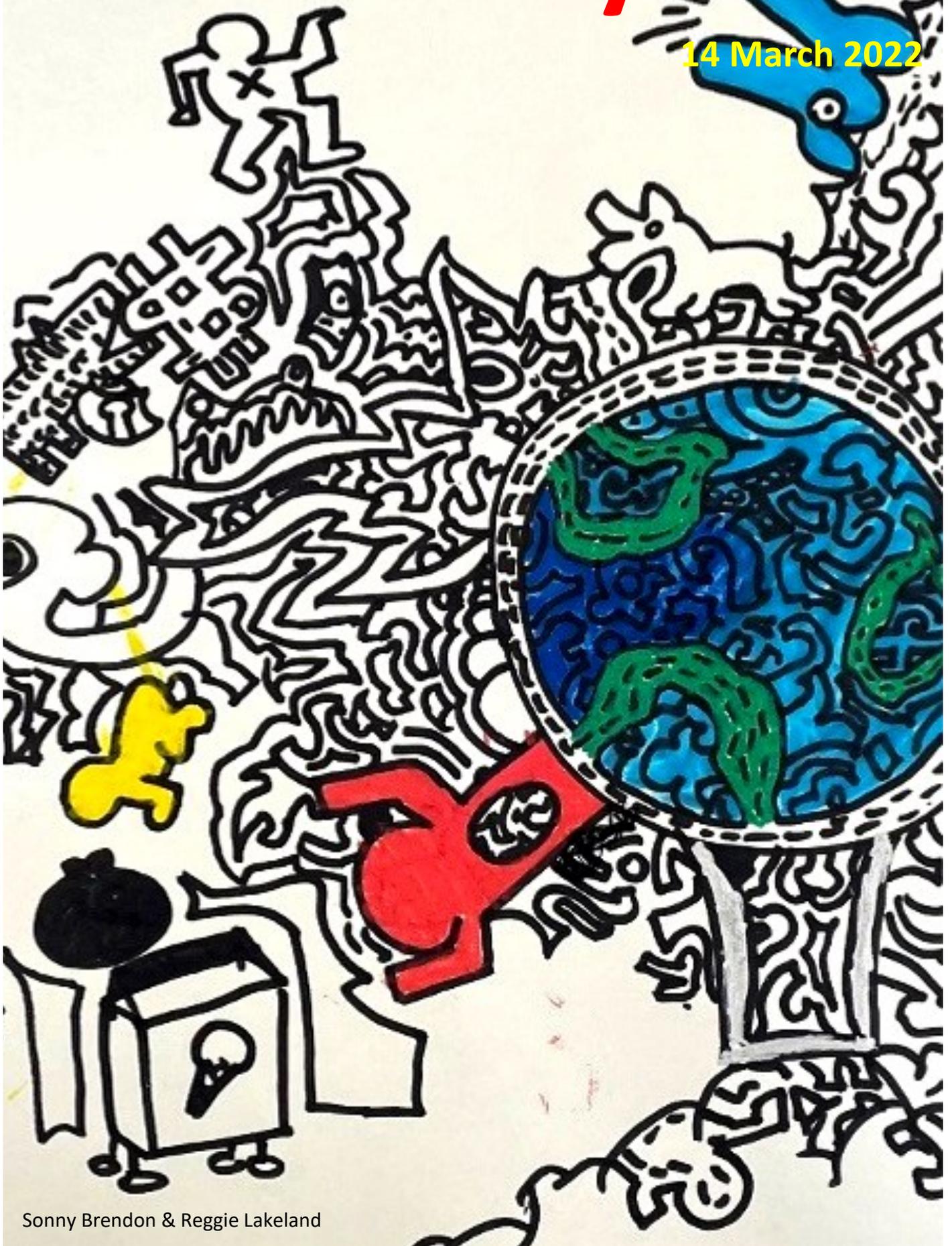


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14 March 2022



Sonny Brendon & Reggie Lakeland



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Lunch Menu

Week 3 Lunch Menu

MONDAY

Main:
Chicken Pie

Meat Free:
Veg Pie

To go with:
Cauliflower
Carrots
Peas

Dessert:
Shortbread

Tuesday

Main:
Sausage Casserole

Meat Free:
Creamy Veg Casserole

To go with:
Mashed Potato
Broccoli
Kale
Sauteed Peppers

Dessert:
Flapjack

Wednesday

Main:
Piri Piri Chicken

Meat Free:
Peas Pesto & Sundried
Tomato Pasta

To go with:
Potato
Couscous
Butternut
Corn on the Cob

Dessert:
Chocolate-Chip Cake

Thursday

Main:
Butter Chicken

Meat Free:
Lentils

To go with:
Rice, Roasted Peppers
Courgettes & Onion
Poppadom

Dessert:
Jelly

Friday

Main:
Fish Fingers

Meat Free:
Stuffed Peppers

To go with:
Chips
Baked Beans
Peas, Carrots

Dessert:
Rice Cake

The FUTURE of FOOD

ON THE MENU
☆ EVERYDAY ☆
☆ Soup of the Day
☆ Salad Bar
☆ Fresh Fruit
☆ Yoghurt

Allergen Key: 1. Milk, 2. Fish, 3. Gluten, 4. Peanuts, 5. Tree nuts, 6. Soya, 7. Sesame, 8. Lupin, 9. Shellfish, 10. Molluscs, 11. Egg, 12. Sulphite, 13. Celery, 14. Mustard
MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE SHOULD INGREDIENTS BE UNAVAILABLE

Gluten-free options available on each day



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A photograph of a corkboard with several colorful sticky notes (green, pink, blue, yellow) pinned to it. The word "Noticeboard" is overlaid in white text.

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Ukraine Appeal

The final total raised for the school appeal to support charities working in Ukraine and with Ukrainian refugees in the current crisis is a fantastic **£2,307.00**. Thank you for your incredible generosity to everyone who donated.



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

**THURS 24/03 - WHOLE SCHOOL
ASSEMBLY @ REGENT HALL**

**WED 30/03 & THURS 31/03 -
HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL @ JW5**

**THURS 31/03 - WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO
@ REGENTS PARK**

FRIDAY 24/06 - SPORTS DAY

**THURS 30/06 - CELEBRATION DAY
@ REGENT HALL & GPS BLDG**

Details to follow





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Whole School Assembly

Thursday 24 March 2022

Portland Place School is delighted to invite parents and carers to our **Whole School Assembly** (years 6 to 11), on 24 March **09.30am-10.30am** at the Salvation Army's Regent Hall.

Be inspired by our students' musical performances, recitals and prize receiving for academic and extra-curricular recognition of achievements.

