

THE RADCLIFFE SCHOOL
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RAD NEWS

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100% of our parents feel their children are safe at The Radcliffe School.

100% of our parents feel their children are taught well at The Radcliffe School.

100% of our parents believe their children are making good progress at The Radcliffe School.

100% of our parents would recommend The Radcliffe School to another parent.

News from The Core

English writes:

Students are continuing their hard work in English and are preparing for their end of unit assessments to show us the progress they have made over this half term. The Year 9s have been enjoying reading *Of Mice and Men* with lots of pupils showing a real engagement with the text. Year 11 have just finished their first round of mock exams and we will have their results shortly which will allow us to identify individual needs for their revision. Year 10 will be moving onto poetry after the half term. Pupils often find the idea of poetry challenging so please support their learning by having conversations with your child about the poems they are studying. The Year 12 students have been working hard to offer paired reading opportunities to some of the Year 7 students and it has been lovely to watch them reading together. As a result of this scheme we anticipate literacy levels will improve and confidence and social awareness will develop.

Maths writes:

ACTIVE LEARN HOMEWORK AND INDEPENDENT STUDY

1. Go to www.pearsonactivelearn.com
2. Login in with your school email
3. Your password is changeme747 if you are in Year 7.
4. If you are in yr 8-11, and you either haven't logged on before OR you have forgotten your password, then type in your school email and click on 'forgot your password'. You will then receive an email allowing you to provide your own password.
5. You can change your password if you wish where it allows you to
6. 'Accept' the terms and conditions
7. Optional: set memorable questions to retrieve password
8. Click on 'tasks'
9. Click on task and start!
10. Do all questions set by scrolling down to find each of them.
Check 'status' if unsure whether all have been completed
eg 3/14 completed.
11. For Info: These are the exact style of questions that will be in every test, including your final GCSE exam.

Try your best. Whatever you put in to your homework you will get out ☺

Useful websites

<http://corbettmaths.com/>
<http://www.mrbartonmaths.com>
mathsgenie.co.uk

Maths Revision Guides

- Available to purchase from the attendance office.
- Only £2.50.
- These work together with your revision workbook to help explain all the topics.



Science writes:

At the end of this first half term we have welcomed potential new students for next year and our Year 11 have been getting a feel for the examinations to come at the end of the year.

On 13 October we opened three of our eight laboratories to show potential Year 7 students what science is like at secondary school. Each room combined theory with a chance to get involved with hands on practical activities. There was even a chance for a change to their hairstyle using the Van de Graaff generator a real favourite with all, even some of the parents had a makeover in The Radcliffe Salon.



Year 11 took part in a “Walking Talking Mock” where, guided by the Head of Science, they were encouraged to try some ideas on how to squeeze every last mark out of a paper and reduce time when checking their work. The students then had a full on examination experience which included up to four science examinations. (They will be taking 6 or 9 real examinations in May/June.) Early indications from the papers being marked suggest that many students did try some of the techniques from the Walking Talking Mock and we look forward to working with Year 11 on DIRT activities to let them evaluate (and improve) their examination success.



Modern Foreign Languages

Vocab Express House Competition.

For the Languages House Competition, 47 fantastic students came and battled it out for points on Vocab Express.

The results per year group in the House Competition were as follows:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
1. McConnell	1 – Cowper	1 – Hayes	1 – Hayes
2. Cowper	2 – McConnell	2 – Lee	2 – Cowper
3. Lee	3 - Hayes	3 – McConnell	3 – Lee
4. Hayes	4 – Lee	4 – Cowper	4 – McConnell

Congratulations to the following students for taking part in the House Competition:

Year 7

Mia Thomson
Sophia Santos-Bravo
Lily Baverstock
Charlie Cook
Tom Young
Mason Cram
Megan Conisbee
Danny Sedgwick
Maira Usmani
Caitlyn English
Mitchell Rae

