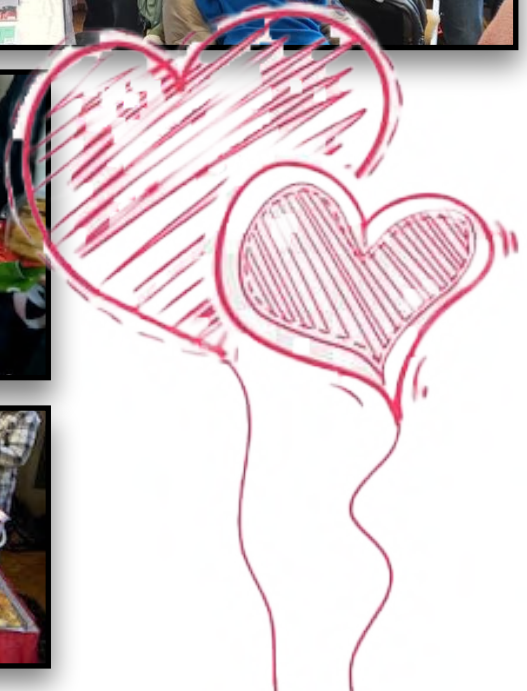
SHOUTOUT *to* Xavier & Shiven

Well done to Xavier and Shiven for representing Grey Court at the Jack Petchy Public Speaking Regional Finals at Orleans Park school. Congratulations to Xavier for winning second place in the competition. Here they both are with Munira Wilson, MP for Twickenham, who presented the plaque and certificates.



SHOUTOUT *to* everyone

A special shout-out to everyone who supported the Turkey/Syria fundraiser held at St Stephen's C of E Primary School on 26 February. Over £5,000 was raised!!



SHOUTOUT to **Ms Innocent**

Ms Innocent took this stunning photo of the snow-covered Crocuses on Ham Village Green on Wednesday morning.



KS3 & KS4 NEWS



YEAR 7 NEWS

We hope everyone will dry out over the weekend after a soggy week!

Firstly, a huge congratulations to the Year 7 athletics team, who were competing this week at the London indoor athletics championships. The girls team put in a fantastic performance with some exceptional PBs achieved. A huge well done to the boys team who won the competition:- Avery B, Josh G, Tobias C, Sebastiano B, Sergio R and Harrison S. All the participants did the school proud. The U12 girls football team also won 7-4 this week, with Molly R winning player of the match! You can keep up to date with all the sporting activities at Grey Court via the school twitter account (@GreyCourtPE).

We were lucky to have our assembly delivered by staff from Strathmore School. Strathmore school is a specialist provision located on the school site, for children with a range of needs. There are plenty of opportunities for Grey Court students to get involved and learn more about Strathmore as they go up the school - with volunteering, joint events etc.

And a final well done to all those who performed last night at the MOGOs! Zak N, Maheen A, Ayah M, Ella W, Inigo B, Dhruv - all did fantastically!

- Mr Day



Our SUPERSTARS

Congratulations to the year 7 indoor athletics team who won the London Finals last night. It was an excellent team performance. Over 40 schools entered the first round of the competition, so to be crowned champions is a huge achievement.

Team: Sebastian B, Avery B, Harrison S, Joshua G, Sergio R, Tobias C





GCS GIRLS MAKE IT
THROUGH TO THE LONDON
YOUTH GAMES FINALS AT
LORD'S!

Congratulations to
LIVVY C
CHARLOTTE V



Congratulations to Year 7 students Livvy C and
Charlotte V who will be playing cricket at Lord's on the
25 March.



YEAR 7 MATHS ASSESSMENT

Year 7 will have their next Maths assessment on the following days:

A Band: Wednesday 15 March

B Band: Thursday 16 March

As these are days where industrial action is planned they will not be completing their assessments in class but rather in the main school hall.

The Assessment will last for 1 hour and will be non-calculator.

A revision list with hyperlinked activities have been posted on each student's Google classroom and a revision task has also been posted on every student's Mathswatch account.

There will also be an additional Maths Surgery running on Tuesday 14 March for year 7 students only to support them with their upcoming assessment.

Mr Lunniss

Key Stage 3 Maths Coordinator

**A BAND: WEDNESDAY
15 MARCH**

**B BAND: THURSDAY
16 MARCH**

YEAR 8 NEWS

Year 8 have seen GRADU8 take to the playgrounds again, with 8 Cedar taking on the enterprise challenge. Many baked goods were devoured and sold out before the end of break time - like these delicious looking deluxe brownies, made with the secret family recipe... totals and updates to follow!



Gradu8

As we move closer to the Easter holidays and are firmly settled into term, please help to support our students with engraining good and healthy routines. Homework clubs are available on multiple days to help with these routines of which we strongly encourage the students to use.

- Ms Woods & Mr Ridley

Every Day Do
Something That
Will Inch You
Closer To A Better
Tomorrow

- Doug Firebaugh

International Women's Day

On Wednesday (International Women's Day), 10 Year 8 students were invited to an event run by Chelsea FC to celebrate IWD, the event consisted of football drills and challenges along with educational and health and wellbeing sessions including female empowerment and workshops led by partners, Kingston Mind and Nike, who also gifted students sports bras.

The girls had a great morning even though it was freezing cold and pouring with rain!!! **Ms Angel**



YEAR 9 NEWS

This week year 9's were welcomed by some unexpected snow - please remind your child to wear a suitable coat everyday whilst the weather is unpredictable! Following on from a fantastic set of PC2 reports last term, a large number of students across the year were praised by the KS3 team for averaging a VG for their attitude across all lessons. A huge well done, we are very proud of your continued effort and progress!