The Regent Hall address: 275 Oxford Street W1C 2DJ. Please arrive **15 minutes** before the start time.



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**THE PORTLAND PLACE SCHOOL
PRODUCTION OF**



Disney

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

ON STAGE!

**30TH MARCH 1PM & 7.30PM
31ST MARCH 7.30PM
TICKETS FREE FROM
tickets@portland-place.co.uk**



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This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International (Europe). All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI Europe

www.mtishows.co.uk



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Deadline approaching!!



The English Department invites you to contribute your ideas to their 2022 essay competition

KS3 – Years 7, 8 & 9

'Values and Hopes for the Future'

500 words

KS4 – Years 10 & 11

'A Call to Action'

1000 words

Please submit your typed essay to Miss Hubner at jaimie.hubner@portland-place.co.uk by **Friday the 18th of March 2022 at 4pm.**

First Prize

£50 Amazon Voucher

Essay published in the Weekly Buzz

Runner Up

£25 Amazon Voucher

**PPS English
Department
Essay 2022
Competition**

All submissions will be checked for originality and plagiarism will not be accepted



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Music

GCSE Performance Evening

Thursday 24th March 2022

PPS Hall, 5:00-6:00pm

Refreshments provided





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PPS PARENTS NETWORK

COFFEE MORNING

THURSDAY 28 APRIL 2022



The PPS Parents Network will be holding an informal coffee morning for all parents and carers in the school dining hall (143 Great Portland Street site) from 8.30am - 10.00am.

We look forward to seeing you there.

If you have any questions, please contact Jo Francis-Baum at joannafb@me.com



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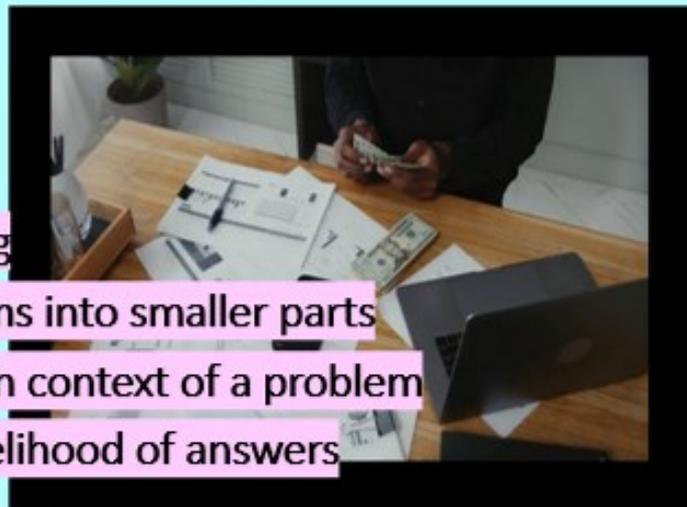
NUMERACY WEEK 7-11 March 2022 Why is Numeracy Important?

Numeracy, like literacy, is key for students/citizens to access and make sense of their world. Being able to quantify and measure their environment in different ways will help them to make wiser judgements about the kind of actions to take in their lives. (UNRWA, 2013)

In today's fast-changing world, literacy and numeracy skills are essential to achieving independence and wellbeing, and provide the basis for sustainable societies. (UNESCO, 2017)

SO MUCH MORE THAN COUNTING!

- Identifying structures and relevant data
- Being systematic
- Searching for patterns
- Thinking logically
- Predicting and checking
- Breaking down problems into smaller parts
- Interpreting solutions in context of a problem
- Estimating to check likelihood of answers





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NUMERACY WEEK 7-11 March 2022

What do the Parents say?



"My team are based in London, New York, Bermuda, and Iceland. This means that I am constantly working out time zones to arrange Zoom meetings ... This also means that I am always working in three different currencies, so I need to have a basic knowledge of how international currencies work to make sure international budgets make sense."

Courtney, Y8 Georgie's mum

"I'm an accountant. A lot of my job is doing analysis and presenting to help non-finance people understand the "story" of the numbers.

For example I might look at the ratios between different numbers and how they are moving in relation to one another and then interpret it by looking at other data points to understand what is going on in real life"

Anna, Ned's mum



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26	3	\$	-	0.675	\$	-
27	4	\$	1,100	0.592	\$	651.29
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29	Present value				\$	1,737.78



"I use maths every day in my job, from drug dosing to titrating therapies. Maths is crucial to ensure that patients do not come to harm, but that they also receive the right treatment and that it is effective. Without good maths skills, my job would be impossible. ."

Chris, Dr - Intensive Care Consultant



"We made websites and apps that show stats and data - some were a little more financial etc but the one I'd discuss was for football stats - for UEFA Champions League."

FootyStats

Search Teams and Leagues



Stats Leagues

Max, Website Designing

Football Statistics - League and Teams

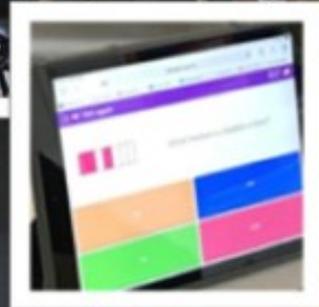
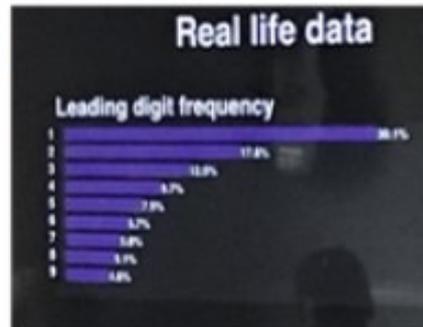
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Numeracy Corner



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Improving Memory

This week I thought I'd share with you some of the memory techniques we use at Portland Place and they can be easily used at home as well.

We believe that we can always improve our memory and mental performance. The wonderful thing is that the human brain has an astonishing ability to adapt and change- this ability is known as *neuroplasticity*.

We can use the natural power of *neuroplasticity* to increase our cognitive abilities, enhance our ability to learn new information, and improve our memory at any age.

Ms Florea



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15 ways to Improve Memory

by @inner_drive | www.innerdrive.co.uk



Write things down



Read More



Chunking



Little and Often

BTW
KISS OMG
S.C.U.B.A.

Acronyms



Make it a Story



Practice, Practice,
Practice



Silly Sentences

Blah, bla
ah, blah,...

