



# Teacher Strikes

## at the Kimberley School

Over the past half term, we have seen disruption to the educations of all Kimberley School students due to the 4 days of teacher strikes. Many teachers have been involved with the strikes, and subsequently Y7-10 have all missed days of school. But why are these strikes really happening and what is the deeper impact that they will have, not only close to home but across the whole nation? cont... pg 4.

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**£2260.00**

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# Bulletin Board

## Extracurricular Activities

### Monday

Badminton LNH/DIS  
Y9-11 Football AW  
Thai Boxing\* MWE

### Tuesday

Basketball MWE/BC  
Y7-8 Football MXB

### Wednesday

Dodgeball MWE/BC  
Badminton MXB  
Y9-11 Football AW

### Thursday

Table Tennis BC/MXB  
Y7-8 Football MWE/LSC  
Y7 Football\* MWE

### Friday

Basketball MWE/MXB  
Boccia LNH  
Y9-11 Football AW  
GCSE Trampoline Prep\* DIS/LNH

\* Afterschool

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## Upcoming Dates

### April

17th - School Reopens  
20th - Y8 Parent's Evening (K)  
26th - Y8 Parent's Evening (S)

### May

1st - Bank Holiday  
8th - Bank Holiday  
10th - Y7 Parent's Evening (K)  
16th - Y7 Parent's Evening (S)  
25th - PE Trip to Greece (Return 30th)  
26th - School Closes (May half-term)

## Information for exam-taking students this year on Page 19

- Revision apps
- Exam stress
- Tutoring and study

## Open Days

Further dates and universities will be published closer to their respective dates

### April

19th - London School of Economics

### June

15th - University of Glasgow  
16th - University of Bath, University of Leeds, University of Edinburgh  
17th - University of Leeds, University of Manchester, University of Bath, Warwick University  
23rd - University of Birmingham  
24th - University of Birmingham, University of Manchester, Warwick University

28th - Oxford University  
29th - Oxford University  
30th - University of Nottingham, Nottingham Trent University, Loughborough University, UCL, Cardiff University

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# Teacher Strikes

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16/03

membership fee which will be used to finance the work the

## What are strikes?

At its most basic definition, a strike is a form of action taken by employees who are a part of a trade union whereby they refuse to do work to protest. A strike can be used to put pressure on employers or the government to force change. Strikes are organised by trade unions and will be preceded by voting from members. In certain circumstances, strike

union does. How much members pay can depend on how much they earn, or all members pay the same amount, depending on the union. Like other trade unions, teachers trade unions use collective bargaining agreements to protect their members. By collective bargaining, trade unions have helped teachers gain numerous rights including equal pay and fair working conditions, access to various benefits etc. Because the UK have different

action can be protected so employees who do strike can not be fired or punished for striking.

## What are unions and how do they work?

Education trade unions are unified advocates for teachers as well as having an interest in the function of the education system. Trade unions provide support and advice to members who might have been falsely accused by students, staff or parents, teacher well-being, pay, maternity leave etc. With the support of trade unions, members can feel safe within their work environment and receive benefits they wouldn't be offered in their workplace. Trade unions work by members paying a union



education systems in certain areas, most unions only organise in certain parts of the country and focus on particular educators such as headmasters. The NEU (National Education Union) and NASUWT (a union that represents teachers as well as headteachers) mostly represent the majority of educators in England and Wales, while the EIS (Educational Institute of Scotland) represent most teachers in Scotland. Teachers have the right to join a Union, join more than one and belong to a union of their choice. However, employers do not have the right to offer benefits or threaten in hopes of employees leaving unions. This ensures workers who do decide to join a union don't join with the fear of

losing their job On 16th January, the NEU announced it would be striking after 90% of its members that voted supported this action. In order to be able to strike, at least 50% of a union's members must vote in the ballot and they must have a majority that support it. The NEU reached this threshold after 53% of its members participated in the voting, however, not enough members of the other two teaching unions (National Association of Schoolmasters Union of Women Teachers and the National Association of Headteachers) voted, so they were unable to participate in the recent strike action.

