



ST JOHN PAYNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



As we conclude a year in which the SJP spirit has been demonstrated in abundance from all quarters of our community, I thank you for your continued commitment to our partnership.

We thank you for the many kind messages we have received regarding our inclusion in the Sunday Times Good Schools Guide, which have noted the still greater cause for celebration of our being the 5th best non-selective Essex school - a testament to the dedication of all involved in our shared endeavour, and of course to the students themselves.

Whilst rightly proud of our placing, we must note that our greatest achievements are the many individual positive impacts we make on the young people in our care, and that our success is founded upon the spiritual, pastoral, practical and academic support and guidance students enjoy here.

Last weekend's performances of We Will Rock You were a wonderful showcase of students' talent, energy and excitement. It was lovely to feel the celebration and joy of many months' hard work, and we thank all the staff involved for providing the students with many precious and lasting memories.

Having taken the decision to forgo our Advent service yesterday evening, the students due to be involved gave wonderfully joyous witness and reverence that was filmed to be shared with all students this morning. Ever our greatest ambassadors, our whole student body continues to respond to the challenges and restrictions with great fortitude and grace.

The new term begins on Wednesday 5th January unless students opt to attend on Tuesday 4th for a lateral flow test between 09.00 - 12.00. Whether at home or in school, it is important that students test prior to our return as an aid to our efforts to minimise potential transmission.

We look forward to welcoming students back and to continuing to work with you to support them towards their potential. On behalf of us all, I offer the prayers of our community for a Holy, happy and restful Christmas & New Year.

God bless.

Thomas Coen

Headteacher

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CHAPLAINCY & FAITH LIFE

Red Wednesday 2021

Aid to the Church in Need is a Pontifical Foundation of the Catholic Church, supporting the Catholic faithful and other Christians where they are persecuted, oppressed or in pastoral need. Each year the Charity funds over 5000 projects in more than 140 countries around the world, helping to support the Church in its mission and bringing hope and solidarity to millions of people from all faith and cultural backgrounds.

St John Payne staff and students were honoured to continue their support of the Charity Aid to the Church in Need and their Red Wednesday Campaign this year on Wednesday 24th November.



As in previous years staff and students proudly wore Red badges with the ACN logo and the message that we 'stand together' with our persecuted Church. Some students and staff also wore a Red clothing in support of the work of this vital charity.

Year 12 students were able to learn about the persecution of Christians and other religious minority groups in their weekly Religious Studies lesson. Time was also spent during PSE lessons, all students reflected on the daily struggles of persecuted Christians.

Yr7 Students wrote postcards with their own personal messages of hope and prayer. These will be sent to children and families that must face the daily trauma of persecution. Novena Prayers were recited by all pupils during registration and assemblies in the 9 days preceding Red Wednesday. This year £692 was raised. Thank you for all your generous donations.

To learn more about Aid to the Church in Need, their campaigns and work around the world please click on the link below.

<https://acnuk.org/>

Ms G Semambo





CHAPLAINCY & FAITH LIFE



Yr12 CAFOD Fair December 2021

6th form Students at St John Payne organise a Christmas fair for Year 7 and 8 students in December to raise money for CAFOD; the Catholic Agency for Overseas development.

CAFOD are an international development charity and the official aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales. CAFOD reach out to people living poverty with practical help, whatever their religion or culture. CAFOD campaign for global justice, so that every woman, man and child can live a full and dignified life.

The Fair was held on Friday 10th December and was a huge success. Yr12 students enthusiastically organised great rounds of entertainment with various stalls for our Year 8 pupils to enjoy. Over £200 was raised for CAFOD. A huge thank you to all students who participated in the Faith

To learn more about CAFOD, their campaigns and work around the world please click on the link below.

<https://cafod.org.uk/>





THE ARTS AT ST JOHN PAYNE

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A Level Art Work

Please enjoy the work of our amazing A Level Art students who completed their A Level this year. Due to exam board regulations we have not been able to show their work until they received their final grades.

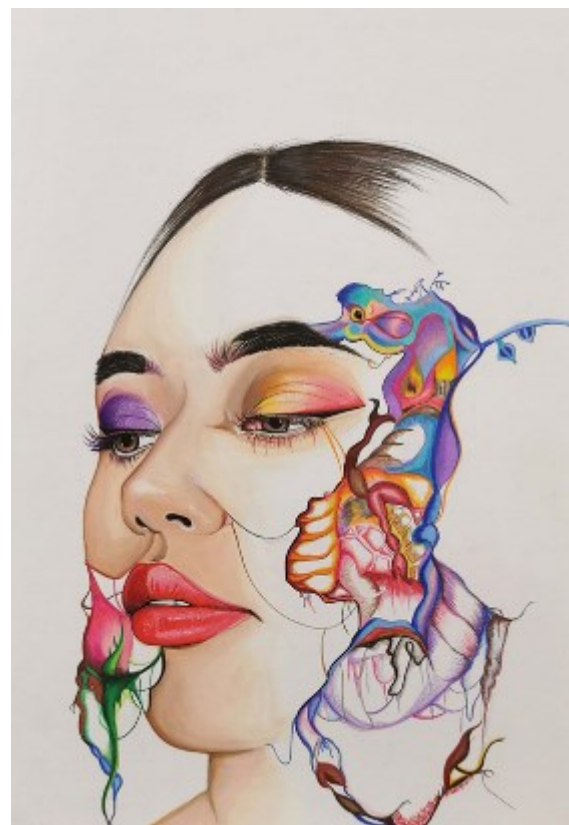


Ella



Evania

A Level Art Work



Melissa



Dan



A Level Art Work



Edith



Poetry in Performance – Interschool Competition

In November this term St. John Payne were one of six schools in Essex invited to take part in an interschool Poetry in Performance competition held at Beauchamps High School in Wickford on Thursday 18th November 2021 at 6.30pm.

