



Hazelwick School Newsletter

February 2023

Dates for your Diary:

Wed 1st March:
Year 8, Parents'/Carers'
Evening

Fri 3rd March:
Year 8 HPV Vaccination 1
Year 9 HPV Vaccination 2

Fri 10th March:
Fun Run and Non-uniform
day to raise money for St
Catherine's Hospice

Wed 15th March:
INSET Day - school closed
to students

Tue 21st Mar - Fri 31st Mar:
Year 9, Exams

Headlines

Ms A Fearon, Headteacher

Exam Preparation

Students in Years 11 and 13 are now on a countdown to their external exams. With not many school weeks left, it is crucial that all students apply themselves fully to their lessons, take advantage of the many booster and revision sessions offered by departments and have a clear schedule of work that they are following at home. We endeavour to keep parents and carers informed about all that is happening regarding exam preparation, but please do not hesitate to contact the year teams if you would like any further information, guidance or advice on how you can best help your son/daughter.

St Catherine's Youth Enterprise Challenge

The St Catherine's Youth Enterprise Challenge team's aim is to raise over £1,500 between the launch date in January and Friday 31st March. Our team of ten Year 12 students are working hard to raise as much as possible.

Many fund-raising activities have already taken place which have included a Bake sale, Valentines event, a non uniform day and a Charity Football game.



Bake sale

If you feel able to donate, we have a justgiving page: www.justgiving.com/page/pennies-1673871383646.



Valentines event



Charity football game

The School Site in Spring

As I write this, the sun is streaming through my office window and first signs of spring are obvious across the school campus. Thank you to our hard-working premises and grounds team for keeping our site in such beautiful condition. We are so fortunate at Hazelwick to have such a wonderful, spacious site enjoyed by all who work and study here.

All good wishes

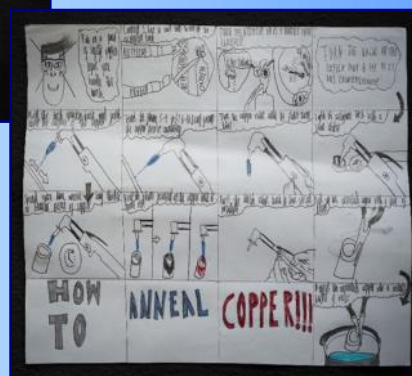
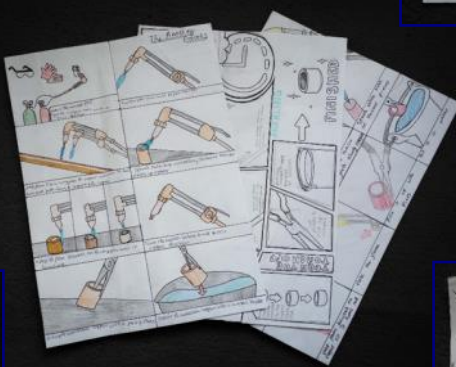
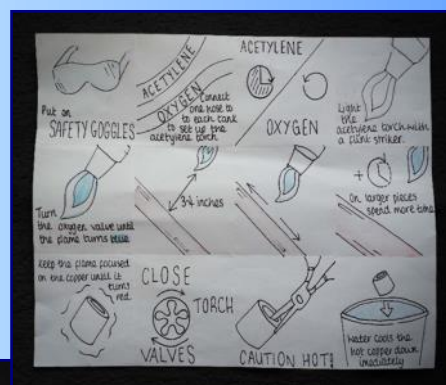
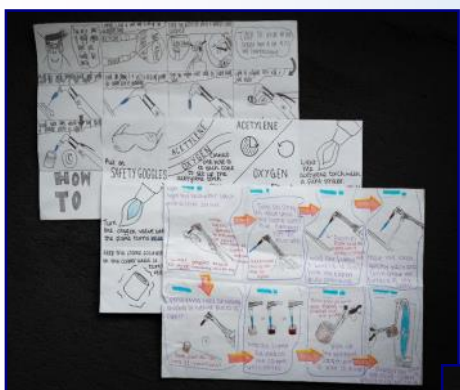
News, Events & Activities from the Design Technology Department...

YEAR 10

Year 10's have been learning about different material categories and researching and watching demonstrations based on these. Here, they have created some wonderful posters about smart materials which can change in response to their environment.



Year 10 have also been learning about the properties of these materials and processes that might be used in relation to them. After looking at annealing, a process used to soften metal and make it more pliable, some amazing cartoon strips demonstrating the process were created.



News, Events & Activities from the History Department...

History Club!

Miss Hammans led our January History Club session on Tudor rebellions, specifically the Western Uprising in 1549. This session also included an appearance by the author of the article, Professor Mark Stoye from the University of Southampton, who gave our A Level History students a fantastic opportunity to talk to a leading historian at the cutting edge of his field.



