

## Dates for your Diary

Year 11 Synoptic Assessments - Monday 2nd February to Friday 13th March  
February Half Term break - Monday 14th February to Sunday 22nd February



Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

It was wonderful to welcome so many of you to our annual Parent Consultation Day last week. It really was excellent event and reading through the feedback that so many of you provided was an incredibly valuable experience. I shall share the feedback from all once it has all been collated online. However, I am thrilled so many of you feel that your child is progressing well at President Kennedy School.

It is your support alongside our amazing staff that ensures we always put your children first, that we focus on learning, and that we overcome any barriers to learning together. You play an essential part in our President Kennedy School Community and for that, I am *extremely* grateful.

Have a wonderful weekend,

**Mr Lane, Headteacher**

## Youth Speaks Debating Competition



On Friday 30th January, Harley, Ning Ning, and Billy from The Bridge attend the Youth Speaks Debating Competition at Bablake School. This is an annual event hosted by The Rotary Club, where young people have the opportunity to debate a motion.

The students were assigned the roles of Proposer, Opposer, and Chairperson and had to answer questions from a member of the Rotary Club.

The evening was incredibly formal, and it was great to hear their opinions on the night. Mrs Arnett said, "The students have worked so well as a team in researching their topic.

Their motion was: 'The School Curriculum is flawed and needs to change'.

It was great to see how the students prepared for this process, working closely with Zak Adams, who is in his final year at Harvard University.

On the night, they were against teams from Year 9 from other schools, and they all did a fantastic job in presenting their opinions.

Although they did not win any trophies, they have all gained valuable life skills for living in the wider world. Well done, all!"

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

## First Give Presentation Skills Workshop

All Year 9 students are participating in the 'First Give' Programme which challenges them to get involved in social action to make a positive impact in their local community.

As a result, each tutor group has linked with a local charity of interest to them. At stake is a £1000 donation to their chosen charities. Tutor groups are competing against each other to create the best campaign to raise awareness of their individual charities.

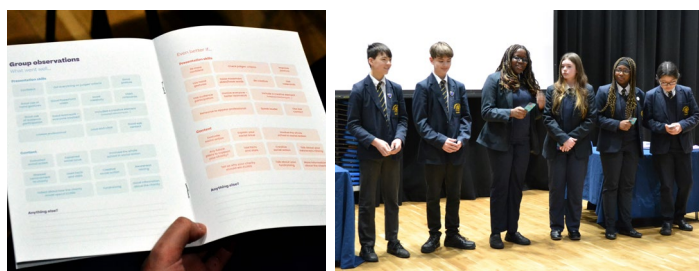
The 'Grand Final' in March, will involve representatives from each tutor group to deliver a presentation to a panel of external judges, in which they will try and persuade them that their chosen charity should be the worthy recipients of the £1000 prize.

Last week, the representatives were put through their paces in a two-hour workshop in 'Presentation Skills', with Aaron; the 'First Give' West Midlands Programme Manager. Students were given top tips on effective presentation, practiced these presentation skills, and received detailed feedback on what they needed to refine for the grand final.

Aaron was so impressed with the level of confidence shown, the quality of their improvisation and commented on how advanced the President Kennedy School students' oracy skills were.

We are looking forward to a very competitive final!

**Mrs Sheridan College Director & Miss Mattu Teacher of Sociology & RE**

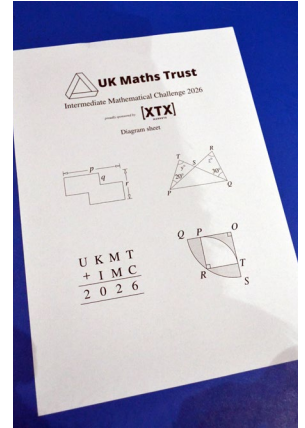
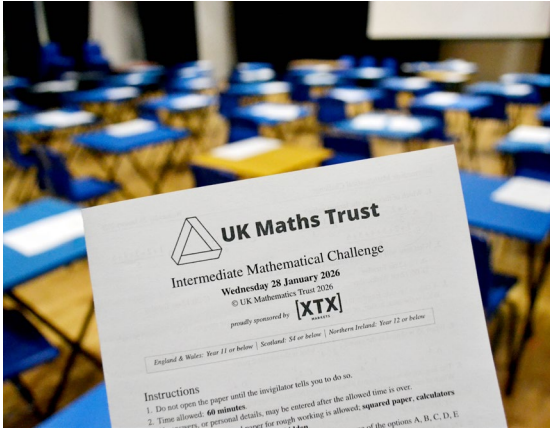


## Year 9 Maths Challenge

Last week, 120 students from the top Maths sets of Year 9 and 10 took part in the 'Intermediate Maths Challenge' at school. They showed excellent focus and determination while tackling a range of challenging problem-solving questions.

Why not see if you could solve the UKMT + IMC = 2026 problem. We will share a further update once the results have been released!

