



08/05/26

**Our Year 11's started their Art GCSE this week. I was astounded by the finished articles. The level of maturity, patience and determination that went into the exam was exceptional. Well done Ashton and Riley. My thanks goes to Miss Lamkin and Miss Bartlett who kept the boys on track and offered support throughout.**

**Our examination season is now underway and next week, our Year 11's complete their English Literature, Biology and Maths papers. I am sure you will all join me in wishing them the very best of luck!**

**Congratulations to Mrs Hawkins who completed her first week in the Deputy Headship role. Mrs Hawkins has had so much fun getting to know staff and pupils and is looking forward to speaking and meeting parents and carers.**

**Year 9 Options update:**

**I am currently looking at reviewing our curriculum offer for 2026/27 as we would like to change our options to suit our pupils and also to ensure that we are still giving our pupils the best chances of college placements post-16. I will update you all with the Year 9 Options evening event later this term.**

**Have a wonderful weekend**

**Kate Luke (Headteacher)**

**Important dates for your diary:**

- 11th May-10th June 2026—Year 11 GCSEs
- Friday 22nd May—End of Term 5
- Monday 1st June 2026—INSET day—no school for pupils
- Tuesday 2nd June—Term 6 starts
- Wednesday 22nd July 2026—End of Year
- Thursday 20th August—Year 11 Results Day



Congratulations to both Riley and Ashton for completing their epic 10-hour GCSE Art exam this week. Both students have made some outstanding artwork!!!



## WHAT HAVE WE DONE IN OUR CLASSES THIS WEEK?

**7a** – We have been working very hard in English creating stories on wishes. This was our assessment and everyone working really hard. Next week we will add to the stories to get top marks! In maths we have been working out the area of a Trapezium. Science we are continuing with Forces. In Humanities we are now building kingdoms! It started as castles, then we added currency, weaponry, armies. We will be working on these for the next few weeks. In PE we are still on cricket and in Forest School we had a cookout with Yr 10s!

**7b** – We have been working extremely hard in Maths looking at multiplication and division relating it to scoring in Darts. In PE students have continued to work on their throwing, catching and batting in Cricket. In PSHE we have looked at friendships and relationships including team

**8b** – We have worked hard on understanding the message of yearning for freedom in the poem ‘The Caged Bird’. Furthermore, three-step equations have proven to be a challenge in maths that we faced with courage and emerged victorious. We also scientifically analysed the delicate balance depicted by food webs. Finally, we realised that relationships require nurture and care so they can last.

**9a** – Superb writing from the perspective of Miranda in The Tempest

**10b** – Students have been extremely engaged in KS4 options lessons this week. Hayden, Vincent and Ja'Dore have made banana muffins and chicken kebabs in catering sessions, whilst Ja'Dore, Mckenzie, Alfie S and Damarae have been learning about technology in sport in GCSE PE lessons.

**11a** – Excellent revision in English. I continue to be impressed by your hard work.

**Re-engage** - Bobby Phillips for once again attending school daily as well as spending time within the 9b classroom learning with the rest of the class. Frankie-Joe Harvey and Jake Whitfield for their continued engagement and enthusiasm whilst in Re-engage.

**Miss Payne** – Great sessions from many students all week but special mention to Amelia Hunt and Nate Nielson for working extra hard and completing their targets with ease during their speech and language therapy session. They have both been working on creating amazing sentences!

**PE** – students have continued to improve their cricket skills in lessons, with particular focus on batting and the pull shot. This term our breaktime competition has been darts and this week saw the quarter-final stages with victories for Archie D, Cailan, Charlie, Seb, Tianna and Raheem. Semi-finals and final will take place next week.

**Miss Ali** - Our catering students made banana crumble top muffins this week. The sessions were a great success, with students fully engaged and enjoying every step of the process. The muffins looked fantastic and, most importantly, tasted delicious! Really proud of Vincent and Honey for tasting the muffins and trying new food despite not liking bananas.

## 100% ATTENDANCE 01/05 – 07/05

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|-------------------|------------------|-----------|
| - Regan           | - Archie         | - Charlie |
| - Alfie           | - Annabel        | - Harry   |
| - <u>Danteino</u> | - Lilly          | - Ashton  |
| - Callun          | - Honey          | - Riley   |
| - OP              | - Kieran         | - Cailan  |
| - Tianna          | - Raf            | - Vinny   |
| - Cody            | - Elijah         | - Seb     |
| - Amelia          | - Bobby          | - Josh    |
| - Poppy           | - Jake           | - Alfie   |
| - Alexander       | - Vincent        |           |
| - Riley           | - Mckenzie       |           |
| - Ruben           | - Hayden         |           |
| - Caleb           | - <u>Ja`dore</u> |           |
| - Conner          | - Joe            |           |
| - Nate            | - Summer         |           |
| - Bradley         |                  |           |
| - Raheem          |                  |           |

*Congratulations!*

Most improved...

KS3—Ruben Wyatt

KS4—Riley Bullock