Students pre-read an article from the BBC History magazine written by Mark Stoye and debated their ideas in a University style seminar. Mark Stoye also offered the students a personal insight into his research, and offered a Q&A at the end of the session.

We established what was going on during Edward VI's reign, and how as a young King he named two different regents to help him rule. We discussed the causes of the Western Uprising, known as the 'Prayer Book Rebellion', and how there was religious motivation for a rebellion due to the Great Reformation that had happened under Henry VIII. As a protestant, Edward had continued these new beliefs, and wanted to establish the Bible in English, rather than Latin, allowing everyone to access the Church.

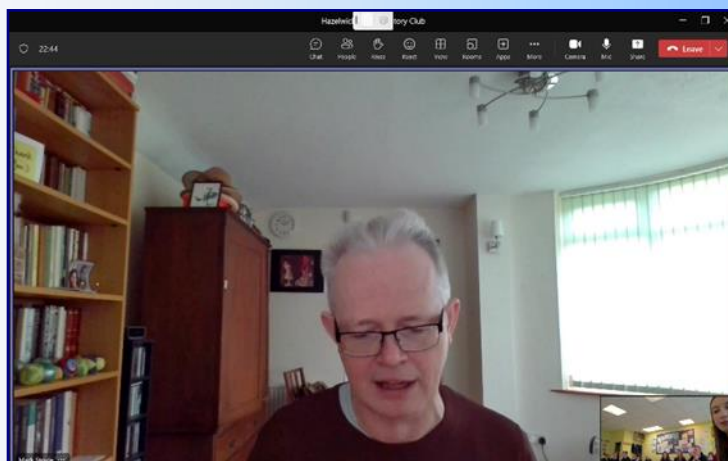
We discussed how Lord Russell was able to beat the rebels, and how they posed a significant threat to the government. Mark Stoye argued that there was a serious threat posed to the government, as at the time, there was another rebellion happening in East Anglia. We also discussed how the Western Uprising was also motivated by cultural reasons, and how Cornishmen fiercely tried to protect their unique identity. We debated what the main cause of the Uprising was, agreeing that the religious struggle was more significant, although the cultural aspect is worth highlighting.

Finally, the session ended with a Q&A, where Mark answered Lily-Mae's question about investigating different sources to change the narrative of the Western Uprising. Many thanks to our sixth form students who attended: Alexander Sproston, Joshua Randolph, Saskia Blackburn, Preston-Paris Ingold, Matthew McMillan, Anastasia Panoschi, Lily-Mae Frost, Tajah Kwatia, Kacper Zdunek, Ella Halpern, Flynn Cowell, Morgan Zacharias, Ciaran Simpkin and Callum Jones.

Thank you also to Mark Stoye for providing such a fantastic opportunity for our A Level History students.

Keep your eyes peeled for the next session of History Club!