Say things out loud



Superior Focus



Teach it to someone else



Ask Why



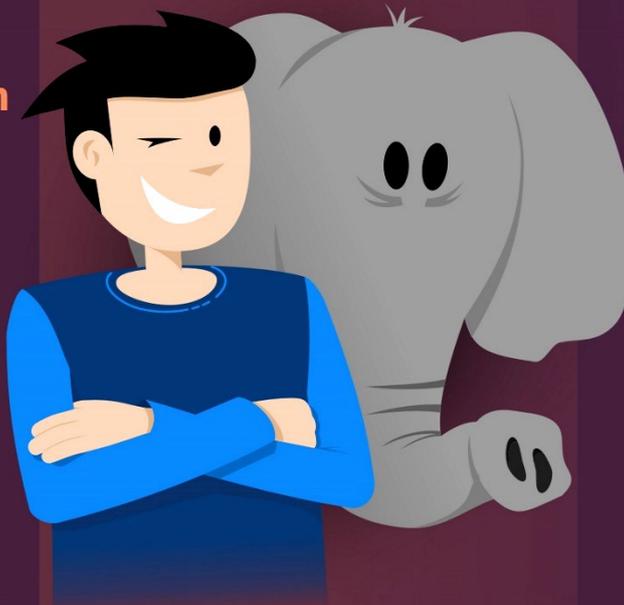
Test Yourself



Drink Water



Get Enough Sleep





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THURSDAY 24 MARCH | 9.30AM



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**SPECIAL JUDGES' AWARD &
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This will be a virtual event for our overseas students but we are also welcoming any domestic students who might be interested to learn more. We are also offering bespoke individual college visits and tours for anyone who would like to come and see us in person.

Registration via this webpage:

<https://www.dldcollege.co.uk/open-evening-registration/>



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NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK



Year 10 & 11

There are a range of resources available for Careers Week. It is a great idea to explore these and talk about them together at home.

Resources

Careers fair & other info

<https://nationalcareersweek.com/>

InvestIn Careers Competition

<https://investin.org/blogs/news/careers-week-competition>

Talking Futures - Talk about careers

<https://www.talkingfutures.org.uk/>

Unifrog Webinar Series

<https://www.unifrog.org/webinars>

Investigate Apprenticeships

<https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/>

For more information please look at the Post-16 Page on Unifrog or talk to Mrs Carvalho : belinda.carvalho@portland-place.co.uk



Study Skills

Knowing the Word shortcuts can reduce your typing time.

GT Formatting Text

- Increase font size by one unit: Ctrl +]
- Decrease font size by one unit: Ctrl + [
- Increase font size: Ctrl + Shift + >
- Decrease font size: Ctrl + Shift + <
- Toggle bold: Ctrl + B
- Toggle italics: Ctrl + I
- Toggle underline: Ctrl + U
- Toggle underline for words and not spaces: Ctrl + Shift + W

EL Comments and Citing

- Insert a comment: Alt + C
- Toggle change tracker: Ctrl + Shift + E
- Go to the beginning of a comment: Home
- Go to the end of a comment: End
- Insert a footnote: Alt + Ctrl + F
- Insert an endnote: Alt + Ctrl + D
- Go to next footnote: Alt + Shift + >
- Go to previous footnote: Alt + Shift + <

EA Inserts and Symbols

- Insert hyperlink: Ctrl + K
- Insert copyright symbol: Alt + Ctrl + C
- Insert trademark symbol: Alt + Ctrl + T

The limerick

~ by ~

Jones McKay-Dalton

I was told to learn about *Word*...
My classmates thought this was *absurd!*
But I thought for a while
And found with a poem I'll
Reduce my work by a third!





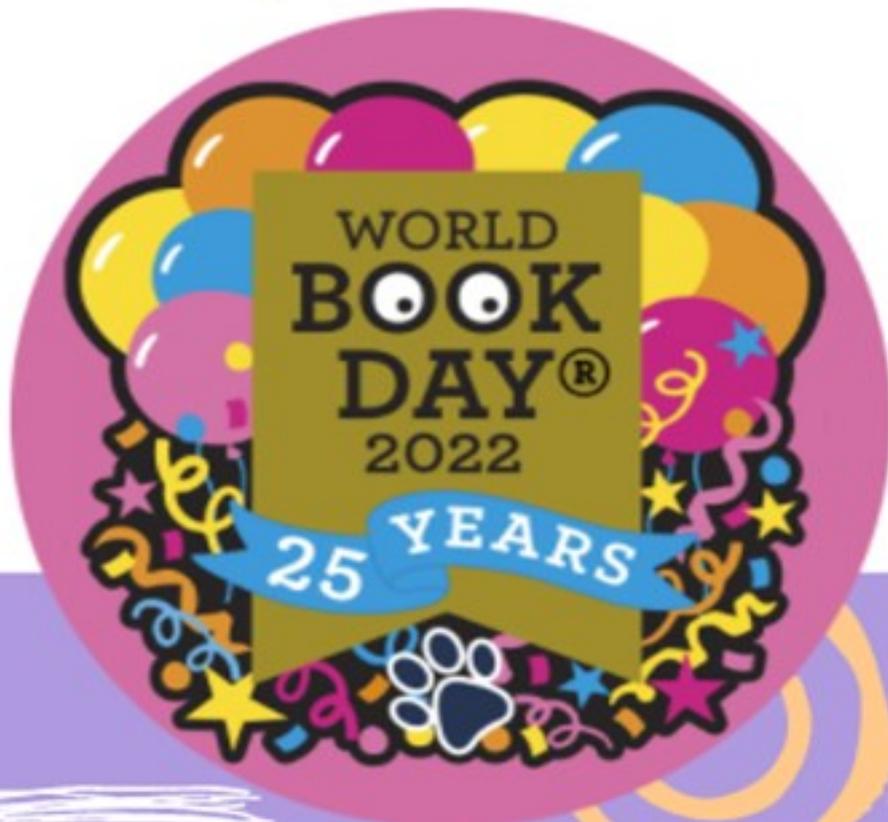
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LIBRARY

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World Book Day 2022



A number of our teachers have contributed to a fabulous movie on why they love reading. Find this on the library page on Firefly go Firefly Web page (launch in app), choose non-subject departments and then Library and it is on the homepage.



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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2022





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International Women's Day 2022 was a great opportunity to research the lives of interesting and inspirational women during our library lessons this week. We have expanded our collection of books which deal with women's lives. These books are on display in the library and are now available to borrow, along with many other interesting books on feminism. Browse the titles here:

<https://portland-place.oliverasp.co.uk/library/home/news>



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Last Friday we had our first author visit in two years. Author of *The Eerie on Sea* series, **Thomas Taylor** visited our school to discuss *Malandre* and the sequels. Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 welcomed Thomas in our beautiful PPS hall and were enraptured by the sea treasures he brought and how he incorporates elements of these into his writing. He brought in special sea glass which glowed in the dark in addition to coprolites (aka dinosaur poop!)