## What is the government doing to prevent strikes?

With strikes occurring in different workplaces including railways, hospitals and schools, how has the government responded to the increase in strikes happening in 2023? Well, the government has enacted a bill which would limit the right to strike in some industries. If the bill is made into the law, this means certain strike unions are mandated to work while strikes happen. Bosses are legally able to fire employees who go against this and force them to work during strikes. If the bill does pass, it will be in England, Wales and Scotland, however not in Ireland. If the bill is successful, there are six industries it will apply to: health, fire and rescue, education, border security, nuclear decommissioning and transport. No one knows when the bill will be enacted or if it even will happen.

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The strikes that took place have had many effects on the people involved, particularly the school children. As teachers are not there to teach, students have either had to teach themselves, or learn from home with work set online. This could affect the long-term education of the children, causing them to fall behind which could be detrimental to their future. It also can have negative effects on the school's performance in exams, which could affect the reputation of the school. In addition to this, those striking are not getting paid.



**Picket Line outside The Kimberley School**

## Teacher's Thoughts

In this issue, we spoke to Mr Jolly on the recent strike action and its implications on society. To explain the intentions of these strikes, he described how: "with the disruption, it raises the profile of the debate that is happening... It is inconveniencing the mass population, bringing your argument to the attention of others", and therefore this puts pressure on the government forcing them to act and listen. But what are teachers striking for? With the media and everyone saying pay, is there a deeper reason? "I don't think it's pay that teachers want - I think it's more value. To give up so much of your life – and I don't mean that in a figurative way – I literally sacrifice spending time with my kids so I can do a good job here, and then for people to not think it was worthwhile is really demoralising. That's also why a lot of people are leaving the industry".

We then asked about the education system and why it was in its current fragile state: "The pandemic has led to a lot of children feeling as if they can opt out of education, which is really sad and there should be work done to help them re-engage. I'm a big believer in systems and processes to support those who are most vulnerable in society – but equally underfunding has meant we don't have specialist provision for students who can't control their behaviour and those with special educational needs. I'm not suggesting that these students need to be excluded, I'm suggesting that the system needs to be fundamentally altered so that in mainstream education there is support that will allow them to be successful". We also questioned Mr Jolly on how teaching unions helped to support their members, and he explained that "teaching unions are the ultimate insurance policy. You can't be treated unfairly, and if you are there will be someone to help you in that



dispute". Furthermore, he described how strikes are not the only weapon in the unions' arsenal, "there are other things that we get asked to do as members of the union ... something that we've never done in my time is called 'work to rule', which is where you only work to the basic functions of your job and do not go above and beyond. As teachers, union members or not, we put a lot of our heart and soul into our work, so this would make school a very different place", and this understanding of the protection unions

offer their members is vital to seeing why these strikes are happening. The Government and education unions have agreed to enter "intensive" negotiations on teachers' pay, conditions and workload reduction in order to end strikes hitting schools, they have announced in a joint statement. The NEU has agreed a "period of calm" of two weeks during which no further strike dates will be announced "in order for the talks to begin and, we hope, reach a successful conclusion", the statement said.

## National Education Union

With over 45,000 members, the NEU was founded on the 1st September 2017

### History

Formed from the merging of National Union of Teachers (1870) and the Association of Teachers and Lecturers (1884). NUT was established to represent all school teachers in England and Wales and campaigned for their improved conditions, and the ATL originally worked for the improved education of girls before going on to work for better conditions for teachers.

### What they do and who are they for?

They represent their members to the government, campaign for better education and provide advice and guidance to their members. They represent qualified and trainee teachers, lecturers, support staff or leaders from schools, sixth forms, colleges and higher education facilities

# Cost of living crisis, canteen prices rising

This year we have seen prices across a range of products increase as inflation has risen making our currency worth less against other countries; which has meant the cost of buying goods and services from other nations has increased. Furthermore, the war in Ukraine has meant oil and gas prices have skyrocketed causing energy costs to increase for many companies, which has been passed on to customers like us. For many, this has likely made our homes feel a bit colder as our families try to stop using the heating as much or made the corner shop sweet run not as cheap as before. It may not be something we think about, but it has an element of effect on our livelihoods.

