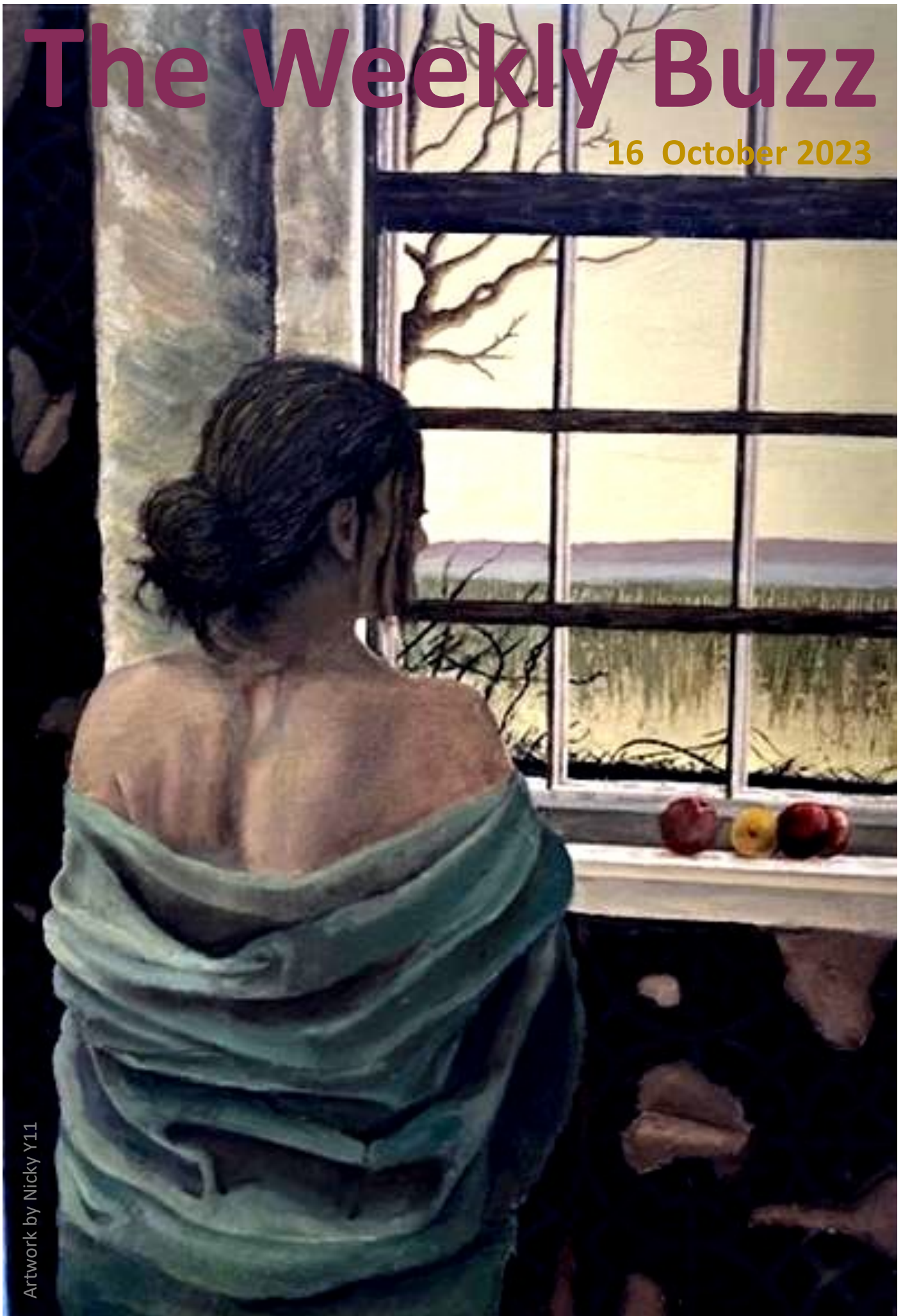


The Weekly Buzz

16 October 2023



Artwork by Nicky Y11



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

MON 16 OCT - FRI 27 OCT - HALF TERM

THURS 9 NOV - NHS NASAL FLU (ALL
YEARS), PP HALL

TUES 5 DEC - CAROL SERVICE, ST
MARYLEBONE CHURCH

MON 11 DEC - CHRISTMAS CONCERT,
REGENT HALL

FRI 15 DEC - END OF TERM

Details to follow



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NHS Nasal Flu Vaccination All Years

THURS 9TH NOV
AT PPS HALL



DEADLINE FOR PARENTS TO COMPLETE NHS
E-CONSENT FORM - 23/10/23



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Upper School Chamber Concert

Thursday 23rd November 2023

PPS Hall, 5:30-6:30pm

Refreshments provided

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Black History Month

October 2023

**Prizes to
be won!**

The English Department invites pupils from KS3 and KS4 to enter a creative competition to celebrate Black History Month.

KS3

Students should design a book cover for a title written by their favourite Black author. It should include a blurb too! Submissions can be digital or hand-drawn.

KS4

Students should write a 500 word literary non-fiction essay about an influential figure from any time in Black history. This can be about anyone you admire, from artists to musicians, sportspeople, activists or other historical figures.

KS3 works will be displayed in the school and the KS4 winner will be published in the Weekly Buzz. Please submit your entry to your English teacher by **Monday 30th of October. Please ensure that all ideas are your own.**



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HAUNTED HOUSE!

Article and photos
in the next issue!!





