

**Getting in touch  
with the  
Academy**

**Celebrating Success  
27th March 2023**

**Who to Contact-  
see later pages**



**Value for Term 3: Work Hard**

**Driver: Stamina**

**100 Club @ the Academy**



422 students on track  
for 100 Club Bronze

366 students on track  
for Termly Award



240 students on  
track for 100 Club  
Silver Award.



**Roll Draw Celebrations**

Every Friday in Roll Call we celebrate student success from the week. Students are put into a draw, and we spin the wheel to find winners who get an Amazon voucher. Mrs. Drinkwater also shares Sports results, Championship Updates and Top Champion Groups of the week. Congratulations to this week's winners.

**Congratulations to our prize winners this week,**

100% Attendance - Alisha K  
100% Prep Completion - Pam T  
Values Draw - Roll Over  
Well-Being Activities - Abirami S  
PE Students of the Week - Chelsea M & Trepill J

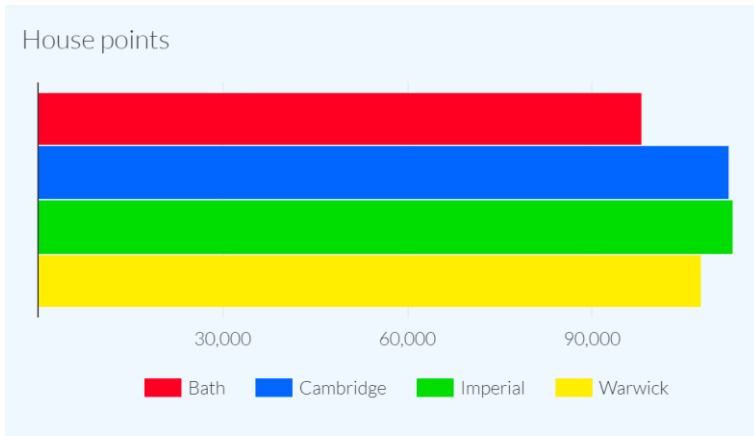


**Champion Group Winners,**

Least Demerits - Bath 5 / Imperial 1 / Warwick 1  
Most Points - Bath 3  
Highest Attendance - Imperial 1



**Hard work - Kindness - Responsibility**



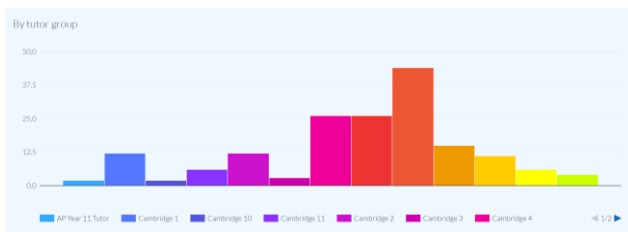
**Bath = 98,102    Cambridge = 112,246**

**Imperial = 112,852    Warwick = 107,781**

**Cambridge Student Successes**

Congratulations to the top students in Cambridge College this week.

Top students	This month	This week
1. Chelsea Craig (1817)	1. Plamena Gavrilova (155)	1. Freya Isom (100)
2. Isabelle Lane (1683)	2. Freya Isom (106)	2. Plamena Gavrilova (100)
3. Macy Liggett (1608)	3. Marius Dumbrava (81)	3. Marius Dumbrava (20)
4. Leo Millard (1579)	4. Chastity Goodfellow (74)	4. Paige Hearni (17)
5. Charmaine Pearce (1447)	5. Paige Hearni (71)	4. Julia Pawlowska (17)
6. Ross Demelo (1383)	6. Chloe Elms (69)	6. Chelsea Craig (16)
7. Leonard Maris (1356)	7. Dean Demelo (61)	6. Alexander Whitaker (16)
8. Zarah Pantia (1355)	8. Abirami Senthikumar (60)	6. Chloe Elms (16)
9. Christiana Bello (1331)	9. Iona d'Souza (58)	9. Kenzie Macieszonok (14)
10. Chelsea Marvell (1289)	10. Jewel Pinto (57)	10. Lanzo Fernandes (13)

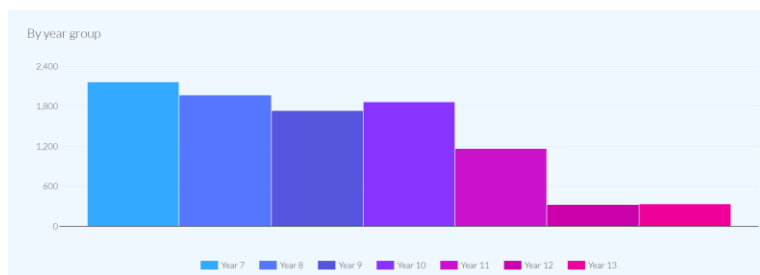


Congratulations to Cambridge 6 for having the most E-Praise Points. 44 Points in the last 7 days.

## Congratulations to the top students in the Academy this week.

Top students	Past week
1. Pratiksha Punmagar (Imperial 11) (2040)	1. Freya Isom (Cambridge 11) (102)
2. Emma Harper (Imperial 9) (1893)	2. Plamena Gavrilova (Warwick 11) (101)
3. Siena Braccia (Warwick 8) (1871)	3. Keiran Leddy (Bath 6) (31)
4. Chelsea Craig (Cambridge 4) (1817)	4. Aidan Travasso (Cambridge 10) (28)
5. Jasmina Chaplin-Jamil (Imperial 8) (1733)	5. Musa Rizwan (Bath 10) (27)
6. Leah Seru (Bath 8) (1710)	6. Cashel Gama (Warwick 10) (25)
7. Isabelle Lane (Cambridge 9) (1683)	6. Isis Riley (Bath 4) (25)
8. Ugochukwu John (Imperial 4) (1623)	6. Marius Dumbrava (Cambridge 7) (25)
9. Elissa Pullen (Bath 8) (1613)	9. Paige Hearn (Cambridge 6) (24)
10. Macy Liggett (Cambridge 8) (1608)	9. Chloe Elms (Cambridge 1) (24)

Congratulations to Year 7 who have the highest points total over the last 7 days with 2,168 points



## Points given this week



## Sporting Results

A massive well done to our U16 basketball team.. winning 38-32 against a strong Bradon side.