Miss Hammans

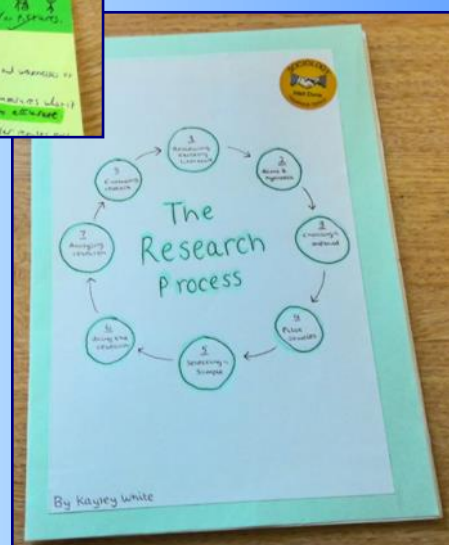
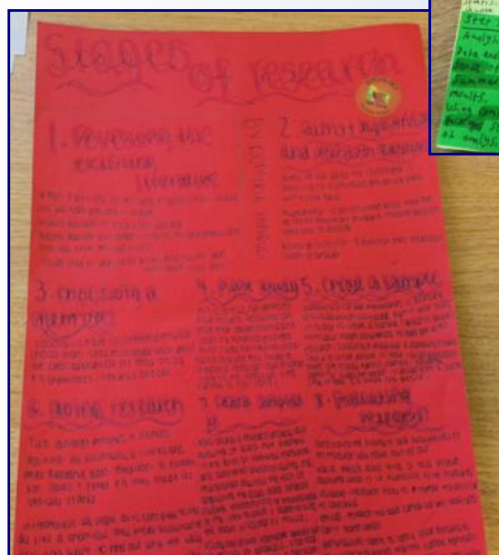
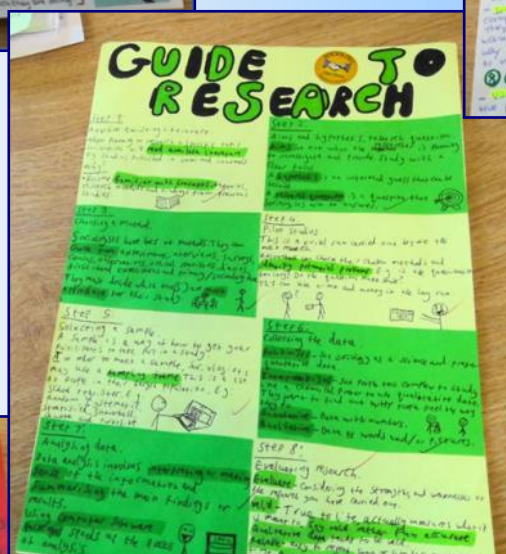
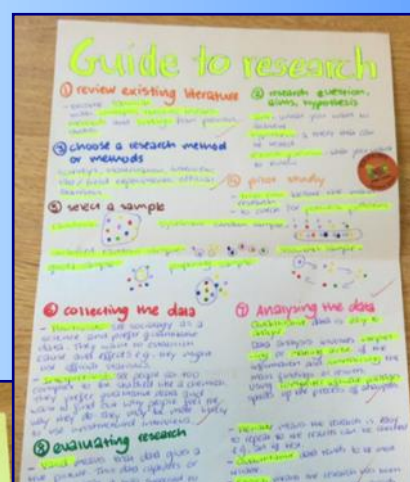
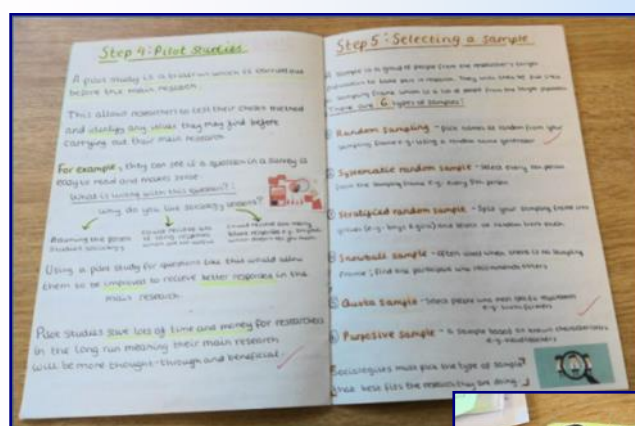


News, Events & Activities from the Sociology Department...

Year 9 students have been working hard this January and February learning about how sociologists carry out their research. They have created some amazing guides to research which will be really useful revision resources for them in Year 11.

Well done to everyone involved!

Miss Stapleton



Dine in Geography Discussion for February

The Geography department has created a regular feature for the newsletter - 'Dine in Geography discussion.' The aim is to create geographical discussion around the dinner table between students and parents/carers, based on significant and topical issues.



Menu Appetizer

[Turkey-Syria earthquake: What's happening in Turkey and Syria - CBBC Newsround](#)

Starter

Watch the clip from Newsround on the Turkey-Syria earthquake. Many people in earthquake zones have emergency earthquake kits. What would you pack in yours?

Main

Why was this earthquake so devastating? Which factor was the most important in determining the large number of deaths? Time/building quality/delay in rescue/magnitude/densely populated area.

What solutions are there in the long term?

Dessert

What could you do to help? [Turkey and Syria earthquakes: How people in the UK are helping - CBBC Newsround](#)



Ms. Frampton



Oxbridge Information Session

We are delighted that five of our Year 13 students have recently been given conditional offers from either Cambridge University or Oxford University. On Wednesday 22nd February, four of these students – Tarkan Ates, Alisha Mafaas, Ellie Murphy-Smith and Dara Osinowo - delivered a fabulous information session after school to a packed hall of students from Year 10, Year 11 and Year 12. I am so pleased that our Year 13 students were so keen to share with younger students what they had learnt about applying to Oxbridge. It is wonderful that they want to support our younger students in this way, through passing on their valuable insights and learnings.

They all emphasised the importance of ‘supercurricular’ activities. These activities focus on broadening your knowledge about a specific element of your subject and might include: listening to a podcast; watching a TED talk; reading a book or an academic article (www.jstor.org was particularly recommended for this); applying to the Oxford University Inspire scheme; exploring websites such as ‘Oxplore’; or watching a webinar. This list is obviously not exhaustive but anyone who wants to go to any top university should start doing some of these activities on a regular basis from Year 10 onwards. Our Year 13 students encouraged younger students to start their “learning journey” which would entail finding out as much as possible about a specific focus in your preferred subject and then exploring it as much as you can and seeing where the learning takes you.

