

## Dates for your Diary

Thursday 26th January - Parent Consultation day - Students to come in only for their allocated appointment  
Friday 27th January - Teacher training day - Students not in school  
Half Term Holiday - Monday 20th February to Friday 24th February



Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Happy New Year to our President Kennedy Community!

It is still wonderful to read how our students at school continue to provide service to the local community - their generosity and thoughtfulness is **boundless**.

I particularly enjoyed seeing many of you on the Christmas Santa Sleigh route; it is always one of my favourite events.

The New Year does bring us new hope for the future for all of our students and we look forward to seeing you all on PCD on Thursday 26th January.

Wishing you all a great weekend,

**Ms Rooke, Headteacher**

## Rotary Club Of Coventry, Coventry Community Award



The Rotary  
Club of Coventry



**SERVE TO  
CHANGE LIVES**

Student Leadership and Character teacher, Mrs Arnett was thoroughly overwhelmed to receive the Rotary Club Of Coventry, Coventry Community Award.

She said:

*"I am very lucky to have the opportunity in my role at President Kennedy School, in The Bridge, to work so closely with The Student Council which allows me to facilitate lots of Community based initiatives. It is a passion of mine to encourage and foster the Community Spirit in all of us and actually being recognised for it makes me feel so proud and privileged. Thank you"*



## Rotary Christmas Sleigh Raises Hundreds!

The Rotary Santa Sleigh hit the street of Coventry once again and our students were on hand to offer their help.

They raised £700 which will go to those in need via The Rotary Club, Air Ambulance and Myton Hospice.

Many thanks to all P16 students involved including Alicia, Vivian, Nyasha, Emmanuela and Raluka. Also many thanks to Mrs Shahid, Mr Ross and Mrs Mitchard. A great effort!





## Donations for Local Community Centre



During the Christmas period, Year 7 had been collecting biscuits for Holbrooks Community Centre. Mrs Arnett was able to drop them off one day, after school.



It was great to see Mark, the centre manager, who said:

*"The generosity of Year 7 is overwhelming. The biscuits helped us in providing a warm space over Christmas so residents could have a cup of tea and biscuit in the warmth of our community centre!"*

*Thank you, Year 7!"*

**Mrs Arnett, Student Leadership and Character, The Bridge**

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The Bridge Council visited Melbourne Residential Home for the elderly last term. They had all made hand-made Christmas Cards and they gave residents these along with lots of festive cheer. They sang with the residents lots of Christmas songs and

Harman recited some Christmas poetry to them.

Mrs Arnett said, *"It was a lovely experience for them and us. Residents seemed genuinely happy to see our Council and even gave them a Christmas gift each!"*

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**The Library**

At President Kennedy School

## FANTASTIC BOOKS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM...

This week the Library's recommended reads are....

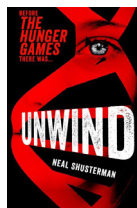


### **The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman**

Nobody Owens, known to his friends as 'Bod', is a perfectly normal boy. Well, he would be perfectly normal if he didn't live in a graveyard, being raised and educated by ghosts, with a solitary guardian who belongs to neither the world of the living nor the world of the dead.

There are dangers and adventures for Bod in the graveyard: the strange and terrible menace of the Sleur; a gravestone that leads to the city of ghouls; friendship with a witch, and so much more.

But it is in the land of the living that real danger lurks, for it is there that the man Jack lives and he has already killed Bod's family.



### **Unwind by Neal Shusterman**

Three teenagers run away from a system that would harvest them for their body parts, because they are unwanted children.

Connor's parents want to be rid of him because he's a troublemaker. Risa has no parents and is being unwound to cut orphanage costs. Lev's unwinding has been planned since his birth as part of his family's strict religion.

Brought together by chance, and kept together through desperation, these three unlikely companions make a harrowing cross-country journey, knowing all the while that their lives are hanging in the balance.

If they can survive until their eighteenth birthdays, they can't be harmed. But when every piece of them, from their hands to their hearts, are wanted by a world gone mad, eighteen seems far, far away...

**Library Staff**

**Both books are available to borrow from the School Library.**



## Year 10 Football Success!

Congratulation to the Year 10 football team who have progressed to the quarter finals of the coventry cup, with a 6-1 victory over Finham Park School on Monday night.

This is the team's first win of the season and is a reward for their continued attendance at training and their excellent attitude. Well done to all the boys who played.

**Mr Garlick, P.E Department**



# MUSIC SHOWCASE



**TUESDAY 7TH  
FEBRUARY  
6PM TO 7:30PM**



**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM  
MR CHANNER IN G10**

**ADULT £3 CHILD £1**



**A MUSICAL SHOWCASE  
FEATURING OUR TALENTED  
BANDS, SOLOISTS, VOCALISTS,  
PERCUSSION, WOODWIND  
AND BRASS!**



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## Happy Lunar New Year!

Start the Chinese New Year celebrations early by visiting the canteen for lunch on Thursday 19th January 2023. A range of specially themed food will be available on the day.



新年快樂



# HAPPY LUNA NEW YEAR

TASTE THE ORIENT



**POP UP**

19th January 2023

## Tips on Social Media...

### Reassure your child/children that they can always talk to you

Research suggests that most children are actually more cautious than adults online, and that most are good at navigating the internet safely. Often when they do come across upsetting content, it's not because they've gone looking for it, but because they've found it by accident, or because someone's sent it to them.

It is a good idea to reassure your child that they can always talk to you.

Ask them if they've seen anything online that they are not comfortable with. (They might have seen things like nasty comments, sexual content or violent images.)

- Tell them that you won't overreact if they tell you about something they've seen, that you'd much rather that they talked to you, instead of keeping it to themselves.
- If they are upset or worried about something they've seen, talk about how they feel, and how they can avoid seeing them again in future.
- If necessary, help them to report or block content they find disturbing.

Whatever happens, stay calm if you find they've come across something you don't approve of.

If you need any support surrounding this area, please don't hesitate to contact your child's college team.