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PARENTS EVENINGS (VIRTUAL)

NOVEMBER '23
YEAR 6&7: 6TH
YEAR 9: 13TH
YEAR 10: 20TH
YEAR 8: 27TH

YEAR 11: 29TH JAN '24



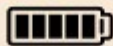
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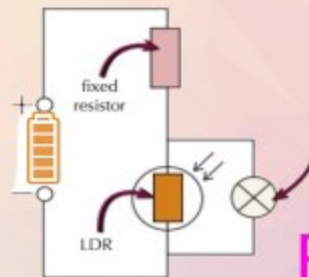
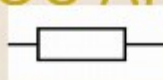
MAXWELL'S STUDY SKILLS "exam stress"

*Exams can come with a lot of pressure and make us feel really stressed.
If you're struggling to cope, you're not alone.*

THINK ABOUT
WHY YOU FEEL THE WAY
YOU FEEL



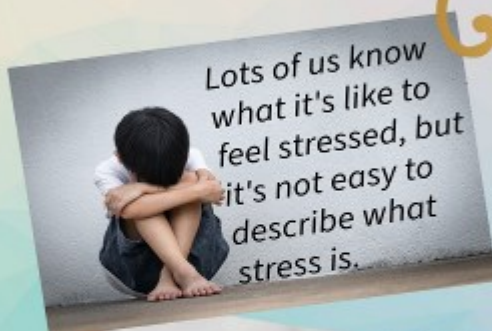
HAVE A SCALE
OF HOW STRESS
YOU ARE



DON'T GET TO
THE STAGE WHERE
YOU CAN'T COPE



RECOGNISE
HOW YOU FEEL BEFORE IT
OVERWHELMS YOU



ANXIOUS, WORRIED,
OVERWHELMED
UPSET, TEARY
EXHAUSTED
DEFEATED, BORED
UNINTERESTED, FED UP
FRUSTRATED, ANGRY
EMBARRASSED,
SILLY, STUPID
EASILY ANNOYED
DISAPPOINTED CONFUSED





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MAXWELL'S STUDY SKILLS

HOW DOES STRESS MAKE US LOOK?

- Shaking
- Feeling sick
- Headaches and dizziness
- Stomach pain
- Crying
- Struggling to concentrate
- Forgetful
- Restless
- Feeling tense in your body
- Breathing very quickly
- Sweating a lot
- Feeling tired

HOW DOES STRESS MAKE US FEEL?

- Fear of failure
- Fear of disappointing yourself or others
- Comparing yourself to others
- Talking badly to yourself
- Feeling like you can't cope
- Feeling things are pointless
- Doubting yourself
- Believing everything is wrong or bad

MAKE TIME FOR THINGS YOU ENJOY. FIND WAYS TO RELEASE STRESS AND CELEBRATE PROGRESS. YOU COULD LISTEN TO MUSIC, DRAW, COOK, PLAY WITH A PET OR GO FOR A WALK. YOU CAN TRY THINGS ALONE OR WITH FRIENDS.	TALK TO OTHERS ABOUT HOW YOU FEEL. CONNECT WITH OTHER PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY PEOPLE WHO ARE GOING THROUGH THE SAME THING. FOR MORE INFORMATION, SEE OUR PAGE ON TALKING ABOUT HOW YOU'RE FEELING.	TRY TO FIND BALANCE. TAKE REGULAR BREAKS AND BE REALISTIC ABOUT WHAT YOU CAN DO IN A DAY. KEEP THINGS IN PERSPECTIVE AND REMEMBER THAT EXAMS WON'T LAST FOREVER.	TAKE CARE OF YOUR PHYSICAL HEALTH. MAKE SURE YOU GET ENOUGH SLEEP, FOOD, WATER AND EXERCISE. IF YOU TAKE REGULAR MEDICATION, KEEP UP WITH YOUR ROUTINE.	FOCUS ON YOURSELF. TRY NOT TO COMPARE YOURSELF TO OTHERS. THINK OF THINGS YOU LIKE ABOUT YOURSELF AND WHAT YOU'RE GOOD AT - THIS CAN HELP BOOST YOUR CONFIDENCE.

**DURING
EXAM PERIOD**

**PREPARING
FOR AN EXAM**

Finding	Making	Working	Revising
Finding a study group. If there's nothing at school, try starting one with friends or people in your class.	Making a revision timetable. This helps organise your revision and your breaks. You can find useful tips on the BBC Bitesize website.	Working in the best way for you. Be creative or active if it helps, like drawing diagrams or making up songs. Try being open to different types of studying and revision.	Revising in the best place for you. You might prefer the quiet or being around others. If you don't have a space to study at home, you could try at school, the library, a cafe, or a family member or friend's house.

"exam stress"



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DIGITAL HUB

- What: making animation movies
- When: Thursday Lunchtime @1.15
- Where: PPS Room 33
- Who: years 7 and 8



- Bring a small character for your animation OR
- Make your own character in the club (use plasticine)
- Plan a story
- Take tens and hundreds of pictures of your character in action on your iPad
- Edit your video: add special effects, sounds etc.
- Share with your friends, family, school...



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FINE ART GCSE

KEY DATES FOR Y11

Date	Action Type
24 th November 2023	Y11 Mock Exam
1 st December 2023	Fine Art Coursework Deadline Coursework = 60% of final grade
2 nd January 2024	ESA (Externally Set Assignment) release date ESA = 40% of final grade
w/c 8 th January 2024	ESA issued in lessons
TBC	10 Hour Final Exam



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English as an Additional Language

I would like to wish all of the students, parents and guardians at Portland Place School a well-deserved and relaxing half term break.

Well done for all your hard work!

Ms Florea



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Forte/Inspired Partnership: *Pathways to Performance*

In partnership with the Royal College of Music in London, Forte has launched the *Pathways to Performance* programme exclusively for Inspired students.

Pathways to Performance programme at a glance:

- The programme offers a package of virtual private lessons, exclusively for Inspired students, with otherwise inaccessible top music tutors certified by The Royal College of Music, the world's #1 ranked music conservatory. This will use Forte's exceptional online music tuition platform.
- Every private tutor has completed the Royal College of Music education programme, so they are not just excellent Royal College of Music musicians, but they have also been trained by the best in music teaching practice.
- The programme caters to students at high school level who desire to achieve advanced levels in their instrumental abilities and to those preparing for auditions or public performances.
- The programme features periodic online recitals that are coordinated with the Royal College of Music, presenting students with unique opportunities to showcase their talents before esteemed faculty members and instructors.



