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The National Apprenticeship Show

On Wednesday this week, some of our Year 10 students participated in The National Apprenticeship Show which allowed our students to understand the different post-16 career pathways and options available to them. It also enabled them to think about the requirements of their future career goals and how they will achieve them. There were numerous Apprenticeship 'exhibitors' such as JCB, Virgin Media, NHS, Barclays and many more which they could visit and speak to 'virtually'. The exhibitors informed the students about the different apprenticeships which might be available to them and what subjects, financial support etc they may offer.

MCAS Support

Thank you to all the parents/carers who have access to MyChildAtSchool and are using it on a daily basis. We are aware that some parents/carers are experiencing difficulties accessing their account or completing certain tasks.

If this applies to you, please complete the following online form and Mr Jackson will be in touch.

<https://forms.gle/bkQMUbye2ZTWD9mh6>



English Department's Work of the Week

Year 7

Rayan Makvand has done some great work on exploring different emotions in a story. Click here to read it.

Year 8

Saffiya Abdul has worked brilliantly on her MAPit tasks. Click here to read it.

Year 9

Zeb Patel has written a brilliant gothic style story for his work with the Literary Society. Click here to read it.

Year 10

Keldon Oldham has produced some great annotations for his study of A Christmas Carol. Click here to read page 1, page 2 and page 3.

Year 11

Luis Hogan has created some excellent revision notes for his GCSE poetry. Click here to read it.



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Mathematicians of the Month Announced



The 'Mathematicians of the Month' were announced this week and awarded with goodie bags to celebrate their hard work!

One person gets nominated from each class every month for outstanding work in maths lessons.

Could it be you next month?!



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Science Enrichment

STEM Club

At Wednesday lunchtime, STEM Club with Miss Dudley in G45 were extracting DNA from the cells of kiwis (white cloudy substance in the top of the tube).



Rat Dissection





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This week with Miss Fairhurst in Biology, Year 10 were taking (a)part in a rat dissection to aid their learning all about the inner workings of the digestive system, as well as practising a key hands-on skill for any Biologist. Fortunately, the images above cannot convey the smell...

PDSA Talk

This week with Miss Booth our GCSE Animal Care students received a talk from the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals (PDSA), the UK's leading veterinary charity, providing free and low-cost treatment to pets in need. The talk put our students' understanding of the 5 Animal Welfare Needs into real-life context.

Mr J. Harding - Science Enrichment Coordinator

Sports Report and Cross Country Update

Last week, students completed the annual school cross country run and the top performers from each year group were selected to represent the school this week in the Bolton Cross Country Championships at Rivington High School. Students have been focusing on resilience during core PE lessons and it was fantastic to see the efforts from all our students completing the run in difficult conditions. It was a fantastic day and lovely to see students representing the school with pride and doing their absolute best. The following Sharples students will go on to represent Bolton after finishing in the top 20 of their category: Year 7 Henry Ridings and Skye Gifford. Year 8 Ahmed Patel. Year 9 Jayden Winstanley, Marcus Valentine and Isaac Henry. Congratulations to all of them.





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Maths STEM Club

Maths STEM club attendees got a feel for keyhole surgery this week, using clay, string and straws to mock-up a knee joint. The pupils reattached the 'ligaments' using a pair of tweezers in each hand whilst viewing their progress on a Chromebook connected to a visualiser. The exercise gave an insight into the levels of skill, concentration and patience needed to become a surgeon. We discussed the magnification needed to ensure the surgeon has a clear picture and how many times smaller the cutting tools needed to be, compared to an average pair of classroom scissors.

First Year 7 netball match sealed with a win!



The Year 7 netball team played their first senior school match on Wednesday against a strong King's Leadership Academy squad. Although the girls were quite nervous at the beginning, they soon settled and started to play some very good netball. The girls demonstrated great determination and teamwork to come away with their first win of the year. Special mention must go Samaarah Chel who spent the day at the Cross Country Championships but still had the energy to play the full match at centre, and Mia Parnell who came away with girl of the game! A massive well done, girls! Their next match will take place on Monday against Westhoughton.