A fab effort from our newly formed Year7 girls basketball team. The girls competed in their first ever tournament this week.. They all performed brilliantly; losing one game, drawing two and winning two.

The Year 8 boys football team recently competed in another B team tournament. A fantastic effort from all the boys led to some brilliant goals being scored.

The Year 9 boys football team showed great grit and determination this week against St Joes. They braved the cold and rain throughout their match which resulted in a 3-3 draw.

Congratulations to Chelsea Marvell and Trepil James for being awarded PE Students of the Week.



## In our Performing Arts Department



### Lion King Trip – 7th June



Years 7-12

Look out for more information soon about the Young Musician Competition 2023!

**Get ready to sign up!**



INCLUDING A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY:



Earn points for your college!



Year 7 music students this week have been #workinghard at learning the theme to Harry Potter.



**Hard work - Kindness - Responsibility**

## In our DART Department

Essential Information for Parents

For the Parent Handbook, Uniform Guide and how to use Epraise, please click:

[Handbook, Uniform & Epraise](#)



Find out what your child is learning this term

[Knowledge Organisers](#) for all years for all terms



100% book - Year 7 mainstream

Aim to memorise 100% of the knowledge on these Knowledge Organisers

Term 4

Swindon Academy 2021-22

Name:	
Tutor Group:	
Tutor & Room:	

"If you are not willing to learn, no one can help you."  
"If you are determined to learn, no one can stop you."



## Artwork of the week

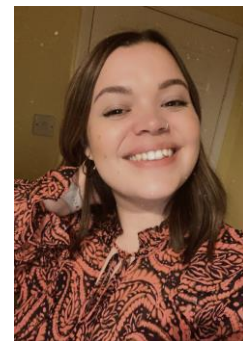
Congratulations to M. Padda (year 13), for creating this amazing headpiece.

You have made fantastic progress this term keep it up!



## Welcome to..... Miss Lee in the English Department

Hi, I'm Maddie and I'm a trainee English teacher at Nova Hreod Academy, currently on my placement at Swindon Academy. I studied English Language and Media at Brighton University and am so excited to be starting my teaching career. I started as the EAL Lead in March 2022 before I started teaching English in September, and I am looking forward to meeting experienced teachers and new students and learning even more at Swindon Academy.

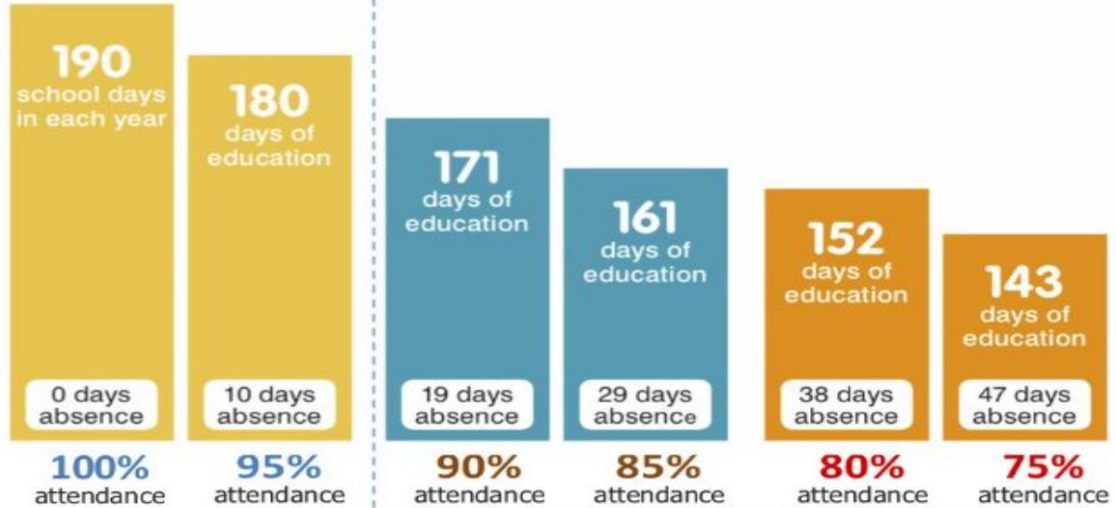


A big welcome back to Mrs Grover who returns after her maternity leave. We welcome you back to the Inclusion and the students look forward to your support within lessons.

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## Good attendance means...

Being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days ...



"Well Done"

Best chance of success

**\*NOW CLASSED AS PERSISTENT ABSENTEE\***

"I'm very worried"

Poor attendance—less chance of success

"I'm seriously concerned"

Very poor attendance—serious impact on education and reduces life chances

# FRIDAYS

Have you looked at your child's attendance recently? Are they regularly missing a Friday? - Please do look and if you see any absence patterns – PLEASE do get in touch.



TURNING UP JUST 5 MINUTES LATE EVERY DAY ADDS UP TO OVER 3 DAYS LOST IN THE YEAR!

**MORE SCHOOL =**



HIGHER GRADES



INCREASED CONFIDENCE



MORE FRIENDS



BRIGHTER FUTURE

On Thursday 30th March, year 7 are visiting St Mary's Church. They will be walking to the church during the school day as part of their RE Curriculum.



