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# CHALLENGE DAY



On Friday 28th March the school celebrated the final day of the spring term working in Coaching groups throughout the morning and competing in the annual Challenge Day.



BR7 - CHALLENGE DAY WINNERS



SACK RACE

Year 11 students had been working in small groups throughout the term to plan and organise their specific challenge which included hook-a-duck, sack race, cracker challenge, Tee-shirt challenge and charades to name a few.

Coaching groups had 90 minutes to select the challenges they thought they would be successful in and raced around the school site to complete as many as possible working as a team.

At the end of the day the award ceremony took place with **BR7** crowned this year's champions with **239** points.

Congratulations to Mrs Meaking's Coaching group.

More pictures and results table on page 7...

# THE NOTICE BOARD

Who wants to make money?

Be an entrepreneur?

Buy, sell and advertise?

Calling all business people!



What you need to do:

- get a team together
- think of a business
- contact/find Mr Bradford
- fill in a business plan

If approved, start selling!

## CULTURAL CELEBRATION DAY



On Friday 3rd May we will come together as a school to celebrate our Cultural Celebration Day.

This is a fantastic opportunity to recognise, share and celebrate the diversity of heritage and culture in our community.

In Coaching you have been allocated a country to find out about and represent by creating a banner that will be displayed. Your coaches have been impressed by how many of you have stepped up to share your own cultures and to get involved by helping out.

Across school, in different lessons, you will be finding out about culture and diversity across your different subjects. In PE some of you have been learning cultural dances ready to perform or join in on the day. In food technology many of you will be researching and making your own culturally inspired dishes.

On the day you will have time to visit the different stalls, sample the food, music and dance of different cultures, and importantly, to have fun together as a school community. You will have the chance to win House point by completing the **Cultural Passport Challenge**.

Remember if you want to get involved come up to AT2 to sign up on any lunchtime over the next week.

## IMPORTANT DATES



### Friday 19th April

- The DoFE students in Year 10 and 11 set off on their final expedition and will miss lessons in school

### Tuesday 23rd April

- Year 9 visit to Leeds Beckett University

### Wednesday 24th April

- Year 11 French speaking exams

### Thursday 25th April

- Year 11 Drama practical exam

### Friday 26th April

- Year 9 immunisations

### Tuesday 30th April and Wednesday 1st May

- Year 11 Art exams all day

### Wednesday 1st May

- Year 9 PCE 4.00pm

### Friday 3rd May

- WHS Cultural Celebration Day

### Monday 6th May

- Bank holiday

### Wednesday 8th - 10th May

- Year 7 Residential

### Wednesday 8th - 10th May

- Basecamp trip

### Thursday 9th May

- Year 11 GCSE written exams commence

### Monday 20th May

- KS3 Venture presentation period 7

### Friday 24th May

- Merit assemblies





OPEN DAYS

Leaving School in 2024?

HARROGATE BEAUTY COLLEGE

Tuesday 23rd April

5.00-8.00pm

Tuesday 7th May

5.00-8.00pm



CAREERS



## 'Career of the month'

### Travel, Food and Drink

In this issue, we're excited to shine a spotlight on the dynamic and ever-evolving opportunities available in the vibrant industries of Travel, Food and Drink!

As the world emerges from the challenges of the past few years, the demand for skilled professionals in travel, food, and drink has never been higher. From innovative chefs and mixologists to destination managers and hospitality leaders, these sectors offer a wealth of rewarding career paths for individuals with diverse interests and skillsets.

There are some of the key skills that are important for a career in the travel, food, and drink industry include customer service, adaptability, willingness to learn, creative problem solving, strong language skills and flexibility.



