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Book Buzz Rewards

Last term, the Year 7 tutor groups competed against each other in the Book Buzz competition. Students have been reading the book that they selected just before Christmas and attending the book club linked to this. In order to get extra points, some students read additional books and attended these sessions too as well as quizzing on their book as part of the Accelerated Reader Programme. The tutor group with the most points was Miss King's and they were rewarded with a Domino's pizza and chocolate muffins at lunch last Thursday. Many thanks to all of the teachers who supported this competition by encouraging the students and running the book club sessions.

Book clubs continue to run throughout the year in the Library at lunch. They are an informal opportunity to sit and chat about a particular book over hot chocolate and cookies. To find out what books are coming up, go along to the Library and have a chat with Mrs Bredin, or check out the display board. Also, look out for the Al Fresco book clubs coming in the final half term of the year!

Mrs S Warriner School Improvement Leader

















Book Cover Bingo at the Library

As part of the Library's additional activities this term, on Friday 10th May we hosted a very eagerly anticipated game of Book Cover bingo. Each student had their own bingo placemat where instead of the usual numbers, they had well-known book covers to cross off. Over 30 students attended the event, with representatives across all year groups, and participating in what proved to be a highly competitive game.

Initially we played for a line (4 book covers in a row) which was so closely contested we ended up with two correct claims of Bingo, each winning themselves a bag of sweets. Our line winners were Elliott Drury and Maisie Ogilvie who are newcomers to the library, proving the activities are drawing in students who would not normally use the Library.

We then played for a full house, where students needed to tick off all their book covers from their sheets. This at times brought great hilarity with some of the interestingly named book titles as well as confusion when book titles were very similar. It also brought back positive memories for some students as they recalled reading some of the books and spoke positively about their experiences. The game was an extremely close affair with so many students just needing one book cover to win. However, on calling out the book title, Fuzzy Mud, we had our winner: Katie Newman who was extremely pleased with her winning chocolate prize!

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

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Finance Notices

- I. Sharp el-53 I 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 8 French Residential Trip final instalment **NOW OVERDUE**
- 5. Year 7 Mersea Camp final instalment **NOW OVERDUE**
- 6. Year 10 Ypres and the Somme final instalment due 31 May 2019
- 7. Year 8 English Revision guides available via ParentPay
- 8. Year 10 Geography Tollgate Retail Park payment requested by 22 May 2019
- 9. Year 9 Geography Field Trip payment requested by 14 June 2019
- 10. Year 11 Mathematics Revision Guides payment requested by 23 May 2019

NB: Please note Year 11 students will not be permitted to purchase a Prom Ticket if there is any outstanding balance on ParentPay

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

Diary Dates

Friday 24 May	Last Day of Half Term
Monday 3 June	First Day of New Half Term
Thursday 6 June	PE Awards' Evening



Assemblies for week commencing 20 May

This week the House Assemblies are being led by Mr Dawson associated with Growth Mindset.

Social Media Awareness for Parents - Wednesday 22 May

Mr McKenzie is offering a Social Media Awareness Talk on Wednesday 22 May. There are sessions at 4.30pm and 6pm. Each session lasts 45 minutes and is being held in A12. This is free and open to all parents/carers.

TLA House Cup Totals

1st Austen 14.01

2nd Nelson 13.03

3rd Darwin 12.83

Last weeks top earner was Morgan Fletcher with 71 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.

After School Homework Club

There will be no after school homework club in the Learning Academy for the duration of the Year 11 exams (13 May—18 June 2019)

Ms Rees

Attendance Winners

This week's attendance winners with 99.26% attendance were 7A-SJ. Congratulations!

Library Activities

5 Week B W/B 20 May	Mon	Book Club	Slated
	Tue	Book Club	Skulduggery Pleasant
	Wed	Library Activity	Ultimate Football Heroes
	Thu	Library Activity	Summer Reading Challenge
	Fri	Book Club	Geek Girl

Recyling Computer Hardware

The school are currently looking for donations of any **working** unwanted or unused desktops, laptops or monitors. It doesn't matter how old they are as long as they turn on and are not physically damaged. We will then trade them in against future ICT equipment purchases for our classrooms.

If you have any questions please email ict-recycle@tla.essex.sch.uk.