We are now on countdown to the exciting Superleague Netball on 21<sup>st</sup> April. Thank you to those who are now signed up and will receive information regarding the trip shortly via epraise.

On Thursday 27th April, year 8 will be visiting the Black Country Living Museum



**ABC Week Year 10**

Year 10 ABC week is all about your bright futures and next steps. The week focusses researching your career pathways and building on your employability skills. This is Jam packed week to spark your imagination.



Discover what careers suit you and write your CV



Dragons Den enterprise challenge

Talks from local businesses and employers



DHL employability workshops

Mock interviews





# UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE

This week in Assembly each College had their own version of University Challenge. The top students in year 7, 8, 9 and 10 from each College will form the College team for the final next week.

Good luck to the students taking part in the competition on Tuesday, the results will be revealed in next week's newsletter!

## SMSC

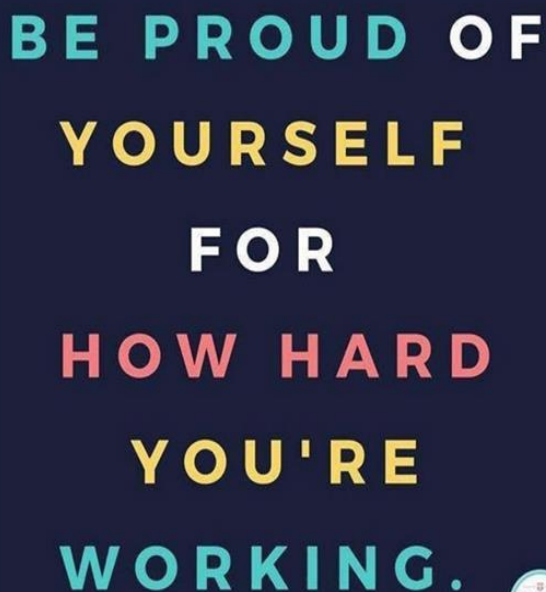
In PSHEC students discussed the 'Skinny' and the implications of the jab being available in the UK.

Key questions - Are we cancelling free will? A new drug promises to rid the world of obesity with a quick weekly jab. For some it is cause for jubilation, but others worry that we will soon absolve ourselves of all personal responsibility.



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*False advertising? Manufacturers of the drug spent £21.7 million on an "orchestrated PR campaign".*

## Year 11



**BE PROUD OF  
YOURSELF  
FOR  
HOW HARD  
YOU'RE  
WORKING.**

Well done to all of year 11 for working so hard in your Mock exams . Its now time to use the knowledge that was gained to plug those gaps and reach for those higher grades

This week during our tutor students started learning about Leadership. With their tutors they looked at what is meant by the word 'humility' and why it is important in leadership. Considered when leaders act and when they should listen, and discussed the the balance between confidence and humility that is needed to be an effective leader. They also looked at what happens when leaders make mistakes and how they regain trust afterwards

**Many of our year 11 students attended the TASKMASTER sixth form event and it was great to see them getting involved in all the challenges and competition to win the Taskmaster title**



# Your bright future starts here



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## What happened in Sixth Form last week

This week see's the end of exams for Y13 and you should all be really proud of how focused you have all been over the past two weeks. On Monday we did another assembly session on the yearbook, which will be available to all y13 students. If you haven't yet logged in, please do so as soon as possible! Tuesday's up for discussion was about whether TV presenters should be allowed to voice their political opinions and led to discussions surrounding Gary Lineker's battle with the BBC, as well as David Attenborough's most recent TV show being taken off mainstream tv.



### **Business trip to Cadbury world**

Some of our Sixth Form business students joined the Ks4 on the Business trip. We are still waiting for our chocolate guys

### **THE TASKMASTER**

On Wednesday we had another successful Wellbeing session as well as an open evening for Y11 students who have chosen UCSF for next year. Our student ambassadors worked so hard to make this an amazing event. Some led teams, whilst others manned team building stations such as an obstacle course and a scavenger hunt. Well done to Tom Hatherall's team who won, beating the other teams to a £10 amazon voucher each. It was Domino's pizza all round once the team building games had finished.



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## TASKMASTER



Health - Responsibility

**Linking subjects to Careers**

Every week there will be a focus on certain subjects linking to careers. Have you seen the display outside the library that links this thinking?. This week we look at **English** which links to many job

**Are you interested in Journalism?**

Salary Newspaper & broadcast journalists and reporters could earn up to **£36,122!**

Latest Labour Market information UK jobs: 145,748

Swindon jobs: 258



With experience, you could become a chief reporter or a specialist writer, covering areas like politics, business or regions of the country. You could move to a national newspaper or work as a critic. You could move into other areas such as magazine, broadcast or online journalism. Or you could work in a press office or public relations. **Are you the next Piers Morgan??** Look into Journalism here [Newspaper journalist | Search | National Careers Service](#)

Are you interested in the **book publishing industry another route through English**. Eleanor Marie Rose manages a publishing YouTube channel which has been recognised by the likes of **BookMachine, The Bookseller** and **The Publishing Training Centre**. Follow her here for more info [Eleanor Marie Rose - YouTube](#)

**Other Careers information.**

Parents - Encourage your children to participate to help our school !

