



Student Bulletin - 28th September 2026 - Week B



Calling all Poets!

Write a poem and enter the Young Writers' National Poetry Competition for 11-18 year-olds, the theme is 'Unite'.

Poetry brings people together. When the world divides, words connect. What will your poem be about:

- A hope or dream?
- Something that makes you angry?
- Having fun with family or friends?
- What will your important message be?

See Mrs Weedon in E2 at lunchtime on Friday, for more details and ideas to get you started!

Entries to be handed in by Friday 16th October



Poem of the Week Busy Day at the Office By Margaret Fishback

This is a day when I covered no ground.
Just pushed and shuffled my papers around,
Nudged at letters and winced at bills,
Sorting them out into different hills,
Hunted fretfully for a ruler,
Worried the overworked water cooler,
Sharpened pencils and filled my pen,
Then shuffled my papers around again.

History Visitor

We have an elderly visitor who has been invited into school on **Wednesday 14th October** to talk about his experiences through WWII. He was born in a rural village in the Midlands and has vivid memories about what it was like to grow up in the war.

We have **12 spaces available** for students who are passionate about History to come along, spend an hour with Mr Goddard, listen to his memories and ask him questions about his time growing up or when he was in the Navy under National Service.

If you are interested, please give Miss Allen your name so she can give you further details.

Food Tech Practical Lessons

Please see below the cooking dates for next week. A reminder to all students that on practical lessons to bring in a named container, hair needs to be tied back and no acrylic nails.

Monday 28th Sept:

9T - Shape, fill and cook pasta, students to bring in from home.

Tuesday 29th Sept:

10A - Pizza or Cheesy bread

8D - Bread Practical

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A reminder - All students must bring a named tub to take their practical work home - we do not have any spare in the department. Students are fully responsible for collecting their practical work at the end of the day, we do not have the storage to be able to keep it.



Don't forget your water bottles especially for the days you have PE



Book of the Week

Inkheart by Cornelia Funke

One cruel night, Meggie's father reads aloud from a book called INKHEART-- and an evil ruler escapes the boundaries of fiction and lands in their living room. Suddenly, Meggie is smack in the middle of the kind of adventure she has only read about in books. Meggie must learn to harness the magic that has conjured this nightmare. For only she can change the course of the story that has changed her life forever.

This is INKHEART--a timeless tale about books, about imagination, about life.

Apricity: the warmth of the sun during winter or on a cold day.



WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME IN THE LIBRARY

The Not-So-Secret Book Club, where we meet, chat about books, maybe eat biscuits and generally have a lovely, literary time. Please eat your lunch first. Mrs Fitz

Clubs

Mondays

Rugby Club (Boys&Girls) 3pm-4pm

Pokemon Club in D2 1pm-1:30pm

Thursdays

Netball Club 3pm-4:30pm

Textiles Club (D2) 1pm-1:30pm

More below



News from MFL

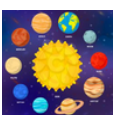
Latin club has started and takes place every **Wednesday after school** in G4 from 3:15pm-4:15pm. Please see Mrs Woods if you are interested.



French after school revision for Year 11 have started and are taking place after school on Monday and Friday after school from 3:15pm-4:15pm, the focus is on answering a four bullet question and how to plan before writing. Mrs Woods.

Gardening Club

Please meet Mr West by the garden at 3:05pm every **Monday**. There's lots of prep to do for next year's floral and vegetable displays, so all help is welcome!



Astronomy Club

Takes place the first Wednesday of the month from 3pm-4pm in S4. If you have any questions, please see Mrs Fennell, Senior Lab Technician