Year 8

Ben Mirfin
Alexei Vitosinschi
Josh Watcham
Grace Youan-Lou
Bentley Granville
Milo Brown
Ameer Hussain
Ethan Aninor
Josh Reilly-Flynn
Elisa Ainsworth
Amani Trigo
Isabel Eaton

Year 9

Georgina Walsh
Elliott Shears
Faizan Abid
Katie Thompson
Rachel Thompson
Joe Smith
Silas Frost
Ella Carey
Maisa Ahmad
Deborah Oyebowale
Eve Davis
Georgia Anderson

Year 10

Sam Mirfin
Charlie Nash
Saba Siddiq
Harry Taylor
Ododo Ogundiran
Zainab Athumani
Laura Hutchinson
Edweena Aninor
Lauren Bye
Maddie Sturgeon
Hubert Wrobel
Ismail Hussain
Mia Hower

Our house competition also coincided with the international League of Champions Competition, where schools from across the world compete for the most points in several different languages. This meant the hundreds of points gained during the competition counted towards the school's tally.

Our students accrued a fantastic **217,395** points, which placed us on the Genius Cup leaderboard in an incredible 16th place! We also placed in the top 20 on the overall leaderboards for German, Urdu, Portuguese, Russian, Japanese, Polish and Hebrew.

A special mention should go to **Rachel Thompson**, whose individual score of 55,705 points achieved 21st place on the overall student leaderboard, and **Katie Thompson**, who achieved 25th place with 52,435 points.

Congratulations and well done to all those who took part!



SIXTH FORM MATHS GCSE RETAKE REVISION SESSIONS

Tuesday 25 October (half term) 12.00 – 1.30pm in M3

Tuesday 1 November P5 and P6 in S22

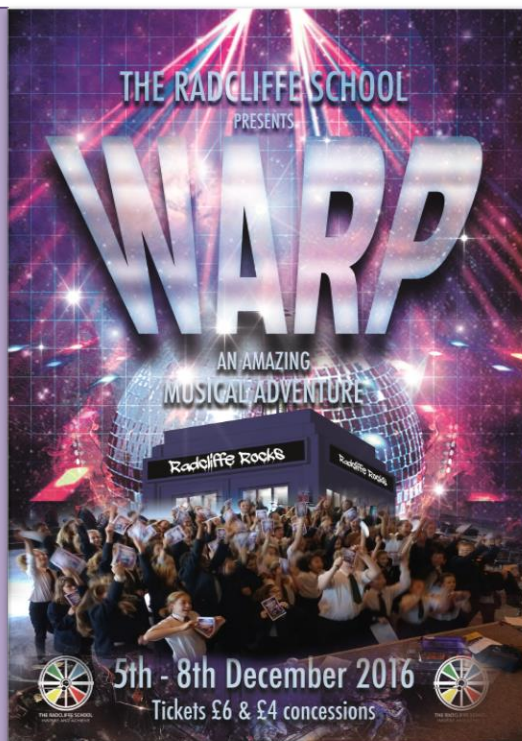
Thursday 3 November P5 and P6 in SH2

School Production

A Teaser of “Warp” To Come

The first teaser taster of the upcoming December musical ‘Warp’ smashed into action last Thursday. Music, Drama and Dancing filled the hall with energy making a lasting impression to potential new students and parents of The Radcliffe School. Thank you to all students who performed and supported with the set-up and rehearsals plus the teaching team, Zoe Ballard, Sam Norman and Anna Varty who made it all happen. It’s gonna be a belter!

Tickets are now on sale at break and lunches – get them quick, they sell fast!