**Win a £50 Amazon voucher and a live Q&A for your school with NHS ambassadors by taking part in the NHS Easter Careers Challenge between 20<sup>th</sup> March & 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023.**

To complete the Easter Challenge students need to do the following:

1. Sign up to <https://hee.connectr.co.uk/hee/>
2. Complete 2 tasks
3. Send a message to an Ambassador



The schools with the most pupils completing the challenge will **win an Amazon voucher worth £50** and connect with our **NHS ambassadors for a live session about careers in the NHS before the end of May 2023. Lets be the winning school!!!!**

**Be inspired .....**

What an Apprenticeship looks like In mechanical/Electrical Engineering industry at :- **Reaction Engines**  
[Our Schemes | Reaction Engines - Making Beyond Possible](#)  
[Joshua Grundy | Reaction Engines - Making Beyond Possible](#)

Explore your careers here. Whether you know where you're heading or not, knowing about the different routes open to you is a great place to start. [Get the Jump: explore your education and training choices | National Careers Service](#)



**Parents and students ...Want to know more about Oxford Brookes??**

Study Higher is hosting a free event at Oxford Brookes University on **April 2nd 2023**, for parents and carers of students in years **10 - 13 or equivalent**. Sign up here [SPACE Programme \(Supporting Parents and Carers in Education\) 2023 \(google.com\)](#)

A reminder of the key events taking place this week:



- Spanish Mock Speaking Exams
- Y11 & Y13 Parents Evening
- End of Term – school finishes at 3.35pm
- Holiday Academy – see Academy News section for the timetable

**Looking ahead:**

Date	Event	Date	Event
17.04.23	TD Day – school closed to all pupils	01.05.23	Bank Holiday – school closed
21.04.23	Deadline for 100 project essays	06.05.23	De Montfort Uni Dance festival
26.04.23	MC 100 Prize Event	04.05.23	100 Project Awards Evening 6-7pm @ MC
27.04.23	Y8 visit to Black Country Living Museum	05.05.23	Staff CPD – school finishes at 1.20pm

# WHAT'S COMING UP?

## International Day of Happiness & EID

In Time2Talk student discussed EID or international day of happiness, here are the articles that they discussed.



Read the article and discuss the questions as a tutor.

Fill in the form if you have any questions relating to the subject.



### Option A

Why are there two Eids?

### Option B

Longest study ever on happiness reveals all

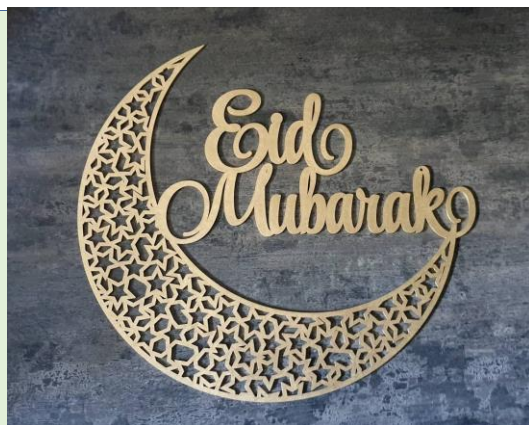
### Option A

#### Eid ul-Fitr

**Eid ul-Fitr** is a very important festival in the Islamic calendar and was started by the **Prophet Muhammad** himself. It is also known as 'The Feast of Breaking the Fast' and is celebrated by Muslims worldwide to mark the end of **Ramadan**. Eid ul-Fitr takes place on the first day of the tenth month of the Islamic lunar calendar, and Muslims are not permitted to **fast** on that day.

Muslims are not only celebrating the end of fasting, but also thanking **Allah** for the **Qur'an**, which was first revealed towards the end of Ramadan, and for the strength Allah has given them to exercise self-control throughout the previous month of fasting. If necessary, they will ask Allah for forgiveness if they failed to keep the fast at any point. In Muslim countries, Eid ul-Fitr is a national holiday. In the UK, Muslims may take the day off work or school to join in the celebrations. The festival is marked in the following ways:  
The festival day begins with the first sighting of the **new moon** at the beginning of the tenth month of the Islamic calendar.

Muslims wear their best clothes, decorate their homes and spend time celebrating with their friends and family. Some Muslims may give money to the poor so that they can also enjoy the day. Communal celebration services are held both outdoors and in **mosques**, there are processions through the streets and a special celebratory meal is eaten - the first daytime meal Muslims will have had in a month. Eid ul-Fitr is a time for families, friends and neighbours to spend time together and share food.



### Option B

- **Should we spend more time with our friends? Good relationships are the secret to happiness, say scientists. But more and more people today are spending the majority of their time alone.**
- "**Lumberjacks** know the secret of happiness".
- It is a bold claim.<sup>1</sup> But according to a survey by the Bureau of Labour Statistics, lumberjacks are some of the happiest people in the USA.<sup>2</sup> They suggest that this is all down to the mixture of physical exertion and being in the great outdoors.
- Now, a new book claims to have cracked the formula for happiness. Robert Waldinger and Marc Schulz, authors of *The Good Life*, looked at the findings from the longest study of human happiness ever conducted — the Harvard Study of Adult Development, which started in 1938 with 724 participants and is still running today.<sup>3</sup>
- The study found that relationships are more important than career success, finances or fame. The people in the study who were the most satisfied in their relationships at age 50 were the healthiest at age 80.
- It is a theme that is reflected in the media we consume. Films and television shows about friendship remain hugely popular, from the 1990s sitcom *Friends* to the hit 2022 film *The Banshees of Inisherin*, which charts the breakdown of the relationship between Irish friends Padraic and Colm.





### A Day in the Life

This week we welcomed Year 5's from our feeder schools to join us for the morning so they could experience what it is like in Secondary School.



260 Students from Gorsehill, Ferndale, AC Primary, BA Primary and Sevenfileds enjoyed 2 different lessons, an assembly and a question-and-answer session with Mrs Drinkwater and the prefects.

We are looking forward to welcoming them to the Swindon Academy when they start with us in Year 7.



### Year 10 Grammar Stream Essay Writing Competition

On Tuesday a group of Year 10 Grammar Stream Students visited Marlborough College Library to research the topic "Unsung Heroes". They learnt how to include references when writing essays and how to effectively take notes. They then spent time researching their chosen Unsung Hero in the library and started to plan their essays.