#### Courses available at Leeds City College:

- Food and Drink: (Apprenticeships also available)
- Hospitality and Catering City & Guilds Certificate Entry 3
  - Hospitality and Catering Certificate Level 1
  - City and Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Culinary Skills
  - Professional Patisserie & Confectionery City & Guilds Certificate Level 2
  - NVQ Level 2 Diploma in Food and Beverage Services
  - Level 3 Diploma in Professional Patisserie and Confectionery
  - Hospitality, Supervision and Leadership City & Guilds Diploma Level 3

#### Travel and Tourism:

- NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Exploring the Aviation Industry
- City and Guilds Level 1 Diploma introduction to travel and tourism
- Air Cabin Crew City & Guilds Diploma Level 2
- NCFE Level 2 Diploma in Travel and Tourism
- NCFE Level 3 in Travel and Tourism
- Level 3 Aviation Pathway



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## 'Career of the month'

### West Yorkshire Opportunities

#### Connections in the Wider Industry:

With Jet2's head office being based in Leeds City Centre, many of our Cabin Crew students gain interviews with the company after completion of their course and many accepted for a job! RyanAir is also a company that Leeds City College works with closely and come and do interviews with our students directly!



#### Leeds is an epi-centre of opportunity:

There are so many opportunities in Leeds to get into the food and drink industry. Here is an example of an event coming up you could go to and network! The North Leeds Food Festival is returning for 2024 and was listed as #1 non-music festival by iNews. The event includes internationally inspired but locally produced street food vendors, chef demo's from the Leeds Cookery School, Local artisan produce and live entertainment. In Roundhay Park, May 11th-12th, this would be a great opportunity to see what the food and drink industry is like around Leeds and how you might get involved.



#### West Yorkshire Investment Strategy:

The West Yorkshire Investment Strategy is a plan developed by the West Yorkshire Combined Authority to support the growth and development of the region's economy. The strategy identifies tourism as a local strength and outlines plans to support business growth and development in the sector, including cultural and heritage tourism. This could lead to the creation of new job opportunities and career paths within travel, tourism, and hospitality businesses as the industry expands. The strategy emphasizes the importance of "good jobs and skills" as part of its investment priorities. This suggests there may be increased funding and support for skills development, training programs, and apprenticeships related to the travel, food, and drink industries to build a talented workforce.



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## Industry Fast Facts

Join the School of Travel, Food & Drink and realise your aspirations in catering, hospitality, food or travel. Each course combines practical and theoretical knowledge with creativity and stellar service – helping you prosper in your future profession.

The average Food & Drink salary is

# £25,500

within the Leeds City Region.

The food and drink industry is the UK's largest manufacturing sector, and forms part of a diverse and complex supply chain.

### Fun Fact...

Cheese is the most stolen food in the world - In fact, it's stolen so much it has its own percentage! About 4% of all cheese made around the globe ends up stolen.

The revenue of the entire food market in the UK is estimated to be just over 157 billion British pounds.

Food and drink manufacturing contributes more to the economy than all other manufacturing sectors, including automotive and aerospace.

Exports of food and drink contribute to the economy significantly, exceeding £20bn and going to over 220 countries and territories worldwide. Our top 3 exports partners are Ireland, France and the USA.

Sources:  
[www.fdf.org.uk/df/business-insights-and-economics/facts-and-stats/](http://www.fdf.org.uk/df/business-insights-and-economics/facts-and-stats/)  
[www.statista.com/topics/7229/food-industry-in-the-uk](http://www.statista.com/topics/7229/food-industry-in-the-uk)  
[www.thefactsite.com/100-random-food-facts/](http://www.thefactsite.com/100-random-food-facts/)  
 Salary data has been provided from Lightcast in LEP area

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# CAREERS





# STUDENT MENTIONS



## **SW** - YEAR 7 - TRAMPOLINING

Congratulations to SW, who came first in his class and is now headed to Birmingham to compete for Yorkshire in the inter-regional challenge cup final. Well done!



## **ET AND TR** YEAR 8

For making great progress in the last topic of chemical changes.



## **HG** YEAR 8

Consistent high-quality work and always completing the challenge questions.