Poetry in Performance is an inspiring competition for students to learn and to recite poems by heart, bringing them alive for an audience. The competition was open to Year 7 and 8 students and each school was required to prepare 2 soloist performances and 2 group performances of poems. The hosting school select the theme and the poems and this years' theme was 'Our Changing Globe' with all the poems discussing the planet and the importance of conserving it.

To decide who would represent St. John Payne at the interschool competition, we held auditions at lunchtimes where we saw over 40 students audition their chosen poem either as a soloist or a group. The talent on show was remarkable making our job of selecting the finalists very hard.

We would like to congratulate every student who auditioned for the competition and we hope to see them at audition again next term for the end of year Lower School Play. We would also like to congratulate our finalists who, on competition night, performed with passion and professionalism to a very large live audience and three industry professional judges (an actress, a screen writer and a poet). The 10 students did not let any of this phase them and as a result came third overall. We are very proud of each and everyone one of them.

"You should be super proud of all the St John Payne student's this evening. They were very professional, looked immaculate in their uniform and were so passionate in their voices and about their poems". (Email received after the competition from a parent of a student who was competing for another school).

Well done and congratulations to our finalists-

Soloists:

Zinachidi E- 8B – A Climate Change

Ariel O- 8A – Warned

Understudy/Reserve: Annabelle RA- 8D – The Road Not Taken

Groups:

INHERITANCE: Chenell S- 8B / Erith T- 8S / Amarachi NC- 7F / Alicja Y- 7B

WARNED: Amy B- 8S / Amelia G - 8S / Taymour B- 8S / Eloise S - 7C



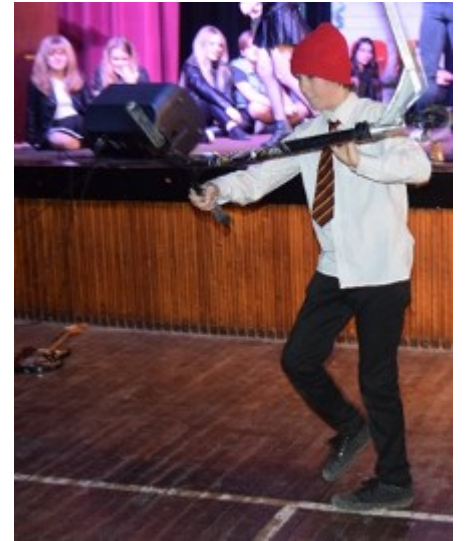
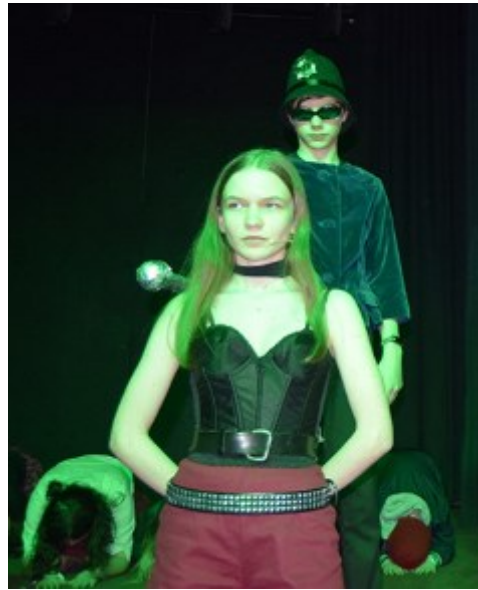
Mrs. Nowlan & Miss. Squires

SJP Drama Department

We Will Rock You

A selection of photographs taken at one of the final dress rehearsals. Well done to all cast, band and crew!







NEW STAFF INTRODUCTIONS



Finance Team (left to right)

Mrs Annie Johnston - Finance Assistant,

Mrs Sam Bluck - Senior Finance & Payroll Officer

Mrs Sara Smithdale – Business Manager.

Mrs Johnston joined SJP in September this year and Mrs Smithdale and Mrs Bluck started their new roles in September too.

Miss Ebony Moore—Cover Supervisor

Miss Moore joined the Cover Team in the summer term and especially enjoys covering PE lessons.





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SJP Under 19 Netball Team

Our under-19 netball team have recently enjoyed fantastic success, securing wins against:

Chelmsford County High School for Girls 50–16

Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School 36-13

Felsted School 31-22



Congratulations also to Esme R in Y13 who has been selected for the U19 Aspire Saracens Mavericks programme and Amelia R in Y12 who has been selected for the U17 Saracens Mavericks squad. This is an incredible achievement.

Well done Esme and Amelia!