## Interview

We interviewed a Paul Link at The Kimberley School for comment on how the cost-of-living crisis has been affecting the school's canteen and how they make decisions on what food costs, and where we get it from for the student population. When asked about suppliers and whether they have had to think about switching to a cheaper provider: As of yet, they have



not changed supplier however, they are looking for other options as prices increase. It has also meant changes to future menu items have been considered. A current strategy they have listed includes making more supplied products in-house; meaning less pre-made products and more products being baked, cooked, or grilled in our school kitchens. Current modifications include muffins which will come in as 'Deluxe Chocolate muffins' are phased out, as well as aspirations in future to create sandwiches, wraps and baguettes rather than depending on external suppliers. As of yet there have been no major price changes this year, and since budgetary guidelines have not changed significantly they find that there is enough support to meet the difficulties caused by the cost of living crisis.

For now, they argue the opening of the new 'Year 7 Diner' as well as the installation of a new oven to increase baking production and capacity for products will meet the requirements of students.

If you would like to see something new in the canteen or an overall change please contact:

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We raised  **£2260.00**

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To donate more go to:  
**<https://donation.comicrelief.com/>**

# 8th March International Women's Day

## What is IWD?

International Women's Day falls on 8th March every year, as a celebration of equality, and a focal point of women's rights. It brings attention to gender equality, reproductive rights, and violence and abuse against women. Due to many centuries of oppression towards women, this day is incredibly important as it celebrates the significance of women as a crucial part of society. The origins of the day can be traced back to as early as 1909. The name 'National Woman's Day' is found to have been suggested by Theresa Malkiel as part of the Socialist Party of America, originally referring to the date 28th February. There have been claims that the day was celebrating a protest held by female workers on 8th March 1857, however, research has found this to be a myth



**IWD Showcase Reception celebrating women's entrepreneurship**

made with the intention to separate International Women's Day from its socialist origins. On March 19th, 1911, the first International Women's Day was marked by over 1 million people across Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, and Austria. In just Austria-Hungary, there were over 300 demonstrations. Across Europe, women demanded the right to vote, hold office, and the removal of sex-discriminatory employment. The day initially had no set date, but it was observed from late February to

early March. It was first held on 8th March in 1914 in Germany with the attention on demanding women's right to vote, which was not allowed until 1918 in Germany. The day had a more significant and successful movement in the USSR, with Lenin and the Bolsheviks making IWD an official holiday in 1917. After this, the day was celebrated in communist countries until about 1967 when second-wave feminists re-emerged it as a day of activism. The United Nations began to celebrate International Women's Day in 1975, and in 1977 announced March 8th as an official UN holiday, commemorating women's rights, and world peace. Each year since 1996 has held a theme, with 2023 having the theme of "DigitALL: innovation and technology for gender equality". Around the world, IWD is an official holiday in countries such as Cuba, Ukraine,

and Moldova. In places like Australia and Chile, it is not an official holiday but is still widely celebrated. On the day, it is customary for men and women to give gifts to the other gender such as flowers, to demonstrate equality. In Italy, the day is celebrated by men giving yellow mimosas (a type of flower) to women. In some countries such as Romania and Bulgaria, the day is celebrated similarly to Mother's Day, with children also giving gifts to their mothers and grandmothers. The reason this day should still be celebrated today is that despite the advances in gender equality that have occurred in the last few decades, there is still a huge amount of division between men and women, particularly in the workplace. The average wage gap in companies shows men being paid 18.2% more than their female equivalent. A huge amount of stigma is still attached to women, particularly as actions performed by women that are seen as normal are heavily admired and praised when done by men, such as taking care of children. This coupled with the misogynistic attitudes of part of society reinforces the need for this day, to help people to recognise changes that need making.



**Poster with this year's IWD theme**

*If you are interested in learning more about International Women's Day, or about the feminist movement.*