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- Upon completion of the third set of lessons, students will have the chance to earn certificates issued by the Royal College of Music, further validating their hard work and achievements. These prestigious certificates are rarely received outside of full Royal College of Music enrolment.
- Students can take lessons in a diverse array of Western classical instruments, including voice.
- The programme can be used either as primary learning experience for students or as a supplement to their regular tuition, making it an adaptable programme suitable for diverse learners.
- The Pathways to Performance programme represents an exciting and unique opportunity for students to develop their musical skills in an innovative way.

<https://youtu.be/YVSIOWS5gOw?feature=shared>



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fencing

ENRICHMENT



Fencers have been working on increasing focus and concentration, as well as the powers of observation. They develop self-assurance, discipline and decision making skills. They love their fencing activities: warm-up, games, dressing up and learning the craft of fencing.





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Assembly on Animal Cruelty



Mr Alexander ran an excellent and informative assembly on the topic of Animal Cruelty and what we as a community can do to make a difference.

Mr Alexander shared why this was a subject he was passionate about, he discussed personal experiences and talked about some the shocking facts and figures he uncovered whilst planning his assembly. Pupils explored the role of the RSPCA, were made aware of levels of animal testing, and spoke about the dangers of littering to wildlife.

Whilst not the easiest of subject matter, the year group were mature and contributed excellently to the discussion.

Mr Kubik Y7



Art




Felix Y11—Ian Murphy inspired vase. (1) study (2) development
adding overgrown nature



Albert Y11—Floating head inspired by Matt Cunningham

Polymer Clay Creations



A few photos from the Polymer Clay Enrichment. Over the last few weeks, the students learnt different techniques to make small figurines in polymer clay. We started with a range of food items, then made some autumnal leaves, acorn and pumpkins to finish with some glow in the dark ghosts, just on time for Halloween!

Ms Flack



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Senior Prefects and School Council Student Leadership Team 2023-24

Name	Year group	House
Alexander	11HS	C
Maxim	11	C
Ethan	11	C
Leo	11	C
Ella	11	C
Gabriel	11	D
Ethan	11	L
Sheila	11	L
Jet	11HS	W
Bella	11	W
Maryana	10HS	L
Maxwell	10	D
Olivia	10	C
Yura	10	D
Noah	9HS	C
Eva	9	C
Henry	9	D
Ayub	9HS	L
Zaya	9	W
Ted	8	W
Lily	8	L
Beatrice	7	L
Dante	7	L

Congratulations to these students who will take on the roll of Student Council, with Year 11 as Senior Prefects.

Year 11 Prefects campaigned for Head Prefect this week with voting and interviews to take place just after half term.

Subject Prefects Announced

Let us congratulate the following students for being selected as Prefects for each Faculty. We will begin to train and develop these students to be outstanding student leaders!

English

Pupil	Role Name	Year group
Rachel	Prefect	11
Ella	Prefect	10 HS
Ameila	Deputy Prefect	9 HS
Lily	Deputy Prefect	8

Media Studies

Issy	Prefect	11
Maxim	Prefect	11
Ethan	Prefect	11
Annabelle	Prefect	10

Creative Arts

<i>Oisin</i>	<i>Art Scholar</i>	7
Ted	Art Prefect	8
Stanley	Art Prefect	8
Mia	Art Prefect	9
Toby	Art Prefect	9
Spike	Drama Scholar	9
Jazz	Drama Scholar	9
Georgie	Drama Scholar	10
Angelica	Drama Prefect	8
Max C	Drama Prefect	10
Max M	Music Prefect	7
Enzo	Music Prefect	8
Jazz	Music Prefect	9
Olivia	Music Prefect	10
Mia	Music Prefect VS	11
Reggie	Design Prefect VS	10

MFL

Pupil	Role Name	Year group
Maya	MFL prefect	9
Chloé	MFL prefect	9
Rhiya	MFL deputy prefect	9
Parissa	MFL deputy prefect	9
Obajuwon	MFL VS prefect	OLC
Ahlan	MFL VS prefect	OLC
Avalon	MFL VS Deputy prefect	OLC
Kai	MFL VS Deputy prefect	OLD

Science

Inigo	Science Ambassador	Hybrid
Jamaal	Science Ambassador	Hybrid
Maxim	Science Ambassador	KS4
Eva	Science Ambassador	KS4
Taisei	Science Ambassador	KS3
Zane	Science Ambassador	KS3
Tailia	Science Ambassador	KS3
Lincoln	Science Ambassador	KS3

Humanities

Sheila	Prefect Business	11
Nils	Economics/History Prefect	11
Micheal	Economics/History Prefect	11
Nathan	Geography Prefect	8
Esther	Geography Prefect	8
Rory	Geography Prefect	10
Rocky	Geography Prefect	10
Tec	Geography Prefect	10
Ella Ruby	Geography Prefect	11
Avalon	History Prefect	9

Maths and Computing

Pupil	Role Name	Year group
Nathaniel	KS3 Prefect	7
Dante	KS3 Prefect	7
Esther	KS3 Prefect	8
Enzo	KS3 Prefect	8
Tom	KS3 Prefect	8
Humphrey	KS3 Prefect	9
Henry	KS3 Prefect	9
Ayub	KS3 Prefect	9HS
Jamaal	KS3 Prefect	9HS
Christian	KS3 Prefect	9HS
Maxwell	KS4 Prefect	10
Yura	KS4 Prefect	10
Algie	KS4 Prefect	10HS
Kai	KS4 Prefect	10HS
Gabe	KS4 Prefect	10HS
Miguel	KS4 Prefect	11
Joel	KS4 Prefect	11
Nils	KS4 Prefect	11
Ethan	KS4 Prefect	11
Micheal	KS4 Prefect	11
Nicky	KS4 Prefect	11
Alex	KS4 Prefect	11

