



Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

What a fantastic edition of the newsletter this week demonstrating the range of talents. It has been amazing to read about Ms Miller's adventure at the Coronation - a once in a lifetime opportunity.

Again, another week of service and compassion for others in the community with many of our students working with and raising money for charitable causes.

Finally, congratulations to all Year 7 students for their performance of The Lion King Jr - what amazingly talented students we have! We are so proud.

Have a great weekend!

Ms Rooke, Headteacher

The Lion King Jr - Year 7 Perform to a Packed Audience!

Year 7 students took to the stage in The Lion King Junior - The Musical. They worked so hard and showed such passion and determination. The cast performed to a sell-out audience over two nights and every student involved rose to the occasion. There was so much talent on stage - it was hard to believe these students are eleven and twelve years old with only five weeks

worth of rehearsals under their belt!

The finale show was complimented with a joint performance with the original Simba from London's West End, Roger Wright - a truly emotional performance. A massive well done to all - a very proud Performing Arts department!

Miss Walsh, Leader of Performing Arts



Coronation Ready!

At President Kennedy School I am subject Lead for Health and Social Care and teacher KS4 and KS5. Over the bank holiday weekend, I was selected to be part of the state duties team where the Scouts of the Commonwealth supported and gave service to our communities as part of the Coronation of King Charles III.

I have been an active member of the Scout Association and volunteered my time as an adult, for twenty eight years in Coventry. As a scout, I have promised to do my duty to the King, serve my community and help other people, and it was a privilege that I could uphold my scouting promise during this historical event. As scouts, we live by our values of integrity; to be honest, trustworthy and loyal. Respect; for both self and others. Care: we are expected to support other people at all times. Belief: in all faiths and attitudes, and Cooperation; that collectively we can make a difference.

My role started on Thursday afternoon with briefings of the event and over Friday I was supporting ten young people from across the Commonwealth aged 18-25 to be ready for the event, one of which was from Australia who had flown here to be part of the Coronation.

Saturday started at 3am and we were based in St James's Park during the big screening of the Coronation. Collectively, we ensured that people were looked after, that they were able to find their way, and that everyone had an amazing day despite the inclement weather and the mud.

The day finished back at the campsite at 7pm. It was a huge honour to be a part of this team.

Ms Miller, Lead for Health and Social Care



Langar Aid

A select group of students recently visited Langar Aid to give back to our local community and support Ukraine. Shivam, Sahar, Anne, Aaliyah, Myah, and Sofia, along with the invaluable assistance of staff members from Langar Aid, worked tirelessly to produce over hundred plus food parcels. These packages were distributed to both our local community and Ukraine,

making a meaningful impact on those in need. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Langar Aid for providing us with the opportunity to contribute to our local community and beyond.

Shivam Chhaya, Head Student | Leader of Diversity Health & Well-being Ambassador



President Kennedy School Awarded Shakespeare Gold School Status



The Bridge is delighted to have been awarded The Gold Award for their participation in the Shakespeare Schools Festival.

It is awarded to Schools who have performed Shakespearean plays over five years.

We have completed our 6th Year with an amazing performance of The Tempest, at the Belgrade Theatre, in November 2022.

The whole process has, over the years, allowed students to engage with Shakespeare's plays with a series of workshops and direction by professional actors and has also given them an amazing

experience of performing in a professional theatre; The Belgrade Theatre, along with other schools around the country.



Mrs Arnett said, " *This award is in recognition of all the hard work students in The Bridge have given over the years. We are grateful for the opportunity of being in the Festival every year and are looking forward to being part of it again next academic year!*"

Mrs Arnett, Student Leadership and Character - The Bridge

Coventry Schools Athletics

Congratulations to the Year 9 pupils who competed in the Coventry Schools Athletics at Warwick University on Wednesday 3rd May. A special mention to the girls 4x100m relay team; Favour, Cordelia, Elizabeth and Abshara who came 3rd, Favour who came 2nd in the Shot Putt and to our Discus City Champion, Cordelia.