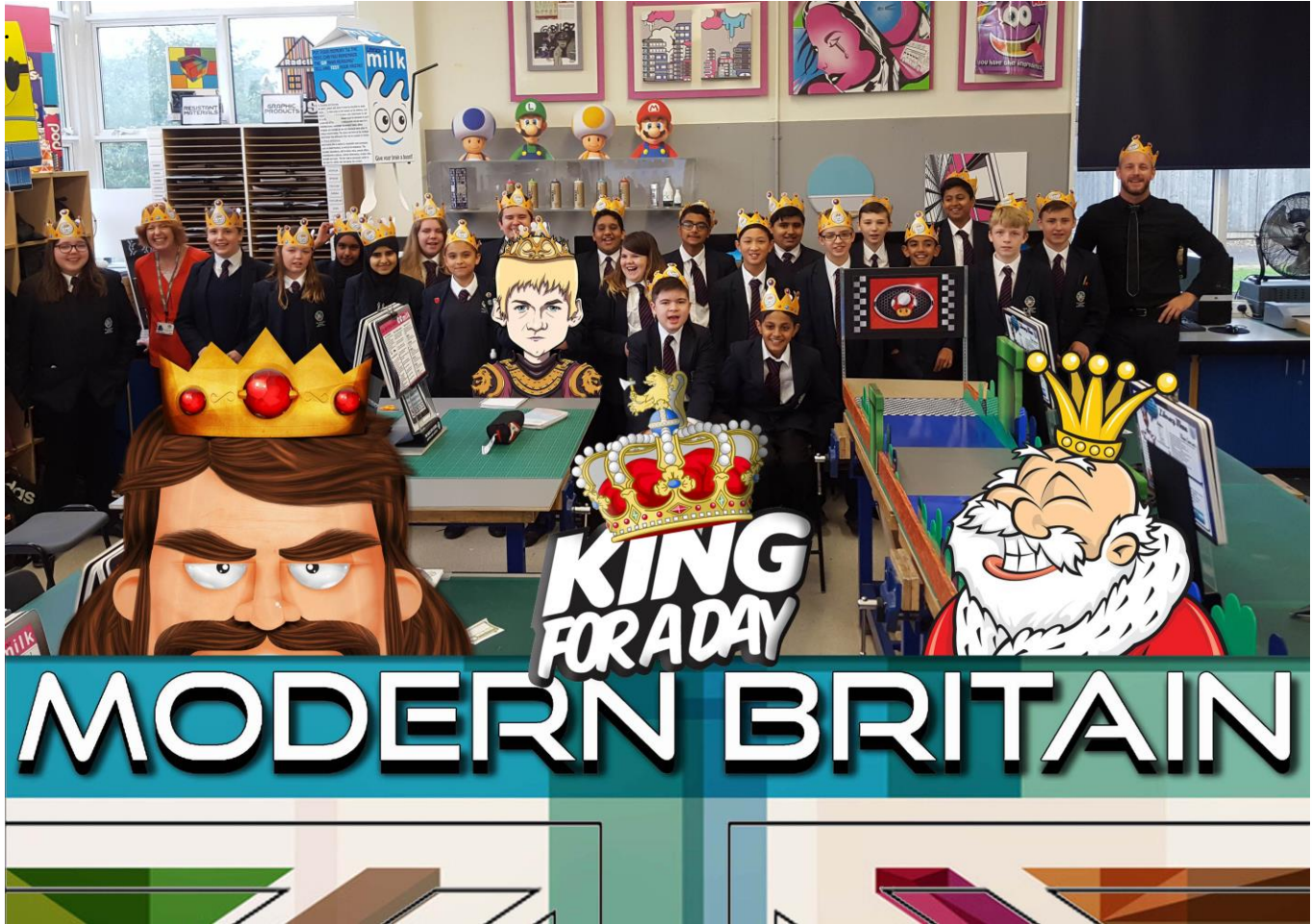


Business

Over 20 teams, including 3 staff teams, took part in the first stage of the Student Investor Challenge in their quest to win a trip to New York. £100,000 of virtual money was invested in the Stock Market. The second stage started on Monday 17 October 2016 and teams can still register by visiting Mrs Cuthbert in D11 at lunchtimes.

All of the Year 9 Business students took part in the "Pepsi Challenge" with many students successfully being able to taste the difference between various brands of Pepsi and Coca Cola through blind taste testing.