All the Year 13 students also highlighted the importance of checking what the university course entails. Oxbridge might be an amazing opportunity but not if the course does not cover the type of work you are interested in exploring. Other universities may have more relevant courses for the particular subject you have decided to study, so it is worth doing your research. Similarly, they highlighted that the admissions’ process is lengthy and time-consuming so in order to be successful, anyone who applies must be ready to put in a lot of hard work and seek the advice and expertise of others.

It was lovely to see our Year 13 students willingly giving up their time after school to pass on their knowledge and experiences to other students. They all presented so confidently and gave us an encouraging but also realistic view of what applying to Oxbridge entails. Equally it was wonderful seeing so many students attend the session – I am delighted that so many of our students have such high aspirations!

Well done and thank you to Alisha, Dara, Ellie and Tarkan.

Ms Gratton





House News...



We have had some excellent house events in the past month; from Year 12 challenging each other in The Cube event to the Paper Aeroplane competition which went very well for Year 9!

Paper Aeroplane Competition

Congratulations to – Ishak Chabli, Maahi Sawraj and Vaidanshi Razdan for winning 1st (500 points), 2nd (250 points) and 3rd (150 points) respectively.

Special mention to 9SCO and Ethan Bull, Harshon Paramanantham, Arfa Mansuri and Sinowethu Matsebula for excellent effort and winning 100 points each for their house.

The results split by house were as follows for this competition:

Seacole - 650

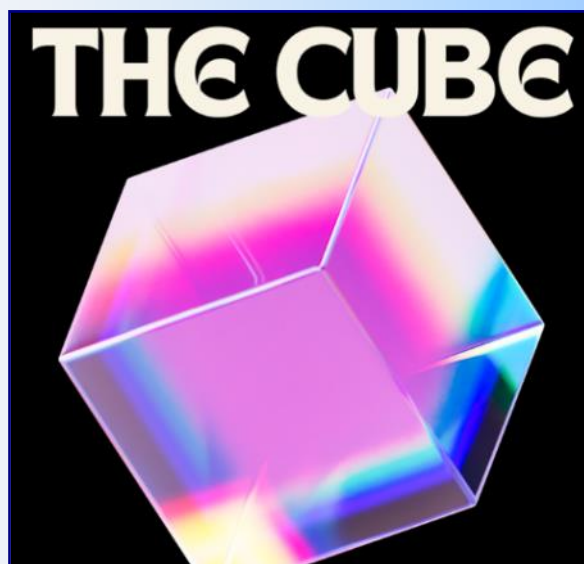
Fry – 500

Turing – 150

Winton – 0

Duleep-Singh – 0

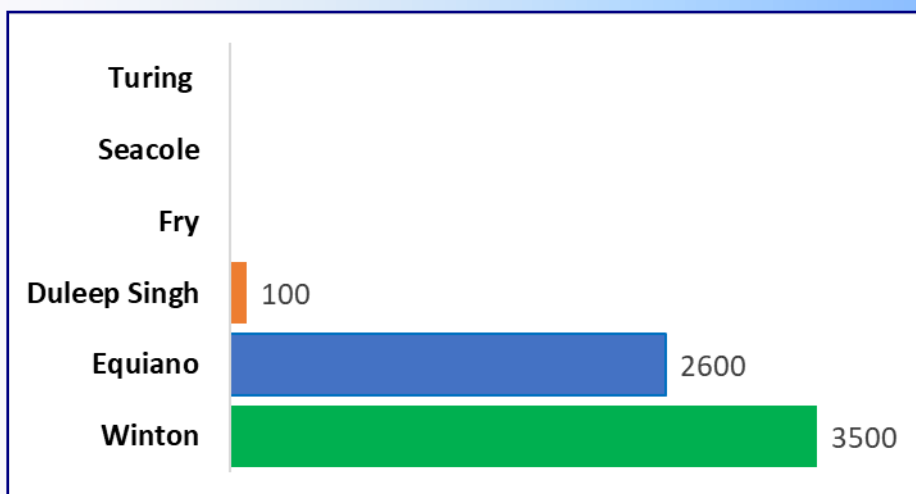
Equiano – 0





House News Continued...

Year 12 had an excellent time trying to beat the clock and win a range of mini games from the Cube. Winton and Equiano put in a huge amount of effort and came away with 3500 and 2600 points respectively.



February total for House points:

House Points Table February 2023

The winning house is ...



Equiano
57000 points



2nd place – Winton 55370



3rd place – Turing 54764



4th place – Seacole 53038



5th place – Duleep-Singh 51772



6th place – Fry 50781

Well done to Equiano for such an amazing effort this month! They are in the lead for the second month running and have extended their lead even further.

Miss Eckles - Head of Fry House

Careers Café...

In this section of the newsletter, we bring students, parents and carers information on careers and the world of work.

The BBC Visits Hazelwick

An exciting careers event took place for Years 7-10 on Friday 3rd February. We were delighted to welcome the BBC who came into school to raise awareness of the world of work and creative career pathways.