Sports

<i>Jacob</i>	<i>Sports Captain</i>	7
Beatrice	Sports Captain	7
Enzo	Sports Captain	8
Lucy	<i>Sports Captain</i>	8
Humphrey	Sports Captain	9
Mia	Sports Captain	9
Max	Sports Captain	10
Cora	Sports Captain	10
Ethan	Sports Captain	11
Sasha	Sports Captain	11
Eddie	Sports Captain	Hybrid
Ahlam	Sports Captain	Hybrid



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Congratulations to the winner of *The Great Biology Bake Off* – **Mille** for her Eat Your Heart Out Cake! Scarily realistic, this heart cake was baked with a delicious red velvet sponge, topped fondant icing and dripping with blood. Second place goes to Rhiya for her lungs cake, a delicious chocolate cake topped with buttercream icing. Third place goes to **Inigo** for his sperm cake! Light, fluffy and deliciously tangy, this lemon sponge cake was delicious! A special mention to our other competitors: **Parissa**, **Maxwell** and **Ella** for their brilliant bakes!

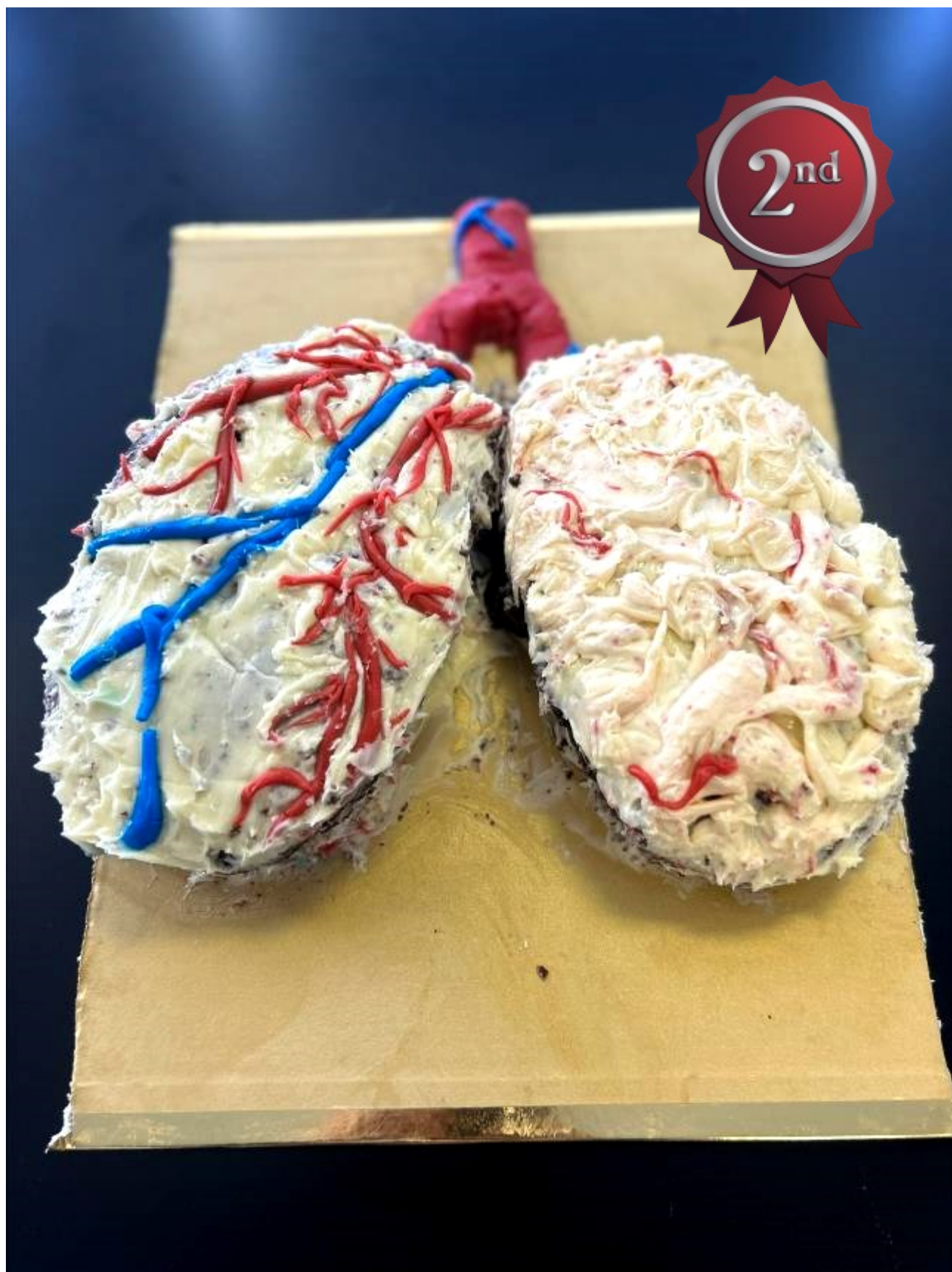


The Great Biology Bake Off!



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Maxwell



Parissa



Ella





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Y7 team-building and reading skills competition at The Wallace Collection



This half term Year 7 visited the Wallace Collection. Alongside team-building activities, they completed a scanning exercise on history and the contents of the collection. **Please, congratulate Ray on his winning result!**



The Wallace Collection is displayed at **Hertford House**, formerly the principal London residence of the marquesses of Hertford and Sir Richard Wallace. It was opened to the public as a museum in 1900.