Modern Britain



Year 8 Modern Britain students have been a 'KING FOR THE DAY' - discussing what changes they would make towards a more successful and enjoyable society.

The Radcliffe School

Awarded a Silver Medal for School Games

Information gathered from the academic year 2015/2016



Sport England looks at the range of opportunities the school provides for students to engage with sport and are judged on the following headings;

- Participation
- Competition
- Leadership and training
- Clubs
- Sport “programme accessible to all.”

- ☒ Opportunities for young people to participate in physical activity.
- ☒ System in place to track young people's participation in the School Games.
- ☒ Calendar of competitions which demonstrates opportunities for young people.
- ☒ Engages students in leading, managing and officiating in School Games activity.
- ☒ Engaging pupils in extracurricular sporting activity every week.
- ☒ Provides approved School Games competition at Level 1 & Level 2.

The PE department would like to thank all those that have helped the school to achieve this award.

We also encourage all students to:

- Attend clubs at lunchtime, or after school
- Take part in a house competitions
- Represent the school in inter school fixtures
- Help to lead a competition for one of our festivals





Here are the results from our interschool fixtures played between September – October.

Year 7 Boys Rugby Radcliffe 15 vs. 5 Hazeley Academy

Player of the Match: Max Cole

Year 7 Boys Rugby Radcliffe 25 vs. 5 Walton High

Player of the Match: Max Cole

Year 7 Girls Football Radcliffe 4 vs. 6 MK Academy

Player of the Match: Katie Barby

Year 7 Girls Football Radcliffe 10 vs. 3 Hazeley Academy

Player of the Match: Lily Ramsden

Year 7 Girls Netball Radcliffe 6 vs. 9 Shenley Brook End

Player of the Match: Izzy Marshall

Year 8 Boys Football Radcliffe 0 vs. 15 St Pauls

Player of the Match: Yannis Hamilton

Year 9 Boys Football Radcliffe 2 vs. 0 St Pauls

Player of the Match: Josh Max-Grant

Year 10 Boys Football Radcliffe 4 vs. 4 MK Academy

Player of the Match: Kross Williams

Year 10 Girls Netball Radcliffe 0 vs. 15 Shenley Brook End

Player of the Match: Jasmine Kerley

Year 11 Boys Football Radcliffe 3 vs. 7 Stantonbury

Player of the Match: Reuben Kester

Year 11 Girls Football Radcliffe 0 vs. 2 Hazeley Academy

Player of the Match: Kacey Calvin

Year 11 Netball Tournament Radcliffe 5th

Player of the Tournament: Emily Bartlett



PE Department News

**Bucks Schools Football &
Northampton Saints DDP**



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On Thursday 29th September 4 students from The Radcliffe School attended trials for Buckinghamshire Schools FA U14 Boys Squad held at Oakgrove School in Milton Keynes.

The standard at the trials was very high, with many academy players present and, as such, even selection for the trials - which placed boys in the top 80 U14 school footballers in Bucks - should be considered an outstanding achievement in its own right.

Following the North & South Bucks Trials for the Bucks Schools FA U14 Boys County Squad 2016-2017, we are pleased to announce that 3 students from The Radcliffe School have been selected for the squad.

- **Finlay Hayes** (Year 9)
- **Tyler McGregor** (Year 9)
- **Moudathir Said** (Year 9)

The Radcliffe School and the PE Department wish these boys the best of luck in their forthcoming county fixtures.



Congratulations also to **Finlay McMahon** (Year 9) who has been selected to join the Northampton Saints U14 Developing Player Program.

The DPP ensures that youngsters receive more frequent sessions during the course of a season and more consistent feedback to enable them to develop as players. And as the club's youth development pathway continues to grow, the DPP has come to complement the Elite Player Development Groups that in turn feed the Junior Saints Academy.

CIAG News

Another busy couple of weeks for CIAG. Personalised interviews with year 11 students continue, year 10 students have now all participated in a career workout helping them to build essential skills ready for their work experience. Year 12 and 13 career workouts will commence after half term.

