



## Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



Good afternoon and I hope you and your families had a lovely half term break. The highlight this week has obviously been our production of The Jungle Book. We enjoyed two nights of this wonderful show, brought to life by a diverse group of our students. It was a real celebration of community, creativity, music, drama and performance and I am so proud of our students and how they worked together to create such a joyous

show. I am also incredibly grateful to the staff team led by Ms. Mayall and Mr. Clarke who worked so hard to bring out the best in our students. They are dedicated to their subjects and to our children. If you missed the showings this week, we have recorded the show and will be looking at how we can make it available to watch with secure settings.



## Year 7-9 reports

Well done to all students in Years 7-9 for completing their mid-year assessments. Reports will shortly be sent to parents by e-mail and these include students' exam results and attitude to learning grades. We have produced a video explaining what your child's report shows, which can be accessed here: <http://tinyurl.com/ywnri7u6> If you would like to discuss your child's report in more detail, please contact their Head of Year.

By now all students have received their new timetables and some have moved classes based on their recent assessments. Please discuss these changes with your child and encourage them to speak to their tutor or Head of Year in the first instance if they have any concerns.



## Year 10 and Year 11 Mocks

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Year 10– Blue

Year 11– Orange

	Monday 26th Feb	Tuesday 27th Feb	Wednesday 28th Feb	Thursday 29th Feb	Friday 1st March
1	<b>Year 10 Maths</b> 90 mins	<b>English Literature</b> 135 mins	<b>Biology</b> 75/105 mins		<b>Chemistry</b> 75/105 mins
2	<b>Year 11 History</b> 60 mins			<b>Maths 2</b> 90 mins	
3					
4			<b>Science</b> 45 mins	<b>Option A</b> MFL Reading & Listening	
5					
6	<b>Option B</b> MFL Reading & Listening	<b>MFL Writing</b> French, Spanish, Chinese		<b>RE</b> 60 mins	<b>RE</b> 120 mins
7					
	Monday 4th March	Tuesday 5th March	Wednesday 6th March	Thursday 7th March	Friday 8th March
1	<b>Option C</b> Business GCSE, Geography, History, Enterprise	<b>English Language</b> 105 mins	<b>Maths 3</b> 90 mins		<b>Option C</b> History, Geography, Music GCSE, Drama
2				<b>Further Maths</b> 100 mins	
3					
4		<b>English Literature</b> 60 mins		<b>Option A</b> History, Geography, Spanish Writing, PE GCSE, Business GCSE	
5					
6	<b>Option B</b> MFL Writing, Business GCSE, Media GCSE	<b>Option B</b> French, Spanish, Chinese - Reading / Listening Business GCSE	<b>Further Maths</b> 90 mins	<b>Option A</b> Business GCSE, Geography, Media GCSE, Music GCSE, PE GCSE, Enterprise, Sport BTEC	<b>Physics</b> 75/105 mins
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## 2024-2025 Term Dates

### Term 1

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024

INSET DAYS - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

Year 7 & 11 – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Year 9 & 10 – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Year 8 – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Autumn break: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024

### Term 2

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024

INSET DAYS - 4<sup>th</sup> November and 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Christmas break: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024 – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2025

### Term 3

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

INSET DAYS - 6<sup>th</sup> January and 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Winter break: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025

### Term 4

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Easter break: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2025

### Term 5

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

INSET DAY – 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025

Bank Holiday Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Spring break: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025

### Term 6

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Summer break: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025

#### **NEVER MISS A DATE:**

Go to our school events page online and download the school calendar directly into your phone here

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## Writing workshop– National Literacy Trust



As part of the 'Young Mystery Writers' Programme, students experienced a Writing workshop held by a Professional Author.

Karen Inglis is a self-published Author who writes for children and Young Adults. Her most successful book is the gripping Mystery '**The Secret Lake**'. It sold over half a Million copies and was translated into over ten languages.

During the workshop, Karen assisted a Year 9 class in brainstorming writing ideas. Students will now write their own gripping Mystery storyline!

The class felt inspired by meeting a Professional Author and had many questions about Writing as a career



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## Subject in the Spotlight– History



**Year 7:** Y7 have started a new unit on the role of the Church during the Middle Ages and the methods it used to control people... They will explore what people thought caused disease in the Middle Ages, including punishment from God, an imbalance of the four humours (bodily fluids), movement of the planets or miasma (nasty smells!) and looking at the weird and wonderful 'treatments' that were used during the Black Death!