The Wallace Collection

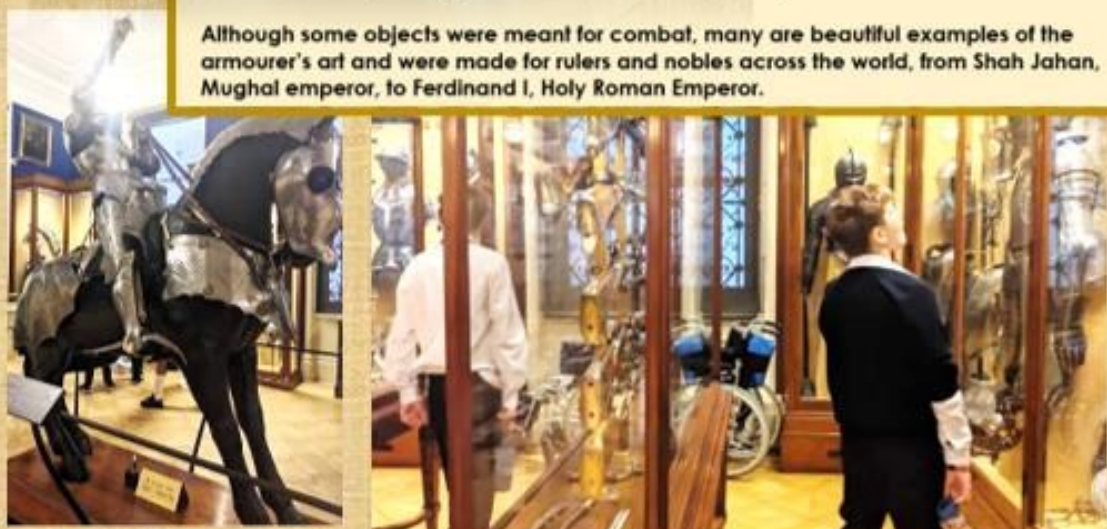


Among the Collection's treasures are an outstanding array of eighteenth-century French art, many important seventeenth and nineteenth-century paintings, medieval and Renaissance works of art and one of the finest collections of princely arms and armour in Britain.



The collection of princely arms and armour is one of the jewels of the Wallace Collection.

Although some objects were meant for combat, many are beautiful examples of the armourer's art and were made for rulers and nobles across the world, from Shah Jahan, Mughal emperor, to Ferdinand I, Holy Roman Emperor.



The Wallace Collection is home to an extraordinary group of European paintings, which covers a range of subjects, from landscapes to portraits.

It is remarkable for its quality and breadth, and includes masterpieces by artists such as Canaletto, Hals, Rembrandt, Rubens, Velázquez and Vigée Le Brun, to name a few.



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Y7 Numeracy Challenge



The award goes to:
ROMAN MORBY!!!

Y7 Literacy Challenge



The award goes to:
RAY JONES!!!

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FESTIVALS

Year
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On Wednesday Oct 11, the year 8 girls travelled with Miss McBain and Mr. Brittain to Basingstoke to take part in the Teen Tech Festival. At the festival, the girls took part in three events - innovation, insight, and challenge.

During the innovation hour, students developed an idea centred around technology in health care. The girls continued developing an app called "Home Health", which uses AI and links to the NHS app to support individuals get the medical care they need. During this session, they were able to break down their brilliant idea into smaller components to get a handle on what aspects they need to focus on. Watch for more information on the development of this app in later months.

During the insight hour, the girls talked to industry leaders like Haleon, Amazon, and Ocado- to talk about the use of tech and AI, as well as various career opportunities. Getting to use VR and talking with Ocado were the highlights in this session- as the girls asked brilliant questions and got some hands on opportunities.

During the challenge session we met with Alex Lewis of the Alex Lewis Trust - a man with an incredible story of perseverance and how technology helped him and how he helps others receive the treatment and technology they

need to regain their life. For more info on Alex, go to:

<https://www.alex-lewis.co.uk/who-is-alex/alexs-story/>

The girls also got to talk to professionals from Xtrac- the leading transmission building company for Formula 1 and NASCAR! They were given an assembly drawing and transmission pieces and tasked with putting them together!

One of the big highlights was that the girls won the “Super Safety” award for their innovative idea- “Home Health” and decided to enter it into the 2024 Teen Tech Awards!

Ms McBain





THE WALL OF KINDNESS

Thank you to Rory in Year 10 who was incredibly kind – holding doors open for his friends and supporting them in their Annie auditions. Well done Rory, and keep up the great work this year! Ms Dever

Paula Hybrid Y10 wants to thank Gabe. “He was very supportive of me this week he spent lunch with me and gave me food. He helped me in science practicals too.”

Thank you, Tymur, for helping me tackle difficult Maths questions. Todd

Thank you, Tom, for carrying my bag. Farida

Thank you, Inigo and Max, for holding the doors open for me. I really appreciate your kindness. Ms Florea

Very many thanks to our wonderful student tour guides who helped with our Open Morning on Thursday: Georgie, Ethan, Enzo, Jazz, Beatrice, Ted, Bella, Max, Henry, Dante and Lily — Ms Wild



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ROBOTICS ENRICHMENT

Over the past two enrichment sessions, students have been coding and engineering their robots to do a couple of different things! Last week was a contest to see who could modify their robots code to pick the most random pieces out of a pile. While Beckett and Yura came out on top, it could be said that Maxwell and Mariam were the real winners, as they grabbed the bag of sweets out of the middle.

After this, various treats were placed around the room and one member of the team acted as home base, while the other member of the team grabbed sweets and brought them "home" for the team to eat!

This week, was sadly the last week for this half-term enrichment- but undoubtedly the one the students looked forward to the most. BATTLE BOTS!! They were given time at the beginning of the session to engineer their bots to be the ultimate battlers!! In the end, it was Jet and Nicky who were crowned the "Ultimate Destroyers!!"