Thomas Taylor is also the illustrator who behind the cover of the first Harry Potter book and talked about this career experience and how it felt to be part of a children's literary sensation. Charges for any books bought on the day will be added to students' school fees. His books are also available to borrow from our school library.

Author Visit





English

Year 8 have been looking at poetry this half term. Inspired by Benjamin Zephaniah's iconic poem, *The British*, they came up with their own recipe poems! Here are pieces by Danny and Jake.

A Football Match

By Danny Maclean

Begin with bags full of fans
This will make the mixture lively!
Add a teaspoon of excitement,
Add an ounce of tension
Mix with passion for added atmosphere.
Next, stir in cheering on your team
Or disappointment too
In order to make a good game
Bake for ninety minutes
And serve with a ketchup covered hotdog

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By Jake Gadney

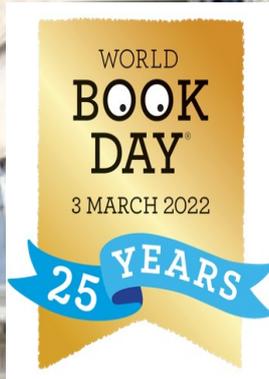
Begin with a plate full of Years 6-11
This will make the mixture chaotic!
Add a teaspoon of subjects and an
ounce of teachers
Mix with computers and textbooks.
Next, stir in design or drama and if
you are feeling cheeky, a tad of art.
Serve with Mr Bradbury on top.



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World Book Day *Dress Up*



Buzz!





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Some of our **World Book Day Celebrations** at PPS were delayed last week due to transport situation, however Year 6 and 7 students wouldn't let that discourage them and were determined to re-schedule their dress-up day for this week. I am so impressed by the imaginative efforts that went into their costumes this year. This morning, as Gangster Granny, Sherlock Holmes (two of them!), The Boy in the Dress, The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas, Katniss from Hunger Games, Wonder Woman and Stanley from Holes, among other many other fantastical characters all gathered outside Portland Place, it was clear to see that stories are so meaningful and important to this group of young people. Read more about these characters in the school library.





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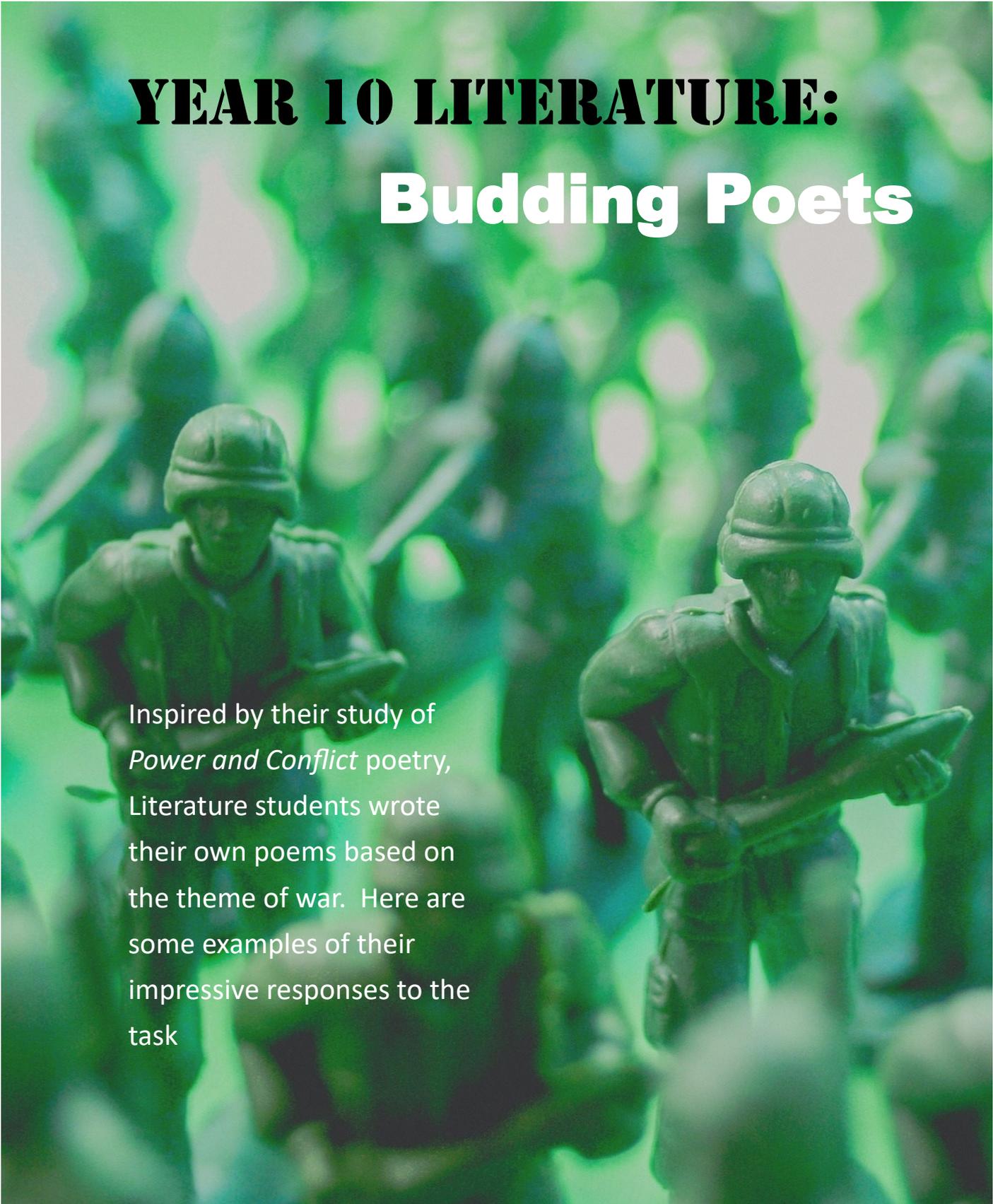
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YEAR 10 LITERATURE:

Budding Poets



Inspired by their study of *Power and Conflict* poetry, Literature students wrote their own poems based on the theme of war. Here are some examples of their impressive responses to the task



Long ago a king decreed,
that his enemies would bleed,
they had committed ancient sin,
by the will of his god, he would win.

And then he brutally looted and killed,
and today it's argued still,
weather glory was a disguise,
or if he believed his own lies.