## **HM**

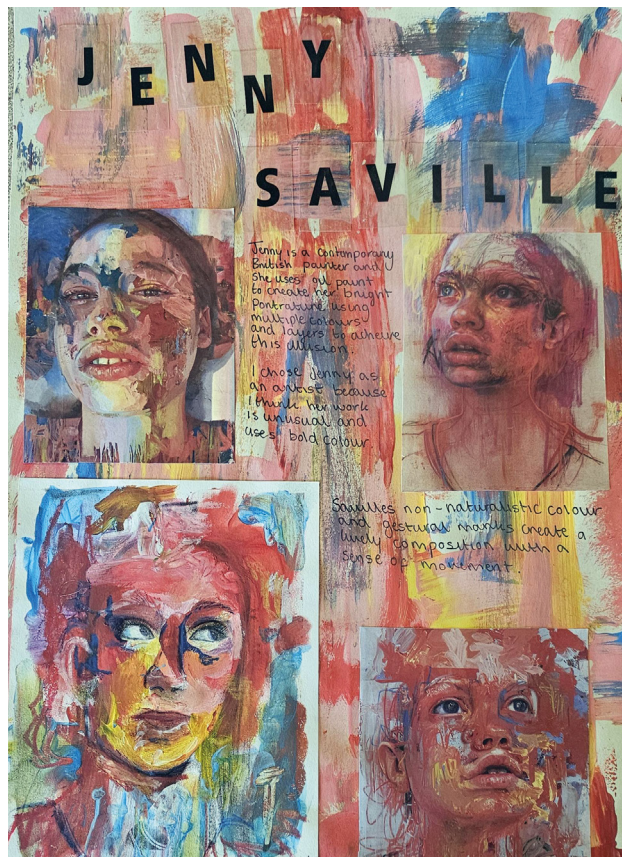
Great character and enthusiasm in every lesson.



# YEAR 11 ART CREW

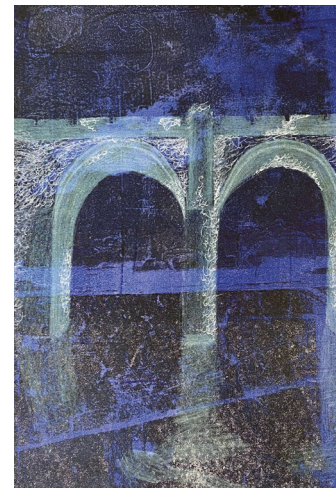
The Art Department are very proud of our Year 11 art crew and the increasing standard of the work that they are producing.

The component 1 coursework is now completed with a vast array of individual themes and outcomes. Art is a subject that takes time to develop a strong skill set in a range of materials and processes and relies on independent development of ideas that are connected to critical understanding of artist's work.



Our Year 11s have worked very hard to ensure that all coursework is completed and showcases their full potential.

Year 11 are at the final stages of their **Externally Set Assignment**, with the 10 hour exam on 30th April and 1st May. The ESA has really challenged all students to apply their Art practical and theoretical knowledge in an independent manner. The necessity for work outside of lessons to meet the demand and time constraints has shown us who is dedicated to achieving their very best. We are very proud of how our Year 11 students have risen to this challenge.