Ms McBain





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London 2012 Velodrome

This week's VeloPark update comes from the Velodrome where Great Britain took the keirin, pursuit and team pursuit titles in the men's and women's track cycling in the Olympic summer of 2012 – and where, on Wednesday, our Enrichment group became the first PPS students to test the boards.



by Mr Tasić



Track cycling brought a few additional challenges: fixed-gear bikes without brakes, clip-in pedals, and a track gradient up to 42 degrees to contend with – all challenges that frequently bring crashes as a result of the extremely steep learning curve. For context, this means that you only get one (tough) gear to pedal, no way of freewheeling, no brakes and a special technique to clip into and release from the bike – all at once!

Ms Silcocks and I therefore watched proceedings from the sidelines with a fair amount of trepidation. Needless to say, because the group quickly got to grips with the challenges and began lapping the track.

Christian does this all the time, so his patient expertise and coaching was a massive asset –

and soon, he had a core of keen Year 9s and 10s trying to catch him (to no avail; he's seriously fast). But amazingly, we saw pockets of drafting, overtaking, and endurance develop very organically and very swiftly, resulting in plenty of tired faces at the end!

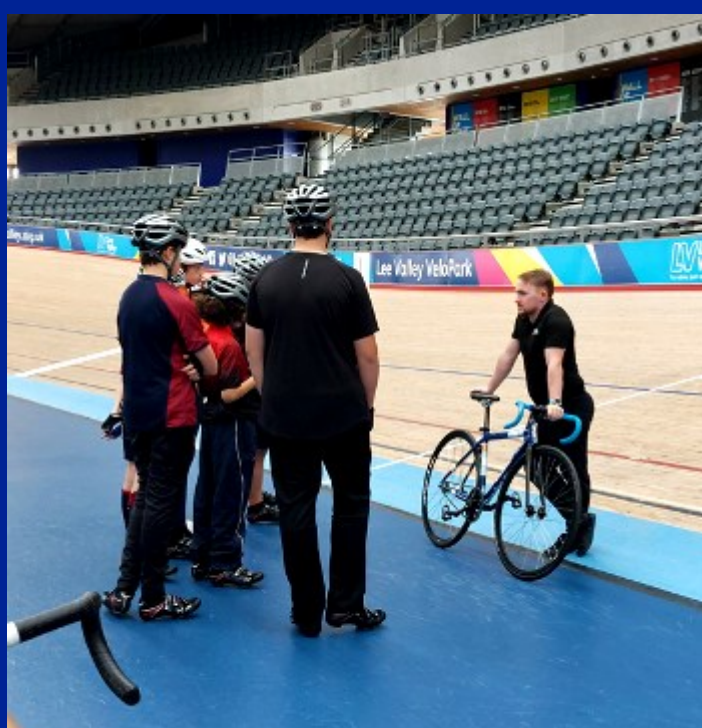
A massive shout-out must go to **Victor** in Year 7, who is our youngest student – he did extremely well in saving a potential fall when clipped in and trying to stop at the fence, then spent a few laps patiently getting to grips with the weirdness of the bike, before speeding up hugely and pushing himself to achieve in his new VeloPark jersey.

Thanks for reading and more from the VeloPark soon!



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Squad:

Cora

Marta - Captain

Isabelle

Annabelle

Sasha

Leal

Kansas

Bibi

Rhiya

Portland U15 Netball Vs Maida Vale

Final Score 22-14 to PPS

On Wednesday 11th October the U15 netball squad made their way to Hammersmith to play against Maida Vale. It was the last game before half term, and we were looking to continue our winning streak. PPS had first centre pass and Sasha made a positive start to PPS's performance. Marta and Cora were the dynamic duo and were hardly missing any shots. PPS finished the first quarter with a massive lead, 11-4. We went into the second quarter in a dominant mood, but Maida Vale were digging deep and trying to make every interception possible. It was not the quarter we expected as Maida Vale started to catch up. Leal and Isabelle were working extremely hard to not let any goals in, making interception after interception. We made several changes in the third quarter as we had a large squad with us and had some amazing players to select from. Several Year 9 students supported the game: Kansas, Rhiya and Bibi, all three played spectacularly well. Annabelle and Sasha were delivering great balls into Marta and Cora and on the 4th quarter we took a big lead again. The final score was 22-14 and it was a well-deserved win for the PPS U15 team. Player of the match went to Marta for her exceptional shooting and hardly missing a thing. A great game all round and its excellent to see this team make so much progress. Well done girls!

Westminster Cross Country Championships

The annual Westminster race allows pupils to qualify for the London Schools as well as the London Youth Games later in the year and Portland sent their best runners to face the other Westminster schools in attendance. The ground was dry and firm, which made for some good performances.

The junior race went off first, which was a mixed event made up of Year 7, 8 & 9 boys and girls. The race was won by a superb female athlete, but **Humphrey** was the male runner over the line, finishing in 11:26, just three seconds ahead of **Spike**. Next home was Year 7's **Roman** in 11:46, with **Ted** completing the course, which was roughly 3km, in 13:41 to place a decent 7th. **Beatrice**, our only girl runner in this race, placed 35th, in a time of 14:08.

In the senior race, Y11's **Ethan Kaye** hit the front early and soon had the field stretched out as he pulled ahead. In a slight organisational mistake, the senior runners ended up running a shorter distance than the juniors! Ethan took the tape in a winning time of 9:45, whilst **Tec** was just two places back in 3rd with a 10:35 clocking. **Rory** came home 5th in 11:02, and **Tess** places 10th in the girls' race with a finishing time of 15:27.

All our pupils performed excellently with nothing less than 100% given. The cross country season proper is yet to get going, but these individuals will hopefully put in some more strong runs later this year.



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U13 Netball vs North Bridge House Hampstead

Team List - Lucy, Helena, Esther, Farida, Bibi, Millie and Rosie

On Thursday the 5th of October, our U13 girls had a netball match against North Bridge House Senior School.