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to Indie Sutherland-Peters for winning the National Design Competition run by the Women's Football Magazine (TWFM) and English Schools FA (ESFA). They challenged school children to design the front cover of TWFM's April print magazine focusing on the next generation of women's footballers in the UK. Over 100 entries were received from more than 21 schools and a panel of judges from TWFM and the ESFA were hard pressed to choose a winning entry. We are delighted and so proud that Indie won the competition, and her artwork will become the front cover of the TWFM printed edition in April.

In assembly this week, we celebrated 'International Women's Day' highlighting the incredible achievements that we have accomplished as a society today. Main areas highlighted were: the giving of equal prize money across all tennis tournaments worldwide; gaining the right to vote, and the increase of women in construction careers and higher executive positions. While it is true that women's rights and opportunities have come a long way, we continue to encourage students to empower each other, and support equality throughout all walks of life.

Top Achievers Last Week

Philine Zoeller
Sophie Robinson
Ryan Farahmand
Luca Galant Draysey
Betsy Ireland



Help and Guidance

Students were reminded of the members of staff that they can seek support and guidance from in year 9: Mr Ridley, Ms Howarth, Mr Jacob, Mr Kisby and Ms Mercer.

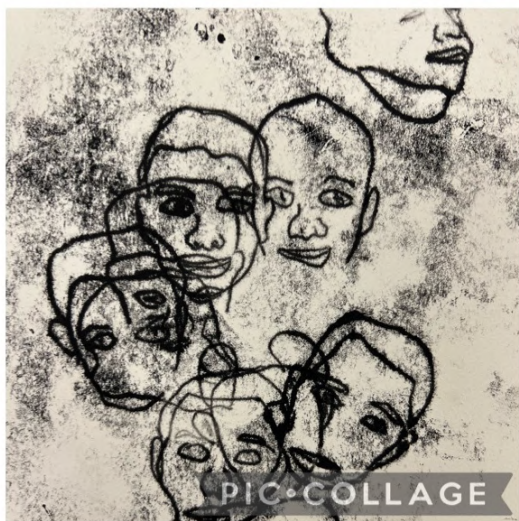
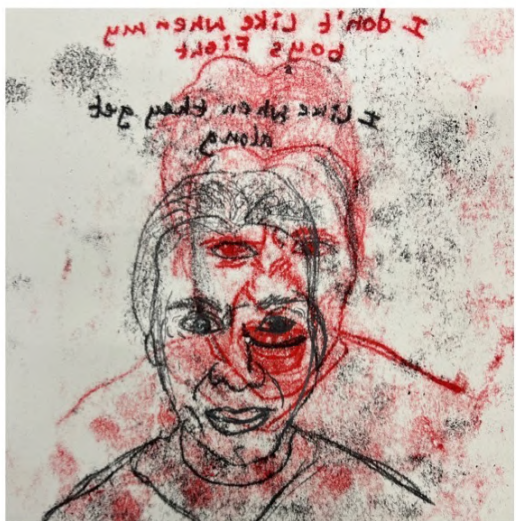
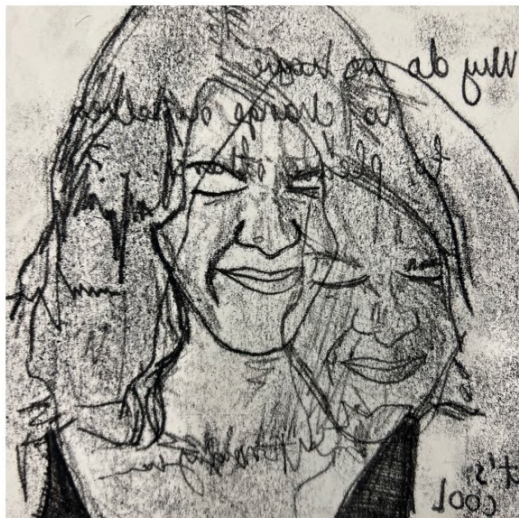
In addition to this, they can report an incident anonymously through our anonymous reporting system on their tutor Google classroom.

- Ms Howarth & Mr Ridley

Y9 ART OPTIONS TASTER SESSION



Year 9 have taken part in their options taster session in Art. In the session they experimented with monoprinting to continue investigating the theme of the 'altered selfie'. The process of monoprinting is unpredictable and creates a huge amount of suspense when they peel away their paper from the printing ink. Students used layering and text to create a portrait to represent their chosen sitter- well done Year 9!



YEAR 10 NEWS

Linking to last week and the assembly on future pathways and careers, and in honour of National Careers Week, staff have been displaying the careers they have had in the past before they joined the education sector. It has been interesting to see the different journeys we take and how each experience can determine our next steps, both in our professional and personal lives. This should give year 10 some food for thought about how they might like to embrace the different opportunities available to them inside and outside of school and how this could positively impact their future.

Please look out for the letter regarding Parent's Evening on Thursday 23 March. This will be held virtually (as we have done in the past) using School Cloud. The letter outlines all information regarding logging-in to the system and making appointments. Please endeavour to make appointments with your child's teachers as this evening affords invaluable feedback on your child's progress in this important year and steps to enable them to move forward, excel and reach their full potential. I'm hoping for 100% attendance to this! Thanks in advance for your time and support with Parents' Evening.

We are continuously striving to improve our attendance in line with our school target of 96%. We currently have a year group total of 93% so we still have a way to go. Well done to those who are resilient and continue to be in school every day and a big well done to 10 Elm, who have the best attendance this week at 94%. Keep up the good work.

Ms Clark

YEAR 10 PARENTS' EVENING

Thursday 23 March

YEAR 11 NEWS

This week students received an inspiring assembly from our inhouse careers advisor Ms Corrighan in honour of 'National Careers week'. It is important that students are made aware of all the pathways that can be offered to them after they leave Grey Court, as the opportunities are truly endless.

