

## Dates for your Diary

Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025- October half Term  
Tuesday 4th November -P16 Select Open Evening



Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

We have had another busy week at President Kennedy School.

It was wonderful to welcome back Tapi to the school and see him work with students. It is this sense of belonging that makes being President Kennedy alumni and a Kennedy Graduate so rewarding. Thank you Tapi, and a huge good luck to you as you take on your next challenge abroad.

It is also wonderful to see some exceptional experiences our P16 students have been getting involved in - from OU courses to NHS experiences.

All of this continues to showcase that 'Kennedy Kids Can' and actually do!

Have a great week,

**Mr Lane, Headteacher**

## Celebrating BTEC Level 3 Students!

Congratulations to BTEC Business Level 3 students, Connor, Finlay, Niitesh, Srinithi, and Jeremiah one of the many Post 16 students who have completed the Open University course "Managing My Money for Young People"!

Mastering your finances is an essential life skill, and this free course from the Open University equips students with the confidence and tools to take control of their financial future.

The course teaches students how to:

- Choose and manage bank and savings accounts effectively
- Finance their further and higher education studies

- Budget wisely
- Borrow responsibly and manage debts efficiently
- Plan ahead to achieve their financial goals

Doing this course emphasises that financial literacy is a crucial skill for young people aiming for success in their future careers. With the rise of AI, mastering these skills is more important than ever, as it prepares you for the evolving job market.

"Well done. Your hard work is truly commendable!"

**Mrs Petrak, Teacher of Business and Enterprise**



## Former Student Inspires the Next Generation



It was a proud moment to welcome back President Kennedy School alumnus, Tapi, who returned to speak with students and former teachers about his journey.

He inspired the next generation to be ambitious with their goals, emphasising the importance of a relentless work ethic, constructive feedback, and an intentional mindset in shaping both academic success and future careers.

Tapi shared practical advice on exam techniques, managing pressure, and highlighted how the study of sociology offers

transferable skills that can enhance performance in the workplace and strengthen relationships in everyday life.

His own career path was not a straight line, but through resilience and focus he has built a successful career in occupational health and safety management. This has taken him around the world, and he is now preparing to continue his journey in Abu Dhabi with global companies such as Ferrari and Disney.

*Miss Mattu, Teacher of Sociology*



## Student Experience NHS Taster Event

Four of our students secured a place on the 'NHS Taster Event for Paediatric Nursing'. Throughout the day they had a hospital tour, a careers talk from a play specialist, a children's epilepsy nurse, and a specialised talk from the crisis, drug and alcohol team.

They also took part in some simulation work with a mannequin that was a premature baby, making this an truly immersive experience. Amelya, Daisy, Gabriella and Destiny all agreed that the day was hugely

informative, helped secure their career choices, and gave them greater depth of knowledge as they work towards their UCAS personal statements.

We look forward to hearing how another two students get on when they visit the 'Midwifery Taster' event in November.

*Miss Miller, Subject Leader Health and Social Care*



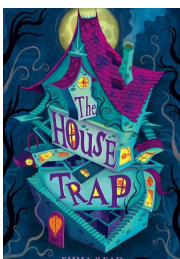
## FANTASTIC BOOKS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM...

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



### ***Electric Life by Rachel Delahaye***

In the lakes, the wolf queen sharpens her spear. In the mountains, an ancient girl opens an Alara's incredible gaming skills bring her to the attention of Estrella's leaders. She is chosen to go on a dangerous mission to London Under, the original older, long-deserted and distrusted city on top of which Estrella (the Star city) was built, to gather 'vital' intelligence. Estrella is the perfect society, an immaculate, sanitised, connected environment where everything is channelled through the digital medium. There is no dirt, no pain, no disease, no natural world, even feelings like boredom are frowned upon and discouraged. Alara is dropped down to London Under and into a "new" world which bewilders her and disorientates her. How will she survive in a society where noise dirt and sometimes pain are everyday experiences and where food is not synthetic and tastes real? Will she accomplish her mission? Who can she trust? How will she get back to Estrella and her family and her life without worry?



### ***The House Trap by Emma Read***

This book is not for the squeamish! If you're claustrophobic then steer clear.

Deliah, Sam and Claude follow little sister Amity inside a mysterious mansion. But no sooner have they found her, the floor beneath their feet starts to twist and turn; the house rearranges itself like a giant Rubik's Cube. To escape, they must solve the puzzle - and the century-old mystery of a girl who disappeared..



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