Mr Garlick, P.E Department

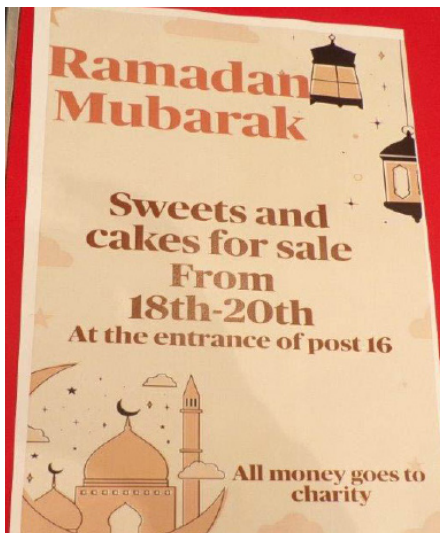
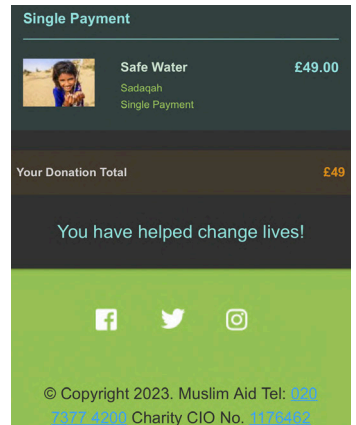
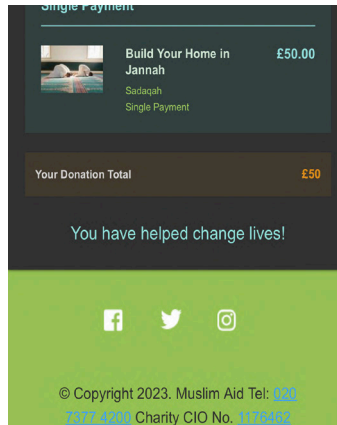
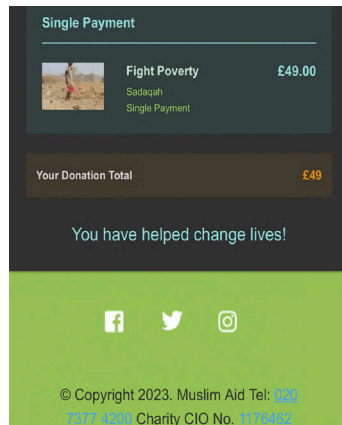
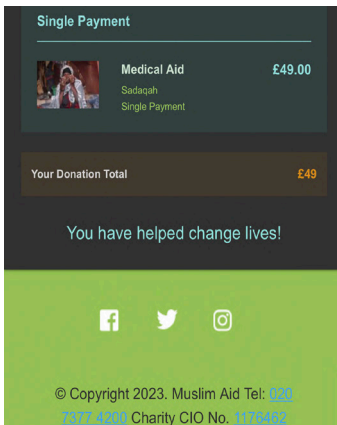
Post 16 Charity Work

Post 16 Students have been busy raising money for various charities.

One of the charities we chose for Ramadan this year was Muslim Aid. The reason we decided to choose this particular charity was because of the services they carry out, including helping those in poverty, medical supplies, food shortages etc. Ramadan is a chance of giving back not just to Muslims, but to anyone in need of support and it's a wonderful way to bring everyone together. We all come from different and diverse backgrounds, but live in the same world, therefore we should try to help one another as we will never know when we might be in that position.

£60 was also sent to help a widow and her son in Afghanistan who were struggling financially and physically. All the money raised is really making a difference to these individuals lives. Well done to those students involved.

Aaliyah Ansar, Year 12



Tips on Social Media...

Supporting teens (14+) online

Stay involved

Keep talking and stay interested in what they're doing. Don't be afraid to bring up challenging issues like inappropriate content, sexting, pornography and cyberbullying. It could be embarrassing, but you'll both benefit from the subjects being out in the open.

Keep their information private

Your child can set privacy settings on most social networking sites so that only close friends can search for them, tag them in a photograph or share what they've posted. Talk to them about their personal information, how it can be misused and how they can also take ownership of it.

Stay safe on the move

Use safe settings on all mobile devices but be aware that if your child is accessing the internet using public WiFi, filters to block inappropriate content may not be active. Some outlets, like McDonald's, are part of family friendly WiFi schemes so look out for RDI Friendly WiFi symbols when you're out and about. You can also use parental control apps or software on devices to help limit harms on the go.

Be responsible

Talk to your teenager about being responsible when they're online. Children often feel they can say things online that they wouldn't say face-to-face. Teach them to always have respect for themselves and others online.

Talk about online reputation

Let them know that anything they upload, email or message could stay around forever online. Remind them they should only do things online that they wouldn't mind you, their teacher or a future employer seeing. Get them to think about creating a positive digital footprint.

Show you trust them

If you can afford to, give them a small allowance that they can use for spending online so they can download apps, music and films for themselves, from places you agree together.

Don't give in

Remind them how important it is not to give in to peer pressure to send inappropriate comments or images. Point them to the Send this instead and Zipit apps which will help them deal with these types of requests.



The Library

At President Kennedy School

FANTASTIC BOOKS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM...

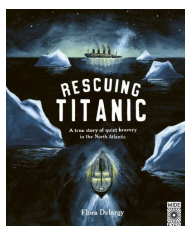
This week the Library's recommended reads are...



Spellslinger by Sebastian De Castell

MAGIC IS A CON GAME. Kellen is moments away from facing his first mage's duel and the start of four trials that will make him a spellcaster. There's just one problem: his magic is gone.

As his sixteenth birthday approaches, Kellen falls back on his cunning in a bid to avoid total disgrace. But when a daring stranger arrives in town, she challenges Kellen to take a different path. Ferius Parfax is one of the mysterious Argosi - a traveller who lives by her wits and the three decks of cards she carries. She's difficult and unpredictable, but she may be Kellen's only hope... The first in a rich and compelling fantasy series bursting with tricks, traps and a devious talking squirrel cat.



Rescuing Titanic by Flora Delargy

The story of little ship Carpathia which saved 705 passengers of the Titanic after it sank in the North Atlantic. In the middle of the night, the Carpathia received a distress call from the sinking Titanic. The intrepid little ship heroically changed course and headed straight into the frozen sea to help save as many people as it could. Follow the Carpathia as it risks everything to navigate remote, treacherous ice fields in the dark and come to the rescue of passengers on the world-famous ocean liner. Along the journey, you will learn all about Morse code, navigation tools, the different roles of the crew, how the ships found each other, and by-the-minute details of exactly what happened on this cold and fateful night

Both books are available to borrow from the School Library.

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