As we get closer to exams, I would like to stress to parents and students the importance of revision. It is important that students are revising at least 15 hours a week in preparation for the upcoming GCSE's. I will be posting an electronic revision timetable for students to fill out and use for the Easter break. Good revision is constant and although I know a lot of students are revising regularly, I have noticed a slight dip and disparity over the last couple of weeks. Intervention sessions will continue until the Easter break. Students please use this limited time to continue attending as this will benefit you greatly.

Lastly, sixth form interviews take place next week. Students and parents should have received letters regarding this so please make sure you attend your appointment on time and have everything prepared beforehand. Please make sure we keep the attendance up for the next couple of weeks, as you know we have the celebration assembly coming up and there will be prizes for individuals as well as form groups, so best of luck.

Best wishes
Ms Comrie

Hard work
beats talent
when talent
doesn't work
hard

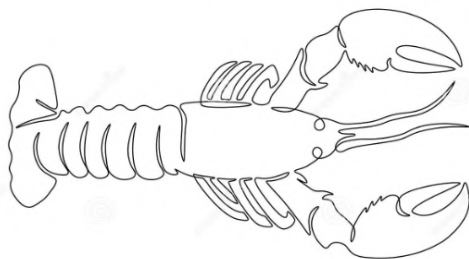


FOOD & NUTRITION

We have had a busy few weeks in the Food and Nutrition department.

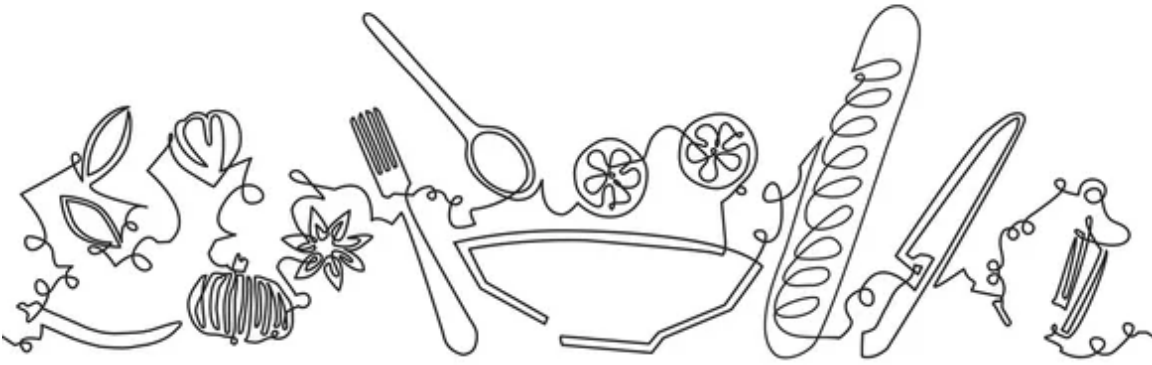
Year 11

Our year 11s have completed their final practical assessment for their NEA2 coursework. This accounts for 15% of their total GCSE grade and the standard was as excellent as ever this year. Mr Rhodes, Ms Weston and Mr Holden all came in to sample some of the delights and were suitably impressed. I am so proud of all of our year 11s and their hard work. **Alfie Charman** even brought in a live lobster for one of his dishes!!



Year 10

Year 10 have started their new topic - Food Provenance. We started with Fairtrade - where they had to use as many Fairtrade ingredients as possible to make a dessert and promote this sustainable worldwide mission.



Year 9

Year 9s have been finishing their rotations with the classic MasterChef lesson. Please find our winners below. A huge well done to them all! All will win house points for their team.

A Band

- 1st place - Gabriel Roussinov
- 2nd place - Yasmin Dempster
- 3rd place - Lily Burnett and Leyla Anjum Smith
- 4th place - Bronte Jackson

B Band

- 1st place - Hugo Vaz
- 2nd place - Kipling Schrievner
- 3rd place - Saskia Hollins
- 4th place - Addison Elliott

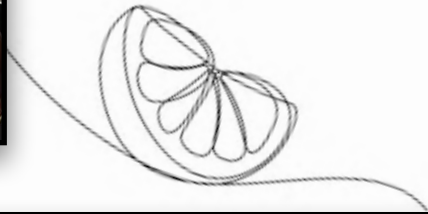
Photos on the next few pages







Y9 MASTER CHEF





Pies for Pi Day House Competition

Next week is our annual Pies for Pi Day House Competition. Please see the poster for details. I am hoping to see lots of lovely entries!

A pie with a dark filling and a white pi symbol (π) on top.

Pies for Pi Day

Tuesday March 14th 2023

Bake your pie to celebrate Pi 3.14!

Sweet or savoury and house points will be awarded for the most creative pies!

A pie with a golden crust and a white pi symbol (π) on top, surrounded by the numbers 3.14159265.

Bring your pies anytime before lunch to T5 for judging

House points for each entry!

Name and label your pie so we can return them to you!

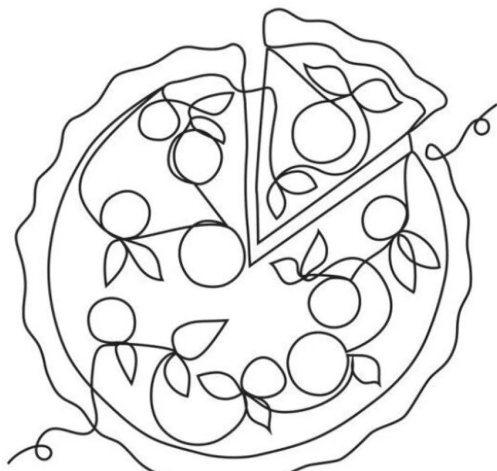
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Happy weekend all.

