

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 24th September to 2nd October - Year 11 Synoptic Assessments 2026

Link to the Year 11 Synoptic timetable can be found here:

<https://www.pks.coventry.sch.uk/page/?title=Exam+Timetables&pid=323>

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

I'm incredibly proud to showcase some of the amazing new health suite we have in school. As you can see from the pictures and the article, this is an immersive learning experience and a fantastic opportunity for our students to gain hands on experience. A huge thank you to Miss Miller and the site services team for making this happen!

We are also thrilled to welcome over 1000 people to our open evening last week. Having the opportunity to showcase the schools facilities as well as introduce prospective students to our amazing students and staff is a highlight of the beginning of the new school year. A huge thank you to the whole Kennedy Community for supporting this evening!

And finally, I would like to wish Year11 the very best of luck with their synoptic assessments this week.

The feedback you will get will help support you achieve the outcomes you want in summer. We believe in you.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Lane, Headteacher

Brand New Health Immersive Learning Experience for T Level Students

This summer has been a busy and exciting one at President Kennedy School as we've prepared to launch our new **T Level programmes** — an ambitious step forward in offering high-quality, employer-designed technical qualifications.

T Levels provide an immersive learning experience that blends **strong classroom teaching with real-world industry practice**.

Our team has been hard at work setting up specialist spaces, strengthening employer partnerships, and shaping a curriculum that truly prepares young people for the modern workplace.

With the introduction of the **Health T Level**, students will learn in our enhanced Health Suite, gaining **hands-on experience** in realistic clinical environments.

This aspirational pathway supports future careers in nursing, midwifery, paramedicine, laboratory science, and wider health and social care roles.

We are proud to offer qualifications that open doors, build confidence, and equip our young people with the skills and professional behaviours they need to thrive in the healthcare sector and beyond.

**Miss Miller, Subject Leader
Health and Social Care**



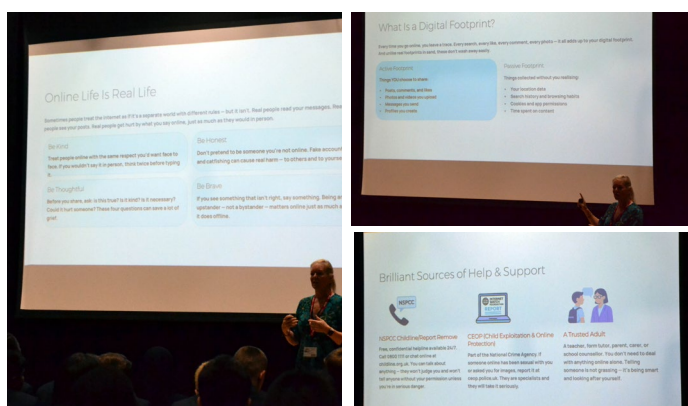
Online Safety Talk

We were delighted to welcome Traci from [SWGfL](#) to deliver an online safety assembly for our Year 7 and 8 students.

Delivered as an engaging assembly-style workshop, the session focused on some of the more complex online safety challenges young people face today. It covered key topics including digital footprints, image sharing and cyberbullying as well as responsible social media use and how to stay safe while gaming and chatting online.

Students had the opportunity to ask questions, discuss real-life scenarios and came away with practical advice on how to protect themselves, make positive choices in the digital world and seek support when needed.

Kirsty Long, ICT Service Team Leader



PKS Open Evening!

Over 1,000 people joined us for our PKS Open Evening. Thank you for being part of such a fantastic evening. From the dedication of our staff to the heartfelt testimonials

shared by our students, every contribution helped showcase what makes PKS such a special place to learn, thrive, and BUILD BRIGHTER FUTURES!



More pictures on our FB page and school website!

Zoe's Place Baby Hospice

Zoe's Place Baby Hospice received a donation of £225.25, raised through the end-of-year PKS Funfair 2026.

Fundraising for Zoe's Place Baby Hospice helps to provide respite, palliative and end-of-life care for babies and infants with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions.

Their nurse-led care focuses on helping babies and young children make the most of everyday moments and experiences, with further support available for the whole family.

As a registered charity, they are proud that all of their care is free of charge to families. It is because of a community of supporters that they are able to offer their services to all who need them.

