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# MACBETH

Main Hall

Tuesday 13th February 2018 | 5:00pm

with Mariam Salawu as Macbeth

Thursday 15th February 2018 | 5:00pm

with Khalid Khair as Macbeth

## DTA Newsletter

*Theme of the Week:*

*LGBT History Month*

Friday 9th February

### Safeguarding Tip:

As a school we embrace all pupils regardless of sexuality or identity. Staff are always available to listen and support.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We held another brilliant Coffee Morning today with 35 parents attending. We delivered information on keeping your child safe and LGBTQ. It is wonderful to see so many of you supporting the school, but I know some of you miss out due to work commitments. Therefore we are arranging to have a Coffee Evening after school next half term so that working parents and carers have the opportunity to attend. Please look out for further details on this after the holidays.

Keep an eye out for information on a 'Headteacher's Drop-in' starting next half term, where parents and carers will each have the opportunity to visit me for 15 minutes if they wish to discuss any matters.

Our performance of Macbeth is on next Tuesday and Thursday. There are still a few tickets remaining so do hurry to reserve your place. The pupils and staff have all worked extremely hard rehearsing, making props, costumes and learning lines. I am sure they will be fantastic and I wish them lots of luck. I hope you can come along and join us!

As we break up next Friday for half term, we are celebrating the pupils' successes and we will be holding a variety of achievement assemblies and activities to celebrate this. Please remember we finish next Friday at the normal time of 3pm.

Enjoy the rest of the articles in this week's edition.

Yours sincerely

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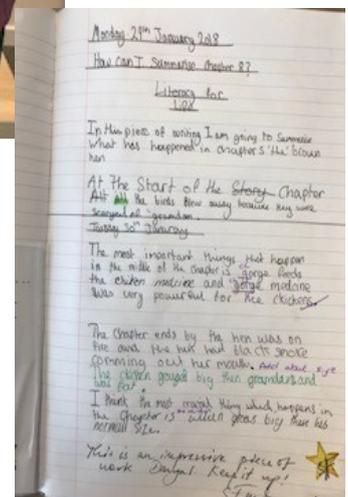
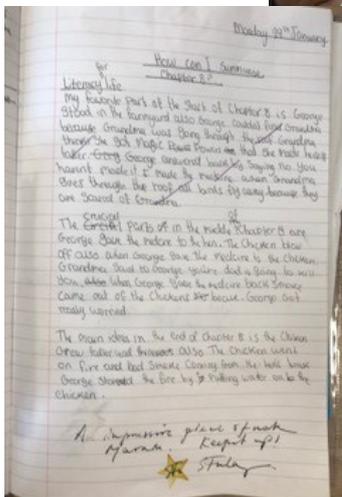
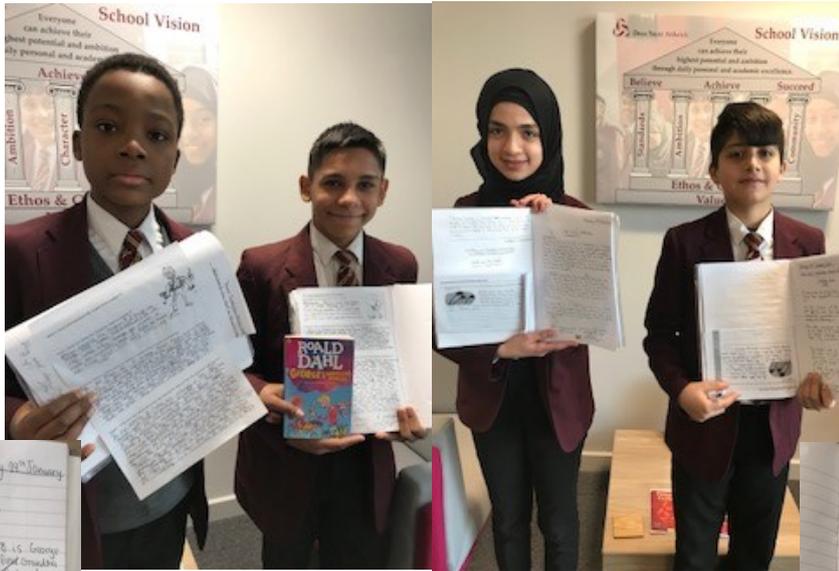
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## Headteachers Commendation

Stephen, Georgie, Maram and Danyal write a superb summary of Mrs Kranky in George's Marvellous Medicine.