Albion Music Day

On Sunday, me and Mr Owens went to see a group of our students perform as part of the Albion Music Day. This is an event that takes place in Rowhedge every year and is organised by Geoff Lawrence, Effie's father. The student band is called Anorak Patch and consists of Effie Lawrence on vocals and keyboard, Oscar Ryland on guitar, Luca Ryland on drums and Eleanor Helliwell on bass guitar. The students have only been practising as a band for a few months and they kicked off the whole event with 6 songs! The set featured a selection of covers and their own songs. Effie and Oscar are in my Year 10 GCSE Music class, Luca is only Year 7 and held down the rhythm amazingly well. Eleanor was also very impressive as she has taught herself the bass and has only been playing for 6 months! We were so pleased that we were able to go and watch. I felt so incredibly proud of them. Their performance was brilliant and they drew a huge crowd! I am looking forward to seeing them again at one of their next gigs!

Mrs Curd Music Department







EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

Apprenticeships available in a variety of industries:

- Business and Administration
- Catering and Hospitality
- · Computing and IT
- Construction and Trades
- Dental Nursing
- · Early Years and Childcare
- Engineering and Welding
- Finance and Accounting
- Hairdressing
- Health and Social Care
- Media and Marketing

Apprenticeship Information Evening

Colchester Institute, CO3 3LL

Wednesday 29th May 2019 5 - 7pm



Come along to our Apprenticeship Information Evening. Book your place: colchester.ac.uk/events

Apprenticeships

Better Careers Begin Here





Mental Health Wellbeing & Recovery COLCHESTER - JUNE 2019

THIS WORKSHOP IS FREE TO ATTEND AND OPEN TO ALL

Improve Stress & Relaxation

Saturday 15th June 2019 9:30am – 3:00pm

MEWM6D2Y18



A one day workshop to help manage stress levels and practice relaxation techniques, including mindfulness.

> Topics Stress cycle Stress triggers Self-care Relaxation Mindfulness

Please bring lunch and refreshments

Adult Community Learning Colchester Wilson Marriage Centre Barrack Street, CO1 2LR





To enrol please call 0345 603 7635 or book online at www.aclessex.com enquiries: hazel.newton2@essex.gov.uk

Sign Language Club



Monday Lunchtimes

1.40 - 2.05

Please eat lunch first

D9 Mrs Dunne's Classroom

Everyone Welcome





Mental Health Wellbeing & Recovery

COLCHESTER - JUNE/JULY 2019

COURSES ARE FREE TO ATTEND AND OPEN TO ALL

Lifestyles Manging Everyday Living Tuesday 11th June (6 weeks) MEWM2A6Y18

AM: 10:00-12:30

Learners will be able to explore strategies around everyday living so that they feel more confident

- .. Building routines Decluttering / Organising
- Finance & budgeting
- Community engager

Managing Anxiety

Tuesday 11th June (6 weeks) MEWM2B6Y18

PM: 1:00-3:30

Learners will be able to learn Learners will be able to learn
strategies to enable them to have
more control over their day to day
life and wellbeing, including:

Self care

- Identifying triggers
- Coping with anxiety Keeping mood diaries

Building Self-Confidence

Monday 24th June (6 weeks) MEWM1A6Y18

AM: 10:00-12:30

This is for learners wishing build their self-confidence and will help with techniques for:

- Negotiation
- Communication skills

Improving Health & Wellbeing

Monday 24th June (6 weeks) MEWM1B6Y18

PM: 1:00-3:30

Learners will be able to explore the concepts of health and personal wellbeing by learning about:

- Sleep
- Physical activity
 Healthy eating
- Mental wellbeing Relaxation & mindfulness

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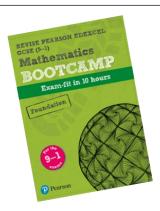


TLA Catering Department

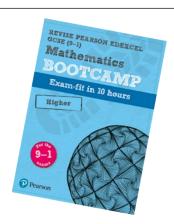
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Fresh Chicken Burger (Wheat Gluten Milk) Quorn Nuggets V (Wheat Gluten Egg Milk) Savoury Potatoes Baked Beans Sponge (Wheat Milk Egg Gluten)	Beef Enchilada (Wheat Milk Gluten) Cheese Omelette V (Egg, Milk) Croquette Potatoes Roasted Medley of Vegetables Fruit 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