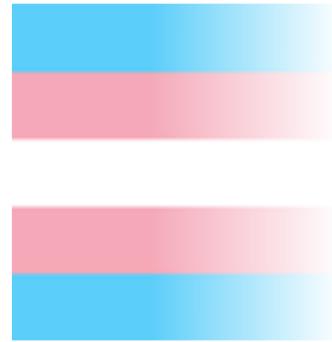
*Please look at*

**internationalwomensday.com**

and

**@feminist** on Instagram

# Trans *31st March* Visibility



## Trans Visibility Day

Trans Visibility Day is celebrated on the 31st of March every year to celebrate everyone who identifies as trans or gender diverse and raise awareness of current issues. It is important to have a day of visibility, however we should keep in mind that trans people face issues everyday too. Trans visibility is such an important event as it reminds us of the challenges we are currently facing and those that have already been overcome. It is a reminder of the progress of trans representation and how things have changed for trans people

over the years. It allows people to be educated on trans issues and what they can do to help. Most importantly it is a day for the celebration of trans people, to express individuality and celebrate identity. Trans Visibility Day should be celebrated by everyone. Visibility is important across the media because trans and gender diverse people need to be represented and celebrated. Trans visibility day was originally celebrated in 2009, the event created from a Facebook post by Rachel Crandall-Crocker. Rachel had wanted a special day to celebrate trans lives as nothing at the time was in place for trans representation, the only other event being Transgender Day of Remembrance (November). Trans Day of Visibility is for everyone to celebrate, so

what can you do on the 31st to show your support? Showing support is simple and easy and can be done in many ways. This is from simply adding your pronouns into your social media accounts or email signatures, to donating to trans inclusive charities. Adding pronouns into your social media accounts is an easy way of showing your support, by normalising pronoun introductions you are helping to create a safer space for transgender and gender diverse people.



Transgender Flag Face Paint

## Useful Information



Although American, the NCTE has a wide range of information on how to support transgender people, including gender-affirming care and activism.

<https://transequality.org/>



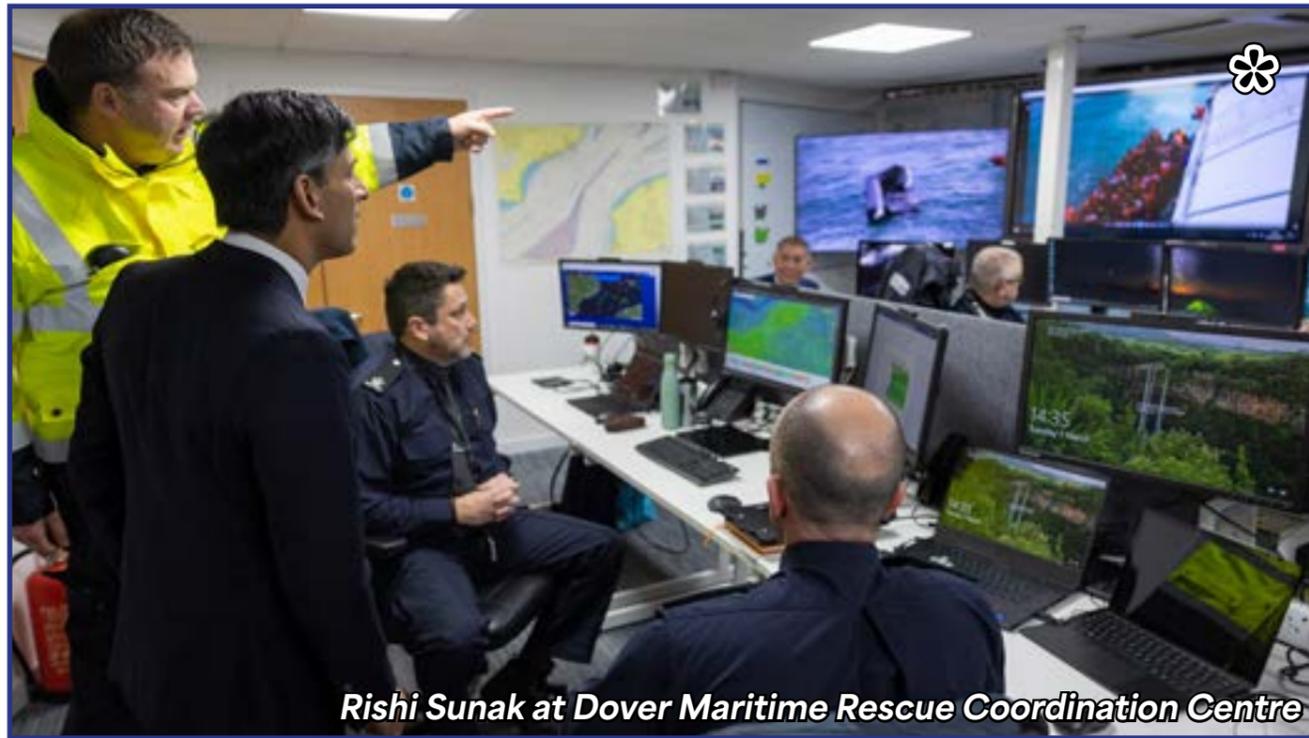
<https://mermaidsuk.org.uk/news/tdov-visibility-is-the-beginning/>