## Year 7 News

As always it has been a busy few weeks in Year 7 and with half term approaching we have an exciting week coming up.

We have the Year 7 rewards assembly and the school play Macbeth taking place.

Year 7 still continue to have the best attendance across the school and are persistently above the national average which is 95%. Well done!!



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## Year 8 News

This week the Year 8 boys who attend Reach Out got to experience a fantastic trip to Zurich bank with the scheme to look into how the company works and career opportunities available. The boys discussed numerous roles within the company and the day to day requirements for success. The boys all behaved impeccably well and enjoyed the day gaining much from the experience and ongoing mentoring during the Reach Out programme.



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## Year 9 News

It has been fantastic to see so many Year 9s receiving behaviour for learning grade 1s last week. The amount they are receiving is increasing week upon week. It is very pleasing to see so many of the year group working so hard within their lessons and being super role models around school. I am very proud of you all, keep demonstrating excellence in all that you do daily.

As the oldest year group in the school, I am keen to develop the leadership capability of the group. As such, it was great to meet with the year form reps this week who were all amazing at articulating 'what it is like to be a Year 9 pupil' and what areas of school life they would like to take the lead on. The Duke of Edinburgh award scheme and the Rights Respecting Schools initiative discussed last week are two great opportunities that can allow our Year 9s to 'step up' to be leaders. Over the next few months there will be more; please encourage your son and daughter to become involved to develop areas such as communication, teamwork and resilience.



## THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

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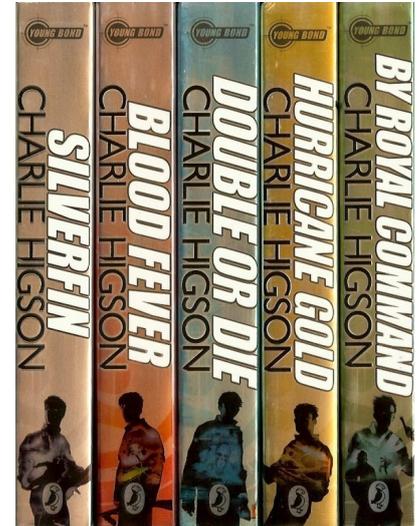
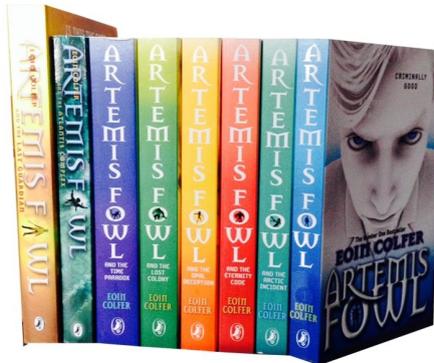
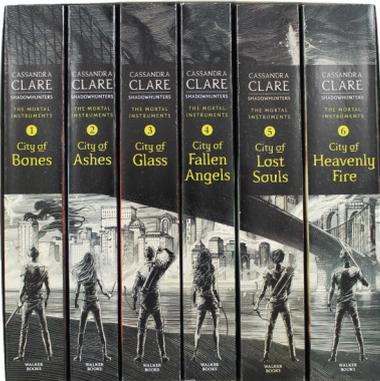
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## Library News

Fans of adventure, spooky tales and mystical goings on should find plenty to enjoy in the library as we have some fantastic new series in stock.

Cassandra Clare is the undisputed queen of mystical battles and heroic warriors and her Shadowhunters series features both in abundance. We finally have the full set of Eoin Colfer's *Artemis Fowl* books, perfect for anyone who loves a bad fairy and a grumpy hero, finally if James Bond is your thing, find out what he was like as young boy with the full series from Charlie Higson.



