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Inter-Form Literacy Champions

Throughout the duration of last week, the library hosted its first inter-form event and the final inter-form literacy event of the year, Literacy Superstars. This is following on from previous successful inter-form reading events, aiming to encourage maximum involvement in extra-curricular activities and give students a chance to demonstrate their interest, knowledge and continued commitment to developing their literacy skills across the curriculum.

The competition involved four students from each tutor group competing in a race to compete several literacy based challenges including reading comprehension, synonyms, using opinion phrases and verbs correctly and demonstrating knowledge of academic vocabulary before racing to the finish to take a group selfie with the biggest book in the library! It was a very positive atmosphere in the Library, where students were keen to perform well and do their best for themselves and their tutor groups.

Results were as follows:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
I st – 7A-JK	I st – 8N-EL	I st – 9D-HB	I st – I0N-KE
2 nd – 7D-AA	2 nd – 8D-CN	2 nd – 9N-KD	2 nd – 10A-RL
3 rd – 7A-SJ	3 rd – 8D-KL	3 rd – 9N-FL	3 rd – 10D-JW
4 th – 7D-BI	4 th – 8N-CD	4 th – 9A-VB	4 th – 10N-DB
5 th – 7N-KT	5 th — 8A-SB	5 th - 9D-MJ	
	6 th – 8A-PB		

Congratulations to all those who took part!

Mrs Warriner

School improvement Leader

Non-Uniform Day

Non-uniform day is Friday 28 June. A £1 donation is requested for any student wishing to partake in wearing non uniform. There will also be a bake sale where students can purchase cakes and snacks. Our chosen charities are Help for Heroes and Essex Air Ambulance.

There will be other small fundraising events taking place around the School so students can bring some small loose change with them.

Mrs Finbow-Jeffrey



Year 10 Mock Exams Tues 25 June - Thursday 27 June 2019			
Tues 25 June	Period 3 & 4	All Option B	
Wed 26 June	All Day	ART	
Thu 27 June	Period I & 2	German Listening	
Thu 27 June	Period 3 & 4	Maths Paper 3	

Finance Notices

- I. Sharp el-531 calculators available via ParentPay
- 2. TLA school tie and replacement locker key available via ParentPay
- 3. Year 10 Science Revision guides available via ParentPay
- 4. Year 7 Mersea Camp final instalment **NOW OVERDUE**
- 5. Year 10 Ypres and the Somme final instalment **NOW OVERDUE**
- 6. Year 8 English Revision guides available via ParentPay

Please ensure that lunch money payments are up to date using ParentPay, our online payment system. Any queries please contact the Main Office.

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Diary Dates

Thursday 27 June	Year 8 French Trip Information Evening	
Friday 5 July	Mersea Buses departing @ 3.45pm	
Tuesday 9 July	Year 7 Mersea Camp	
Wednesday 10 July	Year 8 French Trip	
Thursday I 98July	Year 10 Belgium Trip	

Child Protection Policy

The Thomas Lord Audley School's Child Protection Policy is available via the School Website

Personal Items

REMINDER—All personal items that are brought into School at your own risk, i.e. mobiles phones & headphones etc





Year 10 Geography Trip to Tollgate Retail Park

On Friday 14th June, fifty-five Year 10 students went on a Geography trip to Tollgate Retail Park as part of their Unit 3 exam preparations to carry out the fieldwork needed.

Students were studying the economic impacts of urban growth on the rural-urban fringe of Colchester. They carried out various experiments to study the impact of this growth and the effect it is having on the local area and economy. The experiments focused on a land use map (to show how the land is currently being used and how future development may affect this) and pedestrian and traffic counts (to establish the frequency of visitors to the area and establish its popularity and therefore infer the potential impacts this may have on the economy).

Students all fully-embraced the activities and were actively involved in measuring and recording the data which they will be using in lessons in order to complete their fieldwork analysis. They also really enjoyed the opportunities to treat themselves to a McDonald's where many of them will have helped support a positive economic impacts from their contributions!