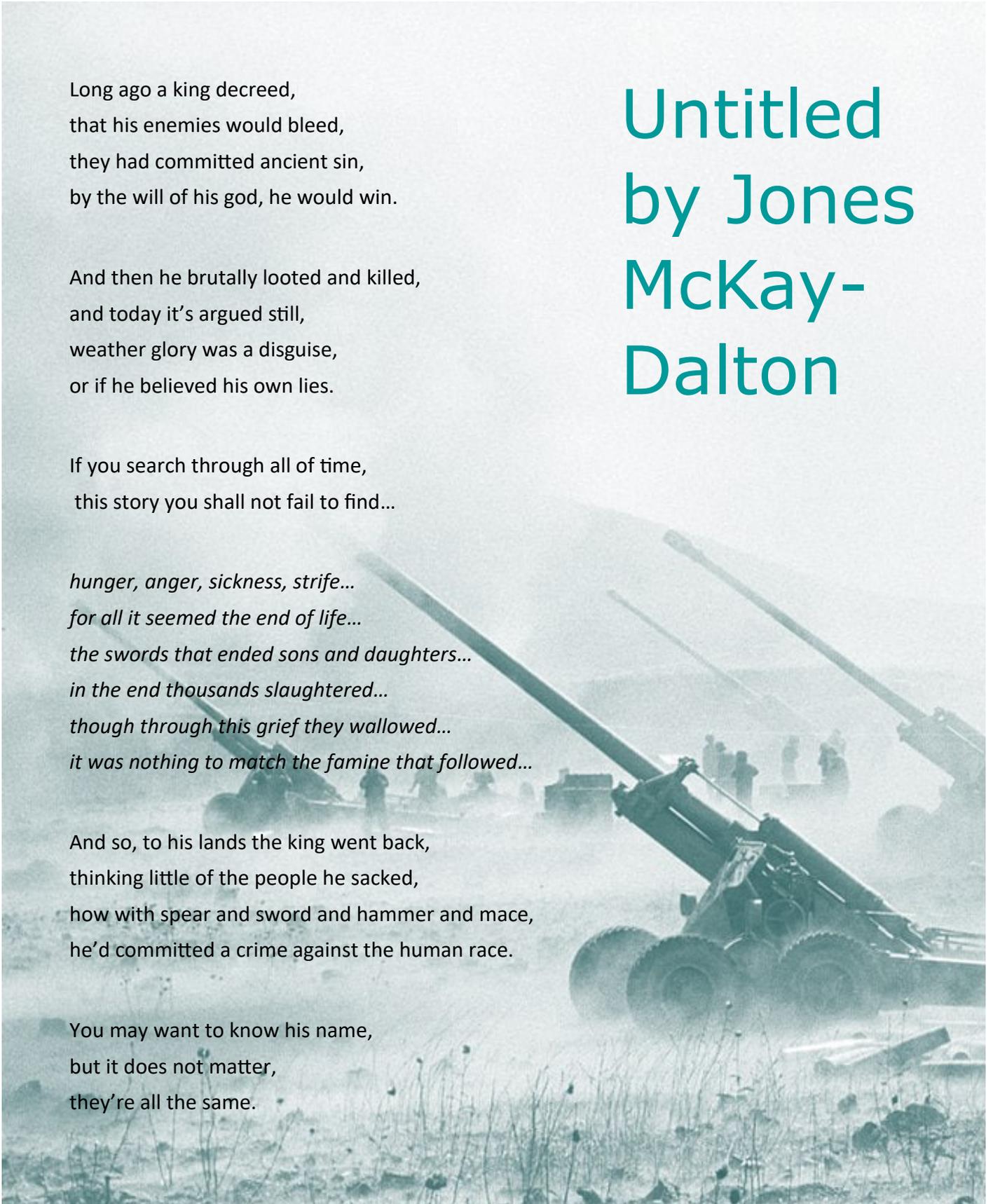
If you search through all of time,
this story you shall not fail to find...

*hunger, anger, sickness, strife...
for all it seemed the end of life...
the swords that ended sons and daughters...
in the end thousands slaughtered...
though through this grief they wallowed...
it was nothing to match the famine that followed...*

And so, to his lands the king went back,
thinking little of the people he sacked,
how with spear and sword and hammer and mace,
he'd committed a crime against the human race.

You may want to know his name,
but it does not matter,
they're all the same.

Untitled by Jones McKay- Dalton





Risk by Lawton Ballbach

A pawn is guided forward, unsure of where it will land.

Steps in quick succession, churning through the vulnerable sand.

Lifeless and distraught it keeps on moving, praying, wishing yet unable to take a stand.

A ringing in their ears, an impairment in their vision and a pit in their stomach; the game consuming them.

A world packed with violence, yet we say it's something we don't condemn.

We cheer cries of joy at the entertainment of it all - a move is to be made, sparking another brawl.

India will be next, then China, then Nepal!

By nighttime the board is tainted with red as the winner becomes clear.

We bathe in our artificial glory; silencing the soft squeaks of our own soldiers.

We won, the battle is over.

So we put them away,

to sit there alone as they rot and decay.

Years will pass as we once again prepare them to fight, but throughout this glory we have to stop and think -

Is what we are doing right?





Freedom by Muhammed Javaid

Above the ever slowly decaying ashes of joy,
Flies a singular lorikeet.
Flapping its wings past the promises of peace
Beneath the chaotic streaks of heat
Above the garden of flesh and bone
Through what someone once called home.

Above the ever-smoldering flames of honour and pride
Flies a singular lorikeet
Thrashing its wings past the lies of love
Beneath the vengeful wings of a crimson dove
Above the chained phantoms, screaming all alone
Through a theatre of dust and bone.
Falling through the stage of death
Where a mother and her son would have once met

Above the ever-crying mother's scream
Flies a singular lorikeet
Gliding within the claustrophobic cage of rage
Above the spectres of those whose fate THEY make
Beneath the garden of ash and dreams
Through a shattered bottle of hope
Around the blood-stained knives and ropes of those who could no longer cope



Diving past an unread letter of love
Tucked next to the author
Whose memories now flew high above
Watching their forever dimmed eyes
Wrapped within a blindfold of freedom and honour
Watching as the pre-refracted light entered them
Unaware of the bright mushroom that had been written as the end of their eternally
incomplete story
Unaware of the writer who lay within a bright monolith of safety,
Away from the chaos
Away from the pain
Lay the author
Away from the joy
With a crimson blade
With which he had written the ending of his own symphony

Within the ever-entrapping cage of graves,
Flies a single raven
Dropping through the sky of honour and glory
Dropping down to those who lay with an abandoned story
Into the garden of dust and decay
Lying motionless within a pool of dismay





ADHD by Olivier Anne

Olive! Concentrate! I try to keep my focus.

I try to ignore the restless tapping of my index finger and attempt to scribble down the context.

I think to myself, "How many more lessons?"

Struggling to concentrate, tough with my abstract, even absent essence.

Boredom draws my hand nearer to my phone, as though I'm being sucked into the infinite world of scrolling...

I resist.

I raise my chin, gandering for something to settle my ever-moving eyes.

