

The Griffin

TLA ANNUAL AWARD'S EVENING

Our Annual Prize Evening was held on Thursday 11 October to celebrate the effort and achievement of all our students during the Academic Year 2017 - 2018.

We were pleased to welcome Mr Holder, Headteacher of The Philip Morant School and College who presented the prizes. He very much enjoyed meeting our students

The evening was a great success and very well supported by a large number of parents, families and friends.

Ms H Boast
Headteacher

The winners of this year's Special Awards were:



Winner	Category
Ella Hardcastle	Rotary Club of Mersea Island Award - For Ella's continued effort and enthusiasm towards the School Council. Ella often comes up with activities that school council can do for fundraising.
Anna Denney	Darren Pudney Memorial Shield - Anna is a natural scientist and she has exceptional ability in this field, across all three sciences. She is a fantastic role model for other students and is an invaluable support to her peers, helping them when they find a concept difficult.
Ellie Bishop	Stephen Rumney Memorial Award for the Student with the Most Outstanding Service to Others - For Ellie's fund raising for Dylan a student in her Tutor Group who became very poorly. Ellie did a sponsored 2km open water swim raising £1500 and organised an inter school Netball match Girls v Boys and staff match.

Assemblies for Week Commencing 29 October

This week Mr Essex will be taking the assemblies Year 11 and House assemblies and they will be on the topic of 'Expectations'.

Child Protection Policy

The Thomas Lord Audley School's Child Protection Policy is available via the School Web-site

TLA Participate in Drone Challenge

On 16 October TLAs Team Griffins FPV's met up with the rest of the schools around Colchester taking part in the Airineers scheme run by Rapid Electronics.

FPV stands for 'First Person View' and our pilots had to fly their drones whilst wearing goggles. This means that the students saw exactly what the drone sees. After a really useful session of testing, troubleshooting and rebuilding the drones (with a few looks at the other team's drones) we eventually started to compete against the other school.

There were two events on offer. The first was a straight 3 lap race on a mirror image course through gates and around flags. Ronnie Achille stepped up to the plate on this event seeking out the person who seemed like the best pilot in the room. It was a close race for the first lap and then Ronnie fell behind after having some issue with seeing some cones in the goggles.



The second event was a 'Capture the Flag' where teams of up to 2 pilots each could try to hit the opposing teams light poles (flags) to change them over to your own team's colours. Harry Hislop and Cian Walpole competed in this event and faced each other in the first round, Cian took an early lead but Harry came back towards the end narrowly missing the victory by 5 points. Cian started to challenge other schools and really showed promise in this format and by the end of the day he was undefeated with 5 wins.

The event was a great day out and has given us some areas to think about for development of our own drones ready for the next event.

Mr Williams
STEM Drone Club



Attendance Winners

This week's attendance winners were 7D-BI. Congratulations!

Diary Dates

Monday 29 October	First day of new Half Term
Monday 29 October	Mersea / Peldon buses leave at 3.45
Tuesday 30 October	Mersea / Peldon buses leave at 4.00
Friday 2 November	Year 10 Catering Students - Royal Navy Catering Team Workshop
Tuesday 6 November	District Cross Country
Friday 9 November	Year 11 Mock Interviews
Thursday 15 November	Year 10 BT Bootcamp
Friday 16 November	Austen House Charity Day - Non Uniform Day

World Restart a Heart Day

Tuesday 16 October was 'World Restart a Heart Day' and fifty nine Year 9 and 10 students were given the opportunity of participating in a workshop held at Colchester General Hospital where they learnt how to do Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).

The reason the hospital offered the workshop was that in the United Kingdom over 30,000 people suffer a cardiac arrest outside of a hospital and at the current time less than 1 in 10 of those survive. Through the promotion of World Restart a Heart the National Health Service are looking to improve these statistics to try and match those currently in Norway where 1 in 4 survive.

Through watching a presentation the students learnt that as well as CPR being Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation it also stands for 'Call, Push, Rescue' and the quicker someone helps the greater the chance of survival.

Using mannequin the students were taken through the various stages of performing CPR. This included where to put your hands on a person's chest, linking fingers, keeping arms straight and how many pushes should be given. From this the students then moved on to learning how to tilt the head and to perform the mouth to mouth breathing part.



The students learnt about defibrillators and the nurses talked about the many public places in which these are now located so that anyone can use them to help save lives.

Afterwards the students were able to talk to the consultant and nurses supporting this workshop and at the same time enjoyed having a drink and cake. The hospital was also running a raffle and Milly Lee was successful in winning 4 tickets to go and see Ipswich Town Football Club play.

The students were incredibly engaged and all participated in learning these life skills and at the end felt that if they were faced with someone having a cardiac arrest that they would be able to help them.

Mrs Green
Careers Adviser



TLA House Cup Totals

1 st	Austen	34.41
2 nd	Nelson	27.35
3 rd	Darwin	27.02

Last week Tillie Atkins 7A-JK was the top earning students with 30 stars.

Congratulations!

Finance Notices

1. Sharp el-531 calculators available via ParentPay
2. TLA school tie and replacement locker key now available via ParentPay
3. Year 11 Science and English Revision guides - available via ParentPay
4. Ski Trip February 2019 - Fourth instalment due 9 November
5. Year 10 and 11 students - German Christmas Market Trip - Final payment due 1 November
6. Year 8 French Residential Trip - Second instalment due 23 November
7. Year 7 Mersea Residential - **Deposit Due 16 November**
8. **Please make sure that dinner money payments are up to date using ParentPay, our online payment system. Any queries please contact Main Office**

Year 11 - Further Education Open Evenings

Over the next few weeks schools/colleges will be holding their open days/evenings. These are a chance for Year 11 students and their parents/carers to be able to visit and to talk to students/tutors at the different colleges about the various courses/options available for their future.

Those taking place are:

Colchester County High School for Girls	1st November	6.00 - 8.30 pm
The Colne Sixth Form College	1st November	6.30 - 8.00 pm

For more information on courses/options students can talk to Mrs Green, Careers Adviser at The Thomas Lord Audley School.

Book Clubs

1 Week B WB 29 th Oct	Tue	All Years	Midnight Gang
	Wed	Year 8+	Girl Online
	Fri	All Years	Tom Gates
2 Week A WB 5 th Nov	Tue	All Years	How to Train your Dragon
	Wed	All Years	Diary of a Wimpy Kid The Getaway
	Thu	Year 8+	We Are All Made of Molecules