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Attendance Figures (15th - 19th November)

Year Groups attendance this week:

Year 7 = 96.99%
Year 8 = 94.25%
Year 9 = 93.45%
Year 10 = 95.98%
Year 11 = 93.12%

Best forms this week:

7S = 99.60%
8L = 100%
9H = 97.10%
10P = 98.89%
11P1 = 100%

455 pupils have achieved 100% this academic year

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 22nd Nov to
Thursday 25th Nov - Year
7 CAT Tests

Monday 22nd Nov - Year
11 Mock Interviews
(Bolton 6th Form College)

Thursday 2nd Dec - Year
8 Parent's Evening (4:00
– 7:00pm)

Thursday 9th Dec - Year
11 Parent's Evening (4:00
– 7:00pm)

Career of the Week: Cognitive Behavioural Therapist

Cognitive behavioural therapists use talking therapy to help patients change negative patterns of thinking or behaviour.

Average Salary: £ E32,305 E45,838
Starter Experienced

**Typical hours:
(per week)**  37 to 39
a week

You could work:  between 8am and 6pm



Qualifications:

- You can apply for this job through a university degree or applying directly.
- 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree.
- a degree in a relevant subject for postgraduate study.
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C).

Skills required:

- Counselling skills including active listening and a non-judgemental approach.
- Knowledge of psychology.
- The ability to understand people's reactions
- Active listening skills.
- Patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations.
- Sensitivity and understanding.

Relevant Subjects:

- Health & Social Care, Science, Humanities & English.

Information sourced from: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/cognitive-behavioural-therapist>

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Lunch Time Clubs (Oct-Dec)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y7 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y11 Football (Big Astro) - PGR & AHM	Y9 Football (Big Astro) - JBA & AHM	Y10 Football (Big Astro) - CCH & AHM	Y7 & Y8 Football (Big Astro) - AHM
Y9 Football (New Astro) - JBA	Y10 Football (New Astro) - CCH	Y8 Football (New Astro) - PGR	Y7 Football (New Astro) - JBA	Y9 Football (New Astro) - JBA
Y11 Football (Sports Hall) - CCH	Y7 & Y8 Badminton (Sports Hall) - GBA & SCU	Y7 & Y8 Girls Football (Sports Hall) - GBA & SCU	Y9 Badminton (Sports Hall) - SCU & GBA	Y10 Badminton (Sports Hall) - SCU
Y7 & Y8 Dodgeball (Upstairs Gym) - GBA & SCU		KS3 Fitness Suite - CCH		Girls Fitness Suite - GBA
				Y7 Fantasy Football Club - CCH

Monday Nov 22nd -
26th November



After School Clubs (Oct-Dec)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y7 & Y8 Swimming Club - (SHARP)	Y7 & Y8 Football Practice	Y7 & Y8 Swimming Club (P1LES1)	Running Club - All Years	Y11 v Staff Football
Girls Fitness Suite	Girls Netball	Y9 & Y10 Football Practice	Game On - Girls Football	
Thai Boxing - All Years	Y11 futsal tournament @ Smithills	Basketball Practice - All Years in the sportshall	Boys Fitness Suite	
Y7 netball match v Westhoughton	KS3 Fitness Suite	Y7 Dance Club- gym	Y7/8 basketball tournament @ ESSA	
	Primary School futsal tournament @ Sharples- led by sport leaders			



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FLEXING OUR MENUS IN challenging TIMES

Like many restaurants and caterers, Mellors local suppliers are experiencing shortages of certain food items from sausages and peas to margarine and cooking oils.

This is due to various pressures in the food chain. These include low numbers of crop pickers in the farms, staff shortages due to Covid, lorry driver shortages both to and from our suppliers and the impact of brexit (remember Brexit?)

WHERE THERE ARE SHORTAGES,
MELLORS WILL SUBSTITUTE WITH OTHER
INGREDIENTS TO ENSURE YOU ALWAYS
GET A FRESH AND HEALTHY LUNCH.