The interactive event was hosted by Rehana Browne (DJ and musician). The panellists consisted of Yvette Twagiramariya (Broadcast Journalist at BBC World Service) and Drishya Rai (Young Reporter). They talked about their journey into their current roles, and the skills and opportunities they have drawn upon to get there. It was fascinating to hear about their work, the people they have met, and the challenges and experiences that they have had along the way.



Students had the opportunity to ask questions to the panellists, via a microphone concealed in a rugby ball! All year groups enthusiastically asked interesting and insightful questions and had clearly listened carefully to the discussions.

Some student comments on the event:

"I liked the part where everyone was passing the speaker and asking questions – I got to understand more about careers."

"I liked how they talked about being able to change your career choice later in life."

"I enjoyed the fact that the BBC guests talked about how they started their career journey, to help students like me get a higher understanding about how to be part of the BBC."

Students, parents, and carers are reminded of the wealth of careers information and advice across a wide variety of sectors available at the careers section of the BBC bitesize website. [Careers - BBC Bitesize](https://www.bbc.com/careers)



Careers Café Continued...

National Apprenticeship Week

National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) took place in early February and was publicised across the school through:

- Form time activities (all year groups) such as a PowerPoint, video clips, quizzes, and games
- Teachers were encouraged to relate their lessons to NAW where possible. They were provided with subject specific resources to support this.
- Assemblies were delivered to Year 10 and Year 12 by an engineering apprentice at Thales.

Parents and carers who wish to find out more about apprenticeships may be interested in the following:

- [National Apprenticeship Week |](#)
- [Your step-by-step guide to applying for an apprenticeship - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)

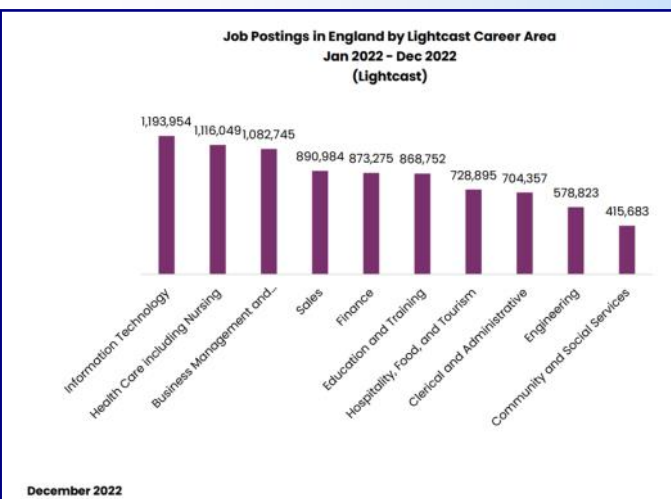
This guide will help you to prepare for the application process and be ready to show you are the right person for the role you want.

- [The Parent Perspective Podcast Episode 7](#)

Rachel Burden is joined by Anna Morrison from Amazing Apprenticeships and the newly (re-)appointed Minister for Skills, Apprenticeships and Higher Education, Robert Halfon in a special episode to mark the start of National Apprenticeship Week 2023. Rachel and Anna talk to Robert about his plans for apprenticeships, ask why 'degree apprenticeships' are his two favourite words, and find out how he plans to increase achievement rates.

Careers Learning within the Curriculum

At the end of each unit GCSE Sociology students research the careers related to the topic they have studied. Recently, Year 10 Sociology students researched jobs related to the family such as midwives, family lawyers, relationship counsellor and social workers. They found out about what the job involves, the qualifications required, skills and qualities needed and the rates of pay. It is brilliant to see the students so enthusiastically exploring labour market information and the world of work relating to sociology! Thank you to Mrs Banbury for sharing this.



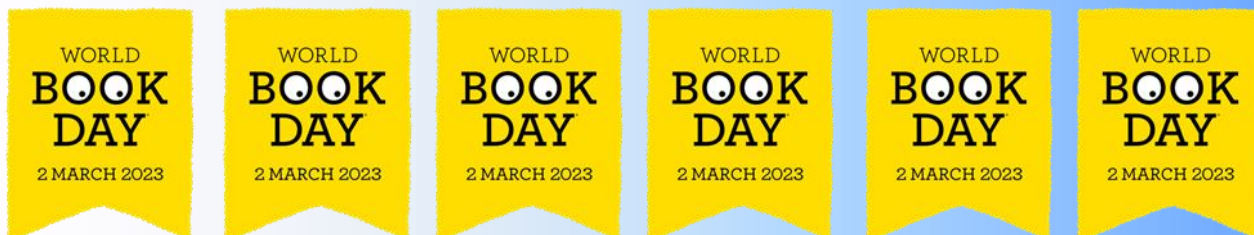
Labour Market Information: Job Vacancies by Sector

Education Development Trust have shared some analysis that they have carried out on job vacancies by sector. This was produced using Lightcast coding of job adverts in England over the last calendar year. Information technology and Healthcare including Nursing were the sectors with the highest number of postings.