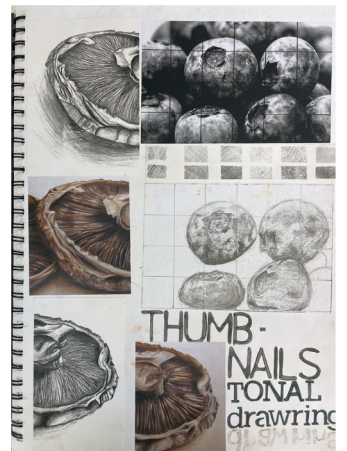
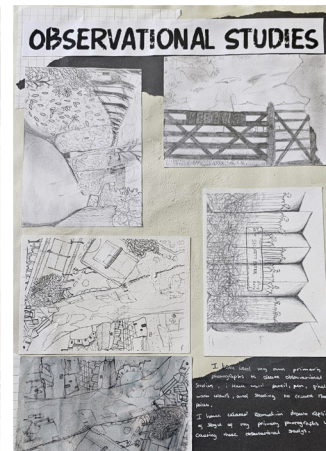
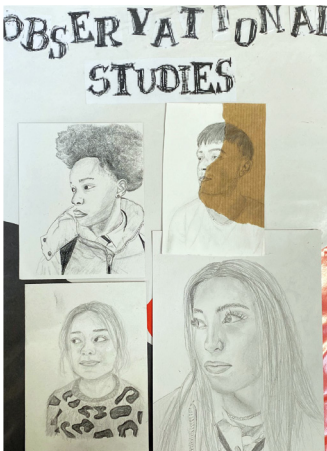
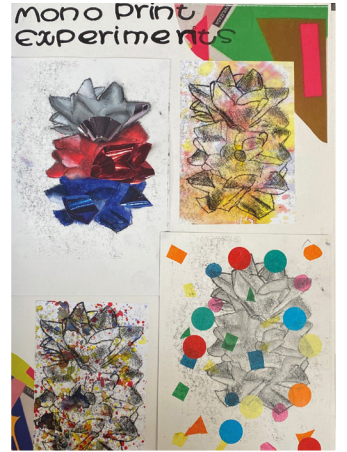
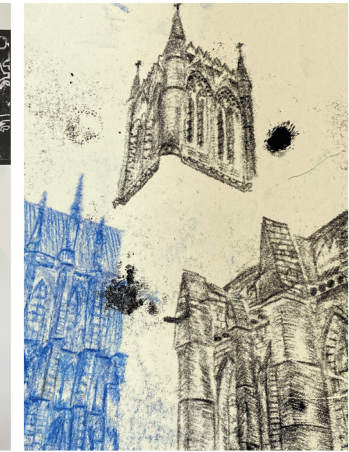
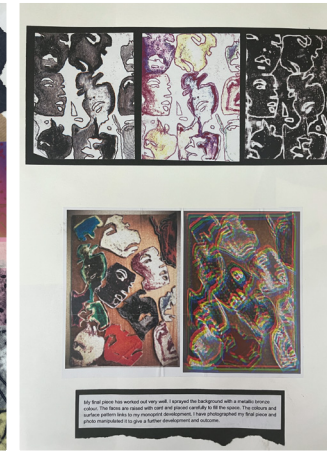
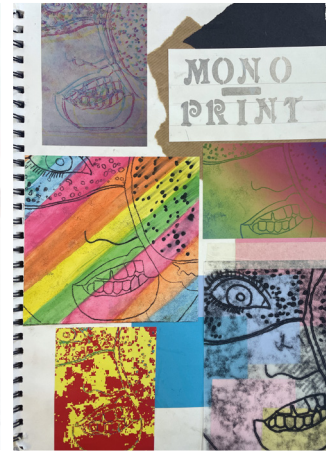
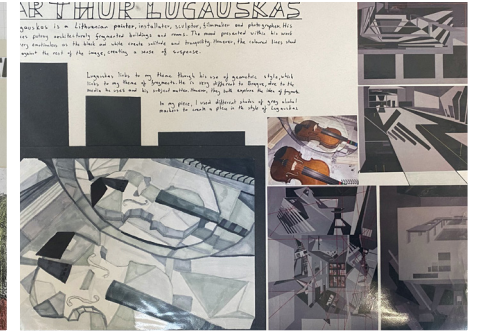
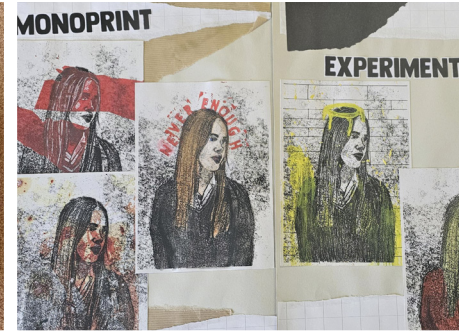


Mrs Owens, Miss Brookes and Miss Scott wish all Year 11 artists the best of luck for their exams.





# YEAR 11 ART CREW

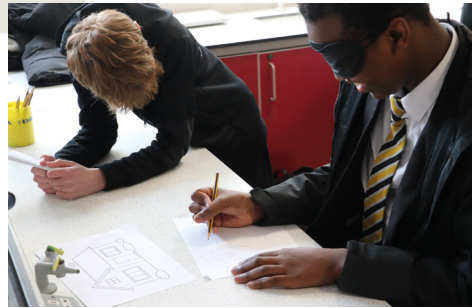




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HOOK-A-DUCK



### RESULTS TABLE

PLACE	POINTS	COACHING GROUP	COACH
1 <sup>ST</sup>	239	BR7	VME
2 <sup>ND</sup>	231	T010	JMO
3 <sup>RD</sup>	230	TR6	JKE
4 <sup>TH</sup>	229	TO1	MTI
5 <sup>TH</sup>	227	RO5	TEV
6 <sup>TH</sup>	217	BR9	SDN
7 <sup>TH</sup>	208	BR2	CBR
8 <sup>TH</sup>	205	RO14	GPO
9 <sup>TH</sup>	202	TO6	TOR
10 <sup>TH</sup>	196	TR10	SLA

CRACKER CHALLENGE





# WETHERBY BAKE OFF



**The week leading up to the Easter holidays saw the food department host the Wetherby Bake Off 2024 competition.**

Four very talented young chefs from each of the four Houses battled it out over three rounds to be the overall victor and gain culinary glory and points for their House.