STUDENT AWARDS

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Year 7

STUDENT AWARDS

HOY Award: Phoebe H



Highest Achievement Points. (Half-Term 1)

Alicja Y	7B	104
Eloise S	7C	101
Rodney S	7C	107
Owen T	7C	119
Freddie G	7S	104



Year 8

HOY Award: Amelia G



STUDENT AWARDS

Highest Achievement Points. (Half-Term 1)

Name	Reg	Total Achievement Points
Ariel O	8A	114
Freya C	8B	104
Zinachidi E	8B	148
Kodey P	8B	98
Chenell S	8B	131
Evelyn S	8B	137
Charley Y	8B	138
Blake D	8C	110
Ryan T	8C	142
Taymour B	8S	138
Bruno G	8S	61
Amelia G	8S	100
Stephen S	8S	93



Year 9

HOY Award: Sam A



STUDENT AWARDS

Highest Achievement Points. (Half-Term 1)

Name	Reg	Total Achievement Points
Cezary C	9B	105
Jeneta O	9B	107
Harrison W	9B	169
Lola W	9C	78
Luke G	9S	92
Amine G	9S	93
James G	9S	57
James H	9S	83
Avni L	9S	57
Ayomide O	9S	94
Elsie W	9S	101



Year 10

HOY Award: Toby B



STUDENT AWARDS

Highest Achievement Points. (Half-Term 1)

Name	Reg	Total Achievement Points
Morin B	10B	52
Ava C	10B	75
Lillia D	10B	45
Ruark H	10B	53
Felix O	10B	57
Crystal S	10B	50
Bonnie E	10C	49
Nathan S	10C	58
Edward W	10C	117
Theo E	10D	50
Zara P	10D	53
Lisa D	10F	66
Keira J	10F	48
Amelia G	10S	68
Tiffany M	10S	49
Lilla P	10S	51
Naomi U	10S	54



Year 11

HOY Award: Yami K, Natty C & Tamsin C

Highest Achievement Points. (Half-Term 1)

Name	Reg	Total Achievement Points
Nikita D	11A	50
Alena M	11B	45
Hannah Y	11C	49
Janelle B	11S	44

HOY Awards Year 11

“A kind, hardworking and natural leader. Yami always has a smile on his face and deserves to be recognized for the moral compass that he stands for. Well done Yami.” ·**Yami K**



“Natty and Tamsin both played pivotal roles in the school production. Their skills as talented performers were significant in the success of the musical - they lead while also being team players. This level of dedication and talent will see them reach their goals of becoming professional musical performers. I am extremely proud of you both and all students who have been involved with the school production.”

Natty C & Tamsin C



STUDENT AWARDS



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	Total Year Group Achievement Points	Highest Form Achieve- ment points	Highest Achievement Points In the Year
Year 7	7421	7S: 1696	Owen T 119 Achievement Points
Year 8	7003	8C: 1273	Zinachidi E 148 Achievement Points
Year 9	6713	9S: 1579	Harrison W 169 Achievement Points
Year 10	4235	10B: 885	Edward W 117 Achievement Points
Year 11	2557	11B:489	Nikita D 50 Achievement Points



SJP Linguastars Autumn term 1b!

There is nothing complicated about learning languages, but it takes hard work. These students have showed particular grit, resilience, curiosity and effort in embedding French/German knowledge into their long-term memory. They will have a very strong start to French and German this year because they have not given up and continued to ask questions and check their memory.

Year 7 French	Year 8 French/German	Year 9 French	Year 9 German
Stephen (7A)	Freya (8A)	Gene (9A)	Ayden (9A)
Ladi (7C)	Annabelle (8D)	Maame (9D)	Niall (9C)
Jayven (7D)	Alex (8D)	Emily (9D)	Riya (9D)
Jamila (7F)	Faye (8F)	Teagan (9F)	Crystal (9F)
Sofia (7S)	Chris (8F)	Elsie (9S)	Ariane (9F)

STUDENT AWARDS

Alicja (7B)
Positive influence on the class, always going the extra mile in classwork and HW, thus motivating others.
Cece (8B)
Very high standard of work and motivation to learn languages.
Harrison (9B)
Continuous efforts in French in and out of lessons.
Jack (9B)
Quietly determined to do well. Participates well in class and always gives of his best.
Lilla (10S)
Brilliant classwork, impressive vocabulary learning. Consistent hard work each week.
Nathan (10S)
Always gives of his best. Nathan has produced a very high quality of written work this half term.
Naomi (11S)
Regular attendance at weekly GCSE skill-up sessions & desire to improve by looking into her errors.
Busayo (11S)
Focus in lessons and a renewed awareness of how to achieve well
Nicole (11F)
Resilient approach to error-correction, vocabulary self-quizzing and grammar application in all skills.
Katie (12S)
All tasks completed with 100% effort and excellent vocabulary and developing francophile knowledge.
Isabel (12B)
Always well organised and conscientious. Isabel has produced some good written work this half term.
Joshua (13D)
Spontaneous answers on challenging topics with succinct arguments and improving pronunciation.
Isabella (13D)
Isabella has worked hard to read around the topics covered, especially in preparation for her IRP.





STUDENT AWARDS

Year 7 Subject	Excellent Progress	Going That Extra Mile	Outstanding Attitude to Learning
	<i>Name</i>		
Art & Design	Sophia B- 7A	Angela D- 7A	Jacob B
Citizenship & PSHE	Connie W-7S	Phoebe W- 7C	Thabani
Computer Science	Sophia S	Maisy M- 7C	Nour B
Design and Technology	Sophia B-7a	Amber D- 7D	Chris B
Drama	Jacob G- 7D	Eloise S- 7C	Aoife P
English Language	Eloise S	Heidi H-7A	Jack N 7A
French	Stella D-7B	Connie W7S	Dominik K
Geography	Honor M-7B	Abigail B-7B	Ava H
History	Daniel Twohig-7F	Jacob B-7B	Aoife P
Literacy	Jacob B	Freddie G-7S	Denie C
Mathematics	Katy O- 7D	Eva G-7S	Orlagh N
Music	Julia Lukaszuk-7F	Amarachi N – 7F	Nathan O
Physical Education	Sharon A 7C Chester Booth 7C	Jess D- 7F Jack N- 7F	Julia L Noah T
Religious Education	Natalia L-7D	Aoife P-7S	Faith B
Science	Piotr K-7D	Phoebe H-7S	Kayah A