This fieldwork study supports the work that students have already completed in Year 10 and helped to put the theoretical work studied in lessons into a real human environment. This was a really invaluable experience and one that has enhanced the students understanding of key physical processes.

Mrs Warriner Lead Teacher — Geography

Celebrity Favourite Book Quiz at the Library

As part of the library's additional activities this term, last week we hosted a Guess the Favourite Book quiz where students and staff had to guess the celebrities' favourite books based on brief clues. As has proved previously popular, staff were also set the challenge to compete in the quiz, either individually or as departments and this provided a highly competitive competition between a wide range of staff,.

It is with pleasure that I can announce that out student winner was Michael Blower with all answers correct. He won the chocolate prize for his efforts. This is especially pleasing as Michael has been a regular visitor to the library since we have started hosting the additional library actrivities so it is great that his commitment to these activities has paid off.

The staff competition as previously said was highly-contested with many individual entries scoring highly. In the end, there was one member of staff who achieved 100% correct answers and I am pleased to announce that was Miss Newton.

Congratulations to all students and staff who took part!

Mrs Warriner School improvement Leader





Assemblies for week commencing 24 June

This week the House Assemblies are being led by Miss Parker associated with Drama Musical Group

TLA House Cup Totals

1st Austen 33.10

2nd Darwin 32.22

3rd Nelson 30.97

Last weeks top earner was David Nurse 8A-PB with 14 stars. Well Done!

Warm Weather

With the weather getting warmer, could you please ensure that your child comes to school with a bottle of water to prevent them from becoming dehydrated. They can be refilled using the filter water tap by the Kitchen.



A number of students are turning up at Student Reception complaining of headaches, which often can be attributed to dehydration.

Attendance Winners

This week's attendance winners with 99.04% attendance were 9A-HW. Congratulations!

Head Lice

It has been drawn to our attention that there are students within the School who currently have head lice.

Could we please ask that you check your child's hair and if any are found please treat them.



For more information on how to treat them please go to https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/



UNIVERSITY DISCOVERY DAY

FREE
event for
students and
PARENTS/
CAREDS

Help your child discover their future success

University of Essex, Colchester Campus Saturday 6th July 2019, 09:30 to 15:00

Supporting your child to succeed at school, college and beyond is tough, especially if they don't know all their options. Our University Discovery Day will help you find out the facts.

Packed with useful workshops and chances to explore. the day is designed to help you support your child at school or college and plan for a successful future.



SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD

- · Practical revision tips
- Student workshops on resilience and study skills

REACHING THEIR POTENTIAL

- How you can help guide their decisions
- Financial support available at university

LIFE AT UNIVERSITY

- Explore a university campus
- Look around student accommodation

The Important bits

- For students aged 14+
- All students must be accompanied by a responsible adult aged 18+
- Each student can bring up to two accompanying adults
- · Lunch provided
- We'll reimburse reasonable travel costs

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David Walliams Event at the Library

As part of the Library's continued additional activities this term, on Wednesday 12th June we hosted a very eagerly anticipated David Walliams event in celebration of the books which tell some of our students best known and loved stories. Many of the students have read some of these books through their Accelerated Reader lessons or through the Book clubs and have enjoyed learning about and experiencing the journeys the different characters have been on, especially the much-loved Raj!

The Library was a hive of activity with the event including a variety of activities linked directly to the books the students have read and provided opportunities for them to put their knowledge to the test as well as get to know some of his newest books and present new reading opportunities. Over 25 students attended the event which proved to be particularly popular with Year 8 students, both those who had attended Book Clubs linked to the books previously as well as enticing new students into the Library to get involved in the activities and request future book clubs.

There was another enjoyable lunchtime event in the Library and we look forward to future events. This event proved to be so popular we will be re-running Book Clubs linked to this later in this term so watch this space for more details!

A reminder also that the Library is also running two reward schemes open to all students: the Library passport and the Summer Reading Challenge. For more information, please visit the Library or speak to Mrs Bredin or Mrs Warriner! Have fun, get involved and enjoy reading!

Mrs Warriner School improvement Leader

Maths Challenge

Earlier this year our students sat the Intermediate (Year 9 & 10) and Junior (Year 7 & 8). I am pleased to announce the following students qualified for certificates in these challenges.