ROUND ONE, scones, was fiercely contested and the judges found it difficult to cut the field in half. In the end though only eight of the sixteen competitors could go through.

ROUND TWO, cookies, saw the competition move up a notch. The cookies were so delicious that the judges had to taste them multiple times before a final decision could be made. Eventually though only four students could proceed to the next round.

ROUND THREE, bread round, and the competition is wide open and there for the taking. The students were tired by this point but still managed to turn out some phenomenal bread. Plaits, dinner rolls, you name it, they were all there.

In the end though there could be only one winner and this spot was taken by **RO** in Year 8 for **BREMNER HOUSE**. **Well done RO!**

A massive well done to the following students for taking part...

<b>BREMNER</b>	EB	RO	BK	LA
<b>TOMLINSON</b>	MB	JS	YM	AW
<b>TRUEMAN</b>	LLH	JH	HB	SM
<b>ROBINSON</b>	HB	LC	ER	LF

...and to the staff judges who had a very difficult job.

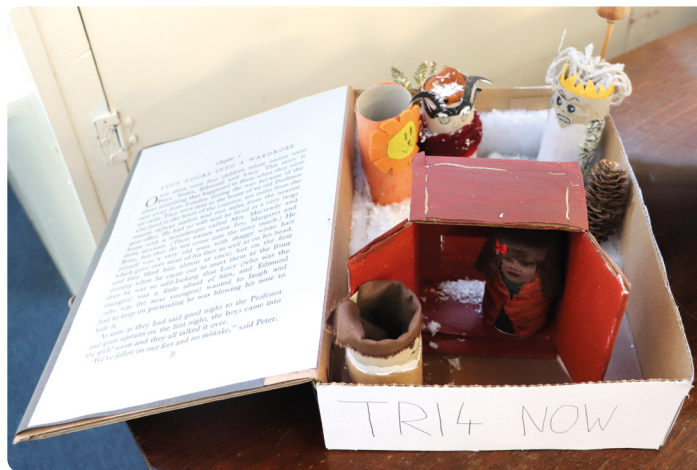
# LITERACY CHALLENGE

For the duration of the Spring term each Coaching group was set a challenge to create a 'literacy scene' using toilet rolls and the lid of a photocopying box.



We had so many designs including, *Winnie the Pooh*, *Charlotte's Web*, and *the Wizard of Oz*.

Coaching groups had so much fun making these designs and seeing their ideas come to life in a box lid!



On the last day of the spring term, with all the creations in place, the celebrity judges came down and selected their top five creations.

Congratulations go to **RO6** and **Mrs Wallace** who were crowned champions for the second year running.

PLACE	COACHING GROUP	COACH
1ST	RO6	JWA
2ND	TO11	DRO
3RD	BR3	BST
4TH	BR7	VME
5TH	TR14	NOW





# BASECAMP ADVENTURE TRUST



**When we arrived after a 2-hour car journey and immediately got kitted-up to go climbing, wearing lots of layers and waterproofs. It was a very short walk to the climbing cliff, but it was very steep and mostly uphill.**

When we arrived at the climbing cliff, it looked like the weather was on our side as it was very sunny while we ate our lunch. Funnily enough, as we put on harnesses and got hooked on to the belay, it started to pour with torrential rain. Strong winds also began, making it a lot harder to climb. The longer it took the wetter the wall became, which made it slippery and harder to grip on to. The higher we got the stronger the winds got. This made it very difficult to hear what the instructor was telling us.

On the first night, we went on a night-time navigation walk. We split into boys and girls, doing rock, paper, scissors to see who would go first. The first group would have to hide two cones in around the same area and the second group would have to find the cones and catch up to the first group before they got back to the hostel.

