



10/10/25

It's been another busy week in and around the school. Discussions are currently underway with the school council as to how we can better improve our facilities on site for break and lunchtimes. The pupils are currently discussing this in tutor times. I will update you with their decisions.

School ties are becoming an increasing frustration as they are being left at home or getting lost. We are going to trial next week, pupils leaving their ties in their own tutor rooms when leaving school and then putting them on when they get into tutor time each day. This should hopefully reduce the amount of ties parents and carers are currently being billed for.

Attendance—Every day I am calling home to ask if parents/carers are able to bring in pupils. Please can you help us to maintain the expectations around your children being in school. I speak regularly in Assemblies about the importance of “every day matters” for learning and social communication. Thank you to the parents who have brought in their child this week—it hasn't gone unnoticed. Our Attendance is currently sitting around 70% and ideally needs to be around 80% - please work with us to make this happen—thank you, as always for your support with this.

A message from Miss Adams (Maths Lead) This week we have launched a new addition to Maths and English lessons. The Weekly Bonus Challenge involves students being given a worksheet that will be completed during lesson time a week in advance. If students make the choice to be proactive in their learning and complete some/all of this worksheet outside of class time, they will be rewarded for this. This is optional for students to take part in and is designed to promote positive habits around revision for KS4, and engagement outside of the classroom for KS3. If your child mentions this at home, please do encourage them to have a go and take a look at some of the great work they are completing!

Have a wonderful weekend.

14th October Year 7 Parents Evening (3:30-4:30pm)

Coffee Morning 9:30-11am 14th October (all parents/carers welcome!)

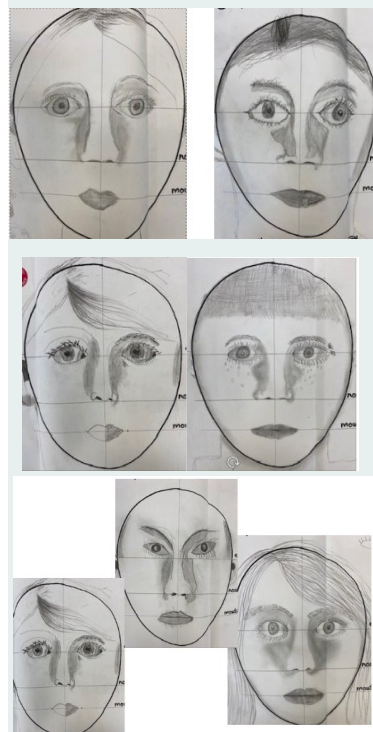
INSET days: Thursday 23rd October and Friday 24th October, Monday 3/11/25

Our Mission

**We Navigate Success Together with Ambition and Relevance**



**Thank  
You!**



The fantastic Art work created by 8b this week—Well done!



# WHAT HAVE WE DONE IN OUR CLASSES THIS WEEK?

**Perseus 7a**—we have been enthusiastic about different tasks and working together as a team including our times tables. Well done Maths Monsters!

**Orion 7b** -In our maths lessons we have been working on our written methods for addition using column addition for 4-digit numbers and decimals. In English we have been continuing our work on instructions, researching cloud goblins ready to write our own instructions. In science we have been using microscopes to look at onion cells. Special mention to OP and Regan for showing resilience and a great attitude to their maths learning.

**Scorpius 8a** - This week we have been finishing off our Ratio topic in Maths making sure that we are well practiced in simplifying ratios, comparing them with fractions and completing more complex ratio problems. Students have also worked hard on their English midpoint assessments completing an essay on our book "Garbage King". In science we have been exploring what happens to our bodies if we become deficient in nutrients. Special mention to Annabel for being incredibly resilient in her English assessment.

**Hercules 8b** - We have worked hard on skills for the future – using recipes and adjusting them to the number of people and thinking about what nutrients you can find in the food you have every day. We also spoke about respecting different faiths and beliefs as well as protecting your own rights – the key being knowing your rights in the first place. Special mention to Tommy who is always keen to share his ideas.

**Gemini 9a**- Brackets beware! 9A have been mastering the art of expanding algebraic expressions—turning tidy brackets into full-blown equations with confidence. We have also been looking at germs, viruses and bacteria in Science and having some wonderful discussions in English

**Andromeda 9b**—This week we have been continuing to read our novel "Holes" whilst in Maths we have come to the end of our first topic and will be starting Percentages next week. Special mention to Honey and Lilly for managing distractions.

**Catering**—Blueberry muffins were on the menu this week. Measuring, mixing, baking—and maybe a little taste-testing too. A delicious way to learn practical skills.

**P.E**—This week all students have been learning about defending in football game situations. The Skills have been successfully applied in fixtures against other schools – KS4 beating Aurora Severnside at home 13-3 and KS3 winning away 5-3! Special mention to Ja'Dore Stewart 10B scoring 7 goals in the KS4 fixture! OP Barnes 7A scoring 2 goals in the KS3 fixture in his first ever game! Corra Harvey 8B playing consistently for Highridge United U13 girls' team.

**Maths (KS4)** - This week we have been practicing expanding single, double and, in some cases, triple brackets! Special mention to Mckenzie, Vincent and Josh P for continually working hard in lessons.

**English (KS4)** This week, we're proud to recognise a group of outstanding learners in English who have gone above and beyond across the subject. Huge congratulations to: Kieran, Elijah, Hayden, Harry, Ja'dore, Riley, Josh Damarae, Seb, Vincent and Floyd. These pupils have consistently given solid answers, demonstrated a deep understanding of the topic, and helped extend the learning for everyone in the class.

**Construction**—Special mention to Josh parker who has shown a keen interest in the plastering unit, each week Josh is improving and showing he can work independently with great success. Harry W was given a mock brickwork assessment with only 1 hour prior practice for this term, Harry completed his mock assessment to a good standard and showed good focus throughout.

**KS3 Pathways to Re-engage:** All the students loved their Catering and Construction lessons! They enjoyed making brownies this week and taking them home for family members to enjoy. All students have been making axes in Construction with Mr Shaw and they have loved that also. They are all forming a fantastic bond as a group and they bring the best out in each other. Special mention for Tianna Hebdidge she's been awesome since joining Reengage and despite a minor blip she has pulled it round and been AWESOME once more.

**Art**—Year 8 have been continuing with their identity/portrait project. Using their drawing skills to create realistic portrait drawings and then creating visual responses to a creative example of a portrait painting "The weeping woman" by Picasso. Special mention to Tomy and Caleb in b who have been focusing really well. (please see examples overleaf of the fantastic work!)

## Let's Celebrate!

**Most improved KS3:** Caleb Brasier **KS4:** Vincent Anderson



## 100% Attendance:

OP	Regan	Ethan L	Honey	Archie	Charlie
Danteino	Ruben	Alex	McKenzie	Annabel	Archie W
Amelia	Caleb	Raheem	Bradley	Jake	Damarae
Cody	Connor	Raf	Ja'dore	Ashton	Vinny
Poppy	Lilly	Elijah	Joe E	Alfie W	Cailan
Alfie L	Junior	Josh C	Vincent	Kieran	Josh P