Miss Clark

SWEET AS 3.14159265359



HOLIDAY CAMP

3-6 APRIL

AGES 11-16

The holiday camp is open to all our students aged 11/12 to 16.

There are a number of free spaces for pupils in receipt of free school meals. Parents/Guardians of eligible students just need to contact the Grey Court finance office to get the relevant Coupon Code that they will need to put on their application form.

- 📅 3rd - 6th April 2023 (12-16 Yrs)
- 🕒 10:30am - 2:30pm
- 📍 Grey Court School, Ham Street, TW10 7HN
- £ **FREE** (inc. lunch) for those eligible
- £ £20 per day + optional £5 healthy lunch
- ✂️ Multi-Sports, Skateboarding, Virtual Soccer, Warhammer, Street Dance, Physical activity programme, Games, Socialising, AND MORE!

BOOK NOW



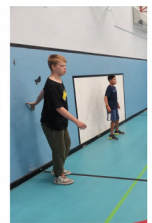
www.ourcamps.org

schoolcampinfo@ourparks.org.uk



FOR YOUR KIDS

AT YOUR SCHOOL



BOOK NOW!

ATTENDANCE

Matters

Congratulations to Year 7 for achieving 96.8% attendance from 27 February to 3 March

Tutor Group	Attendance %
7 Elm	98.5%
8 Ash	98.0
9 Oak	96%
10 Elm	94.8%
11 Cedar	96.4%

Year Group	Attendance %
Year 7	96.8%
Year 8	94.6%
Year 9	93.6%
Year 10	93%
Year 11	94.4%

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STARS OF THE WEEK

Year	Name	Subject	Reason
7	Josie Bryant	Computing	Excellent engagement in class
9	Basit Ademola-Lawal	Computing	Excellent engagement in class
10	Ricards Misins	Computer Science	Excellent progress in the subject
11	Lamar Mansour	Computer Science	Excellent engagement in class
12	David Locherer	Computer Science	Excellent progress in the subject
13	Thomas Sinclair	Computer Science	Outstanding achievement
7	Kitty Streek	Food & Nutrition	Excellent engagement in class
8	Lula Rose Civiero	Food & Nutrition	Excellent contributions
9	Addison Elliott	Food & Nutrition	Excellent engagement in class
10	Estelle Itorho	Food & Nutrition	Excellent progress in the subject
11	Niah Westbrook	Food & Nutrition	Outstanding achievement
9	Lucas Carlino	KS3 DT	Excellent contributions
10	Lexi Lavercombe	Graphics VCERT	Excellent progress in the subject
11	Poppy Clarke	Graphics VCERT	Outstanding achievement
10	Emma Phillips	GCSE Textiles	Excellent progress in the subject
11	Lily-Mae Manning	GCSE Textiles	Excellent engagement in class
12	Katie Humphrey	Enterprise &	Excellent progress in the subject
13	Kate Dolotova	Enterprise &	Excellent progress in the subject

SIXTH FORM NEWS



CAREERS

A big shout out this week to the incredibly passionate and dedicated group of students involved in the Diversity Group, who have put together these slides for [International Women's Day](#). They formed part of tutor time discussions this week in the Sixth Form.

Year 12 history students also enjoyed a trip to Hampton Court.

Work experience placements are coming in thick and fast, so well done to everyone who has secured a placement. If any parents, carers or friends are able to offer placements, please let Ms Corrighan know bcorrighan@greycourt.org.uk.

Year 12 Work Experience & Careers Bulletin - work experience takes place 3-7th July 2023 for year 12. To confirm the placement, students must input the information on the **Unifrog Placements** tool. This will confirm with the employer the placement. See this step by step guide of how to add on your placement: [Unifrog - adding a placement.pdf](#)

Please see the link with more opportunities that sixth formers can get involved with next week we encourage all students to check this bulletin for work experience opportunities:

[08/03/2023 Sixth Form Careers opportunities](#)



Turner and Brandon finding out about opportunities in the music industry at WaterBear Music School.