*Mr Adams, Joint Subject Leader of Maths*



## Parkgate Maths Challenge

## Macbeth

# February Half Term Timetable

16<sup>th</sup> Feb - 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026

Find out about the FREE activities, workshops and sessions for children, young people and their families in Coventry during the February half term holidays. We are looking forward to meeting you.

For more information

Scan the QR code or visit [www.coventryfamilies.co.uk](http://www.coventryfamilies.co.uk)



\*Activities are correct at the time of print. Please see social media for updates. Follow your local hub on Facebook.



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Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb

Day	Time	Activity	Venue	Suitable for	Notes
Monday	10.30am - 11.30am	Chat, Play, Read	Witnall Library CV3 3DG	Parents and children aged 0-5yrs	A session is aimed at families with 0-5yr olds. Take part in imaginative and sensory play, rhyme time, book sharing and exploring 50 things to do before you're 5.
	1.15pm - 2.45pm	Bump, Baby and Beyond, Baby & Me	Pathways Family Hub CV6 1HD	Parents and babies, aged 0-2yrs	Bump, Baby and Beyond brings together Midwifery, Health Visiting and Family Hub Staff to provide joined up care every step of the way. Come and meet other parents in the baby group whilst visiting your midwife and your health visitor.
Tuesday	9.30am - 11am	Bump, Baby and Beyond, Baby & Me	Harmony Family Hub CV1 5GR	Parents and babies, aged 0-2yrs	Bump, Baby and Beyond brings together Midwifery, Health Visiting and Family Hub Staff to provide joined up care every step of the way. Come and meet other parents in the baby group whilst visiting your midwife and your health visitor.
	9.30am	Baby & Me	Aspire Family Hub, CV1 2SE	Parents and babies, aged 0-2yrs	This session offers new experiences for you and your child while giving you both the chance to meet other families and make new friends.
	10.30am - 12noon	Creative Crafts	Park Edge Family Hub CV2 1NE	Whole Family Event	Creative crafts Fun session for all the family. Create some spring pictures, do some still life painting and more. A quiet space will be available for those who need time away from the noise and the people.
	1.30pm - 3pm	Love Bugs and Beet Bugs Family Event	Aspire Family Hub CV1 2SE	Whole Family Event	Join us for a joyful arts & crafts session celebrating friendship, love, and family through creative play, children will explore what it means to be a good friend, show kindness, and express love for the special people in their lives.
	1.45pm - 3.15pm	Bump, Baby and Beyond, Baby & Me	Families for All Family Hub, CV6 5LB	Parents and babies, aged 0-2yrs	Bump, Baby and Beyond brings together Midwifery, Health Visiting and Family Hub Staff to provide joined up care every step of the way. Come and meet other parents in the baby group whilst visiting your midwife and your health visitor.

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Wednesday	9.30am - 11.30am	Bump, Baby and Beyond, Baby & Me	Park Edge Family Hub, CV2 1NE	Parents and babies, aged 0-2yrs	This session offers new experiences for you and your child while giving you both the chance to meet other families and make new friends.
	1pm - 3pm	Its a Family Fiesta	Pathways Family Hub CV6 1HD	Whole Family Event	Bring the family along for an action-packed session of play! Move, play and imagine together, with active games, prizes to be won, sensory experiences, and creative challenges.
	1pm - 3pm	Bump, Baby and Beyond, Baby & Me	Woodside Family Hub, CV6 5DL	Parents and babies, aged 0-2yrs	This session offers new experiences for you and your child while giving you both the chance to meet other families and make new friends.
	2pm - 3.30pm	Well being on Wednesday (WOW) Family Session	Families for All Family Hub, CV6 5LB	Whole Family Event	Let's Celebrate Chinese New Year with fun. Activities will include making lanterns, dragon dances, storytelling, and exploring lucky colours and animals. This session will encourage curiosity, creativity, and early learning while introducing children to traditions from around the world.

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Thursday	9.30am - 11.30am	Bump, Baby and Beyond, Baby & Me	Mosaic Family Hub CV4 9PL	Parents and babies, aged 0-2yrs	This session offers new experiences for you and your child while giving you both the chance to meet other families and make new friends.
	1.30pm - 3pm	Chinese New Year	The Most Family Hub CV2 1EQ	Whole Family Event	Chinese New Year - Come and celebrate the traditions of Chinese New Year and help us make a large 'Lucky' parade dragon along with other fun activities and 'tastes' of China.
	3pm - 4.30pm	Flipping Fantastic Family Pastiche Party	Mosaic Family Hub CV4 9PL	Whole Family Event. Booking is required.	Join us in making stacks of tasty pancakes, and get creative with our toppings table. Enjoy fun games and activities, with lots of laughter as we make sweet memories together. This session is free, and booking is required. Please contact the Mosaic Family Hub 024 76378560 <a href="http://www.coventryfamilies.co.uk">www.coventryfamilies.co.uk</a>
	9.30am - 11am	Family Session	Harmony Family Hub CV1 5GR	Whole Family Event	Come along to our fun family hands on activity session where children will explore the Chinese colourful festival through creative crafts, music, movement and sensory play.
Friday	9.30am - 11am	Bump, Baby and Beyond, Baby & Me	The Most Family Hub, CV2 1EQ	Parents and babies, aged 0-2yrs	This session offers new experiences for you and your child while giving you both the chance to meet other families and make new friends.
	11am - 1pm	Wood Side on Tour	John White Community Centre CV3 2ED	Whole Family Event	Come and join the family hub team for fun activities for all the family. There will be other family services in this session to find out useful information and support for your family.