Mrs Andrews



Read On!



World Book Day 2023

World Book Day will be celebrated nationally on the 2nd of March and the charity's official website has a range of reading activities and resources for families, which you may find useful.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/celebrate-world-book-day/>

World Book Day Tokens

There has been a change to the tokens this year as the charity have made the decision to go digital! Parents/carers have been emailed the QR code which is needed to access the digital tokens and the library will display the code for students to access as well. I have included the link to the digital token terms and conditions but in a nutshell, the digital tokens can be exchanged for a free book from a selection of titles. A selection of the books will also be made available to students in Years 7 and 8 during Mrs Gray's Reading lessons.

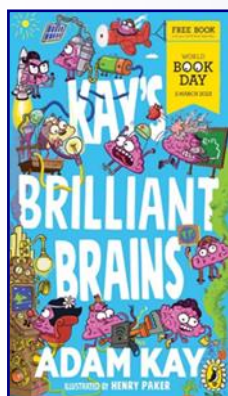
<https://www.worldbookday.com/terms-conditions/>

The Books

There is a selection of twelve books to choose from, these are divided into four different reader categories:

Beginning, Early, Fluent, and Independent. I have focused upon the Independent titles but have included the link to all the titles as this may be useful for parents/carers with younger children.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>

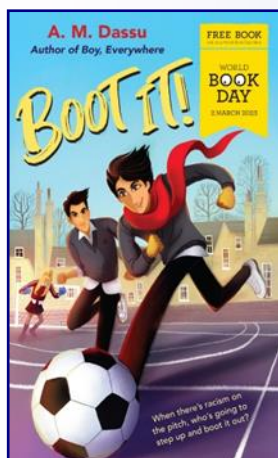


Kay's Brilliant Brains by Adam Kay

Written by the author Adam Kay, with illustrations by Henry Parker, this non-fiction title celebrates the lives of ten geniuses whose ideas changed the world. Read all about Ava Lovelace, Thomas Edison and Amelia Earhart as told by Kay in his quirky and often funny writing style. This book will appeal to the students who enjoyed learning about the human body in the author's 'Kay's Anatomy' and to those students who love the Faction section of the library.

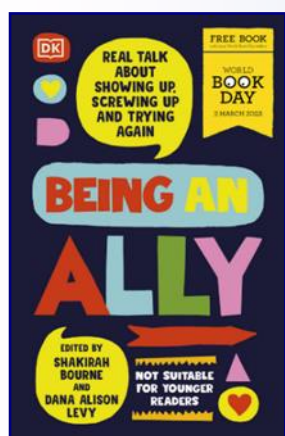


Read On Continued....



Boot It! By A. M. Dassu

This story tackles the issue of racism and bullying within a football setting. Central characters Sami and Ali hone their footie skills every day and long to join the school football team. Whilst the boys perform well in the team trials, they are made to feel unwelcome within the team because of their skin colour. Will the boys be able to 'boot out' racism in the team?



Being an Ally: Real Talk About Showing Up, Screwing Up, and Trying Again by Shakirah Bourne Dana Alison Levy

Another non-fiction title, this book features some of the essays that appeared in the book 'Allies' that was published in 2021. In this special World Book Day edition, several authors who write for young people reflect upon their experiences of needing or being an ally and invite the reader to think about their own experiences. This title may not be suitable for younger independent readers.

The library will be running a range of competitions and a lunch time activity, celebrating student's favourite authors. Our Reading Ambassadors will be staffing the 'Book Swap' in the library, where students can exchange a book from home. I hope you have a happy World Book Day!

Hazelwick Book Group

Twenty-four students from different year groups attended the January meeting of the Book Group and reading habits were discussed. Some excellent tips were swapped and I thought I would share some of these with you:

- Try and read at the same time every day to establish a habit
- Seek recommendations from friends to widen your reading
- Try a different genre each month
- Swap books with your best friend
- Find somewhere comfy to read
- Come to Book Group

Read On Continued....

EmpathyLab



The EmpathyLab has launched the titles for the 2023 'Read for Empathy' collection this month and there are sixty-five books, aimed at children aged 3 to 16 years. The books aim to "offer young people different ways of experiencing, understanding and building empathy." I have included the link to the books aimed at secondary school students below:

<https://irp.cdn-website.com/b2f3fbc2/files/uploaded/%20FINAL%20WEB%20SECONDARY%20EMPATHYLAB%20GUIDE%20web.pdf>

Further information about the work of the EmpathyLab can be found at their official website:

<https://www.empathylab.uk/about>

Keep reading!