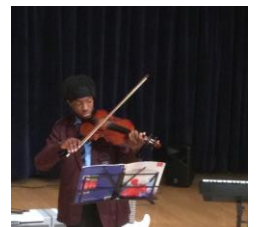
Mr Mahon took 44 year 10, 11, 12 & 13 students to Cadbury's World just outside Birmingham to give our Business students a unique opportunity to learn and discover first-hand how one of the most successful uk based companies has endured over the last two centuries.

The trip involved an interactive tour of the facility, a talk from a industry expert and finally a 4-d experience of the Cadbury's metaverse. Students enjoyed the entire experience, grabbing with both hands the opportunities provided. Furthermore, none of the students chose to pass up the offer of the free chocolate samples that were on offer throughout the day.



### Y11 BTEC Music Event

On Thursday, Year 11 Students completed their final assessment in music – a solo performance to their friends and family. Well done to all students, we are proud of all of you!





### Year 11/13- Parents Evening

A final minder that our year 11/13 parents evening will take place on **Tuesday 28th March between 16:00-19:00**. Appointments are limited and allocated on a first come serve basis, so we advise parents to book in advance to avoid disappointment. *Appointments can be booked on E-praise by clicking on Community-Parents Evening.*

### Easter School/Holiday Academy

#### EASTER HOLIDAY REVISION CLASSES FOR YEAR 11 AND 13

	Monday 3rd 9am - 12pm		Tuesday 4th 9am - 12pm		Wednesday 5th 9am - 12pm		Thursday 6th 9am - 12pm	
	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher
<b>AM</b>	English Year 11	Mrs Carryl	Product Design Year 11	Mrs Kennell	Maths Year 11	Mr Roche	Product Design Year 11	Mrs Kennell
	English Year 11a b2	Ms Cole	English Year 11 c2 b2	Ms Cole	Maths Year 11	Mrs Lyon		
	English Year 11a3 11c1	Ms Roper	Art Year 13	Ms Nicholson	Maths Year 11	Ms Richards		
	History Year 13	Mrs Rivers	Maths Year 13	Mr Hall	Maths Year 11	Mrs Thompson		
	Maths Year 13	Mr Hall	Drama Year 13	Ms Lambert	Drama Year 13	Ms Lambert		
			English Literature Year 13	Ms Eldred	Psychology Year 13	Ms Ravenhill		
		Music year 11	Ms Welsby	Sociology Year 13	Mrs Dodsworth			
	Monday 3rd 1pm -3pm		Tuesday 4th 1pm -3pm		Wednesday 5th 1pm -3pm		Thursday 6th 1pm -3pm	
	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher
<b>PM</b>	English Year 11	Mrs Carryl	Product Design Year 11	Mrs Kennell	Drama Year 13	Ms Lambert	Product Design Year 13	Mrs Kennell
	English Year 11	Ms Cole	Drama Year 13	Ms Lambert	Psychology Year 13	Mrs Dodsworth		
	English Year 11a3 11c1	Ms Roper	English Literature Year 13	Ms Eldred	Sociology Year 13	Ms Ravenhill		
	History Year 13	Mrs Rivers	Music year 11	Ms Welsby				
	Tuesday 11th 9am - 12pm		Wednesday 12th 9am - 12pm		Thursday 13th 9am - 12pm		Friday 14th 9am - 12pm	
	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher
<b>AM</b>	Music Year 13	Ms Welsby	Product Design Year 13	Mrs Kennell	Spanish Year 11c1 and 11b2	Ms Squires	Spanish Year 11 all	Mr Harris
	Product Design Year 13	Mrs Kennell						
	Maths Year 13	Mr Hall						
	Tuesday 11th 1pm -3pm		Wednesday 12th 1pm -3pm		Thursday 13th 1pm -3pm		Friday 14th 1pm -3pm	
	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher	Subject /class	Teacher
<b>PM</b>	Music Year 13	Ms Welsby	Product Design Year 13	Mrs Kennell	Spanish Year 11c1 and 11b2	Ms Squires	Spanish Year 11 all	Mr Harris
	Product Design Year 13	Mrs Kennell						

### Swindon Academy students undertake Sawm (fasting) this week

A number of our students will be showing dedication and sacrifice over the coming month of Ramadan as they fast from sunrise to sunset each day.

Year 11 student, Humaira, said 'I fast because it shows Allah how patient I am and how thankful I am for everything I have because of him. It has made me a kinder, more compassionate person as I understand what it must be like to be going through extreme poverty.

Alhamdulillah'





## MFL Mocks

Every Thursday after school three members of the MFL teams stays after school to run the Speaking Club for yr 11. Please encourage you son/daughter to join us, it makes a difference in the exam.

28th,29th and 30th March - Spanish mock speaking exams. Your son/daughter will be given a time and an exact date for this by their Spanish teacher.

2nd, 3rd and 4th May - Real and final GCSE Spanish speaking exams. Again, your son/daughter will be given an exact date and time for this

There are so many ways that your son/daughter can revise for their final exams. This means completing all prep, completing all revision tasks set and attending where possible extra support and practice after school and during the Easter Holiday.

The Spanish department will be offering some sessions over the Easter Holiday to help prepare Year 11 for these final exams.



## Dutch School Visit



We are very much looking forward to welcoming another 35 students from The Netherlands to Swindon Academy on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April.

Every Year, a group from Middleburg in the Netherlands come to England to improve their English and they spend half a day in the academy, learning more about school in the UK, as well as getting to know and building relationships with students here.

35 Year 9 and 10 students will be taking part as Buddies for the Dutch Students, showing them their lessons, break and lunchtime and helping them with their spoken English.