<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/trans-through-the-ages-a-trans-day-of-visibility-event-tickets-550665263627>

The University of Liverpool has a Transgender Visibility Day webinar that anyone can attend through a booking online, and view via Zoom. It takes place on the 31st of March at 2pm, and will last 1.5 hours. It will be focusing on the history of trans people throughout different civilisations

# Immigration law and why you should know about it



Rishi Sunak at Dover Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre

## What is immigration?

Immigration is the movement of people from one country to another. Usually, immigration occurs for several reasons such as to escape war, provide a better life for their family, find higher job opportunities or to even get an education. In this country, we refer to immigration as illegal immigration, but immigration can be perfectly legal and justifiable for the thousands crossing the channel every day. This occurs through seeking asylum. Asylum means when someone asks to be allowed to live in another country because they cannot go back to their home country such as Afghanistan, Ukraine or Syria being the most notable recently. Over 25,000 asylum seekers have made their way to the UK this year via small boats and the number is

rising. However, there is growing concern on accommodation costs and other associated issues which have taken key standing in government policy recently. For example, Prime Minister Rishi Sunak and Home Secretary Suella Braverman have proposed laws that seek to heavily discourage illegal immigration to the UK by asylum seekers by creating harsher penalties for those who attempt to cross in unofficial ways such as across the channel or through smuggling. However, this has not been agreed and supported by the whole country. Recently, the government has brought in new law as of the 7th of March 2023 which heavily criminalises crossing the channel to seek asylum without legal process. This policy will mean illegal immigrants will

## Immigration law and its effects

not be allowed to claim asylum in the UK and will be detained and removed to a 'safe third country' to deter and prevent further crossings. According to Suella Braverman it will be "pushing the boundaries" of international law which has been argued to be admittance to the nature of the law being against the spirit of international law on migrants. Knowledge on immigration and other current policies helps inform yourself and others of the diversity and tolerance we should bring when getting to know others and make us more conscious of our choice of words and decisions. In the 2022 budget the government spent £7 billion of its £11 billion foreign aid budget in the UK to fund detention centres, maritime rescue, and removal/deportation costs. Opponents argue that the deterrent method may not be the best method to prevent migration, they believe a combination of developmental aid and charitable projects will assist to decrease the number of migrants. There is also critique that the UK only takes around 1% of global migrants with 72% living in neighbouring countries to their origin which contrasts to argu-

### Small Boats Press Conference 7th March



ments made over the volume of migrants. However, according to supporters of this legislation, there is backing to their claim that by advertising and promoting new laws targeting illegal immigration they can ensure those who require asylum in the UK will use safe legal routes rather than relying on possible criminal gangs to make the crossing. Government supporters argue, overall, these will deter crossings by those who can find asylum in countries within Europe before they get to the UK. Although, there has not been an assessment of the impacts to refugee children, and students especially those unaccompanied by the Children's Commissioner. As students, we should task ourselves in being studious, that is to take on education and broaden our knowledge. Of course, this is the case in most topics and thus should take on an overview of our lives, just taking the time to read some news or talk with your friends on the issues of the day can develop your critical thinking and benefit yourself. Immigration law does influence us, even if we are not migrants; over 220,000 NHS staff identify as a nationality other than British and furthermore

2000 doctors are retraining after seeking asylum here in the UK according to the British Medical Association. Even then, multiculturalism and ethnic inclusivity often broadens cultural knowledge and lines up with the British values of tolerance. I hope this allowed you to be more informed, to find further information use reliable sites such as the BBC and AP News to get up to date and fast information on all policy.