Mrs Thornton BA (Hons) MCLIP
School Librarian

Read On Continued....

Guest Reviewer

Our guest reviewer this month is Ms Fearon.

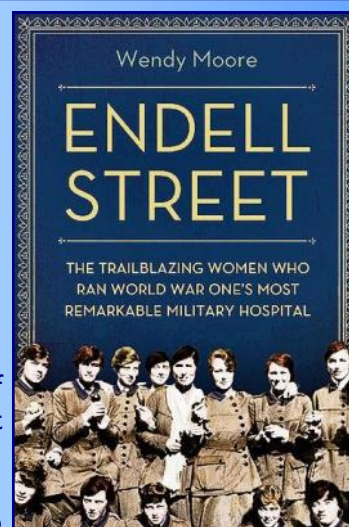
Book Title

Endell Street: The Trailblazing Women Who Ran World War One's Most Remarkable Military Hospital by Wendy Moore

What do I think about the book?

Recommended to me by Ms Richardson (Head of Year 10 and teacher of history), I found this book fascinating, compelling and deeply moving from start to finish.

'Endell Street' is the story of the remarkable wartime contribution of two qualified female doctors who met as active suffragettes. At the outbreak of the First World War in 1914, Flora Murray and her lifetime partner, Louisa Garrett Anderson organised the Women's Hospital Corps and set up a hospital in a smart Parisian hotel. They ran this successfully for five months, performing operations on wounds caused by shell fire, treating gas gangrene and trench foot. Reports of the women's success reached the British War Office, and in early 1915 the two surgeons were invited to convert a grim Dickensian workhouse in Covent Garden into a fully functioning military hospital.



Endell Street was the only British army hospital to be staffed and run entirely by women for the duration of the war. It rapidly acquired a reputation for outstanding medical standards as well as a caring atmosphere. Throughout the war Endell Street admitted between 400 and 800 cases a month, and treated more than 24,000 patients. The writer vividly depicts the convoys of seriously wounded soldiers arriving straight from the battlefields in France in the hospital's courtyard in the middle of the night, most requiring immediate surgery. Thousands of war wounded went through the hospital

during its existence with over 7000 major surgeries taking place.

With pioneering treatments and advances in techniques and prosthetics, and some injured men begging to be sent to Endell Street because of the level of care, compassion, and high survival rates. The extraordinary Endell Street Hospital proved the tremendous medical capabilities of female surgeons, doctors and nurses.

Wendy Moore has found wonderful sources from descendants of those who worked at the hospital and their patients - letters, diaries, historical interviews, war office records, and photographs - and woven them into a vivid story, ensuring that the efforts of these pioneering women will never be forgotten. It is an incredible story, movingly told.

Who would enjoy this book?

This is not a book just for historians or for those who are particularly interested in the fight for equality for women; it is a meticulously researched and beautifully written book that would appeal to all. It is inspiring and immensely readable, and the photographs included help further to bring the details and stories vividly to life.



Accelerated Reader...



RENAISSANCE
Champion School



Millionaire Readers

There are three new millionaire readers this month. Congratulations to Kaylee Hills (7SOX), Jack Yeomans (7TFR) and Freya Adegun (7SMA).

An excellent achievement; well done to you all!



Year 8 Reading challenge

At the start of the year the Year 8 students were set a reading bookmark challenge. Students were encouraged to read one book from each of the 6 categories on their reading challenge bookmark.

Dev Parekh (8REC) is the first student to complete the challenge.

Well done Dev!



Accelerated Reader Continued...



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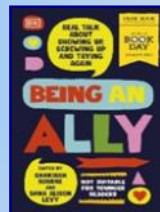
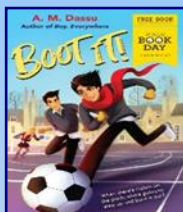
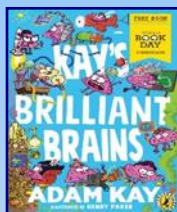
WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

World book day 2023 is on Thursday 2nd March.

We will have a range of activities and competitions in the library for students to get involved with. There are some great £1 book titles this year for readers to enjoy, some of which we will have the library.

See Mrs Thornton's Read On page for more info. Why not take a look at the website for ideas and details about the day and all on offer?

www.worldbookday.com



If you would like any further information about the accelerated reader scheme, please feel free to e-mail me directly. Egray@hazelwick.org.uk

Mrs E Gray

Accelerated Reader Mentor

Sport...

Key Stage 3 Badminton



The boys' and girls' Badminton teams recently took part in the district tournament. Both teams managed to finish first after impressive displays.

Congratulations to Brodie Ryrie-Smith, Louis Ricketts, Om Patel and Adinath Mahadeb, Holly Winton, Megan Taylor, Vaidanshi Razdan, Zara Howe and Evie Forrest.