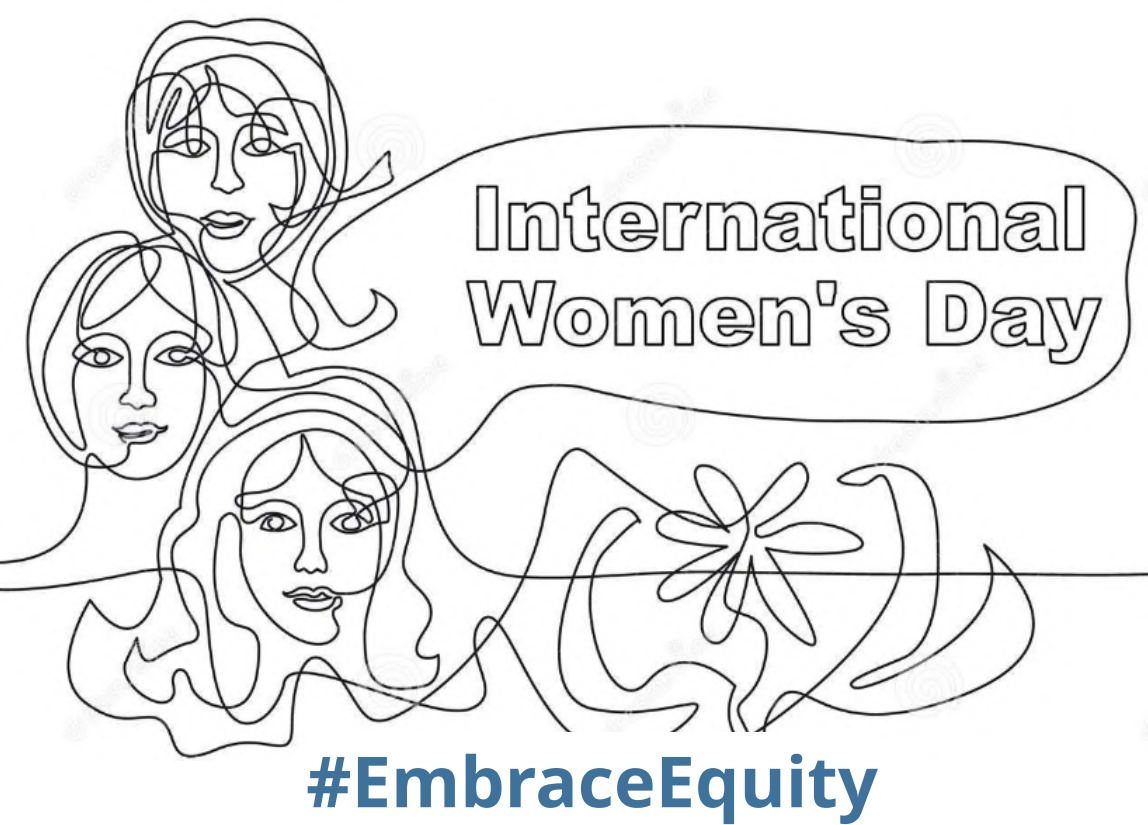
University & Apprenticeships Fair

Well done to all the year 12 students who attended this Fair at the Tottenham Hotspur Ground. We hope it provides a starting point to think about your post-18 options. It was also good for students to learn to travel independently and explore different areas of London - the stadium is impressive!

There were various seminars that took place and they have put the following videos together especially for students, teachers and parents who were unable to watch a specific seminar they were interested in. Some really useful stuff:

<https://www.studentstream.co.uk/spring-events-2023>

We will be supporting you with more information throughout the year but don't forget you can research University courses and apprenticeships on [Unifrog](#).



To celebrate International Women's Day (IWD) the Sixth Form diversity group created a presentation which was shared across year 12 and year 13 tutor groups. On Wednesday 8 March students were able to learn about what IWD is, why it is important and how equity can help create equality! The presentation included Gina Martin, a political activist and who campaigned for the Upskirting Law which came into place in 2019 and Amika George MBE an activist who campaigns against period poverty in the UK.

The students also helped put a display in the sixth form to help spread awareness and celebrate IWD 2023.

Thank you to the following year 12 students who helped put together resources for IWD 2023:

- Lily Glanville
- Oliwia Lewko
- Kanye Ellick
- Peri Talug
- Summer Toibayeva
- Claudia Seddon
- Kin-Wah Leung

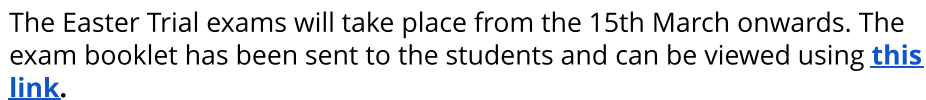
Ms Duncan



EQUALITY



EQUITY



Once you have heard from all five courses you applied to you should choose a firm choice and an insurance choice of course. Sounds scary but the earliest deadline for responding is the 8th June so there is plenty of time for making decisions. Many students will have received invites to Offer Holder Days. This is the best way of helping students choose the best course and university for them. You should look at not just the university but the city or town where it is located. Consider factors such as whether you like the set up of a campus university or a university spread across a city. Think about where you might live in the second year when you will not be living in university accommodation. You might want to think about whether there will be opportunities for part time work to help supplement your living expenses. Check out transport to and from university - how long will it take you to get there and arrive in time for your 9.00am lecture? How long will it take to get back to your family home and how much will it cost? What social activities does the student union offer?

Below is a brief presentation and a short video link to a UCAS guide on how to accept offers.

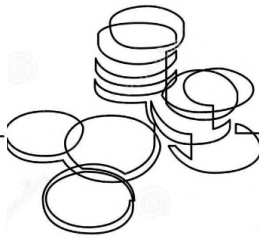
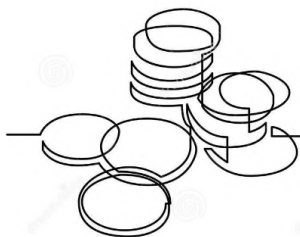
When you are making your choices you should base your decision for your firm choice of the university you most want to go to. When choosing an insurance choice it should be a university that has made you a lower offer (but you are still happy to attend). This will mean that if you miss your grades for your firm choice you will still be given a place at your insurance university and won't have to go through the Clearing process in August.

Extra opened on February 23rd and it allows you to add another course choice if you have received decisions from all five, and weren't accepted, or if you declined the offers you received.

If you did not use all your choices in your initial application, you don't need to use Extra, you can just sign in to your application and add another choice, as long as it's before 30 June, and you've not accepted or declined any offers. Please come and talk to Mr Taylor or Ms McNicol before turning down any offers you have been made and using UCAS Extra. It may be that contacting a university and asking to change your course will be a better way of making a change than using Extra.

Student Finance

Full-time undergraduate 2023 to 2024 applications are now open! It's quick and easy to apply, it should take less than 30 minutes. To make sure you get your funding in place for the start of your course: new students should apply by 19 May 2023. Use this link to start your application [Student Finance England](#). If you have any questions about student finance look at the UCAS pages [Student Finance - Everything you need to know](#).



Completed folders need to go to supervisors this week for marking. These need to be printed and tagged together in the order specified on the google classroom. The only element that currently remains electronic is the log book. However, this also needs to be completing for this stage of grading. This week should be the last enrichment period where students are finalising their EPQ materials. There are no more formal sessions for this qualification.

OXBRIDGE

This week many students attended a one to one short meeting with Miss Fincham to clarify their individual path for their application. Those that did this now have a series of personal targets including: researching a college, downloading exam papers and working on their personal statement draft.