**Year 8:** Y8 have been considering which was the most important factor in the outbreak of the English Civil War in 1642. They argued whether they think religious, political or economic reasons were the main reason for the start of the war and evaluated the significance of Long-term, Short-term and trigger causes.

**Year 9:** Y9 have been learning about the League of Nations and how it was set up to maintain peace and avoid the outbreak of another world war in 1920. Over the next few lessons students will consider why the League of Nations failed and whether there was any way it could have been avoided.

**Year 10:** This week Y10 students are coming towards the end of their first GCSE unit on the topic of 'Health and the People', studying developments in medicine from the Middle Ages until the present day. In the final lessons after the mock exam, we will look at the problems facing modern medicine and public health in the 20th-21st Centuries.

**Year 11:** Are coming to the end of their GCSE unit 'on Elizabethan England' looking at Elizabeth's troubles at home and abroad, and preparing for their AP2 mock exams. We will then move on to our final GCSE unit 'Conflict and tension: 1919-39', before beginning revision in the lead up to the GCSE exams.

History Paper 1: 15th May

History Paper 2: 4th June.

This week postcards of excellence went home to:

KS3:

Y7: Max Nairn

Y8: Elizabeth Brannelly

Y9: Kassius Pinnock

KS4:

Y10: Samia Kadiye

Y11: Miya Hunt



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### Kyreece Moore Y10

Kyreece has been playing for QPR since he arrived in Y7. He plays as a central midfielder and can also play as a striker.

Kyreece, like Blake, is an integral part of the boy's football team, and has scored over half of the team's goals so far this season in the English Schools' PlayStation Cup. We have high hopes for him as he continues his football journey, as his studies in 10H.



### Sofiya Ishchenko Y11

Sofiya joined us in 2022 after leaving her home in Ukraine. She has competed at the highest level in gymnastics, representing Ukraine at the AGG World Championship in 2022, having previously won 6 national championships (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022). Amazingly, she is also predicted grade 8 or 9 in all of her GCSE subjects!



### Blake San Norton Y10

Blake has been at AFC Wimbledon for several seasons now. He plays in centre midfield or at right back. Blake also captains the Y10 football team, acting with maturity, confidence, belief, and always inspiring those around him. We are lucky to have him!



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## Mr Wilson's commendations

It has been another impressive week here at the academy, with pupils once more working hard on their studies both in the classroom and at home. Congratulations go to all the following pupils who made it to the top of our leader boards this week. Photos of 1st places below

### SENECA leaderboard:

#### 1. (Yr7)

Grayson Cook



#### 2. (Yr7)

Sapphire Card



#### 3. (Yr8)

Ava Lily Andrews



### SPARX Maths leaderboard:

#### 1. (Yr7)

Josh Nairn



#### 2. (Yr8)

Lashae Thomas



#### 3. (Yr9)

Kadean Cobourne



### SPARX Reader leaderboard:

#### 1. (Yr7)

Hayden Ho



#### 2. (Yr8)

Ayaan Siddique



#### 3. (Yr9)

Delano Skyers



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## This week in the Library!

This week in the library it was **Mother Language Day**, a day that is observed to promote linguistic and cultural diversity. The library spent this day appreciating the diversity of our children. A small activity was completed, and children browsed dictionaries in various languages.

**If you have any old or spare books in other languages**, please donate these to the school library and help children learn to read and widen their comprehension of other languages!



## Key dates

Description	Date	Time
KS4 Mock 2 Begins	Mon 26/02/2024	
Jamie's Farm	Mon 26/02/2024 to Fri 01/03/2024	
7H Spoken Word Slam	Mon 04/03/2024	13:30 - 16:30
Motorsport Diversity Trip	Tue 27/02/2024	09:00 - 15:00
Barcelona, Espania	Fri 01/03/2024 to Mon 04/03/2024	
Sullivan singing trip	Wed 06/03/2024	09:00 - 09:30
Y7 St Paul's Trip	Wed 06/03/2024	09:30 - 14:00
KS4 Mock 2 Ends	Fri 08/03/2024	



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