

#### **Dates for your Diary**

Half Term Holiday - Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June



#### Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Well done to our brilliant Mathematicians in Year 7 and 8. What a fantastic opportunity provided by Mr Rawlings (thank you sir!) and what a brilliant achievement. I don't know about you, but I'm still working out the maths problem below!

Yet again, it has been wonderful to see the successes in sport here at President Kennedy School. This time it is on the athletics track and field. Well done to all Year 8 students who have qualified for the Coventry finals. We are very proud of you.

It has been another busy term at President Kennedy School. Well done to all Year 11 and Year 13 students who have completed a gruelling two weeks of intense exams. We hope you have a bit of a break over half term. Thank you for your continued support.

Have a great half term!

#### Ms Rooke, Headteacher

### **UKMT Junior Mathematics Challenge**

Some of our Year 7 and 8 students took part in the UKMT Junior Mathematics Challenge, regarded as the most popular maths competition in the country which celebrates and promotes problem solving and collaboration in maths.

Out of the hundred and eleven students who participated in the challenge, thirty five received the Bronze award, nine received the Silver award and two the Gold award. Of those two Gold students, Yasmin (who achieved the highest mark in the school), has been entered into the next round of the competition! Very well done to her.

Further into their school career, these students will be eligible to compete in the Intermediate and Senior challenges and we look forward to seeing how well they perform in those competitions!

From this years challenge paper, this was my favourite question. Can you answer it?

Eleanor's Elephant Emporium has four types of elephant. There are twice as many grey elephants as pygmy elephants, three times as many white elephants as grey elephants and four times as many pink elephants as white elephants. There are 20 more white elephants than pygmy elephants. How many elephants are in Eleanor's Emporium?

Mr Rhys Rawlings-Gould, Teacher of Mathematics and Physics







## **Coventry School Athletics Finals!**

Congratulations to the following Year 8 students who have all qualified for the Coventry School Athletics finals:

**Girls** Savanna S - 100m and Shot Put Sydney J - Discus Lacey R - Javelin Keava R - Javelin Soraya N - Discus 4 x 100m relay team Boys

Isaac B - Hurdles Kavin J - Hurdles and 200m Owen W - Triple Jump and 100m Harley R - Triple Jump and 800m Kristians S - Long Jump and Javelin Preston T - Discus Henry F - Shot Put and Discus 4 x 100m relay team

# Students Invited to Play Football at CBS Arena

As a school which is heavily involved with the Sky Blues in the Community and with the School Games Programme activities in Coventry, Year 9 were invited to play at the CBS Arena on one of the Community Days earlier this month.

The students participated in a 6-a-side football festival against Sidney Stringer School. Students had full access to the pitch and stadium facilities and had a wonderful experience!

Ms Sandhar, Inclusion & Post16 Pastoral Manager





# FANTASTIC BOOKS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM ...

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

At President Kennedy School



### Asha and the Spirit Bird by Jasbinder Bilan

A girl travels across the Himalaya Mountains guided by a bird she believes to be the spirit of her grandmother as she ventures from her rural home to the city to find her missing father. Asha lives in the foothills of the Himalayas. Money is tight and she misses her papa who works in the city. When he suddenly stops sending his wages, a ruthless moneylender ransacks their home and her mother talks of leaving. From her den in the mango tree, Asha makes a pact with her best friend, Jeevan, to find her father and make things right. But the journey is dangerous: they must cross the world's highest mountains and face hunger, tiredness - even snow leopards. And yet, Asha has the unshakeable sense that the spirit bird of her grandmother - her Nanijee - will be watching over her.



### All About Politics by Andrew Marr

Explores the idea of politics and government and how it works within our world. How are governments elected, why are different countries ruled in different ways and where does all that tax money actually go? This book lets you join this debate on politics around the world. It shows how different systems and beliefs have developed, the ways in which laws are made, and what happens behind the scenes in parliament.

Both books are available to borrow from the School Library.



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