

### **Dates for your Diary**

Monday 9th March to 13th March - Year 10 Synoptic Exams Thursday 12th March & Wednesday18th March - Bridge Production rehearsals 9am to 3pm Thursday19th March & Friday 20th March - Bridge Production - Mary Poppins Jr

Dear Parents and Carers,

As usual, many of our students have been involved this week in a range of exciting enrichment opportunities. It was great to see the enthusiasm of our Year 7 and Year 8 boys engaging with our visitors from Ascension Dance; well done boys!

I'm delighted that we have so many winners to celebrate on our Accelerated Reader programme, I hope you all enjoy your 'Pizza Party'!

I'm also pleased to report that we continue to try to address very real social issues that confront us all at present; this week Year 8 students provided the audience for visiting theatre company who performed a play based on the potential tragic consequences of knife crime.

Finally, congratulations to our P16 footballers, good luck in the semi-finals boys.

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend,

Mr Clayton, Headteacher

## Acension Dance Inspire Year 7 and 8 Boys with Parkour Workshop

The group *Ascension Dance* came to President Kennedy School and worked with over 100 boys in Year 7, 8 and 9. The boys worked on key movements and body weight control before attempting to complete a Parkour course that been set up in the sports hall. Well done to all the boys who were inspired and worked really hard at learning new skills and applying them to the activity.

#### Mr Garlick, P.E Department





## **Cutting Ties**

The theatre Company *Round Midnight* performed a short play, *'Cutting Ties*' to Year 8 students this week.

*Cutting Ties* is an interactive Theatre in Education program that educates young people on the facts about knife crime, the risks and the reasons as to why young people might carry knives.

This performance invited the students to sit in on a conversation with 'Mia' and her teacher after she is found in school with a knife. Mia explains the story from the beginning, telling how a solid friendship between herself, Aidan and Luke quickly turns sour as they embark upon adolescence and Aidan falls in with the wrong crowd.

Students were asked to focus on the vulnerabilities, relationships

and consequences of the characters' actions. Feedback from the Theatre Company:

"The Year 8 audience were fantastic ambassadors for the school and engaged with the session really well. They were respectful and attentive throughout and displayed the ability to offer their opinions and ideas when prompted in the interactive sections of the piece."

Feedback from our students:

"...It makes you see the bigger picture"

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"The performance shows how picking on someone can turn into something worse"

Mr Cordes, Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Accelerated Reader Competition Winners!

We have been running the Accelerated Reader competition across Year 7 and Year 8. Listed below are the names of the brilliant students who were our winners from last half term!

They have been invited to a pizza party on Thursday the 12th March from 3:00pm to 4:15pm (Year 7 in G14 and Year 8 in F19) to celebrate being our readers with the highest word count.

Congratulations to our wonderful winners for all of their hard work!

# Congratulations to our Accelerated Reader Winners!

Miss Pettitt, English Department

Group	Winners	Group	Winners	The following people
7A1	Hana Rashid Maab Hejaji Isa Yasir	781	Youssef Eibied Trey Madamombe Cailey Rushton	The following peopl are invited to a <b>Pizza</b> <b>Party</b> in <b>G14</b> on <b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Marc</b> from <b>3:00</b> – <b>4:15!</b> to celebrate your achievement!
7A2	Haider Kazimi Eesa Bashir Hano Braim	7B2	Dhruti Parekh Zainab Bashardoust Amba Debnath	
7A3	Chiamaka Nwokeocha Jazmin Da Silva Oliveira Pirtan Connor Kent	7B3	Anureet Gill Lucas Vitue Emma Erison	
7A4	Simanpreet Kaur Javed Hosseni Naythaniel Martin	7B4	Georgia Cantwell Sameh Mohseni Rhys Jones	
7A5	Arandeep Sahota Haaziq Nassir Priya Mehta	7B5	Tyler Wise Sara Radu Laiba Raqueeb	
7A6	Abigaela Caraian Mohammed Gabreel Vincent Sam	7B6	Ben Vaughan Ramona Dimitru Ion Mustata	

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Group Winners Group Winner Simar Kaur 8A1 8B1 Amanjot Singh Eva Dhnand Maleeha Memi Zak Ali Katie Cottrel **Emily Matthews Caspian Burford** 8A2 8B2 Jessica Duvor Medya Sindy Sadad Ali Milad Asifi 8A3 Berwin Benoy 8B3 Michael Akata Anim Carter Wilkinson Rebekah Smart Shaan Sohanta David Samurta Arichana Ramanan 8A4 **Anandiya Rigters** 8B4 Fabian Vriesen Zak Holmes **Owen Cooper-Phillips** Josh Baber 8A5 Lexi Beeslev 8B5 Jaslen Kaur Lucian Safta Jayden Thorpe Casey Williams Ashlee Gardner



### P16 Progress to Coventry Cup Semi Finals

The P16 Football team progressed into the Semi Finals of the Coventry Cup on Thursday night after a hard fought victory over Blue Coat. The game was physical from the off with the opposition guilty of some late challenges.

President Kennedy School took the lead as Sajj followed in a shot. A moments lapse of concentration allowed Blue Coat to equalise before a great double save from Dante kept the scores level at the break.

The second half was equally as competitive. We went back in front through Sajj and extended our lead with Jaskirt. Just as the game looked safe, Blue Coat responded to set up a tense final 5 minutes. However, President Kennedy hung on for a 3-2 victory. Well done to all the boys.

Mr Garlick, P.E Department

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