<https://www.zoes-place.org.uk/locations/coventry-hospice>



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D of E Gold Assessed Expedition

Team members:

• Sarwat H • Jasmine K • Ria G • Manal B

Day 1 – Early departure from school meant the girls arrived in the Peak District ready for a full day of walking! Due to extremely high temperatures earlier in the week and weather forecast of 26°C full sunshine all day, the routes were switched around to accommodate a more sheltered day with much more tree coverage. The expedition began at Fairholmes car park just next to the Derwent Dam, which was first on the checklist for their project on water. Due to the amount of hill walking required for Day 1 plus the stifling heat, the pace was much slower than anticipated. Not only did the girls have to navigate steep inclines and declines, there was also a path that was not passable and so they had to reroute themselves before arriving at the end checkpoint for the day at Bagshaw Bridge. Upon arrival at camp, the girls perfectly pitched their tents (this has always been a strength of this group) managing to avoid their friendly, yet woolly neighbours which roamed the field! They cooked dinner for themselves, enjoyed a very powerful shower and ended by playing UNO in their tent porches.

Day 2 – The second day of the expedition was going to be more mentally challenging opposed to physically. Reflecting on the previous day, inclines and declines were going to be a barrier to their success. As a team, they discussed ways to motivate one another within the group and set themselves mini goals, keeping a closer eye on their watches. After passing through Hope, they walked over a beautiful wooden bridge and stepping stones to cross over Bamford Weir before sitting down for lunch. During their lunch break, the girls were asked what their roles were within the group! Manal: *Navigator and The Well* (water carrier). Rhea: *Media Correspondent and Team Mascot Handler* (George's dad). Sarwat: *Team Medic and Nurse*. Jasmin: *The Responsible One and Mother*.

They set off with a time goal to reach the bottom of Stanage Edge. When staff arrived with more water before the Stanage Edge ascent, we were greeted with pure joy and elation because they had arrived 45 minutes earlier than they thought they would!

They went on to say *"We just kept talking the whole way and we didn't stop to take out bags off!"* This was the turning point of the whole expedition and it is fair to say that the girls found their rhythm! They powered up to the top of Stanage Edge for the stunning views, even if they were met with strong winds, it didn't deter them and they made it back to camp for night 2. Spirits were high that evening, knowing what they had achieved!

Day 3 – The most efficient striking of camp to date! Still a slight buzz about the team following yesterday's achievement and knowing that Day 3 was planned to be longer distance but much less elevation than previously. Departing North Lees campsite, they headed south towards Hathersage, before heading east following the Derwent Valley Heritage Way along the river. The girls had again, been excellent with their pace and time estimations for their routes. Feeling a bit more tired at lunch time, they allowed themselves extra time to film their project. By the time they reached camp for night 3, they were very tired, aching and sore. They rested before pitching tents, cooking dinner and showering ready to have a good rest before the final day.

Day 4 – After an early wake up call by the neighbouring sheep, the girls were quickly ready for their final day with their tents down, food cooked and bags packed. An adaptation of the routes meant that they were doing their Day 1 route in reverse. After previously finding it difficult to attempt steep inclines, the girls were inspired by their Day 2 trek and were excited for another glorious view at the top. They walked through Castleton and headed north to the Hollins Cross view point, situated between Mam Tor and Lose Hill. They followed the old "Coffin Road" which was a traditional funeral route used to connect Edale and Castleton before a church was built in Edale. The girls spent a considerable time up at Hollins Cross taking in the views and reflecting on their Gold Assessed expedition, before walking the final stretch down to Edale for their end point.

Well done to all four girls! They will now need to complete the other sections of their award, volunteering, physical, skill and a residential, before they will be rewarded with going to Buckingham Palace to receive their Gold Duke of Edinburgh award.

Miss Kirkham and Miss Mason



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The Library

At President Kennedy School

FANTASTIC BOOKS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM...

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



Mech Brigade by Jamie Russell

A child soldier fighting in combat against giant alien spiders tries to find the truth behind the disappearance of his father many years before.

On his thirteenth birthday, Miles joins the war against alien Spinners. As a child soldier piloting a mech robot, he's humanity's last hope. But Miles is no ordinary recruit - he's the son of Professor Riley, the missing genius behind the mechs. Now, Miles must master a rogue mech called Ironclad, find his father and save the world. Some birthday.



The Domsday Club by Kevin Moran

Conan swallowed hard. The creature stood taller than the archway, a silhouette of darkness against the spiral of light behind it ... And it looked directly at him.

Jack and Conan's friendship is officially dead. Stuck in detention with Yash and Jerry after an all-out brawl in the toilet, it's a terrible start to sixth class. And that's before they witness a monstrous beast step out of a portal outside their school. When it wanders into the crumbling mansion across the road, where the sinister Mr Kilroe lives, the boys follow. They have to investigate, right?

Unlocking Mr Kilroe's secrets is only the beginning. Because there's more than one otherworldly horror hiding in that house and confronting it will put Jack and Conan in mortal danger - that's if they don't kill each other first!

Both books are available to borrow from the School Library.

Library Staff