# Football

Unfortunately for Nottingham Forest, they were winless in March, starting the month with a 2-2 draw to Everton at home, a marvellous performance from Brenan Johnson let down by lapses in concentration by his defence. Next, they travelled away to Tottenham Hotspur where they suffered 3-1 defeat after Spurs dominated the first half with Forest not really coming into the game until half time, scoring in the 81\* minute then having a penalty saved in the '93. Finally, they ended the month with a 2-1 loss to Newcastle. Emmanuel

Dennis opened the scoring with a sublime chip but a late first half goal expertly put

away by Alexander Isaac levelled the score. This was followed by an awfully close second half, however, in the 94th minute, a handball from Nhikate gave away a penalty, calmly finished by Isaac for his second of the game.

However, over the other side of the river Trent Notts County continue their fabulous season extending their unbeaten run, with wins over Dorking and Eastleigh. They drew against Bromley and Barnett. Bromley dominated possession but were set back by Adam Marriot's penalty but rescued by Macaulay Langstaff, adding to his extensive goal. Tally this season with a 90th minute equalizer. This was followed with a confident win over Dorking, even after going 1-0 down to a Jason Prior goal. They responded well with a Langstaff goal 6 minutes later then another from Langstaff just after half term, wrapped up nicely with an 85-minute Matthew Palmer goal. They then went on to beat Eastleigh 3-1, then ending this month with a 1-1 draw away to Barnet

# Ice Hockey

March has been a largely poor month for Nottingham Panthers, starting the month with a loss 4-1 at home to Sheffield. Though, they managed to pick up a win away to Guildford flames 4-3. After that they lost to Fife Flyers 3-2 in a close match, picking up only their second win in March away to Dundee stars 2-1. However, they ended the month with 4 consecutive losses against Coventry, Sheffield, Storm, and Dundee stars. They sit 7th in the Elite League having played 50 with 42 points.

# SPORTS

# Cricket

Finally, in news of cricket, there is not much. Notts started their preseason with a friendly against Derby on 23rd/24th which was left as a draw due to the weather. They played with promise, having three batters scoring over fifty. Another preseason friendly is scheduled for 27th and 28th against Loughborough.



# Extracurricular Activities

## 1 - Gym

- Monday:** Thai Boxing\* (MWE), limited to 26
- Wednesday:** Dodgeball (BC/LNH)
- Thursday:** Table Tennis (BC/MXB)
- Friday:** Boccia (LSC)

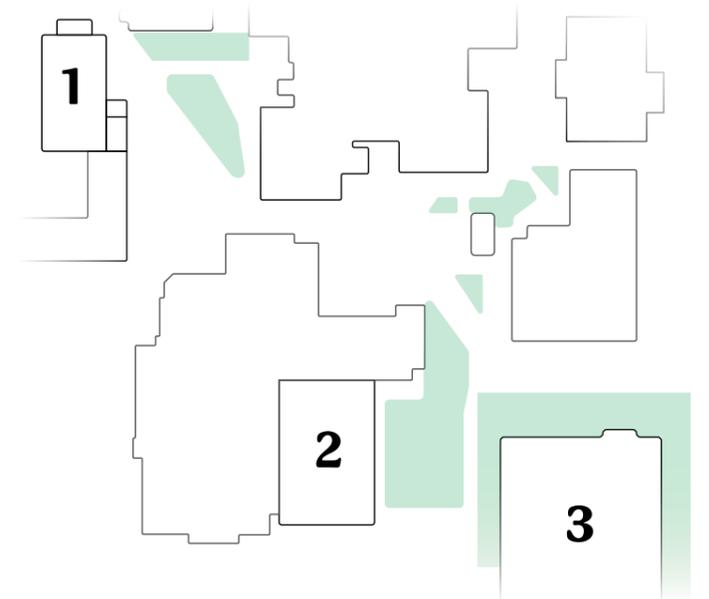
## 2 - Sports Hall

- Monday:** Badminton (DIS/LNH)
- Tuesday:** Basketball (BC/MWE)
- Wednesday:** Badminton (BC/MXB)
- Friday:** Basketball (MWE/MXB), GCSE Trampolining\* (LNH/DIS)