## Macbeth

The school play is NEXT WEEK, and we have begun our final dress rehearsals! Tickets are selling fast, so get yours soon to make sure you don't miss out. It will be an extremely exciting (and frightening!) event.

Remember, Macbeth is one of the key texts on the English Literature GCSE, so coming along will be a fantastic learning experience :- as well as being great fun!



## EAL

The beginner class have been working hard recently to perfect using the past tense and their excellent efforts are paying off, especially with all those irregular verbs.

The pre-intermediate class have been practising their persuasive writing skills, and have written some very persuasive (and interesting!) speeches about what they would like to banish forever. Kelly's speech on banishing war was voted the most persuasive; using all seven of the language features looked at in lesson. Well done all.



## Physical Education

Pupils have shown great progress in their new sports and are coming to the end of their activities. Pupils have showcased their abilities through assessment lessons this week. The Year 8 and 9 girls MU Foundation hub tournament went fantastically, with the team finishing 4<sup>th</sup> out of 8 teams. Pupils showed fantastic progression and improvement from their last tournament. Good luck to the boys Year 9 football team competing in MU Foundation tournament this Friday with Mr Buckley and Mr Sheldon. Another good luck to Mr Burney's Year 7 football team who have a fixture against Wright Robinson College this week. This week at DTA, Mr Buckley hosts our partner primary schools football hub tournament including Stanley Grove, Plymouth Grove and St. Johns.



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## MFL

This week, the MFL Department are conducting speaking tests with all year groups. This is a chance for pupils to show off their linguistic abilities and put on their best Spanish or French accents. Year 7 Spanish will be asked about their opinions of Madrid while Year 7 French classes will be asked about what sports they like to play and do. Do not forget to use the near future tense! Year 8 Spanish classes will be asked to talk about what films they like to watch as well as saying what they used to watch when they were young. How many of the past tenses can you include in your answer? Finally, Year 9 Spanish will be asked to talk about what they do on their mobile phones and on the internet. Can you use every single tense we have learnt in class?

In Mrs Connaughton's MFL Club, which is every Wednesday after school, pupils finished watching "Hugo" which is directed by Martin Scorsese. It is set in Paris after the First World War and is based on a book. Here are some reviews:

*"The film was really good. I especially liked it because I enjoy films when a child plays the main character."*

-Anousha Marth (7T Victoria)

*"I really liked this movie because it was full of suspense. I would recommend it to anybody who enjoys films with a lot of danger."*

-Asad Mambou (8T Gaskell)



Finally, this week's Stars of the Week are: **Year 7: Mollie Rogers, Year 8: Taha Badruddin, Year 9: Rafee Ahmed**

## Humanities

This week in Humanities has been test weeks. All years have been hurriedly revising, and it has shown in massive improvements made by some pupils. All years have been taking on 'knowledge organiser challenges' and filling in blank, or blacked out ones! A group of Year 7s took this one step further by creating their own knowledge organisers at home in their own time. They looked fantastic and both Miss Williams and Mr Worthington were very impressed! Well done all. Also in the Humanities faculty we have had the launch of LGBTQ history month. Three diversity ambassadors led an excellent assembly and all form groups are looking forward to creating their own LGBTQ bunting. Thanks Miss Bostock! Also, we have finally collected in our Holocaust postcards and we have over 350 ready to send to Holocaust and Genocide survivors. The words and thoughts that were poured into the postcards by pupils was really touching and all of the humanities faculty was moved by their thoughtfulness. These postcards were shared with all staff in our Friday briefing and everyone was moved by them.



## Technology

### Design and Technology

Year 7s have been continuing to contour and draw using 2D design. We have been working towards our half term assessments with some revision games and activities based around quizzing. In Year 8 we have also been working towards our assessment with some revision activities and Kahoot games. In Year 9 we have started to put together our speaker by soldering our components to the printed circuit boards.