A year 9 trip is scheduled this Friday (21 October) to Bucks New university which is aimed at raising aspirations early and giving students an opportunity to speak to university students.

We are also pleased to announce we will be holding a careers fair next February with many employers and HE/FE providers already confirmed. We look forward to giving you more information soon.



A2B would like to thank all students and staff that took part in the inter-house competition last week. Success was measured through the teamwork displayed and the thoughtfulness of the suggestions received.

Cowper House Winners:

CGT

CLB

McConnell House Winners

MCP

MPD & MCH

Hayes House Winners

HSN

HPM

Lee House Winners

LMR

LCR

Behind the treasure hunt was a serious message for everyone. It was great to hear that students knew how and when to report something they saw or heard that wasn't acceptable in the Radcliffe School community.

Suggestions or ideas are always welcome

The A2B Team

William Cowper House

Overall Sports

Overall Attitude to Learning

KS3 Science

KS3 Maths

KS4 Maths

Yr 10 Boys Table Tennis

Yr 10/11 Girls Football

Yr 10/11 Girls Netball

Yr 7 Boys Basketball

Yr 7 Boys Dodgeball

Yr 7 Girls Badminton

Yr 8 Boys Dodgeball

Yr 8 Boys Football

Yr 8 Boys Sports Day

Yr 8 Boys Table Tennis

Yr 8 Girls Dodgeball

Yr 8 Girls Netball

Yr 9 Boys Basketball

Yr 9 Boys Dodgeball

Yr 9 Boys Football

Yr 9 Boys Softball

Yr 9 Boys Sports Day

Yr 9 Boys Table Tennis

Yr 9 Girls Dodgeball

Yr 9 Girls Football

Yr 9 Girls Sports Day



Dedication + Motivation = Success

Jennie Lee House

Overall Vivo Points

Yr 11 Boys Football

Yr 7 Boys Football

Yr 7 Girls Netball

Yr 8 Girls Football

Yr 8 Girls Rounders

Yr 8 Girls Sports Day

Yr 9 Girls Netball



We lead; others follow

James McConnell House

Overall Punctuality

KS4 Business

Literacy Task

Yr 10 Boys Dodgeball

Yr 10 Boys Football

Yr 10/11 Boys Softball

Yr 10/11 Girls Dodgeball

Yr 11 Boys Table Tennis

Yr 7 Boys Table Tennis

Yr 7 Girls Football

Yr 7 Girls Rounders

Yr 7 Girls Sports Day



Edward Hayes House

Overall House Award

Overall Attendance

KS4 Science

KS3 Maths

KS3 Business

Art

KS3 Humanities

KS4 Humanities

Bake Off

Yr 10 Boys Basketball

Yr 10 Boys Sports Day

Yr 10 Girls Sports Day

Yr 10/11 Girls Badminton

Yr 10/11 Girls Rounders

Yr 11 Boys Basketball

Yr 11 Boys Dodgeball

Yr 7 Boys Sports Day

Yr 7 Girls Dodgeball

Yr 8 Boys Basketball

Yr 8 Boys Softball

Yr 8 Girls Badminton

Yr 9 Girls Badminton

Yr 9 Girls Dodgeball

Yr 9 Girls Rounders



Meet your House Managers for 2016/2017

William Cowper House



Dedication + Motivation = Success

Jennie Lee House



We lead; others follow

Meet your House Managers for 2016/2017

James McConnell House



Responsibility, Expectation, Determination



Edward Hayes House



High Standards = High Achievers



Cowper News



"I am sure you will agree that this half term has been an exceptionally quick and busy one. We have had our first round of year 11 mock exams and I would like to congratulate students for their hard work. Cowper House is currently flying in first place in the overall standings and I am pleased that we have had over 120 students with 100% attendance this half term. I would also like to thank all students who have taken part in school and house events this half term, particularly those who have gone above and beyond in lessons and who have supported the recent tutor and Year 6 information evenings. You represented yourself, the school and our house with pride. Lastly, have a great half term break, rest well and come back ready to learn, progress, achieve, celebrate and enjoy the second half of the Autumn term."