The boys went first and left 20 minutes before the girls. The girls set off to scavenger the cones the boys had hidden. We found most of the cones apart from one that had most likely floated down the rapid stream. The boys beat the girls to the hostel and won two bags of Maltesers.

On the second day we went on a raft building expedition. We were given about 40 minutes to build a model of our raft to make sure it was efficient. We tested the models in a newly formed pond.

All of them floated so we hopped onto the minibus to travel to the open lake to build the rafts for real. We were given around an hour and 45 minutes to build our rafts. Working as a team, we tied lots of knots to make sure it was sturdy and strong enough to hold 10 people. We all got on the water and one raft broke into pieces within seconds. The others lasted a good few minutes until they slowly broke apart.

After we collected all the pieces of the broken rafts, we swam in the freezing cold water and jumped off the jetty. When we came out of the water, we were very cold. We dried off at the hostel and finished off the night with a film.

On the third day, we were split in half to take turns in going canoeing and walking. The walk was beautiful with amazing views of the waterfall, we even found small flowers that smelled like vanilla that were also edible.

Canoeing was very exciting. We experienced very harsh winds, making it quite hard to steer. We tied two canoes together to make sure they wouldn't tip over. We each had a paddle and had to paddle very hard to get past the winds. We were surrounded by beautiful mountains and trees hung over the canal.

# HOUSE POINTS



## HOUSE POINT TOTALS

### TOP STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

<b>BS</b>	<b>TR7</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>ET</b>	BR13	5
<b>PP-S</b>	TO6	5
<b>FS</b>	RO9	4
<b>CW</b>	BR10	4
<b>SK</b>	RO14	4
<b>RA</b>	BR14	4
<b>ER</b>	RO10	4
<b>PD</b>	TO8	3
<b>AS</b>	BR14	3

### TOP COACHING GROUPS OF THE WEEK

<b>BR14</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>BR2</b>	13
<b>RO10</b>	10
<b>TO12</b>	9
<b>RO9</b>	8
<b>BR13</b>	8
<b>RO14</b>	8
<b>RO2</b>	8
<b>RO4</b>	7
<b>RO7</b>	7



### LAST WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS







# Subject Nominations



**AMAZING ARTIST**

**EW**

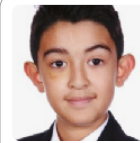
YEAR 7  
Awesome Beatriz Milhazes inspired final piece.



**AMAZING ARTIST**

**GA**

YEAR 7  
Awesome Beatriz Milhazes inspired final piece.



**GRAPHICS GENIUS**

**GM**

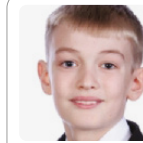
YEAR 7  
Creative drive and independence.



**GRAPHICS GENIUS**

**TO**

YEAR 7  
Creative drive and independence.



**GRAPHICS GENIUS**

**CW**

YEAR 8  
Creative drive and independence.



**AMAZING ARTIST**

**TH**

YEAR 11  
Excellent effort to keep up to date with all ESA tasks.



**AMAZING ARTIST**

**ML**

YEAR 8  
Awesome Loui Jover inspired final piece.



**AMAZING ARTIST**

**HT**

YEAR 9  
Excellent collagraph print design.



**LEGENDARY LINGUIST**

**FH**

YEAR 11  
Excellent work on your French speaking, bravo!



**LEGENDARY LINGUIST**

**KW**

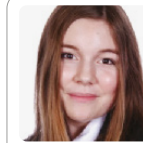
YEAR 11  
Excellent work on your French speaking, bon travail!



**MATHS MASTER**

**DG**

YEAR 7  
Shows excellent resilience every lesson, even when the work gets hard.



**MATHS MASTER**

**JR**

YEAR 10  
Fantastic motivation in every lesson!



**AMAZING ARTIST**

**IH**

YEAR 8  
Awesome Loui Jover inspired final piece.



**AMAZING ARTIST**

**ND**

YEAR 9  
Excellent collagraph print design.



**TALENTED IN TECHNOLOGY**

**ES**

YEAR 10  
Well done for writing an excellent Evaluation of your lamp.