Chicken & Chicken Bacon Sandwich Mayo Sandwich Cheese Salad Wrap Cheese Chicken Cheese Chicken Cheese Chicken Cheese Chicken Cheese Chicken Cheese Chicken Cheese	Cheese Sandwich				
Sausage Sandwich Sandwich Cucumber Sandwich Cheese Sub Chicken Sub Cheese Sub Ham Sub Cheese Sub Cheese Sub	Chicken				
HOT & COLD FOOD TO TAKE AWAY DAILY ASSORTED PANINIS SALAD CART SPECIALS WILL BE ANNOUNCED DAILY ON THE INFORMATION TVS					



Last minute maths revision



New REVISE Pearson Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Mathematics Higher & Foundation 'Bootcamp' empowers students to help plan their revision more effectively for exam success. Ideal for the run-up to their GCSEs, 'Bootcamp' breaks down subject content into 36 key areas which can each be covered in 20 minutes, helping them effectively review the whole subject in just 10 hours.

Designed for independent study, 'Bootcamp' provides:-

Memorable chunks of short revision points to help students consolidate Maths concepts;

Exam-style practice questions with hints and tips;

Write-on format: everything in one place;

Trackers on every page to help students mark their revision progress.

RRP £8.99 TLA price £4 Books can be purchased via ParentPay

(Please allow up to 5 days for collection)

NB: If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) there will be no charge and your child will be issued one by their maths teacher.

Child Protection Policy

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



GCSE TIMETABLE SUMMER 2019					
Date	Start	Length	Board	Component Title	
Mon 20 May	08:45	01:45	AQA	Religious Studies A paper 2	
Tue 21 May	08:45	01:30	EDEXL	Maths: Non Calculator	
Tue 21 May	13:00	01:30	AQA	Geography paper I	
Wed 22 May	13:00	01:10	EDEXL	Physics paper I	
Wed 22 May	13:00	01:45	EDEXL	Triple Science: Physics paper I	
Thu 23 May	08:45	02:15	AQA	English Literature paper 2	
Mon 03 Jun	08:45	01:15	EDEXL	History: Medicine in Britain	
Mon 03 Jun	13:00	01:15	OCR	Creative iMedia	
Mon 03 Jun	13:00	01:30	WJEC	Media Studies: Exploring Media	
Tue 04 Jun	08:45	01:45	AQA	English Language paper I	
Tue 04 Jun	13:00	01:30	OCR	Music: Listening and Appraising	
Wed 05 Jun	13:00	01:30	AQA	Geography Paper 2	
Thu 06 Jun	08:45	01:30	EDEXL	Maths: Calculator	
Thu 06 Jun	13:00	01:45	EDEXL	History: American West, Saxon & Norman	
Fri 07 Jun	08:45	01:45	AQA	English Language paper 2	
Fri 07 Jun	13:00	01:10	EDEXL	Biology paper 2	
Fri 07 Jun	13:00	01:45	EDEXL	Triple Science: Biology paper 2	
Mon 10 Jun	08:45	01:30	OCR	Food Preparation & Nutrition	
Mon 10 Jun	13:00	01:15	OCR	Child Development	
Mon 10 Jun	13:00	01:00	OCR	Health & Social Care	
Mon 10 Jun	13:00	01:30	WJEC	Media Studies: Understanding Media	
Tue II Jun	08:45	01:30	EDEXL	Maths: Calculator	
Tue II Jun	13:00	01:20	EDEXL	History: Weimar & Nazi Germany	
Wed 12 Jun	08:45	01:10	EDEXL	Chemistry paper 2	
Wed 12 Jun	08:45	01:45	EDEXL	Triple Science: Chemistry paper 2	
Wed I2 Jun	13:00	35/45m	AQA	German Listening	
Wed I2 Jun	13:00	45m/1h	AQA	German Reading	
Wed I2 Jun	13:00	01:45	EDEXL	Citizenship paper I	
Thu 13 Jun	08:45	01:15	AQA	Geography paper 3	
Thu 13 Jun	13:00	01:30	EDEXL	Statistics paper IF	
Fri 14 Jun	08:45	01:10	EDEXL	Physics paper 2	
Fri 14 Jun	08:45	01:45	EDEXL	Triple Science: Physics paper 2	
Mon 17 Jun	08:45	Ih/Ih I5	AQA	German Writing	
Mon 17 Jun	08:45	01:45	EDEXL	Citizenship paper 2	
Tue 18 Jun	08:45	01:30	EDEXL	Statistics paper 2F	