STUDENT AWARDS

Subject	Excellent Progress	Going That Extra Mile	Outstanding Attitude to Learning
HOY Award	<i>Name</i>		
Art & De-	Ryan T	Zinachidi E 8B	Angie C 8C
Computer	Ariel O 8A	Alfred W	Alessandra W 8D
Design and	Averie B 8b	Claudia S	Zinachidi E 8B
Drama	William B 8D	Irven L 8D	Faye C 8F
English	Maria I	Alaric P	Connor S 8B
French	Luc L 8C	George H 8S	Caiden D 8A
Food and			
German	Irven L 8D	Ella O 8S	Oliver W 8C
Geography	John W 8C	Joe T 8D	Leah G 8S
History	Abbie C 8C	Ariel O	Henry A 8F
Literacy	Youssif H 8D	William B 8D	Taymour B 8S
Mathemat-	Iona M 8S	Amelia	Erith T 8S
Music	Annabelle	Joe T 8C	Ariel O 8A
Physical Education	Niamh M 8D Matthew D	Amelia G Luc L	Chido M Dylan P
Religious	Erith T 8S	Lucas F 8F	Amelia G 8S
Science	Lewis F 8D	8S	Erith T 8S



STUDENT AWARDS

Year 9	Excellent Progress	Going That Extra Mile	Outstanding Attitude to Learning
Art & Design	Maxwell R 9B	Ariana P 9F	Lola L 9C
Computer Science	Kaejon C	Franci B 9D	Ariana P
Design and Technology	Neo M	Rin E	Tia E
Drama	Luke G 9S	Gene G 9A	Franci B 9D
English Language	John K	Lewis M	Natalia G 9F
English Literature	Aleah T	Luke G	Matthew S
French	Franci B 9D	Gene G 9A	Emily 9B
Food and Nutrition			
German	Leah H 9A	Riya C 9D	Millie H 9C
Geography	Ben A 9S	Tia E 9C	Lola L 9C
History	Lola L 9C	Avni L 9S	Kai G 9B
Mathematics	Tyler G 9F	Ariana P 9F	Ava-Rose P 9C
Music	Andre P 9F	Franci B 9D	Mark Ni 9D
Physical Education	Georgia M 9F Junior V	Franci B 9D Micaiah F	Jessica J 9C Harrison W 9C
Religious Education	Chloe Y 9C	Maysam K 9C	Greena R 9A
Science	Ryan S 9A	Harrison W 9B	Georgia D 9D



STUDENT AWARDS

Year 10 Subject		Excellent Progress	Going That Extra Mile	Outstanding Attitude to Learning
Art & Design		Ray P 10B	Lillia D 10B	Olivia B 10D
Asdan Life Skills		Reece T 10C		Harry J 10S
Business Studies		Joe C	Hla E	Oliver M
Computer Science		Archie S 10S	Noah L 10D	Rory M 10D
Design and Technology		Crystal S	Harry J 10S	Calum R
Drama		Lily Mai B 10D	Theo E 10D	Zara M 10D
English Language		Thomas I	Zara P	Joshua C 10C
English Literature		Grace M 10A	Zara M	Edward W
French		Edward W 10C	Ellen S 10A	Lilla P 10S
German		Nathan S 10C	Jsheila S 10C	Panni 10F
Geography		Kaitlyn S 10S	Edward W 10C	Daniel O 10A
History		Amelie R 10S	Lilla P 10S	Ruby C 10C
iMedia		Ruby L	Georgin J	Isobel G 10B
Mathematics		Alex F 10D	Olivia G 10S	Zara M 10D
Music		Angelina M 10F	Amelia P 10B	Joseph L 10D
Physical Education		Sharon S 10D	Theo E 10D Jamal C	Olivia B 10D Archie S
Religious Education		Tilda C 10A	Edward W	Aditi P
Science		Abigail B 10A	Nathan S 10C	Shirin A 10A
Biology		Edward W 10C	Maxine J 10S	Isobel G 10B
Physics		Archie S 10S	Ellen S 10A	Philip K 10F
Chemistry		Archie S 10S	Amelia P 10B	Calum R 10S
Sociology	Eve H		Felix O	
Dance	Lily G	Theo E 10D	Tilda C 10A	



STUDENT AWARDS

Year 11 Subject	Excellent Progress	Going That Extra Mile	Outstanding Attitude to Learning
Art & Design	Richard Y 11	Mila S 11D	Natty C 11B
Asdan Life Skills	Sapphire W	Elizabeth H 11F	
Business Studies	Josh E	Clayton T	Katie M
Citizenship & PSHE			Kitty D 11A
Computer Science	Alena M	John-Paul L 11A	Michael C
Design and Technology	Henna A	Grace B	Issy D
Drama	Serenity D	Leah May D 11C	Erin B 11S
English Language	Chizi A	Priscilla B	Emily W
English Literature	Lucy B	Dola A	Grace B
French	Niamh S 11F	Hannah Y 11C	Dare D 11A
Food and Nutrition			
German	Dola A 11D	Mariam A 11C	Naomi M 11A
Geography	Martha F 11A	Uzumma Ei 11B	Kamsi E 11D
History	Nneka O 11A	Timi A 11B	Kamsi E 11D
iMedia	Alexandra C	Liah D 11C	Ralph C 11S
Mathematics	Ralph C 11S	Kamsi E 11D	Wilmo G
Music	Amelia M 11A	Freddie S 11A	Jana R 11S
		Menzel F	
Physical Education	Kitty D	Ben R 11F	Gracie V
Religious Education	Kamsi E 10D	Dola A	Sharon A
Science	Kamsi E 10 D	Liah D 11C	
Biology	Miracle M 11B	Dola A 11D	Nneka O 11A
Physics	Esai A 11B	Hannah Y 11C	James H 11S
Chemistry	Ania K 11C	Uzumma E 11B	John-Paul L 11A
Sociology			Grace B 11D
Dance	Finbar D 11C	Leah-May D 11C	Tamsin C 11B