## 3 - Astro Pitches

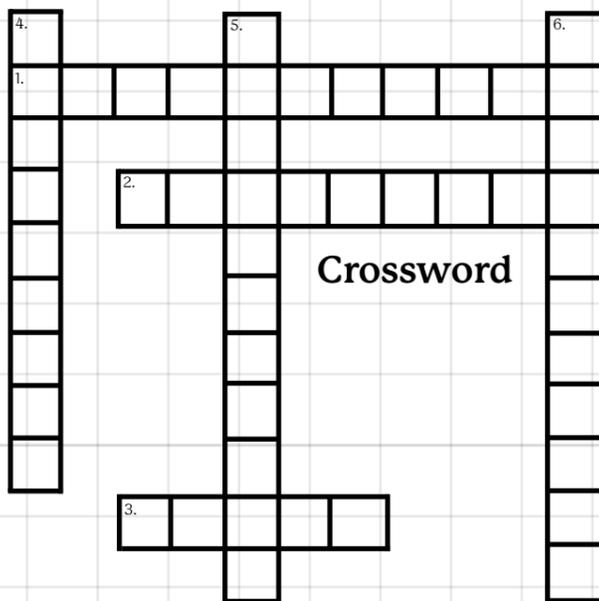
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- Thursday:** Year 7-8 Football (MWE/LSC)  
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- Friday:** Year 9-11 Football (AW)

Lunchtime (12:30 - 13:00)  
\* = Afterschool (3:30-4:15/30)



# THE COMFORT COLUMN

## Need a break?



### Crossword

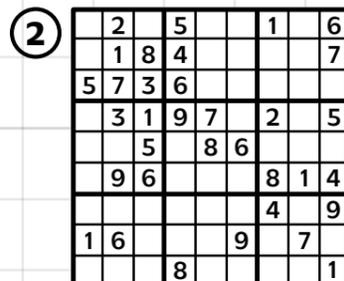
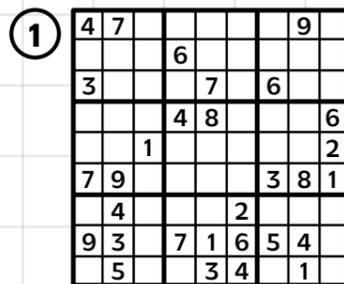
#### Across

- Voices Elsa in Disney's Frozen
- They were slapped at the Oscars
- "Hello from the other side"

#### Down

- Who slapped 1. at the Oscars
- The most successful of One Direction
- Serena van der Woodsen in Gossip Girl

## Sudoku



## Need to Talk?



Bullying, Self-harm, exam stress. Share if you need to talk; there's always someone

Beat provides helplines for people of all ages offering support and information about eating disorders. If you or someone close to you has been affected. Talk to someone



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### Answers

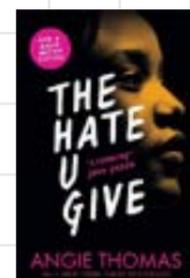


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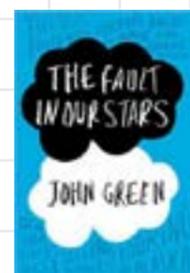
Offers clinical sexual health services (pregnancy, contraception, sex and STIs) as well as education and wellbeing services for young people aged 11-25

## This month's reads



Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighbourhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer.

Reading age: 15+



Despite the tumour shrinking, a medical miracle that has brought her a few years. Hazel has never been anything but terminal, her final chapter inscribed on diagnosis. But when a gorgeous plot twist named Augustus Waters suddenly appears at a Cancer kid support group, Hazel's story is about to be completely rewritten

Reading age: 13+



Charlie and Nick are at the same school, but they've never met ... until one day when they're made to sit together.

Reading age: 11+

# Productivity Corner

## Want to be productive?

### Productivity! - This month's 5 productivity tasks:

#### 1. Learn a new skill:

Step out of your comfort zone and do something you have never done before.

#### 2. Go on a walk:

Choose somewhere nice and picturesque and go as far as your legs can carry you

#### 3. Make a list of your bad habits:

Making a list of your bad habits may help you work on yourself

#### 4. Clear out your emails:

Come on you know you've got 1,567 emails just waiting to be cleared from your inbox.

#### 5. Start a DIY project:

No time like the present to get creative, Pinterest is a great place to start to get inspiration.

### Top apps for productivity



#### Notion

It's an all in one productivity solution, a way of minimising the number of apps you need. Notion provides note taking features, task management software, you name it, it's there.