YELLOW WALLPAPER, GONE GIRLS, ASIAN REPRESENTATIONS AND THE LONDON HOUSING LADDER - Mr Clements

Russian River weasels climb the London housing ladder

You return from lunch duty and a child appears outside your door dressed in an oversized fur coat they claim is Russian river ermine, that they have inherited from their Grandmother's dacha. How should you respond?

This should be an interview question posed to anyone who wishes to enter the noble profession of teaching rather than the conventional, "What inspired you to teach?"

And the answer, naturally, would be to ask them why they have appeared outside your door dressed in a rather moth-eaten coat made from a Russian river weasel. And if they respond with the words, "Because when giving a presentation you told us to strike a pose," you would let them in to deliver their seminar style talk on the *fluctuations of the London housing ladder from 1996-2021!*

It is that time of year in the school calendar when I have the pleasure of listening to Year 13 students deliver seminar style presentations on their extended projects. For the uninitiated the extended project is a qualification whereby students develop a 5000 word university style dissertation on a subject of their choice. Marked in terms of the quality of the essay, a verbal presentation, research methods and time management, the EPQ is intended to be a bridge between A-level and degree study and a successful project often leads to a reduced university offer.

As I am now old and wizened, I have been involved in teaching the qualification since its inception in 2008, when a mere 1,706 students took it. The beauty of the EPQ journey is that whilst it is designed to take students out of their comfort zone by giving them an unfettered universe to navigate;

it also takes their teaching supervisors to infinity and beyond in terms of the frame of reference they have to judge. They will have to advise on anything as diverse as 18th century cake-making in Bristol to the formation of hyperluminous black holes near the North Galactic Pole in the constellation Canes Venatici!

This year the class of 2023: Vanessa, Sienna, Caspar and Isabella, as well as having names that would grace an Italian rhyming quatrain, have managed to truly expand my intellectual perimeters with titles such as -

A comparison of the evolution of the femme fatale figure in Du Maurier's Rebecca, and Gillian Flynn's 'Gone Girl'. Has it evolved?

To what extent were millennials with generational wealth advantaged by the London Housing ladder between 1996-2021?

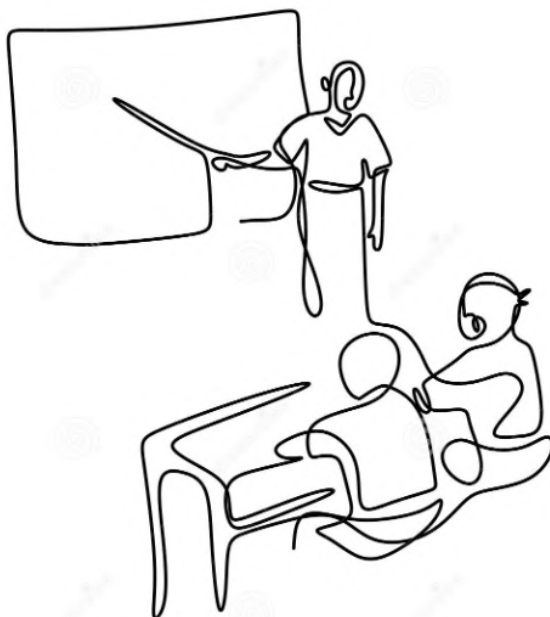
How has 19th century Gothic literature contributed to transgressive attitudes towards sexuality and desire, with reference to 'The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde', 'The Picture of Dorian Grey' and 'The Yellow Wallpaper'?

***From the feared Dragon Lady to the submissive China Doll to finally being appreciated"* Has Hollywood's Representation of Chinese Women Evolved?**

Whilst Sienna and Vanessa have conjugated titles somewhere within my sphere of expertise, I have still had to read about DuMaurier's repressed sexuality and studied essays on Wilde's awareness of London's opium dens in order to proffer any advice.

Meanwhile Isabella's tome on Hollywood's representation of Chinese women has sent me scurrying to my old *British Film Institute* magazines and cherished Edward Said theories. Caspar Alpstein, on the other hand, was offered help through a *Bank of England* economist who'd volunteered for our *friends and founders* evening, so that he could provide a fiscal overview of the ups and downs of London's housing market.

In short, mentoring students through the EPQ is great fun and a real advert for teaching, not least because the students really challenge your own thinking. You are also charged with taming and corralling their passion and expertise into a structured application of order and reason. I have been so impressed with the maturity and intellectual verve displayed by this year's crop, that it is easy to devote a few paragraphs in appreciation of their talents - even if Casper's interpretation of dress to impress was rather hair-raising and Volga!



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ADVICE FOR PARENTS

EHS Online Workshop Library

Our online workshop library contains workshops for parents and carers on the following topics:

- School readiness (parts 1 and 2)
- Transition back to school after lockdown
- Supporting children with additional needs to transition back to school
- Supporting your child's transition and attachment to secondary school (parts 1, 2 and 3)
- Emotionally Related School Avoidance (ERSA)
- Introduction to child anxiety (parts 1, 2 and 3)
- Supporting young people who experience low mood (parts 1 and 2)
- Primary school sleep workshop
- Adolescence sleep workshop
- Parental wellbeing when caring for young children (parts 1 and 2)
- Bereavement due to Covid-19
- Supporting your child through bereavement

Parenting Children & Teens with ADHD



TEN Ways to Avoid Parenting Burnout

Parenting a child with ADHD is one of the hardest jobs around. Burnout is very real — and common among even great parents! If it ever starts to feel like too much, follow these steps to feel supported, understood and way less stressed.