PPS won the toss and were awarded the first centre pass. The game got off to a flying start with NBHS setting a quick pace resulting in an early goal. This did not deter PPS however, as they went on to make some great interceptions to get the ball down to our shooting third. **Helena** was decisive in Centre position and with the help of **Rosie, Bibi, Farida** and **Lucy** all-ready to receive the ball in their attacking and defensive positions and help feed the ball to their shooting goal. NBHS scored another goal, but PPS came back with a lovely goal from **Esther**, putting us back in the game. At the end of the first quarter, it was 2 -1.

The girls came back fighting and didn't make it so easy for NBHS. We saw some excellent defending from **Farida, Millie** and **Bibi** who worked tirelessly on court to get the ball back down to our shooting goal line. Despite NBHS scoring another flurry of goals, both **Lucy** and **Esther** worked hard to get us back in the game scoring 5 goals between them. The match ended in a 12 – 6 defeat but the comeback our girls made was incredible, so a huge well done to them all for all their efforts.

Bibi was awarded the player of the match, a very fitting reward for her excellent performance.

Miss Boyce



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Year 9/10/11 House Netball Report

On Tuesday 3rd October year 9, 10 & 11 girls competed in their much-anticipated house netball competition. It was a thoroughly enjoyable morning with a number highly entertaining matches between the houses. The girls played some outstanding netball...There were excellent attacking moves, important interceptions, fast paced passing and lots of points, all things you hope to see in tournament netball! There was a great atmosphere throughout, and the games were played in good spirit with lots of support from the sidelines! The tournament results were as follows:

Round 1

Cavendish 0 vs 7 Langham

Devonshire 1 vs 6 Wigmore

Round 2

Cavendish 0 vs 7 Wigmore

Devonshire 1 vs 3 Langham

Round 3

Cavendish 0 vs 3 Devonshire

Langham 3 v 6 Wigmore

There were a number of outstanding individual performances on display throughout the tournament. Year 9 pupils **Rhiya**, **Zaya** and **Bibi** all played some excellent attacking netball and were particularly impressive across their respective house matches. **Leal** showed great determination and effort for Wigmore, she made several interceptions and was influential at centre. Player of the tournament goes to **Marta** who was lethal under the hoop, scoring a quite unbelievable 14 pts!



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Final result

1st - WIGMORE

2nd - LANGHAM

3rd - DEVONSHIRE

4th – CAVENDISH

Top Point Scorers

Marta – 14

Rhiya – 7

Cora - 6

Zaya - 5

Ella - 3

Sophia - 1

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HOUSE
NETBALL!



U13 Football vs Maida Vale



Portland Place U13's were unable to keep up their winning run, with a 6-3 defeat against a well-drilled Maida Vale team.

After the successful week before where the team were able to hold onto a victory over Ibstock, the students were hoping to push on against their opposition, but Maida Vale were having none of that. With **Nico** leading the team and his Vice Captain, **Enzo**, holding the defence it was a difficult start as the Maida Vale winger left **Roman** chasing as they slipped down the flank before sliding in a fantastic cross to slip the ball past **Jacob** in goal.

It wasn't the start that the PPS squad wanted. Chasing after the ball, and losing possession in vital areas, it seemed like it could be a long afternoon for the U13's. With two more goals hitting the roof of the net in quick succession, it was time for the captains to boost the confidence of their team and they definitely did this.

Portland started to play a bit more football. With **Joshua** up front and **Zane** running down the wing it became easier in the middle of the park for Nico to find the right ball. **Oisín** was playing his part in opening-up the gates too, using his blistering pace to run past the oncoming defenders and pulling the ball out wide to **Dario**. The game started to become more open, and PPS began to knock on the door of the Maida Vale goal. With Jacob and Enzo commanding the defence and **Joshua** starting to

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click with his midfield, it was only a matter of time before Josh was able to score his fourth goal in 2 games with a fantastic shot on the edge of the 6 yard box.

With this, PPS started to play a quicker game, moving the ball round, and pinging the ball about. **Noah**, playing at the back, started working closer with **Zane** and this is where they started to cause problems. Breaking down the left-hand side, Zane managed to cross in before the deflection took it behind for a corner. The cross was swung in, going past the penalty spot, missed by all, Enzo on the edge of the box pulled the ball back onto his right foot before letting fly. The ball flew through the air and even with the keeper getting a hand to it; he was unable to keep the ball out of the goal.

The game started to turn, and Maida Vale were struggling to keep PPS from attacking the goal. Maida Vale defended and defended as if their lives depended on it, but PPS were unable to score any more goals.

The second half began 3-2 down but the students weren't going to give up. The fixture was tense, and PPS were unable to score any more goals until a fantastic play by Nico who sliced the defence in two with a majestic ball, for Oisin to run onto and strike past the goal-keeper. At 3-3 it seemed the game was on a knife edge with both teams attacking end to end. Portland's defence was holding out with some fantastic defending from Roman and Jacob but it was all to no avail as Maida Vale's replacements saw off a tired and weary Portland Place squad.

It wasn't without trying that the squad didn't win, even at 6-3 down there was a comradery and some positive comments throughout the team.

With half term on the horizon, it is time for the squad to rest up, with another load of fixtures after the break, PPS U13's are on the right course.