### Food and Nutrition

Year 7s have learned about the micronutrients and vitamins. We have been exploring why vitamins are important and why we need vitamins in our diet. In practical lessons this week we have made cous cous along with chicken goujon's. In Year 8 this week we continued to look at the social, ethical, economic and scientific issues revolving around genetically modified foods. We have also been preparing for assessment week by using quizzing to find gaps in our knowledge. In Year 9 we have learned how people's moral and ethical views could impact their food choices. In our practical lessons this week we have concentrated on quality control by making high quality spring rolls.

### Art and Design

In Year 7 we have worked hard on making different shapes for our paper mache bug bodies. This year we have been thinking of widening the variety of bugs we create, including spindley spiders, lovely ladybirds and magnificent moths. Year 8 we have started creating and thinking about textures and surfaces using cardboard. We have been scrapping, scratching, cutting folding and persuading cardboard into a variety of interesting experiments. Our experiments are focused on linking back to our initial design ideas. Year 9 we have continued with painting our mechanical designs and working into our polyblock prints. We have looked how different brushes make different marks and lines and at how we can collage together images to create exciting designs.

Art Club:- We are coming to an end of a variety of projects this week. Our LGBTQ posters will go up on display in time for LGBTQ history month. We have created a moon for a fabulous cross curricular work book day display and we are continuing work on an anti bullying poster.

In set design we are putting the last touches to costume and props ahead of the Macbeth production next week. Tickets are still available from Mr Tryrell. Come and celebrate our pupils hard work from, both the performers and the silent set designers with their stunning production!



## Year 7 Awards

### BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Palace & Bridgewater-121 Grade 1s

### Form of the Week Attendance

Palace & Whitworth 100%

### BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

Minahil	Arab	7D Palace	17
Zoha	Riaz	7D Dean	16
Iman	Khan Shaheen	7D Palace	15
Gull			
Mazin	Salih	7D Palace	13
Lisandra	Bondereva	7D Whit	12

### Stars of the Week

English	Daniel Abbas
Maths	Abeda Sultana
Science	Nhocshan Liu
Humanities	Ayah Saleh
Technology	Keira Mckew
PE	Rayara Mendes
RE	Zainab Yinusa
Art	Setareh Ahkami
MFL	Molly Rogers
Computer Science	Junaid Hassan
Performing Arts	Yasser Alfadli
Passport to Excellence	

## Year 8 Awards

### Form of the Week Attendance

Deansgate-124 Grade 1s

### BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Whitworth 100%

### BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

Mahir	Ali Khan	8D MOSI	13
Ikram	El Ouargui	8D Lowry	11
Nela	Gaborova	8D Deans	11
Fatiha	Hossain	8D MOSI	11
Amer	Ullah	8T Vic	11

### Stars of the Week

English	Elijah Mambu
Maths	Asmaa Husein
Science	Ajia Raees
Humanities	Suleyman Jama
Technology	Ikram El Ouargui
PE	Holly Annor
RE	Neringa Mataityte
Art	Leah Joyce
MFL	Taha Badruddin
Computer Science	Maria Saeed
Performing Arts	Aleem Busow-Miah
Passport to Excellence	

## Year 9 Awards

### BfL Grade 1 Form of the Week

Whitworth-75 Grade 1s

### Form of the Week Attendance

Piccadilly 99.5%

### BfL Grade 1 Stars of the Week

Rebecca Illes	Caminito Bognar	9D Whit 9D Lowry	8 7
Aaliya	Hussain Ridai	9T Picc	7
Nimra	Mohammad	9D Whit	7
Lauren-Lee Thompson		9T Bridge	7

### Stars of the Week

<b>English</b>	Mahad Jama
<b>Maths</b>	Zakkirryyah Alrayni
<b>Science</b>	Melanie Menezes
<b>Humanities</b>	Zehrab Taskeen
<b>Technology</b>	Jun Shen
<b>PE</b>	Ricardo Edwards
<b>RE</b>	Malaika Hussain
<b>Art</b>	Kelese Shaw
<b>MFL</b>	Rafee Ahmed
<b>Computer Science</b>	Joshua Coley Payne
<b>Performing Arts</b>	Elita Harper
<b>Passport to Excellence</b>	

### Whole School Attendance

97.1%