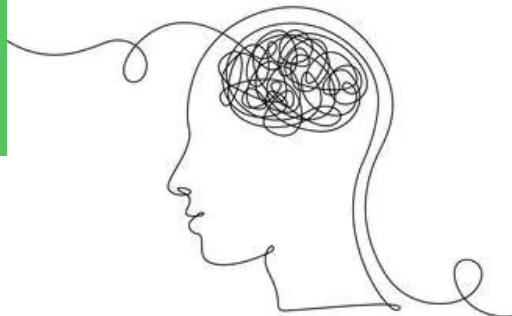


How Magical Thinking Drives our Children to Lie

My child with ADHD had just done something impulsive — something outside her control — and was unable to stop herself in time. She wished she hadn't done it. And magical thinking allowed her to imagine that she hadn't.

To view additional information on ADHD or attend a webinar, click [here](#)

**WEBINAR: ADHD Then and Now
(21 March)**





SPORTS

Weekly Roundup

Congratulations to the year 7 indoor athletics team who won the London Finals last night. It was an excellent team performance. Over 40 schools entered the first round of the competition, so to be crowned champions is a huge achievement.

Team: Sebastian B, Avery B, Harrison S, Joshua G, Sergio R, Tobias C

GYMNASTICS



Our Gym team have arrived safely in Stoke for the Milano National Finals! They enjoyed a Nandos and some team building last night before the U19s compete today (10 March)



U13 football team's fantastic 3-3 draw against ACS on 8 March

FOOTBALL



Well done to our U12 girls football team in the Town Cup, winning 7-4! Great performance from Molly! Her efforts were recognised and earned her Player of the Match. Thank you [@hxsnewmalden](#) for hosting.

FOOTBALL



Fantastic game from our U16 girls basketball squad - tied 25-25 at half time. We fought till the end to finish with 59-36! Bring on the London Youth Game finals!

BASKETBALL



Well done to the U16 netballers in their last match of the season! Thanks [@KGS_Netball](#) for a great game. Well deserved POM went to Chloe



Our U12 girls played in their first Borough netball tournament at LEH last week. Lots of strong performances on court and things to build on for the rest of the season. Coach's POM Lailee



Our U13C&D teams played a great game against [@KGS_Netball](#) winning 9-7. Well done Jude for POM

NETBALL

TOM: U15 RUGBY TEAM



Our team of the month is the U15 rugby team. They performed exceptionally well to win their recent National Bowl Quarter Final, winning 45-5 Vs Queen Elizabeth's School in Dorset. Tries from Jakob Thompson, Freddie Luing-Turnbull, Ben Hislop x 2, James Alleyne, Leo Dorey and Benn Povey helped ensure victory. Jakob was also successful with 5 conversions. There were some superb performances on the day, and the team came together to play some of their best rugby to date. The man of the match on the day was Leo Dorey. They will now look forward to their upcoming semi-final game.



SOM: THOMAS COPE



Thomas has been a fantastic ambassador for the school since he has been at Grey Court. He is an outstanding rugby player, showing his superb leadership skills on the pitch as captain of the Year 7 team. His talent on the pitch has been recognised, enabling him to also feature for the Year 8 rugby 7's team. Tom also captains the U12C football team, who remain undefeated this season, winning all of their games. His effort and communication on the pitch has been exemplary, motivating his team mates to work hard and help the team achieve success. Tom is also a very nice cricketer, impressing at our early morning training sessions. He bowls right arm medium pace, and will no doubt be involved in some of the school's upcoming fixtures after Easter. He has a great engine, honing his endurance by attending our weekly Thursday morning running club. Tom has featured for the school in our Junior boys cross country team earlier in the year, finishing high up at Boroughs before Christmas. Above all, he displays a fantastic attitude and effort at all times, and is a pleasure to teach both in his PE and scholarship lessons.

POM: JOSHUA GILBERT



Josh has performed fantastically for the rugby team at school this year. He has scored some really important tries, demonstrating both his speed and power on the pitch. Josh scored a total of five tries in our most recent tournament at John Fisher School, against some high level opposition in Whitgift, St Benedict's and Wimbledon College. Josh has also been a key player for the U12D team, contributing to goals in recent fixtures against St James's to ensure victory for the school. He is also one of our key sprinters, and will be a vital part of our indoor athletics team that will be competing next week at Lee Valley. He already excelled in our last competition, helping the team navigate their way through to the London Finals. Josh will be a key member of our summer term athletics team, and will form part of a very strong junior boys squad, featuring in both the sprints and the team relay.

POM: KATRINA KILLEY



Katrina is one of Grey Court's best table tennis players and has worked hard to develop her skills in and outside of school. She recently competed in the London Schools Individual Table Tennis Championships at Whitgift. All the best players in the Region were competing at this event. Katrina won 3 out of 4 matches in her group, won her quarter final in a very close game and then went on to the semi-final where she lost to one of the best players in the region. Overall, Katrina finished 4th in the competition and qualified for the Jack Petchey Regional Championships in East London! She used the event to build contacts with other players in the region and was sociable at the event showing excellent sportsmanship. Well done Katrina and good luck in the next round!

SOM: LAILEE HEATH



Lailee has worked incredibly hard this term on her netball and gymnastics. In gymnastics she competed in the U14 Girls 'B' Team at the London Regional Finals for Floor and Vault. She's progressed really well moving from the Novice Gym Club to the Elite Squad. At the competition, her team finished 5th overall with Lailee contributing a brilliant floor routine and vault.

In netball, Lailee has worked hard on her skills and has moved from the B team to the A team, asserting herself in the centre court and showing versatility both in attack and defence. At the Borough Tournament, Lailee was by far the strongest player on the court, helping to bring the ball into the shooting circle at WA and making brilliant turnovers at WD. Lailee has taken on feedback well, working on any areas of weakness in order to improve and to support her teammates. She is a highly motivated player and has great potential in the coming seasons.