I look out, through the glass pane I see a world, with big, outstretched skies, buildings, even a tower so great it could fight giants.

The screen bestowed on it, showcasing a yellow and blue flag.

I see blue so deep and endless, one I have not seen for quite a while.

Reminding me of the summer warmth, and to my face, this brings a smile.

However, today, this sky seems old, overworked, grey.

I feel a tap on my shoulder, "Get back to work, Olivier".



Christmas, Again

by Eric Astle

I woke up and saw the frosty roofs,
So I told my brother it's snowing.
We decided to go and collect our presents,
So we slipped through the door tip-toeing.
We rushed back in with our boxes of gifts,
Hoping our parents weren't awake.
We sat there and waited for an hour or two,
Guessing the gift by its shape.
The time had come to open our presents,
And my brother shouted, "Youngest first!".
I told him to wait for our parents,
But he dived into the presents headfirst.
It was nearly night, and we were all so tired,
But didn't want it to end.
Because we had to wait until next year,
For Christmas to happen again.

I wake up and see the frozen trench,
So I tell my comrade it's snowing.
We are ordered to go and attack the enemy,
So we tread through the trench tip-toeing.
We charge into battle with our rifles and spades,
And here comes the moment when
We cheer and drink in short-lived joy,
Only to fight again.
All of a sudden, it's back to square one,
But a hidden mine just burst,
I turn to my comrade to help him, but he drops to
the ground headfirst.
It's about to be night, but no one can sleep,
We all want it to end,
We'll wait until tomorrow morning,



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Well done to **Taishi**
and **Yasmin** year 7
who designed and
made laser engraved
pencil toppers



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Well done to Jessy FJ year ten who is designing and making a coral themed LED lamp



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Well done to Jackson year 9 who has designed and made a high quality pinball machine



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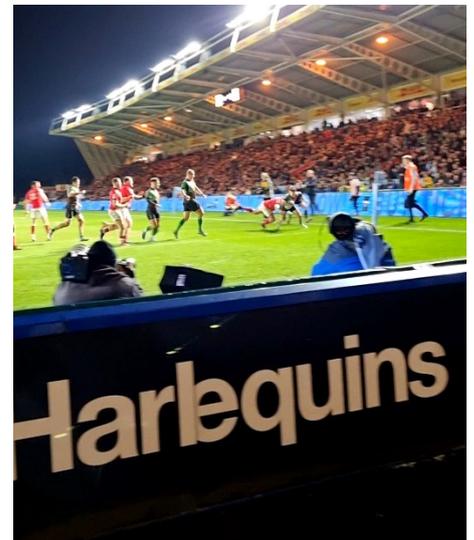
Sports report

On Friday 4th March PPS rugby enthusiasts made their way to Twickenham to watch **Harlequin's Vs Newcastle** in the professional rugby premierships! PPS were extremely fortunate to have front row seats and were able to soak up all the action from pitch side! Pupils were treated to an excellent game and got to experience how rugby can be played at the very highest level. Pupils saw big tackles, slick handling, high quality kicking and many entertaining breaks and phases of play throughout the game. Some of our year 7 pupils even managed to get themselves on the big screen and got their hands on the match ball after a try! Harlequins recorded a 24-10 win at full time much to the delight of the home crowd to top off a thoroughly enjoyable Friday evening!

Rugby Trip



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U13's Basketball vs North Bridge House Canonbury

On Monday 7th March PPS u13's made their way to Finsbury Park to take on Northbridge Canonbury in their first ever game of competitive Basketball. The boys got off to a fast start showing fast paced passing and excellent movement off the ball. The boys dominated possession and kept stealing the ball back quickly in defence. The boys scored numerous points without reply – it was a very impressive performance! PPS were sharp in every department and there were some outstanding baskets scored by **Humphrey Boland, Max Dawson, Ollie Sheward, Tec Hennebry** and **Taishi Kikuchi**. The boys went on to record an excellent 32-0 win, scoring 16 baskets without reply! **Max Dawson** was a constant threat with his powerful running towards the basket and ability to win the rebound constantly. **Tec Hennebry** also created the opposition a number of problems around the hoop with excellent blocks as well as some good scores from close range. **Humphrey Boland** scored the basket of the game with a brilliant long-range jump shot that was just within the 3-point line. Player of the match goes to **Ollie Sheward** who showed excellent skill and creativity on the ball and also constantly encouraged his teammates throughout. Well done boys!





U13/14 Netball vs St James

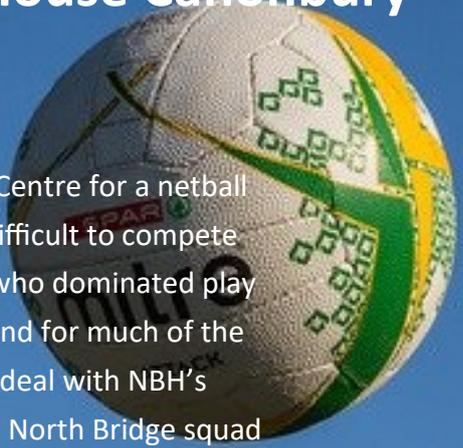
On Monday afternoon Portland's Year 8 and 9 girls travelled away to Olympia to face St James. The weather turned surprisingly cold and windy, but this didn't stop Portland making a good start, with numerous interceptions and strong defending by **Annabella Longobardi** and **Samara Mayers** at GD and GK. **Issy Calvert-Bull** at centre and **Connie Conway** looked to create attacks, but the final pass to **Kadi Bahbahani** at GS never seemed to quite go to plan. St James began to settle and dominate the game and their shooting players displayed some impressive accuracy at the net.

The game was split into four periods and Portland made several substitution and changes of position. Connie moved to centre and linked well with **Ariella Minshull**, who like **Maria Birzhina** moved from attack to defence throughout, as PPS looked to find their best combination of players.

Maria showed great tenacity in defence and made things very difficult for the St James squad. **Georgie Cox** looked secure on the ball and made some nice catches and passes. In the shooting circle, Kadi netted twice, but didn't have many chances throughout the match, due mainly to Portland struggling to retain possession.

At times, Portland moved the ball quickly and confidently and they need to try to play like this more consistently. Unfortunately, too many catching and passing errors, particularly looped passes which were easily intercepted by their opponents, meant they spent most of the game on the back foot. The final score was 18-2 to St James. A convincing win by the home side, but PPS's girls fought hard to the end and managed to claim the final score of the game. Isabella Calvert-Bull was voted PPS's player of the match by the home team. Well done Issy!