STUDENT AWARDS

Year 12		
Subject	Outstanding Attitude to Learning	Outstanding Attitude to Learning
Art & Design	Joseph W	
Biology	Ellie B	Ella T
BTEC National Diploma Business	Isabelle P	Gregory H
Business Studies	Mana S	Jonathon E
Chemistry	Hannah M	Amy T
Computer Science	Ellie B	Edward L
Design and Technology-Product Design	Adam K	Fraser T
Economics	Gosia Z	Neha K
English Language	Amelia R	Maisie E
English Literature	Sophia C	Sophia W
Film Studies	Kelsie B	Kinga L
French	Katie T	Jasper M
Further Mathematics	Bhaskar M	Amelia B
Geography	Sophia C	Aidan M
German	Isabel L	
History	Olivia M	Francesca L
Cambridge	Marya B	Joe W
Music	Hannah Ne	Neha K
Politics	Gosia Z	Sophie-Rose B
Photography	Kinga L	
Physical Education	Harry S	Tamara K
Physics	Ellie B	Adam K
Psychology	Ella T	
Religious Education - Philosophy & Ethics	Francesca L	Jack H
Sociology	Niharika S	Jenna H
Law	Sophia C	Max T



STUDENT AWARDS

Year 13 Subject	Outstanding Attitude to Learning	Outstanding Attitude to Learning
Art & Design	Stephanie M	
Biology	Madeleine M	Tim O
BTEC National Diploma Business	Stephanie M	Jonathan N
Business Studies	Annabelle G	Jamie T
Chemistry	Kate Ashton-T	Amelia H
Computer Science	Chris S	Lloyd Ne
Design and Technology- Product Design	Oliver T	Daniel M
Economics	Amy E	Jack S
English Language	Trudy A	Abbie C
English Literature	Noah R	Emily M
Film Studies	Adam N	Madeleine M
French	Joshua D	
Further Mathematics	Aaron S	Benjamin L
Geography	Sophia C	Isabella W
German	Isabella W	
History	Aoife G	Abbie C
Cambridge Technical IT	Jamie T	Holly C
Mathematics	Tanmay N	Lloyd N
Music	Aoife G	Sasha L
Photography	Eimear Rooney T	
Physics	Kate A	Lloyd N
Psychology	Emily W	Annabelle G
Religious Education - Philosophy & Ethics	Sophia W	Rosie E
Sociology	Eziekhal M	Tom O
LAW	Trudy A	Emily W

Congratulations to the new Year 7 Captains—from Mrs Coleman

Your Form Tutors, Heads of House and myself are looking forward to working with you all over the course of this year—well done!





STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

AVITA PRO FIDE



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Ariana P in 9F has been promoted to a full chorister and received her surplice. She has passed her probation with flying colours and has shown great dedication and commitment to the choir. She dedicates many hours of her week to the choir and is recognised as a valued member.

Ariana has been selected to write an article about her experience of taking part in the Royal School of Church Music festival, in which choirs from across Essex and East London sang at the Cathedral.

Congratulations Ariana!



Congratulations to Luke in 9S who has been awarded a place in the U14 Boys Hockey Essex Academy Squad. This offers Luke coaching sessions and the opportunity to be selected to represent Essex in matches and at Finals day.

Well done Luke!



We are immensely proud the pictured year 9 students are all working towards their Duke of Edinburgh Awards independent of school. Well done, this award will stand you in good stead.

Miss Dunn



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

AVITA PRO FIDE

Our Visit to Columbus school

As part of our Design and Technology coursework we have to interview possible clients/ users that would use the product that we will design. Some of us has chosen neurodiversity as a Design problem to solve and then Engineer a product to help the people who has a specific Neurodiversity. Mr De Wet arranged for us to go to Columbus school to interview some students and staff at the school. We managed to talk to students with a range of different neurodiversity and that helped us to identify the needs and wants of people who live with things like Autism, ADHD, Tourette, Dyspraxia and hyperlexia. The visit was very beneficial to studies and was a great opportunity for us to interact with the students from Columbus who were all very friendly and welcoming.