We will be saying a big “Welkom” to all our Dutch friends on the 19<sup>th</sup> April



# EXAM



Weeks



Days



Days in school

There are 7 weeks or 49 days to go till the first GCSE exam on the **15th of May**. **Only 24 of these are in School**. The exams start with GCSE RE on the Monday and the first Big Exam is Science on the **Tuesday 16th May** .



## YST Survey Information

We have been asked to complete a short online survey with Year 9 and 10 students. This is part of a research project at Marlborough College which aims to strengthen the evidence base on the benefits to young people of participation in physical activity - please see attached.



Parents of Year 9 and 10 students have been sent information on the survey and opportunity to opt out should they wish via epraise. Students of Year 9 and 10 will be completing the survey on the week commencing 27/3.

## Inclusion:

Please find several support services available through the Swindon Local offer and national organisations. The blue links will take you directly to the website.



	Name and support	Link
	<b>Swindon Local offer</b> Local offer is a website in Swindon for children & adults who have support needs, giving you correct information and advice at any time.	<a href="#">Swindon Local Offer - Home</a>
	<b>ADHD support UK</b> The challenge of ADHD is lessened, and any burden shared when we support each other and share effective strategies.	<a href="#">Support   ADHD UK</a>
	<b>ADHD Foundation</b> The ADHD Foundation is the UK's leading neurodiversity charity, offering a strength-based, lifespan service for the 1 in 5 of us who live with ADHD, Autism, Dyslexia, DCD, Dyscalculia, OCD, Tourette's Syndrome and more.	<a href="#">Home - ADHD Foundation : ADHD Foundation</a>
	<b>National Autistic Society</b> They provide support, information and practical advice for more than 700,000 autistic adults and children in the UK, as well as their three million family members and carers.	<a href="#">National Autistic Society (autism.org.uk)</a>
	<b>National Dyslexia network</b> The British Dyslexia Association (BDA) is the voice of dyslexic people. They aim to influence government and other institutions to promote a dyslexia friendly society that enables dyslexic people of all ages to reach their full potential.	<a href="#">National Dyslexia Network   Specialist Dyslexia Support &amp; Advice (ndnetwork.org)</a>
	<b>British Dyslexia Association</b> National Dyslexia Network offers support through a team of Specialist Dyslexia Teachers and Consultant Psychologists.	<a href="#">British Dyslexia Association (bdadyslexia.org.uk)</a>

All Term 5 club information is on Epraise, sign up today! Clubs will start on the Tuesday after the Easter break.

Activities All **Current** Leading Add

Back stage club Y9&10

professional training in Programming Lights & Sound Lighting Design Light Installation Setting up for the Band Mics/ Headphones/ Wiring

Years 9 & 10

6 signed up Every Monday at 3:35pm



[Show details](#)





Name	Club Name	Year groups	Location	Day
Support Staff	Prep Support	All	D1	Everyday
Mr Griffin	KS4 Football	Year 10, 11, 12 & 13	3G	Monday
Miss Deller	KS4 Tennis	Year 10, 11, 12 & 13	Muga	Monday
Miss Lambert	Year 13 Catch up	Year 13	Drama Studio	Monday
Miss Hicks	Young Carers	All	S5	Tuesday
Mr Jones	Basketball Club	All Years	Sports Hall	Tuesday
Mr Williams	Fitness Club	All Years	Fitness Suite	Tuesday
Mr Stone	KS3 Football	Years 7, 8 & 9	3G	Tuesday
Miss Stevens	Tennis Club	All Years	Muga	Tuesday
Miss Lambert	Horror Movie Club	All Years	Drama Studio	Tuesday
Miss Wiltshire	French club	All	G7	Wednesday
Miss Naylor	Dungeons and Dragons Academy	KS3	S5	Wednesday
Mr Jones	Softball Club	All Years	3G/Field	Wednesday
Miss Stevens	Tennis Club	All Years	Muga	Wednesday
Mr Stone	Athletics Club	All Years	Field	Wednesday
Mr Williams	Fitness Club	All Years	Fitness Suite	Wednesday
Miss Newbury	KS3 Dance	Be Active	T4	Years 7, 8 & 9
Mr Weston	Chess	All	M12	Thursday
Miss Capstick	Macbeth Rehearsals	Cast (selected student)	G3	Thursday
Miss Lyon & Mr Roche	Maths Year 11 club	11	M	Thursday
Miss Chapman	GCSE Chemistry revision/catch up	Y11	R4	Thursday
Miss Stevens	Rounders Club	All Years	Field	Thursday
Mr Jones	Cricket Club	All Years	3G/Field	Thursday
Mr Stone	Tennis Club	All Years	Muga	Thursday
Mr Williams	Fitness Club	All Years	Fitness Suite	Thursday
Miss Lambert	Year 11 Catch Up Com 3	Year 11	Drama Studio	Thursday

# Prep Update

Thankyou to the 139 parents/guardians who completed our latest prep survey. Your feedback is really important to us. It's great to hear that the vast majority of students are now doing the same amount of prep as before, but are feeling less stressed or anxious about their prep work.