### WEEKLY at the Family Hub

Here to help Monday to Friday  
There is someone you can phone, email or visit at the Hub who will help you.  
0800 887 0545  
[Earlyhelp@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:Earlyhelp@coventry.gov.uk)

### Services to Help you and your Family

The Family Hubs can connect you to various local community services. Book online by scanning QR code or visit: [www.coventryfamilies.co.uk](http://www.coventryfamilies.co.uk)

### Help with the cost of living

Family Hubs assist in accessing emergency food, fuel, and toiletries. Each Hub has "warm spaces" for a free hot drink during your visit.

If you require further support contact Citizens Advice who specialise in topics such as benefits, work, debt, housing and more. Visit [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk) or call 0800 144 8848

### Emergency Food Access

Family Hubs provide Tussell Trust Food Bank vouchers for use at a Food Bank. They guide you to local Food Hubs/Social Supermarkets, where you can access quality food at affordable prices.

### Clothing Rail

Free clothing from Clothing Coventry. Visit [www.clothingcoventry.org](http://www.clothingcoventry.org) for more details.

### Safe Spaces

In Coventry there are several places and spaces that offer young people security, support, and a sense of belonging. The Family Hub is one of those vital spaces offering young people in the community not only a physical location to visit, but also offering a range of resources such as access to power banks, chargers, first aid kits, informational leaflets, hygiene packs and access to a hot drink and food.

### ADVICE at the Family Hub

P3 Coventry Family Housing Support  
Help with housing related issues. Come and talk to us about concerns with paying your rent, talking to your landlord, paying bills, budgeting, managing your tenancy or your health and wellbeing in your home.  
[coyp3charity.org](mailto:coyp3charity.org) 0908 198 2690

### WELLBEING at the Family Hub

Health Visiting  
To speak to a Health Visitor, text Chat Health on 07507 329114 (text - 4.30pm Monday to Friday) 024 7518 9190 (8.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday).  
If your child is unwell please see your GP, ring 111 or if it is a medical emergency please ring 999.

### Midwifery

Please call your midwife using the number in your red book or call Coventry Community Midwives: 024 7696 7424.

### Breast Pump for Hire

If you would like to hire a breast pump for free please call or drop into your local hub.

### EasyPeasy

Scan the QR code below to download the app and discover thousands of parenting tips and activities for you and your 0-5yr old.



### Coventry Haven Women's Aid.

Domestic abuse. Are you worried about someone or yourself? The Safe To Talk helpline is available 0800 111 4998 or email [info@coventryhaven.co.uk](mailto:info@coventryhaven.co.uk) or drop into your local Family Hub.

## Top Tips for Parents and Carers

Useful resources from the UK Safer Internet Centre

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-parents-and-carers>



## PCD

To view our affiliates who spoke with parents and carers, and to see some of our students' impressive work that was on display, visit President Kennedy School's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/PKSCOVENTRY/>



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

### The Library

At President Kennedy School

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



### I Dare You by Tamsin Winter

Willow and Alma are best friends, sharing a love of the spotlight. All they want is fame and fortune, and Willow is determined that the best way to get it is to go viral.

So they start filming dares. Okay, so getting stuck in a basketball hoop doesn't get them the sort of attention they were hoping for, but as their challenges get more extreme, their fan base grows. Duct-taping themselves to a wall? No-brainer. Eating super-hot chillies? Of course! Waxing an eyebrow off? Super funny! And if they get in a bit of trouble, it's worth it. But if they really want to prove themselves, they have to go all-out. So they come up with the perfect idea. An idea that causes more than just a bit of trouble. An idea that might destroy not just their ambitions but their entire friendship for good.



### The Wycherleys by Annaliese Avery

Seventeen-year-old Aurelia Wycherley is entering her debutante season as a witch. Aurelia should be excited about finding the perfect match to tether her magic to. But her magic is cursed - dark, dangerous, and not the kind that her peers want to match with - and, without a tether, she faces losing her magic completely.

But when Aurelia learns that enigmatic, aloof Jules, a member of arch enemy family the Nightlys, is searching for a way that a witch can keep their magic without tethering, she realises he may be her only hope. A forbidden alliance is formed...but as they navigate the Magical Season with its glamourous balls and perilous trials, they uncover dark forces that threaten their families and the magical world they live in. Expect family secrets, generational curses, forbidden romance, gorgeous ballgowns, bribery, extortion, trespass, magic and kissing... lots of kissing.

Both books are available to borrow from the School Library.

Library Staff