Grace B 11D





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History Department

Year 8

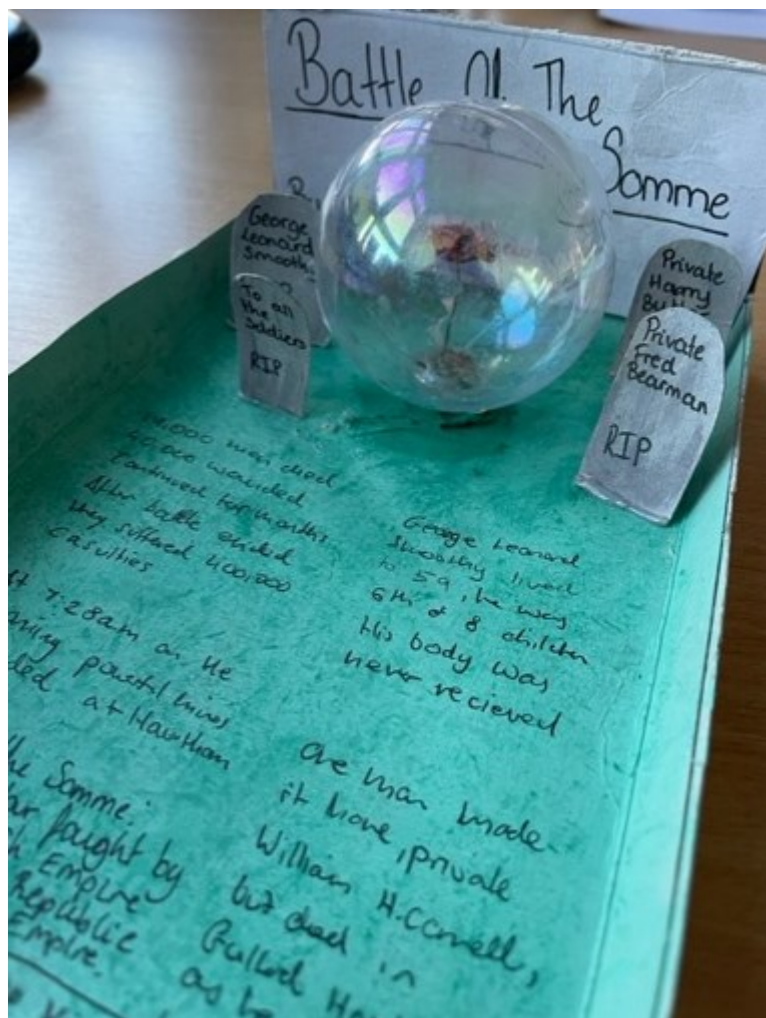
Members of 8S were given the task of producing their own portraits of Elizabeth I. They had to use their knowledge about how Elizabeth used her image to make her look as powerful as possible and explain how their portrait demonstrated that she was a strong queen.

There were some really original pieces with some good explanation explaining their work.



Year 9

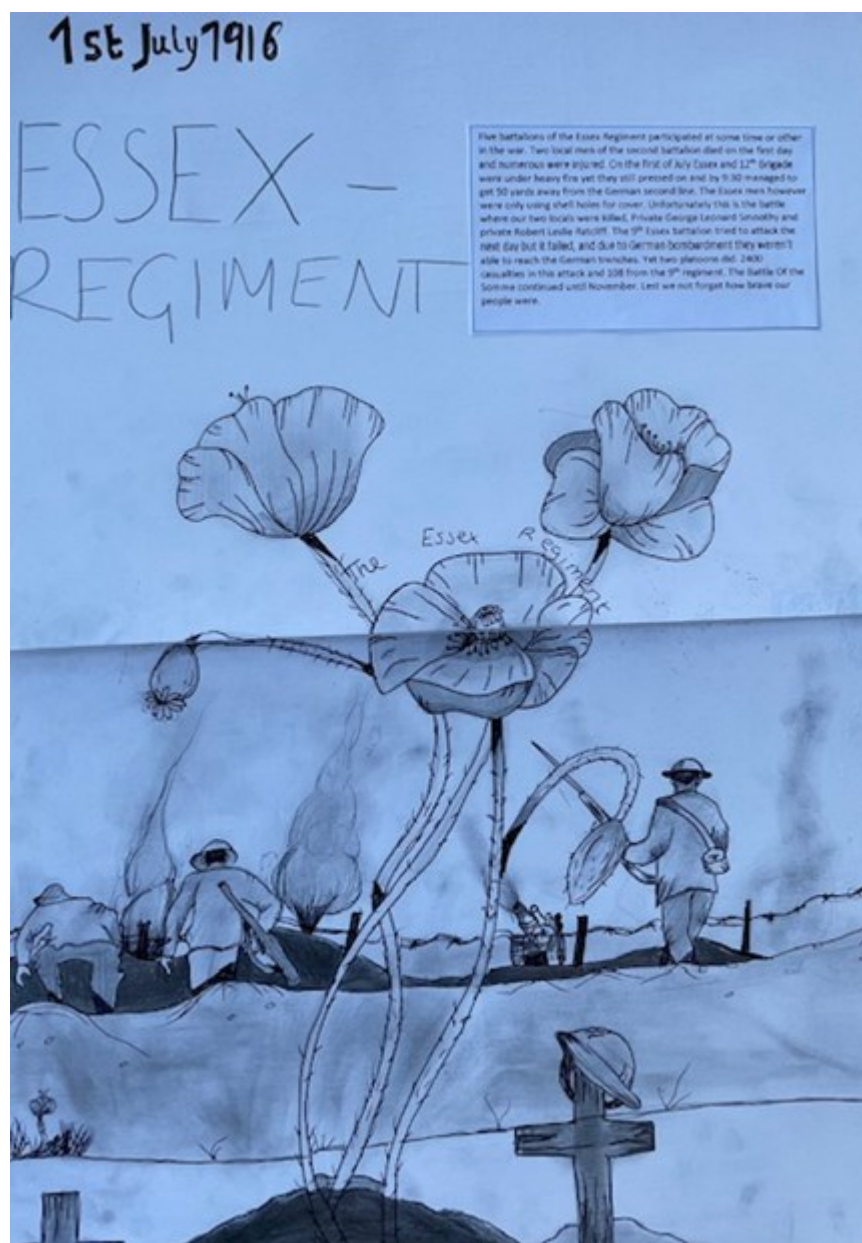
Year 9 have been studying World War One this term. Mrs Cameron-McIntosh set 9A and 9S the task of researching what the Essex Regiment, their role in the war and then to design a memorial to them. Students were given free range on what form that memorial make take - there were designs for traditions stone memorials, murals, poems and some students even created models of their memorials. They were a very thoughtful selection of work.





STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

AVITA PRO FIDE



History Advent Calendar

The History Department decided to spread a little festive joy this advent and create a virtual advent calendar that hides some History of Christmas treats behind each door. It's not too late to join in. It can be found here <https://adventmyfriend.com/164782/9b2b1efc67/> It goes right up until 24th December and you can look back at the days you might have missed.



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Library and Literacy News



November saw the celebration of National Non-Fiction month. Pictured above is the library display which showcased a variety of non-fiction books and activities.



To encourage students to break out of their reading comfort zone, all years are welcome to use the library's 'blind date with a book' system. The only rule: you must give the book a go before returning



December's display showcases the amazing snowflake making abilities of our Year 7 and 8 students and a collection of popular Christmas stories.



This year, the school ran a 'SJP Library Advent Calendar'. All students who participated paid £2 to be entered into a random draw each day – the winners won a brand new book! £206 was raised from the calendar and has been donated to Abbie's Angels.



Students from all years were welcome to paint their own bauble to put on to the library Christmas tree!



This year, the Literacy department is once again participating in the Juniper Book Awards. Six students who have been excelling in their literacy lessons were chosen to participate. The students are pictured above, after having read their first book as part of the book shadowing programme

Ariel O 8A – Lower School Poet Laureate



Introducing the SJP Poet Laureates....



Katie T 12S – Upper School Poet Laureate

What is your favourite poem and why?

My favourite poem is *I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud* by William Wordsworth because it's very calming and has creative nature imagery.

What is your favourite book and why?

My favourite book is *No Fixed Address* by Susin Nielsen because it's heart-warming and the characters are endearing.

Christmas is Here

People dress up in all their festive gear
The streets are filled with laughter and cheer
It is everyone's favourite time of year
Christmas is here.

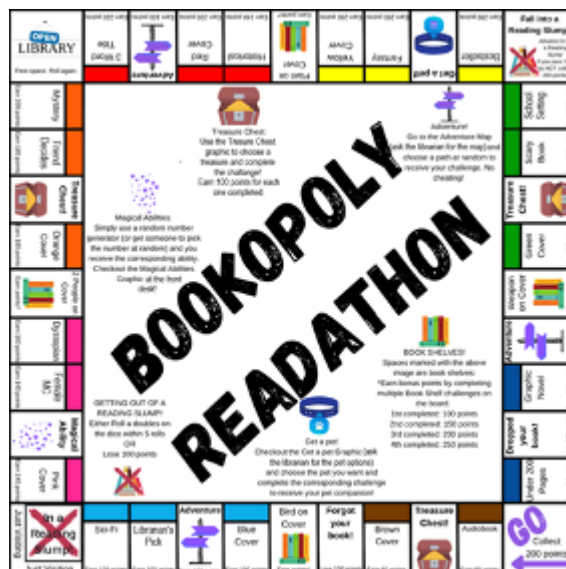
Writing wish lists
Of dreamed-about gifts
People hope to find under the tree
Under mistletoe some kiss
Christmas is a season we can't miss
We wait for it expectantly.

But it's not all about the gifts under the tree
It's for those who don't doubt that Christ made us free
Christmas is for those who support unity.

But Christmas is not about just the presents
It's a time when all celebrate Christ's presence
For within Christmas day faith is the essence.

Due to Christ's birth we have nothing to fear
Christmas means more than it might first appear
Everybody loves this time of year
Christmas is here.

Katie T 12S



This term, the library introduced a new reading competition – The Bookopoly Readathon. To participate, students rolled the dice and moved along the board; each square they landed on had a different reading challenge for them to complete in order to earn points. 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes were awarded to those with the most points by the end of the term! Picture above is Amy B 8S, this year's Bookopoly Readathon winner.



Congratulations to the Year 7 students who took part in the Poetry in performance competition. Here are Eloise, Alicja and Amarachi receiving their certificates from Mrs Nowlan. Well done to all who took part

Spotlight on Computer Science

This half term, our Computer Science students took part in a national computational thinking competition run by Bebras. Well done to all students who took part in this difficult challenge. A special congratulations to Abigail B (10A), John-Paul L (11A), Ben L(13D), Lloyd N(13S) and James B (13D) who achieved Gold Certificates which are awarded to the students who achieved the top 10% nationally! These students have been invited to attend the final round of the competition in Oxford in February. We are very proud of you all.

Miss James and Mr Keylock

CyberFirst Girls Competition

This half term, some of our year 8 computer scientists completed various computational thinking challenges provided by the National Cyber Security Centre. We await the results of the girls' hard work and dedication. Good luck to the students who took part: Erith T(8S), Ella O(8S), Ellen VC (8S), Caelyn T(8D), Ariel O(8A), Evie M (8A), Freya M (8A), Niamh M (8A) and Millie T(8A). Well done girls and thank you to all staff who supported us during the competition.

Bikeability

Congratulations to Jake T, 8F for successfully completing a Level 2 Bikeability course in difficult conditions.