Parents saying their child is less stressed/anxious about prep	92%
Parents saying their child is doing the same amount of prep as before	67%
Parents saying they would value a <u>weekly</u> Epraise message about prep	72%

Prep Leaderboard - Y7-9 total preps completed last week

			
<b>521</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>514</b> 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>542</b> 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>522</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup>

## 100% For Prep Year 7-10 Last Week

Aaron R	Keiran L
Amelia M-C	Kelsea K
Amy R	Kenji S
Angel G	Kenneth W
Armaan S	Kevin Z
Ashlei-Jae B	Kezra T
Ashwin B	Kobey R
Aveena R	Lacee-Marie L
Beatriz M	Lucy H
Brandonlee	Mackenzi M
Dodson-L	Maisie T
Carey Z	Maria A
Charlie A	Mariam K
Charlie M	Mason V
Charlotte T	Matheesha F
Chloe J	McKayla Anaya P
Chloe R	Megan T
Connor W	Molly D
Cristian A	Musab R
Cristiana B	Oliver M
David T	Olivia J
Eleanor A	Paige S
Ellie F	Pam T
Elliot O'N	Piper F
Elsiana W	Poppy B
Emmanuel F	Prithviraj P
Evie F	Riley-Mae A
Faith S	Rimsha M H
Fedia B	Rowan R
Fifi A	Ruben C
Frankie H	Sapna G
Gehan K	Savannah P
Harley T	Scott H
Hasan U	Shreyash B
Helen T	Sophie K
Imara W	Tamia Yon-G
Inderpreet Kaur N	Tegan Edwards-N
Isis R	Tianna C
Isis R	Troy C
Jacob R	Vanessa-B Florea B
James H	Victoria K
James R	Zara M
Jaycee K	Zayan J
Jensen W	Zoya H
Jewel R	Zunaid H
Joshua G	Keiran L
Joshua P	Kelsea K
Kayla-Mae H	Kenji S
Keiran L	


Abirami S	Jewel P
Aden B	Joshua I
Alana R	Julia P
Alexander D	Kacper G
Alicia K	Kailum S
Anaya C	Kenzie M
Andrei D	Kian D
Andrey A	Kimberly D
Anna D	Kristiyan K
Antonio P	Krystal L
Aryam T	Kyra K
Ashwin R	Laila I
Aviel de M	Lanzo F
Barbara M	Leonie N
Brian Z	Liam S
Brooke M	Libby M
Cameron E	Logan M
Chelsea H	Luana Fel de G
Chelsea M	Maria Clara S
Chloe E	Marius D
Chloe Page-N	Marius D
Chloeanne E	Megan O
Christiana B	Michael D
Cliward G	Mihaela M
David O	Mikolaj G
Dua S	Mileka D
Dylan K	Millie S
Ebonie C	Mylie P
Ella B	Nishtha K
Ellie A	Nyasha W
Ellie R	Paige F
Ellie-Mae K	Paige H
Ellie-Mae L	Paige H
Enada C	Parth S
Erlisa K	Phoebe M
Evie R	Pip W
Felipe Morilha da S	Poppy A
Gurjot S	Riley A
Honey B	Riyad K
Ianis B	Saniksha V
Imogen O	Shaarujan P
Imsoong R	Shamarah F
Iona d'S	Shania D
Israel O	Shira E
Iylah-May W	Sophia B
Izan d'S	Tadiwa M
Jacob S	Tanishq P
Jade M	Theo McL
Jasneet K	Tume A
Jay B	Vagan R
Jayden S	Victoria S

Aaliyah F	Jasmine G
Aaron G	Jay W
Adara B	Jimmy H
Addison F	Joshua Keene-B
Adinath J	Kai S
Aditya G	Katie F
Akarshan M	Kurt R
Alfie C	Kye B
Alisha K	Layla R
Aliyah C	Lexi C
Aman W	Leyla-May W
Amy-Lee S	Lilly-Anne S
Andi Q	Lita S
Aniela I	Logan D
Archie A	Lolita L
Archit K	Luca B
Arnav P	Lucas K
Arpit K	Mathew P
Ashmitha N	Musaddaq A
Avlon F	Nicole D
Ayana M	Nicole P
Bonnie B	Owen W
Caden A	Peace C-A
Caelan d'S	Prianna S
Cecilia C	Raguel S
Charlie B	Rebecca D-O
Chelsea W	Rojithan S
Corey D	Rowan Rana-M
Dana E	Sahara B
Daniel R	Scarlett W
Danny H	Shirleen S
Deborah O-I	Shivani S
Deneeshiya B	Simmi G
Ella L	Snigan D
Ellie-Mae P	Solomon O
Emily O'H	Sophie C
Emmanuel I	Sreejith S
Enzo K	Tia H
Evie H	Tommy H
Evie W	Trinelle d'S
Eymen A	Tyler O
George B	Ugochukwu J
Grace W	Valencia R
Haneen E	Victor D Santos A
Harrison McG	Zak Chaplin-J
Harshita Devi B	Zak K
Heloisa P de S	
Iva A	
Jacob P	
Jai M	
Jakub B	

Aaron S	James C
Abdul H	James S
Aben C	Jeshika Gharti M
Affifah A	Joel F
Aisha S	Junaria C
Aleksander L	Kayla K
Alex C	Kelsie May H
Alexander P	Kyisha G
Alexis E	Leah C
Alfie L	Lexie W
Alicia P	Lexi-Mai L
Amarissa S	Lilli Starmer E
Amber S	Lilly H
Amy V	Lilly-Mae W
Annamaria U	Lily-May D
Aoife K	Lucifer S
Armando B	Lukas M
Ashley A	Lydia M
Aurora de A	Maitri J
Bianca S	Marcus P
Brisa L	Megan B
Caitlin R	Menorah P
Casey S	Mia C
Cat de C	Mirage S
Christopher A	Miya C
Chung Yin C	Nazir S
Connor M	Oliver D
Daisy-May R	Peter U
Deepika G	Ralfs P
Deepsika G	Ricardo Morris T
Ebony L B	Rishitha M
Ellie R	Riya D
Emily B	Rosina W
Emily R	Ruby P
Eric C	Ruby W
Fabio C	Saffron S
Gabriel B	Samuel P-H
Gia Q	Shakkia L B
Gnana P	Sienna I
Gnana Va P	Sophie K
Hailey W	Spencer S
Harry E	Sydney G
Hayden C	Sylvain F
Indi-Mae C	Timaima M
Isabelle B	Toby B
Isabellly O	Tori W
	Valencia P
	Veeksha C
	Zian N