Intermediate:

Leila Quinn 9D-HR Silver Award and an invitation to the next stage of the competition which is the Grey Kangaroo. Leila did very well at this and was 2 marks away from achieving a Merit certificate.		
Elliot Crimes 9D-MJ Bronze Award Ellie Hodgson 9D-MJ Bronze Award		
Charlotte Lake 10N-KE Bronze Award	Chloe Sullovan 10N-DB Bronze Award	
Summer Bryan 10N-DB Bronze Award		

Junior:

Susanna Jonas 8D-CN Gold Award	Scarlett Clarke 8D-KL Silver
Joseph Bocking 8A-PB Silver	Olivia Stevens 8D-KL Silver
Ned Davies 8A-PB Bronze	John Thorpe 8D-CN Bronze
Amy Johnson 8N-CD Bronze	Sophie Blair 8A-PB Bronze
Charlotte Mee 8A-PB Bronze	Megan Coward 7N-CH Silver
Ellie Sibley 7A-SJ Bronze	Jake Rundle 7A-JK Bronze
Lily Emberson 7D-AA Bronze	Brendan Agyapong 7N-CH Bronze
Cody Holman 7A-JK Bronze	Bobby Smith 7A-SJ Bronze
Erin McCarthy 7N-KT Bronze	Ashlee-Rose Ninnim 7D-AA Bronze

Congratulations to all those mentioned above and all the participants. Some students were very close to getting the Bronze certificate!!

This has been a great year for the Maths Challenge and I look forward to it next year to see if we can improve our student's success.

Mr Williams Maths Teacher

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UNLOCK YOUR POTENTIAL

- How to overcome challenges
- Learn effective revision techniques

PLANNING YOUR FUTURE

- · Your future options
- Choosing what's best for you

LIFE AT UNIVERSITY

- · Meet current university students
- See where students live









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TLA Catering Department

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Fresh Chicken Burger (Wheat Gluten Milk) Quorn Nuggets V (Wheat Gluten Egg Milk) Savoury Potatoes Baked Beans Sponge (Wheat Milk Egg Gluten)	Beef Enchilada (Wheat Milk Gluten) Cheese Omelette V (Egg, Milk) Croquette Potatoes Roasted Medley of Vegetables Fruit Crumble (Wheat Milk Gluten)	Roast of the Day Roast Potatoes Chickpea & Butternut Squash Curry V Roasted Chantenay Carrots Savoy Cabbage Jam Doughnuts (Wheat Gluten Milk)	Fresh Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce (Gluten Soya Wheat Egg) Quorn Tacos V (Milk Gluten Wheat) Baked Fresh Cajun Wedges (Celery Gluten Wheat) Baked Beans Choc Oat Cake (Wheat Barley Milk)	Sausage in Batter (Wheat Gluten Sulphates) Chips Peas Southern Fried Burger V (Fish) Marble Cake (Wheat Gluten)

Sandwiches

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken & Bacon Sandwich Cheese Salad Wrap Sausage Sandwich Ham Sub Cheese Sub	hicken Mayo Sandwich BLT Cheese Sandwich Cheese Sub Chicken Sub	All Day Breakfast Ham Sandwich Chicken Sandwich Cheese Sub Ham Sub	Ham Sandwich Chicken Salad Wrap Cream Cheese & Cucumber Chicken Sub Cheese Sub	Cheese Sandwich Chicken Sandwich BLT Cheese Sub Ham Sub
HOT & COLD FOOD TO TAKE AWAY DAILY ASSORTED PANINIS SALAD CART SPECIALS WILL BE ANNOUNCED DAILY ON THE INFORMATION TVS				

1 in 10 or fewer parents say that they don't know how to use some of the more risky websites and apps



Get up to speed with online safety.

We've got information, advice and support to help you get up to speed on all the big issues around children and technology. Showing you the best ways to keep them safe online, whatever they're doing.

Source: Place of Change Report Research Socured on how parents and children differ in their use of the internel December 2015.

internet matters.org

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