In scholarship lessons, Lailee applies herself to all sports and activities on offer, transferring her skills from her individual sport of gymnastics and her game play in netball to develop new skills. We look forward to seeing Lailee progress further this year in a range of different sports and activities. Well done, Lailee!

TOM: U15 RUGBY TEAM



Our team of the month is our U15 Rugby Team who took on their first Rugby Union tournament. KS3 lessons this half term have been taught by Harlequins Rugby coaches who have focused on developing the students knowledge, skills and understanding of Rugby. The students have really got stuck in and lessons were thoroughly enjoyed, well done to all!

Many have been joining our Rugby Club after school. We have been very lucky to have these amazing coaches and will continue with our Club on Wednesday after school with a new coach from Rosslyn Park. We have also had Alba joining the coaching team at training sessions and at the tournament. Her patience and excellent sporting knowledge has helped develop the team's skills and tactics. The team was ready and raring to go. Odile had a fantastic sprint finish to score a try! We may not have got the win but we have lots to take away to continue to progress during the season.

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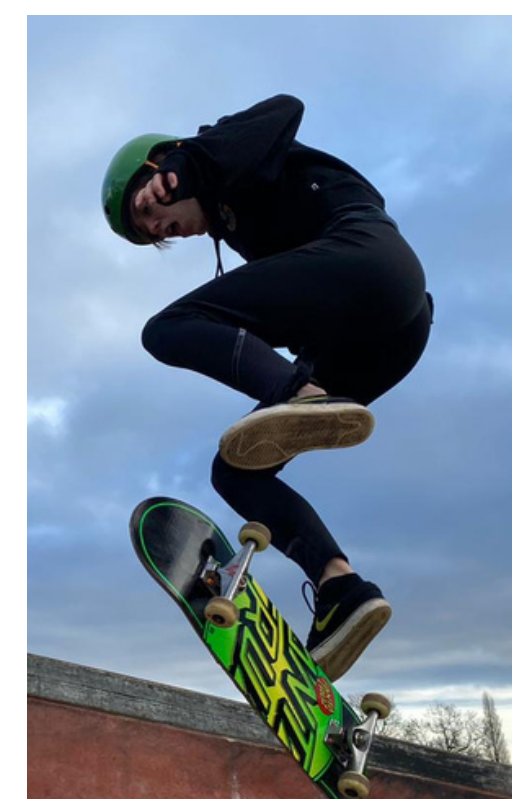
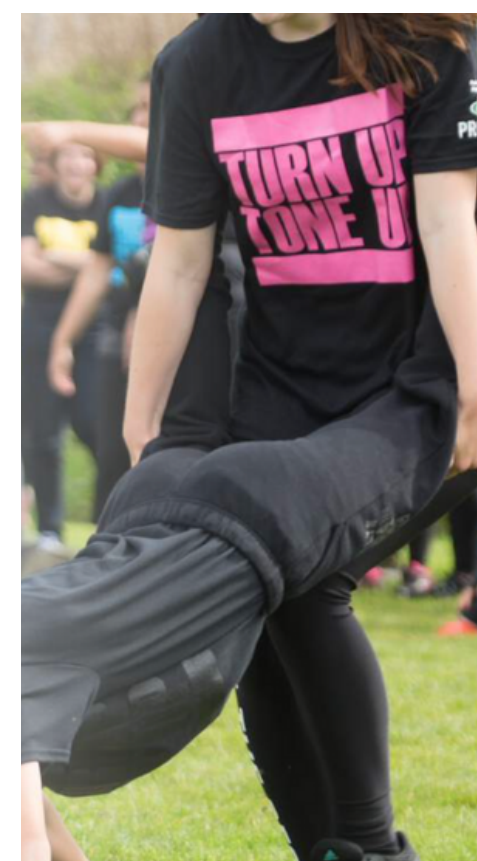
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For details contact: 07720 805834

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**Mens pre-season training starts, Tuesday 28th March
: 7 - 8.15pm (U18s, Mens & Masters)**

**Junior girls (U12 to U18)&women training Saturdays
: 12 - 1pm, starts 22nd April**

**Primaries training (Mixed) Saturdays
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- 23 Salford Red Devils vs Hull KR 20:00 sky sports
- 24 Leeds Rhinos vs Hull FC 20:00 sky sports
- 25 Cornwall vs Rochdale Mayfield 13:00 **BBC SPORT**
- 26 Castleford Tigers vs St Helens 13:00 4
- 26 Hull Dockers vs Midlands Hurricanes 14:45 **THE SPORTSMAN**
- 27 Widnes Vikings vs Halifax Panthers 19:45 ▶ viaplay

MARCH

- 2 Warrington Wolves vs Salford Red Devils 20:00 sky sports
- 3 St Helens vs Leeds Rhinos 20:00 sky sports
- 6 Featherstone Rovers vs Bradford Bulls 19:45 ▶ viaplay
- 9 Wigan Warriors vs Catalans Dragons 20:00 sky sports
- 10 Huddersfield Giants vs Castleford Tigers 20:00 sky sports
- 16 Castleford Tigers vs Leeds Rhinos 20:00 sky sports
- 17 St Helens vs Hull FC 20:00 sky sports
- 20 Batley Bulldogs vs Barrow Raiders 19:45 ▶ viaplay
- 23 Huddersfield Giants vs St Helens 20:00 sky sports
- 24 Wakefield Trinity vs Hull KR 20:00 sky sports
- 25 Leeds Rhinos vs Catalans Dragons 13:00 4
- 30 Leigh Leopards vs Wigan Warriors 20:00 sky sports
- 31 Hull KR vs Leeds Rhinos 20:00 sky sports

APRIL

- 1 Warrington Wolves vs Hull FC 13:00 4