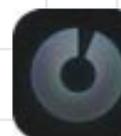
#### Flora

Flora blocks distracting apps such as Snapchat, Instagram or games in a motivational way to help you focus on what's more important to you at the time.



#### Study Smarter

Create flashcards instead of notes in record time, access shared study materials as well as textbooks from leading publishers, and get a personalised study plan. Everything in one app!



#### One Sec

One Sec forces you to take a deep breath whenever you open social media apps, it's as simple as effective, making distracting apps less appealing.

### The "Do's and Don't's" of the month - revision tips

Do's	Don'ts
Try to recall what you remember on that topic. Look back at your notes to fill in the gaps in a different colour to identify weaker areas. ✓	Directly copy your school notes word for word onto a revision poster. ✗
Ask your teachers or friends for help. Don't be afraid to ask or you'll never know where you've gone wrong and how to improve next time. ✓	Skip over questions you get stuck on when doing practice exam papers. ✗
Try to relax from time to time and keep doing the things you enjoy. This will help you stay motivated throughout your revision. ✓	Turn into a revision zombie and stop yourself from having any fun. ✗

### Useful websites

#### Physics and Maths Tutor

GCSEs to A-Levels there are past papers, summary notes and videos for all core subjects on physics and maths tutor.

Link: [www.physicsandmathstutor.com](http://www.physicsandmathstutor.com)

#### Save my Exams

A simple website with exam paper questions, all topics, from GCSE to A-Levels.

Link: [www.savemyexams.co.uk](http://www.savemyexams.co.uk)

#### Get revising

A great website with a variety of different revision tools including a personalised revision time table feature

Link: [www.getrevising.co.uk](http://www.getrevising.co.uk)

# Reader Submissions

## ★ Featured Artwork

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Experimenting with Colour and Tone



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The Green Man



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# Pets of the Paper

Ollie, Libby Bales, Year 11



Reader's Choice



Diesel, George Priest, Year 12

Editor's Choice

## Hound of the Half-Term

Runners-Up



Hound of the half-term is a reader-submitted competition where readers submitted their pet dogs to be voted on and was completed over the course of a school week. There are further plans to include other pets the next paper, more information will be posted closer to the date of the next publication on our Instagram account;

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We hope everyone enjoyed the competition and wish everyone good luck on our next campaign.

# News in a Nutshell 🌐

Quick headlines from across the globe

## Humanitarian

- Ukraine War continues with Putin visiting Mariupol
- More earthquakes strike Turkey and Syria with the death toll at 50,000+
- At a Rohingya refugee camp, a fire has left 12,000 shelterless
- 1000s of Iranian girls poisoned with gas at all-girls schools across Iran
- Fuel depot fire in Jakarta causes evacuation for hundreds

## Business

- Fruit and vegetable shortages hit supermarkets across the UK
- ARM, UK-based computer chip producer considers FTSE stock listing unviable
- Silicon Valley Bank and Signature Bank collapse, with UBS taking over Credit Suisse over fears of a banking crisis

## Environment

- Nations finally agree treaty to preserve 30% of oceans by 2030
- India sees hottest February ever as temperatures expected to rise
- Lawyers refuse to prosecute climate campaigners over moral grounds
- Vanuatu hit by second cyclone within days, including an earthquake
- Scotland climate fund praised by climate-affected nations

## Politics

### United Kingdom

- Humza Yousaf becomes Scotland's first Pakistani First Minister.
- Boris Johnson heavily denies findings of Partygate investigation
- Labour bans Jeremy Corbyn from standing at the next general election

### United States

- West Virginia passes a 'Religious Refusal' Bill allowing anyone to reject law based on religious grounds
- Gun reform discussion across the US as another school shooting occurs
- Mississippi bans gender affirming healthcare for under 18s
- Republican party attempting to move to a post-Trump era, but Trump sentiments still high amongst members

### Global

- The Taliban have banned contraception calling it a Western conspiracy
- Xi Jinping's third-term marked by increased military budget and escalating threats
- Thousands defy protest ban by Tunisian President
- Australian PM Albanese, first to march at pride parade
- Israel rocked by protests over PM Netanyahu's plans to weaken judicial powers.
- Paris unrest continues over pension reform

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