NEXT CLUBS & FIXTURES

- Mon 30th Oct:** Table Tennis Club, PPS Hall, 1.10-1.45pm,
Year 7&8 football vs Kew House, Regent's Park, 2.15pm
Year 8 netball vs Maida Vale, Wood Lane, 2.00pm
Football club, Regent's Park, 3.50-5.15pm
Karate Club, PPS Hall, 4.00-5.00pm,
- Tue 31st Oct:** Year 7&8 football vs Maida Vale, Regent's Park, 2.15pm
Year 7 netball vs Maida Vale, Wood Lane, 2.00pm
- Wed 1st Nov:** GCSE PE Revision Club, G21, 1.10pm – 1.45pm
Year 11 football vs Kew House, away, 2.15pm
- Thu 2nd Nov:** Y7&8 football vs Fairley House, Archbishop's Park, 2.00pm
Y10 Football vs Kew House, away, 2.15pm
Westminster Table Tennis Championships, details TBC
Running Club, Regent's Park, 12.50-1.30pm
Weight Training Club, PPS changing rooms, 12.50-1.30pm
Basketball Club, Church Street, 4.00-5.15pm
- Fri 3rd Nov:** Year 9 football vs Kew House, Regent's Park, 2.15pm

Enrichment — First Half of Autumn Term 2023

Activity	Staff	Room
Climbing	AZE & LVW	Offsite. Meet Room 24 at 1.50pm
Digital Drawing	LDE & CHU	Art Studio 1
F45 Fitness	CBY & EKA	Offsite—meet outside PP at 1.50pm
Fencing	PZA & JVA	Change in PE at 1.50pm then R11
Glee Club	CBO & AJU	Room1
Horse Riding	AIS	Offsite—meet PE changing rooms at 1.20pm
Museum Investigators	PLE	Room 10
Netball	HHA	Offsite—meet PE corridor at 1.50pm
Polymer Clay	CFL & FSY	Room 35
Robotics	MMC & TTO	Room 33
Senior Football	SRI, JKU & LST	Offsite—meet PE corridor at 1.50pm
Strive & FPQ	SSA	Room 22
Table Tennis	RAL	PP Hall
Table Top Gaming	DBL	LAB1
Ultimate Frisbee	JWH & RLE	Offsite—meet outside PP at 1.50pm
Velo Park	TTC, HIS & WBR	Offsite –meet outside GPS at 1pm

Clubs for Autumn Term 2023

Day	Time	Activity	Staff	Location	Year Groups
Monday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Chemistry Revision	HSI	Science Lab 2	11
Monday	12:50-13:45	String Ensemble	R H'white	R2	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Russian Club	PZA	B3	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Italian Club	TLA	R23	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Woodwind Ensemble	S Sarvamaa	R1	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Mandarin	TLA	G34	All *
Monday	13:10-13:45	Table Tennis Club	PE	PP Hall	All
Monday	13:20-13:45	Board Games	DFL & ECO	R11	6 – 9
Monday	13:20-13:45	Business Studies Clinic	JMA	G21	10 & 11
Monday	16:00-17:00	Karate Club	PE	PP Hall	All
Monday	16:00-17:15	Football Club	PE	Regents Park	All
Monday	16:00-17:15	Netball Club	PE	Regents Park	All
Tuesday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Art Club (Hybrid only)	LDE	Art Studio 1	HS 10 & 11
Tuesday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Biology Revision	RLE	Science Lab 2	11
Tuesday	12:50-13:45	Spanish Club	CFL	G34	All
Tuesday	13:15-13:45	PPS Choir	SHI & CBO	R1	All
Monday	12:50-13:45	Guitar Group / Rock Band	DMC	R2	All
Tuesday	15:45-16:45	French Club	TLA & CFL	R36	All
Tuesday	16:00-17:00	Macbeth Rehearsals	RAL & AJU	Drama Studio	Invite only
Tuesday	16:00-17:00	Design Club	MJO & JVA	B1	All
Tuesday	15:45-16:45	Speed Learning – GCSE Geographers	KOL	10	10 & 11
Wednesday	08:00-08:30	Essay Building Skills	MTH	G33	10 & 11

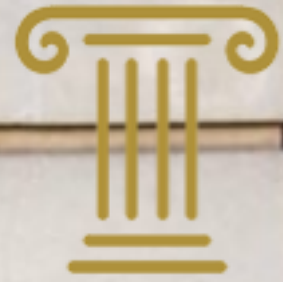
**** Art Scholarship holders must attend**

Wednesday	12:50-13:30	Y7 Haunted House Rehearsals	RAL	Drama Studio	7
Wednesday	12:50-13:45	Music Theory Club	ZBO	R42	All
Wednesday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Drama Club	AJU	Drama Studio	10 & 11
Wednesday	12:50-13:45	Percussion Ensemble	J Morrison	R2	All
Wednesday	13:10-13:45	GCSE PE Revision Club	PE	GPS tbc	10 & 11
Wednesday	16:00-17:00	Fencing Club	External Coach	PP Hall	Sign up with PE
Thursday	12:50-13:40	Weight Training Club	PE	Changing Rooms	All
Thursday	12:50-13:40	Running Club	PE	Regents Park	All
Thursday	12:50-13:15	Y10 Science Revision (Combi & Triple)	FKH	Science Lab 2	10
Thursday	12:50-13:50	GCSE Art Club	TMO	Art Studio 1	10 & 11
Thursday	12:50-13:45	Digital Hub	SEN Dept	R33	All
Thursday	12:50-13:15	Y11 Physics Revision	WBR	Science Lab 3	11
Thursday	13:10-13:45	History Revision	PLE	G21	10 & 11
Thursday	16:00-17:00	PPS Chamber Choir	CBO	R1	All by audition
Thursday	16:00-17:00	Design Club	MJO & JVA	B1	All
Thursday	16:00-17:15	Girls Basketball Club	PE	Church St Sport Centre	All
Thursday	16:00-17:00	Art Club	TMO & LDE	Art 1 & 2	Invite only **
Friday	08:00-08:30	Geography Revision	EWE	10	11
Friday	08:30-09:00	LGBT+ Club	TLA	R23	All
Friday	12:50-13:45	Brass Ensemble	W Brown	R2	All
Friday	12:50-13:45	Japanese	TLA	G34	All*
Friday	12:50-13:30	Y10 Science Revision (Combi & Triple)	DBL	Science Lab 1	10

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