Key Stage 4 Badminton

Hazelwick, once again, entered strong teams in both the girls' and boys' competitions. The girls finished second and the boys finished second and third. All students did themselves and the school proud.

Congratulations to Megan Howe, Ava Gallup, Harmony Stephens, Harini Senthil, Subhaan Tanveer Ahmed, Vibeeshan Thewaraj, Nawwaf Khan, Bhupen Agrawal, Samuel Davis and James Morrison.

Mr Bagnall



Spotlight on Safeguarding...

For your information this month, via the Newsletter, we are continuing to raise awareness of misogyny in relation to the Incel movement and prejudicial language.

Following on from last month's article on the influence of Andrew Tate, we will be exploring misogyny further in relation to other online threats and prejudicial language. The Incel movement is of a particular concern online where young people become radicalised to hate women. Incel stands for 'involuntarily celibate,' which is an online subculture which blames women for their lack of sexual activity. The Incel movement has been linked to a number of cases of violent extremism. The most recent case which came to national attention was the multiple murders committed by Jake Davison in Plymouth. He, like other frustrated young men, visited Incel forums. Jonathan Griffin of BBC News has stated that these online forums are visited by teens and men in their early 20s who have experienced rejection or negative encounters with women. The themes on these forums are of frustration, failure, anger and hate. Incels have used online forums such as Reddit, 4Chan and Parler to discuss their misogynistic views. With the Incel ideology spreading over the Internet, the Guardian has reported that there has been a rise in young men who have been referred to the government's counter terrorism Prevent scheme over the 'women-hating "incel" ideology.' This has largely been attributed to more reports being made by those in educational settings and others who can refer cases to Prevent.



The prejudicial language that is directed towards women on these forums is commonly sexualised and related to a lack of intelligence. What is different to the misogynistic language used by Incels when compared to Andrew Tate is that they have created their own language. Incels refer to women as 'Staceys' who are considered unintelligent, attractive and promiscuous. On Incel forums, women are referred to as 'foids' or 'femoids' which is to indicate that they are not fully human and to thus dehumanise them. AWALT is an acronym commonly used to demean women, which stands for 'all women are like that.' Some of the language is too offensive to publish in this newsletter article. Thomas Michael has stated in the TES that a danger with this new misogynistic language is that it is finding its way onto social media and on memes so young people may take this language on board without actually understanding the meaning of the words.

At Hazelwick School, Year 7 students have explored the topic of prejudicial language in PSHE lessons. In Year 10, students will be receiving lessons on sexism and misogyny during the summer term. Furthermore, PSHE lessons more generally are being used as a space for teachers to discuss misogyny and to tackle any misconceptions from our students. Assemblies on tackling misogyny have also taken place to all key stage 3 and 4 year groups, delivered by the deputy headteacher Mr Leadbitter.

Where to get further information:

- **BBC News** - [Incels: Inside a dark world of online hate - BBC News](#)
- **Manchester Evening News** - [What is an incel and how to recognise the language as Hollyoaks storyline comes to dramatic end - Manchester Evening News](#)

Staff News...

Mrs Aitken our School First Aider & Welfare Assistant completed the Winter Walk on Saturday 4th February.

Mrs Aitken walked a 26 mile (42 km) looped walk, starting and finishing at The Oval Cricket Ground in Vauxhall. The route headed east along the Thames to a rest stop at Rotherhithe, then back on the North bank for lunch at The Oval. After lunch the walkers headed west along the Thames taking in some of its historic bridges to a rest stop in Parsons Green, before heading back to The Oval finish line.

Mrs Aitken completed the walk in 7 hours 30 minutes and raised £238.21 for Cancer Research.

If anyone would like to donate, here is the link. [Donate now](#)





Hazelwick Twitter Account

Follow us on our Twitter account [@HazelwickSchool](https://twitter.com/HazelwickSchool) for reminders of key dates and details of important events.

Insight - Parent Portal

Insight is a secure online system which allows parents/carers to access a range of data and information about their son/daughter. Once logged in, parents/carers can view information such as their child's timetable, session attendance, behaviour points and school reports.

If you have not accessed this yet and would like more information, please email insight@hazelwick.org.uk

Homework & Revision Clubs

Study Hub - Lunchtime

Room 1
Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11
Monday to Thursday 1.25pm - 1.55pm
Computers and printer available
Support available from staff
Bring your lunch
Booking is not necessary
Contact Mrs Stewart for more details:
rstewart1@hazelwick.org.uk

Visit our Homework Club
All Year Groups (7-11) in the Library

HOMEWORK HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER

Monday-Thursday
3-4pm

Computers and printing facilities

A quiet space and practical help

No need to book, just come along!



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Sixth Form: Monday to Friday until 5pm – Supervised study in the Octagon.