Logann B, 7S, Amy B, 8S, Tauran S Nixon, 8D Joseph T, 8D were also successful in gaining their Level 3 accreditation where they gained experience of cycling on complex, busy or fast roads. Well done! If any other student wishes to have training, please contact the main school office in the first instance so we can gauge the numbers and organise another course.

Modern languages students in Years 9/10/12/13 wish the residents of EHPAD VILANOVA
in Corbas, near to Lyon
un Joyeux Noël!

8/11/2021

Monsieur/Madame Marie Jeanne,

Je m'appelle William et j'ai quinze ans. Cette année, j'espère que vous avez un bon Noël avec votre famille et vos amis. Moi, je verrai mon cousin pour la première fois. Il habite en Malta et il voyagera en Angleterre en avion. Avant de les voir, je vais regarder le spectacle de l'école avec ma soeur et mes grands-parents. La semaine dernière, j'ai fait une maison en pain d'épice avec ma famille puis nous la mangeons. C'était délicieux! Le jour de Noël, j'espère qu'il y aura des flocons de neige parce que je n'ai jamais vu ça avant. Pour mes cadeaux de Noël, j'ai demandé des bons, du chocolat et des fringues. Je voulais une console mais maintenant je pense que c'est trop cher. Faites-vous des activités de Noël? Voulez-vous des cadeaux? Passe un bon Noël!



Cher /chère madame /monsieur

JOYEUX NOEL!

Salut! Je m'appelle Emily et j'ai 15 ans. J'habite à Chelmsford dans le sud-est d'Angleterre. J'adore le Noël! Chaque année je mange plein de nourriture comme des pommes de terre rôties (mon préféré), de la dinde et beaucoup d'oiseaux sans t. Je vais faire tellement de karaïoke avec ma famille et j'ai hâte de m'envoyer avec ma. Comment célébrez-vous Noël? J'espère que vous passerez un bon Noël! Amitiés,





Key School Events



Wear It Pink Competition Results October 2021

Place	House	Points Awarded
1 st	Benedictines (Jacob 7B)	600
2 nd	Dominicans (Reuben A 10D)	500
3 rd	Benedictines (Kody P 8B)	400
4 th	Dominicans (Ella L B B 8D)	300
5 th	Dominicans (Kit F 10D)	200
6 th	Benedictines (Alicia Y 7B)	100



CURRENT HOUSEPOINT TALLY

	House	Housepoint Total
1 st	Benedictines	4135
2 nd	Carmelities	3657
3 rd	Servites	3322
4 th	Dominicans	3202
5 th	Franciscans	2296
6 th	Augustinians	2236

OCT-DEC COMPETITION

- **BEST CHRISTMAS WREATH (HANG ON YOUR TUTOR DOOR)**
- **BEST CHRISTMAS DECORATED TUTOR ROOM**
- **THIS WILL BE JUDGED BY HOY WEEK COMMENCING 13TH DEC**





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Stress, anxiety or depression

If you're feeling stressed, anxious or depressed and want to talk to someone, you can [get psychological therapies on the NHS](#). They offer therapies like cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT), counselling and guided self-help.

A GP can refer you, or you can refer yourself directly. You'll need to be registered with a GP to get psychological help on the NHS.

Organisations that provide support

The following organisations provide support with a variety of mental health conditions:

[Essex Outreach Support](#) offers a short-term support service to people who are experiencing a range of problems that are impacting their health, financial and housing wellbeing

[Futures in Mind](#) helps people suffering from substance or alcohol misuse and mental ill health

[HeadsUp](#) helps people with mental health problems to get back into the workplace

[Healthwatch Essex](#) offers information, advice and guidance on accessing health and wellbeing services in Essex

[Mind - The Mental Health Charity](#) has local branches across Essex

[Rethink Mental Illness](#) offers several support groups in Essex

[NAPAC \(the National Association for People Abused in Childhood\)](#) offers support to adult survivors of all types of childhood abuse

[NHS Mental Health](#) offers information and support to help with stress, anxiety, depression

[NHS Get help from a mental health charity](#) provide a list of mental health charities

[Samaritans](#) offer support to anyone in emotional distress, struggling to cope, or at risk of suicide



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**Helping children and
young people stay
safe online**



Professionals Online Safety Helpline
Support for professionals working with children



Helpline
Report online child sexual abuse images or videos



Report Harmful Content
Assistance for reporting harmful content online



Revenge Porn Helpline
Supporting adults who are experiencing intimate image abuse



Staying safe while playing games online. <https://saferinternet.org.uk/>

Online gaming is hugely popular with children and young people. Annual research conducted by OFCOM shows that gaming is still one of the top activities enjoyed online by 5–16 year olds, with many of them gaming on mobile phones, games consoles, tablets or computers.

Consider games' age ratings

Games, just like films, have age ratings which are regulated by PEGI. These show the age that young people need to be in order to legally buy a game in the UK. PEGI have also created a set of content descriptors which show what content will be seen in the game and give an indication to why it received its rating.

Check who your child is chatting with

Many games have a chat feature which allows gamers to communicate with other players. On some games this is an open chat box where comments can be typed, whilst others may only allow a gamer to select from set phrases. Chat within games can happen publicly, so that other players can see it and interact, or privately in the form of a personal message. Many games also allow you to chat verbally via a wearable headset.

Discuss how to report or block unkind messages

Online bullying can happen in games as well as on social media or messaging apps. It could be through unkind comments or messages, or by targeting other players within a game. Most games have reporting and blocking features which can be used to support a young person who is being bullied online.