**TALENTED IN TECHNOLOGY**

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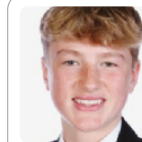
YEAR 10  
Well done for writing an excellent Evaluation of your lamp.



**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**OS**

YEAR 11  
Great focus on coding during the Easter break!



**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**MD**

YEAR 11  
Continued effort to close knowledge gaps in lesson and online.



**MAJOR MUSICIAN**

**JC**

YEAR 11  
Great practice over the break!

## GIRLS FOOTBALL UNDER 12 CUP QUARTER FINAL



### What a game.

**This started with a very well struck ball to the back of the net to put us 1-0 in the lead, but in this intense game of end to end football this did not last long and Roundhay pulled one back.**

The end to end football then continued and Wetherby finished the first half 2-1 in the lead.

Very quickly in the second half Roundhay pulled one back to make the score 2-2 and then pulled away again to make it 3-2.



With a quick change in formation, to which the players adapted quickly and a couple of very close shots on goal, Wetherby pulled back to make it 3-3, but did not stop there and quickly went on to score another making the score 4-3 to Wetherby. But Roundhay are never ones to sit back, and in the last 30 seconds they scored a great volley into the back of the net, making the score 4-4 at the end of full-time.

It was decided that we should play 10 minutes extra time. After a quick team talk the girls went back on and battled away, creating space, chances and defending well, then a great clear out of defence and a pass up the wing, a short through pass to Hattie and in the last 30 seconds of the game Wetherby scored making it 5-4 and a win for us to go through to the semi-finals.

An amazing team effort, that saw players playing for and with each other and communicating well.

So exciting to watch - well done team.





# SPRING EQUINOX 2024

Source: [www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk)

**The spring equinox is here, marking the start of the season when the days grow longer and the trees slowly begin to get their lovely green colour.**

**Weather forecasters split the year into four seasons of three full months.**

It helps them to easily compare seasons from one year to the next.

That means every year spring begins on 1st March and lasts until 31st May.

Then there's the astronomical season determined by the Earth's tilt as it travels around the Sun.

The astronomical season depends on the date of the spring equinox - that date comes later and varies a bit from year to year.

This year, the spring equinox fell on **Wednesday 20th March**, and the astronomical spring lasts until the summer solstice.

The summer solstice will fall on **Thursday 20th June**.

**What's an equinox, what's a solstice, and what's the difference between the two?**

An equinox is when the Sun passes directly over the equator - the imaginary line half way between the North and South poles that runs round the Earth. There are two equinoxes each year, one in spring and one in autumn.



During an equinox, day and night are roughly equally as long as each other - in fact, the word equinox comes from two Latin words meaning "equal" and "night".

The equinoxes happen twice a year - on or around mid-March and mid-September.

Solstices on the other hand mark the longest and shortest days of the year and take place when the Sun reaches its most northerly and southerly points.



# CHALLENGE KING



- Can be completed by the whole Coaching group, a few members of the Coaching group or just one member of the Coaching group.
- House points awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
- Bonus points if you beat Mr King.

## WEEK 12

PAPER COPY COMPLETED AND HANDED INTO MR KING'S STAFF TRAY BY **FRIDAY 26TH APRIL.**

### FIXTURES

WEST HAM V LIVERPOOL
FULHAM V CRYSTAL PALACE
MAN UTD V BURNLEY
NEWCASTLE V SHEFF UTD
WOLVES V LUTON
EVERTON V BRENTFORD
ASTON VILLA V CHELSEA
BOURNEMOUTH V BRIGHTON
TOTTENHAM V ARSENAL
NOTTS FOREST V MAN CITY

### G K

2-1
2-0
2-0
3-0
2-1
1-0
2-1
2-0
2-2
0-3

### COACHING GROUP

### WEEK 11 RESULTS

**Mr King** - 2 points

**1st TO9**  
5 points

**1st RO6**  
5 points

**2nd TR3**  
4 points

**2nd RO5**  
4 points

**Mrs Farr**  
10 House points

**Mrs Wallace**  
10 House points

**Mr Barrow**  
5 House points

**Mr Evans**  
5 House points

#### Bonus Points

**TR5** EBO 3 House points

**RO8** CBO 3 House points