House Council 2016/2017

CAS	Hailie Gover
CLB	Declan Lygo-Baker
CSD	Kim Cooper
CES	Danni Goke-Adedeji
CGT	Taylor Codrai
CLP	Moudathir Said
CHB	Ben Mirfin
CTB	Sinead Crowther
CSM	Georgia Gaffee
CSK	Paigan Huish
CTK	Hannah Stanton
CKR	Katie Barby

Pride of Cowper

Hailie Gover
Stef Arganello
Sophia Santos-Bravo
Moudathir Said
Tyler McGregor


Star of the term

CAS	Alexei Vitosinschi
CLB	Eleanor Copley
CSD	Leyton Hewlett
CES	Shifa Khan
CGT	Taylor Codrai
CLP	Ellie Cooper
CHB	Jessie-Mae Edmunds
CTB	Phoebe Dexter
CSM	Liam Cooper
CSK	Brandon McGlen
CTK	Hannah Stanton
CKR	Istvan Olah

"Viva La Vivo" Awards

Sophia Santos-Bravo 105	Fae Denholm 89
Hannah Smith 86	Alexei Vitonsinschi 86
	Hailie Gover 85

Lee News



A word from Lee Head of House, Miss Girt:

"It has been a busy first half term with lots of activities happening in school. LEE house have represented the school fantastically with their participation at the open evening, tutor evening and house competitions. It has been fantastic to see how well our Year 7's have settled in and already they are a credit to the school. Have a restful half term and prepare for the next term- look forward to seeing the students participate in many more opportunities as the year develops."

The following LEE students will be representing the house as part of the House Council this year. They will be involved in making decisions on how we organise the house, run events and are the voice of the house when it comes to representation at the school council.

Edweena Aninor
Riley Larkin
Christine Tamrazi
Connor Smith

Joshua Jones
Jack Young
Teri-Lea Jones
Cora Ainsworth

Dua Fatima
Tom Young
Luca Blackwell
Luis Maguire

Anna Bulman
Matty Boddy
Alex Medina
Faris Ahmad

Vivo La Viva!

The top 5 students for collecting Vivos in the house this half term are:

5th Dua Fatima
4th Faris Ahmad
3rd Tanya Akhtar
2nd Alfie Cruickshank
1st Caitlin Bird

Representing LEE with pride

Tracy Addington - house spirit for giving house football a go!
Finlay McMahon- rugby trial for Northampton Saints and being selected!

Year 9 girls football team- winner!
Year 9 boys football team- winner!
Year 10/11 girls football team-winner!

McConnell News



A word from Head of McConnell House, Ms. Haddock:

"I write this on the eve of my first McConnell House Celebration assembly and I am truly looking forward to celebrating such a wonderful House of students.

Almost 100 students will receive acknowledgement for 100% attendance this half-term, a tremendous start to the academic year. A student from each tutor group will receive the 'star of the term' award for inspirational reasons such as, assisting younger students and leading tutorial activities. The following students will be recognised as the 'Pride of McConnell' for their contribution to extra-curricular activities and volunteer work - **Jasmine Myhill, Shonté Moxam, Fred Charles, Verity Marangos, Abbie North and Jess Yeo.**

We will also end the half-term in second place in the House competition, largely due to the successes of the KS3 team's effort in the MFL competition and Year 7 girls' and Year 11 boys' sporting prowess in the football competition.

The year has started well and the future looks bright for the McConnell House.

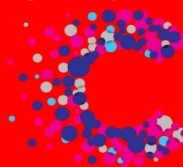
Our students should have a good rest next week so that they can come back and compete for first place in the House competition!"