U12 Netball vs North Bridge House Canonbury



Portland's Year 7's faced North Bridge at the Seymour Centre for a netball match on Tuesday afternoon. The home side found it difficult to compete with the visitors who had a pair of very strong players who dominated play at both ends of the court. Portland were forced to defend for much of the game, with **Iasmin Magomedova** working very hard to deal with NBH's excellent GA. She was voted player of the match by the North Bridge squad after the game.



PPS lost the match by 1-19 and were unfortunately not able to sustain possession to mount many meaningful attacks. **Zaya Child** scored our only point, which came in the third quarter, which PPS won 1-0 after NBH rested one of their star duo of players for a quarter.

Bibi Underhill performed very well for Portland at GD and later WD. She used her athleticism to disrupt North Bridge's passing and make numerous interceptions.

On the whole, Portland were a little static when in possession and this made them easy to mark and completing passes more difficult. Some of our passing lacked speed and was easy to intercept and these two factors combined meant that the ball was turned over quite quickly.

However, the Portland players kept working throughout and didn't get disheartened. **Mia Grinberg-Lipkin** showed great tenacity on the court and competed hard for every pass. Our centres, **Jazz Pochon-Guibout** and **Maya Lacheb** also played with great energy. The girls have another match next week and will hopefully have learnt a lot from this match.

U12's Rugby vs Radnor House

On Tuesday 1st March PPS u12s made their way to Teddington to take on Radnor House School in a thoroughly entertaining game of rugby. The game was very evenly matched in the early stages. It was great to see both teams building several phases without a break in play. PPS were superb in defence, with a number of players all making big tackles. In attack the boys carried hard but also showed some good handling. PPS took an early lead through **Humphrey Boland** but Radnor equalised immediately afterwards. PPS then took the lead again through **Harrison Brudenell-Turpie** who drove over the try line from close range after a period of sustained pressure. Again, Radnor equalised. Midway through, at 10-10, the game felt as though it was on a knife edge and either team could take the win. The conditions worsened which increased the number of knock-ons, handling errors and scrums for both teams. PPS again took the lead through **Humphrey Boland** who scored a superb solo effort from inside his own half! PPS then added a second through **Taishi Kikuchi** who showed great pace down the right wing and touched down in the corner. PPS then made a few errors at key moments and let Radnor back into the game with two quick fire tries. In the final moments PPS lost possession when they were in attack and were nearly caught on the counter but thankfully **Dexter Culpin** and **Abdulelah Rajeh** made an excellent two-man tackle to drive a Radnor player into touch. A 20-20 draw the final score!

This was an excellent all-round performance from our u12 boys. The handling and tackling was much improved from their last game and the boys really showed great bravery in tough conditions. **Henry Hirst** made an excellent debut in his first game for the school, making some good tackles. **Spike** and **Dexter Culpin**, **Humphrey Boland** and **Enzo Pochon** all showed some good ball handling in the backs. **Abdulelah Rajeh** was dominant in contact and constantly made a nuisance of himself at the breakdown. Player of the match has to go to **Flynn Forbes** who put in an unbelievable defensive performance! He must have made over ten tackles and regularly stopped some of Radnor's more dangerous ball carriers at important moments. Well done boys on a fantastic performance!



U14/15 Girls Football vs North Bridge House Canonbury

After school on Wednesday, Portland's Year 9 and 10 girls bused to the Sobell Centre to play a 5-a-side match against North Bridge. Portland took the lead after about ten minutes when **Jemima Hyam's** far-post shot was deflected by a defender into the net – definitely Jemima's goal, rather than an own goal! North Bridge equalised within seconds as PPS's girls were a little slow re-focusing after the excitement of a goal.

Portland competed well throughout the first half with **Bella Trautman** working very hard in defence and then further forward. She pushed herself very hard and was rested for a spell either side of the break, allowing **Samara Mayers** to come on and give an excellent contribution with many strong tackles and clearances up the line. **Isabella Corney** made few mistakes and was able to make numerous blocks and forward passes. Jemima held the ball up well in attack and made life difficult for NBH's defenders. **Grace Bradshaw** was able to get a few shots off and then defended solidly after being moved back. Despite **Annabella Longobardi's** superb goalkeeping, Portland went into the break 1-4 down after NBH netted with some strongly hit and accurate shots.



In the second half NBH made the better start, adding two goals before Jemima scored her second. Towards the end Grace shot powerfully, beating the keeper at the near post to bag Portland's third. NBH also claimed a couple more goals to make the final score 8-3 to the hosts.

This was a very enjoyable game and both teams seemed to find the 5-a-side format fun and fast-paced. The only major difference between the two teams was NBH's more accurate and powerful shooting and they would have scored several more if Annabella had not made so many excellent saves. Well done to all the girls that played.

U14 Rugby vs Radnor House

It was a cold, wet and windy winter's afternoon in Regents Park where the Portland Place's U14s took on a strong Radnor House. It was a tough day at the office for the squad who had the weather and the ground against them, and were unable to take the victory over their opposition who were able to open up the PPS defence and score a number of well worked tries.

The PPS players did not just sit down and take the defeat, they pushed the opposing team to the very end, scoring their own tries, from **Charlie Wilson**, **Nils Madelin-Hill** and others putting the ball over the white-wash. With a number of players missing, it was great to see others step up to the plate with debutant **Michael Wheeler-Ashurt** and **Joel Gaya** making countless breaks and pushing defenders away from them as they gained ground on the Radnor try line.

Nothing was going to stop the PPS squad from attacking the try line with **Jude Boudry-Ruzgar**, **Isaiah Boon-Grey** and **Albert Thompson** making ground with side steps and power runs at the defence. With the attack pushing forward it was also the defence that did well with **Sam Osborn** and **Sebastien Doughty** just a number of defenders to put in some big hits. It was not meant to be for then PPS squad, who were trying to gain revenge on the Radnor squad. The home team didn't stop until the final whistle had blown and it was a great experience for the team.

Matches w/c 14 March

- Mon: U14 Rugby vs North Bridge House Senior School, Regent's Park, 2.15pm
- Tue: U12 Netball vs Thames Christian College, Battersea, 2.00pm
U12 Rugby vs North Bridge House Senior School, Regent's Park, 2.15pm
Year 7&8 London Schools Borough Cross Country Championships, Avery Hill, 2.00pm
- Wed: Year 8 House Swimming Competition, Oasis Pool, periods 1&2
- Thu: U15 Rugby triangular vs Harrodian and Radnor House, Teddington, 2.30pm
U14 Netball vs Thames Christian College, Battersea, 2.00pm
- Fri: U14 Rugby vs Harrodian, Barnes, 2.45pm



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Sports Clubs

- Mon: Table tennis club, 12.50-1.40pm, PPS hall
Football club, 3.50-5.30pm, Westway Sports Centre
- Tue: Weight training club, 12.50-1.40pm, PPS changing rooms
Football club, 3.50-5.30pm, Westway Sports Centre
- Wed: Running club, 12.50-1.40pm, Regent's Park
Fencing club, 4.00-5.00pm, Rm 11 or PPS Hall
- Thu: Dance club, 12.50-1.40pm, Rm 11
Table tennis club, 12.50-1.40pm, PPS Hall
GCSE PE revision club, 1.10pm – 1.45pm, PE Dept.
- Fri: Table tennis club, 12.50-1.40pm, PPS Hall



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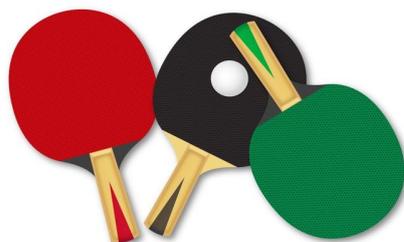
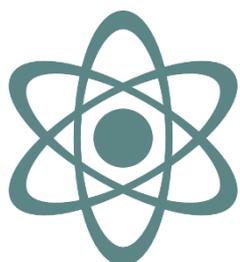
Enrichment—Second Half of Term

Activity	Staff	Room
Chess	BSO & PLE	R33
Horse Riding	CBY & JSI	Offsite
Anatomy & Dissection	DBL	Science Lab 1
Illustration	LDE	Art Studio 1
Photography Skills	PZA & DFL	G31
Drum Heads	JM & SHI	Room 2
High School Musical	DCH, AJU, SHI,CBO	Drama Studio
Archery	KOL	Offsite
Media, Language & Criticism	TTC	G34
Mad Scientist	HSI	Science Lab 3
Fencing	LVW & JHU	PP Hall
Design	DWO & TSN	B1 & B2
Year 11 Independent Supervised Study	CMA, BCA, MTH, SSG	G21, R35, G22
Senior Rugby	LST	Offsite
Junior Basketball	SRI	Offsite
Boxing	JKU	Offsite

CLUBS

Monday		Thursday	
12:50-13:40	Table Tennis, Mr Rider, PP Hall, All years	08:00-09:00	Chinese Club, Mr Lalande, B3 via Zoom
12:50-13:40	PPS Choir, Mr Hill & Ms Boyce, Drama, All years	08:30-09:00	Arabic, JCH, R36, Years 7-11
13:15-13:40	Board Games for All, Ms Florea, R11, All years	12:50-13:40	Dance Club, Ms Boyce, R11, All years
13:10-13:45	Y11 GCSE Chemistry Revision, Ms Silcocks, Lab 3	12:50-13:40	Table Tennis, Mr Kubik, PP Hall, All years
13:15-13:45	Rock Band/Guitar Group, Mr Hill, R2, All years	12:50-13:30	Biology Club, Ms Freeman, Lab1, All years
13:15-13:45	Y11 Maths Intervention, G21	12:50-13:45	Russian Club, Ms Zalesny, R26, All years
15:50-17:00	Football Club, Mr Kubic, Westway, All years	12:50-13:45	Woodwind Ensemble, Mr Slack, R1, All years
Tuesday		12:50-13:45	PPS Choir, Mr Hill & Ms Boyle, Drama Studio, All years
08:30-09:00	Japanese, external tutor, R26, All years	13:10-13:40	GCSE PE Revision Club, Mr Rider, meet PE corridor, Years 10 & 11
12:50-13:40	Weight Training, Mr Rider, changing rooms, All yrs	13:15-13:45	Spanish GCSE Club, Ms Magniez, R35, Years 10 & 11
12:50-13:45	Music Theory Club, Ms Botrill, R42, All years	13:20-13:45	GCSE History Drop In, Ms Lewis, G23, Y10
12:50-13:30	Y10 Art GCSE Lunch Club, Ms Dever, Art Room 1	15:45-16:30	Year 11 Maths Intervention, JCH, G33
12:50-13:30	Polymer Clay Club, Ms Bertaux-S, B1, Years 6-8	15:45-16:30	GCSE Statistics Support, Mr Elliot, R22, Statistics students
13:15-13:45	Student Voice (Charity), Ms Magniez, G31, All years	15:45-16:30	Computer Science Club, Ms Singh, R33, All years
13:20-13:45	Physics Revision, Mr Brittain, Science tbc, Years 9-11	16:00-17:00	Senior Art Club, Ms Dever, Art Room 1, GCSE Art students
16:00-17:00	High School Musical, Mr Chivers, Drama, All cast	16:00-17:00	PPS Chamber Choir, Rm 1, Ms Boyle, All years by audition
16:00-17:00	Art Club, Ms Dever, Art Room 1, All years	16:00-17:00	Art Club, Ms Osborne, Art Room 2, Y6-10
Wednesday			
12:50-13:40	Running Club, Mr Steward, Regent's Park, All years		
12:50-13:30	KS3 Design Club, Mr Wood, B1, Years 7-9		
12:50-13:45	Percussion Ensemble, Mr Jesson, R26, All years		
12:50-13:45	Music Theory Club, Ms Botrill, R42, All years		
13:00-13:45	Shakespeare Off By Heart, SSA, Library, Y10 & Y11		
13:10-13:40	STEM Science, Mr Bland, Lab 1, Years 6-9		
13:20-13:50	High School Musical, Mr Hill, Drama, Selected cast		
15:45-16:30	Y11 GCSE Art, Design Workshop, B1, Mr Wood		
15:45-16:30	Maths Club, Ms Coates, R24, All years		
16:00-17:00	Fencing Club, PP Hall, Mr Janda, All years		
16:00-17:00	High School Musical, Mr Chivers, Drama, All cast		

Friday	
12:50-13:40	Table Tennis Club, Mr Rider, PP Hall, All years
12:50-13:45	Brass Ensemble, Mr Brown, R42, All years
13:15-13:45	Maths Challenge Club, Ms Segerstrom, G21, All years
15:45-16:30	Y11 GCSE Art, Craft & Design Workshop, Mr Wood, B1



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PPS TERM DATES

Spring Term 2022

Term starts	Tuesday 11 January
<i>Half term</i>	<i>Mon 14 Feb – Fri 18 Feb</i>
End of term	Friday 1 April

Summer Term 2022

Term starts	Wednesday 20 April
<i>Bank Holiday</i>	<i>Mon 2 May (school closed)</i>
<i>Half term</i>	<i>Mon 30 May – Fri 3 June</i>
End of term	Friday 8 July

Autumn Term 2022

Term starts	Monday 5 September
<i>Half term</i>	<i>Mon 17 Oct – Fri 28 Oct</i>
End of term	Friday 16 December



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