Responsibility

Expectations

Determination

McConnell House students have chosen the charity they would like to support this year. Students listened to the work of 10 charities and then voted for their preferred charity, the votes were counted and the winning charity was...



CANCER
RESEARCH
UK

Hayes News



A word from Hayes Head of House, Mr Lee: "Well done to everyone in Hayes. We have made a very positive start and after taking a second to breath we are now at the first half term of the year! So far this year we have shown a commitment of the house in a number of events, gaining joint first overall in the MFL competition, and delivering teams for the football events so well done to the house managers for a positive term. Daisy and Jenson are currently working to develop the house council and start their first project of the year – the House charity. I wish them and the rest of you a fantastic half term break."

High Standard = High Achievers

Stars of the term

This half term the following students have been acknowledged by their tutor as someone who is standing out and have been awarded the Star of the term.

HAT – Kerryanne Martin Merchant

HMR – Sobia Balal

HMT – Cameron Tait

HMP – Oliver Ford

HLT – Emrys Koko

HSN – Camron Ericson Egglezakis

HNC – Adam Price

HMN – Daisy Johnson

HGC – Magda Gawlik

HTO – Salma Dakane

HKM – Nathan Thompson

HPM – Alicia Goddard

The following 5 students have been acknowledged by myself and

Mrs Thompson as students who have

represented the house with pride this half term.

Year 7 – Momana Tayyab

Year 8 – Carly Clarke

Year 9 – Daisy York

Year 10 – Joe Inchley

Year 11 – Lewis McDade

Congratulations

This terms 100% attenders!

115 students

Thomas Akinola, Zainab Athumani, Camron Austin, Kyle Ayris, Emma Baitey, Elliot Balchin-Love, Abigail Barnett, Kian Bath, Amy Beddall, Amber Bentum, Aliza Blackwell, Carolann Blackwell, Ivan Blazicko, Megan Boughton, Chloe Bourne, Emily Bourne, Connor Bowser, Rebecca Bradburn, Logan Brown, Charlotte Bruce, Shannon Clark, Carly Clarke, Charlie Cook, Phoebe Copestake, Thomas Craney, Oliver Critchley, Nicole Cummings, Paige Curtis, Ben Drinkwater, Jamie Drinkwater, Justus Duodo-Owusu, Jamie Durrant, James Edwards, Lawrence Edwards, Skye Elsey, Matthew Evans, Rachel Evans, Jasmine Flach, Kacey Formella, Dylan Gates, Jade Gates, Jasmine Gates, Magda Gawlik, Alicia Goddard, Layla Goddard, Riley Goddard, Tamzin Good, Andy Gorski, Bentley Granville, Mercedes Granville, Connie Green, Daniel Green, Jessica Hamilton, Kayla Hamilton, Yannis Hamilton, Rory Hammond, Lily Hatwell, Miller Hartle, Rashaan Hersi, Sam Holloway-Smith, Georgia Howard, Andrew Hutchinson, Laura Hutchinson, Joseph Inchley, Daisy Johnson, Ian Kamau, Lucia Kay, Joshua Kempton, Vithuja Kipson, Emrys Koko, Tyler Lasner, Milan Leal, Ciara Lowe, Taylor Lowe, Daisy-May Lugg, Lucy Mallett, Daisy Martin, Kerryanne Martin-Merchant, Bradley Mather, Dominik Michulec, Usoni Nzundu, Ododo Ogundiran, Abigail O'Kane, Molly Oliver, Owen Price, Lily Ramsden, Delta Reynolds, Elizabeth Rowley, Alister Scott, Joshua Scott, Pedro Silva, Joseph Smith, Leighton Stubbings, Abigail Sunasky, Shea Swhyer, Cameron Tait, Jenson Taylor, Abigail Techie, Elsie Techie, Katie Thompson, Rachel Thompson, Logan Valor, Zachary Watts, Damien Wells, Tara White, Anya Williams, Haydon Wood, Lewis Wood, Theo Woodcock, Alfie Woodgate, Ella York, Grace Youan-Lou