# General Uniform List

Item	Standard Expected
<b>Blazer</b>	Maroon academy blazer with academy badge. Sleeves must be worn at full length at all times.
<b>Shirt</b>	A blue long or short-sleeved shirt suitable for a tie. (No fashion blouses—there must be a top button on the shirt with a stiffened collar) Shirts must be tucked in at all times.
<b>Trousers / Skirt</b>	Plain black tailored school trousers (ankle length) or plain black tailored skirt (no denim, jean style, Lycra, cords, combats, leggings, skinny fit trousers, chinos or tracksuits). Skirts should be of an appropriate length, no shorter than 4cm above the knee. <i>(Please take care when buying trousers as many shops sell trousers that are labelled 'school trousers' but they will not comply with our Uniform Policy.)</i>
<b>Tights/Socks</b>	Should be black or natural. Socks should be black. Both tights and socks should be plain, not patterned.
<b>Jumper (optional)</b>	An academy jumper can be worn under the academy blazer. This should have the College colour.
<b>Tie</b>	Each College has a different coloured stripe on the tie. Students must wear their tie at all times.
<b>Footwear</b>	<p>A plain black school shoe, no trainers, sandals or boots (this includes Ugg boots, Doc Martins and ankle boots). If students are not wearing the correct footwear they will be expected to borrow a pair of shoes from R12—the shoes will be treated with a hygiene spray after each use. Failure to wear the shoes provided within 10 minutes of the request being made will result in the student being placed into RZone until the end of the day or until uniform is rectified.</p> 



This week we will be focussing on blazers, ties and shoes.

A reminder that we have new and pre-loved items for sale. If there any issues with your child's skirt or trousers you will be contacted by your child's College Manager so that the issues can be addressed.

Uniform checks will be introduced into Roll Call from the first week back after Easter.

**By Easter, all students will be supported so that they can wear full school uniform.**

## College Competitions

This week we saw the start of University Challenge. College Champions were the quizmasters as they asked students questions on their College team's call. The top year 7, 8, 9 & 10 student for each college, will represent their college in the final next Tuesday.



## Student Voice (Senior Council Mtg)

This week the Senior Council provided feedback to students from their recent meeting with Mrs Wright and Mrs Lawrence, here is some of the feedback students received.

### SRE

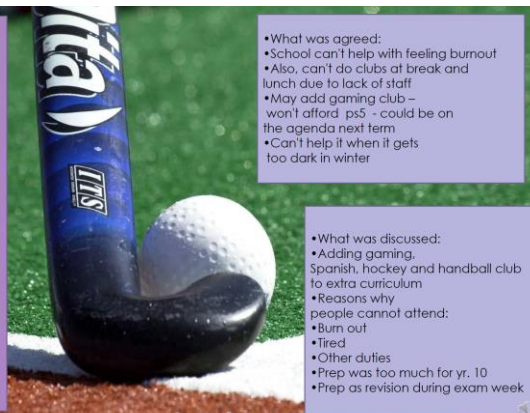
What was discussed:  
 -Whole class discussions normalised the stigma around SRE  
 -Mentoring by older students was well received  
 -Including more about mental health, LGBTQ, BLM, eating disorders and accidental pregnancy

What we would like to learn about :  
 -Mental health  
 -Sexually transmitted infections  
 -Choices of pregnancy  
 -BLM  
 -LGBTQ  
 -Knowing about where you can get support about contraception – can this be accessed in school?  
 -Eating disorders  
 -The consequences of unprotected sex

What was agreed:  
 -Add more about the above  
 -More talks on how to combat mental health and the resources available to people struggling with this



### Clubs



•What was agreed:  
 •School can't help with feeling burnout  
 •Also, can't do clubs at break and lunch due to lack of staff  
 •May add gaming club – won't afford ps5 - could be on the agenda next term  
 •Can't help it when it gets too dark in winter

•What was discussed:  
 •Adding gaming, Spanish, hockey and handball club to extra curriculum  
 •Reasons why people cannot attend:  
 •Burn out  
 •Tired  
 •Other duties  
 •Prep was too much for yr. 10  
 •Prep as revision during exam week



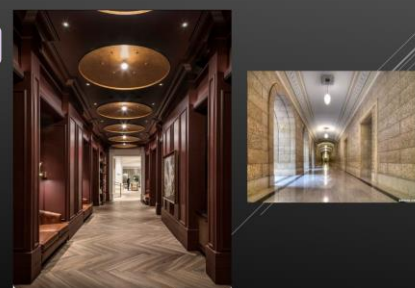
• Who we wanted to talk to us about their jobs:  
 • Firefighters – Safety talks  
 • NHS Doctors and nurses – Health and safety sector talks as it is growing in terms of popularity and its advantages  
 • Scientists – Info on how you can become a scientist  
 • Artists /animators – They can give info on a growing industry  
 • Chefs – Talk about food quality and control Year 10 ABC week:  
 • Considering adding job specific parts towards the week.

### INDUSTRY TALKS

### CORRIDORS

What we are changing.

- Students to go in class and sit straight away and not queueing outside of lesson like in the W and M corridor it's really crowded when there in a small space to get through to lesson.
- Only line outside in DT, science or computer rooms due to safety.
- Going to toilets in lesson change over
- Following the one-way system



Actions from the meeting will be out in place from September. The next round of student voice will start in Term 5.

# Getting in touch with the Academy



## How to Access EPRAISE:

- Go to Google search Epraise log in/search
- Please select your school/choose Swindon Academy Secondary
- Go to parents/enter your email (must be the one given to the Academy) & leave password blank.
- You will then receive an email and follow instructions.
- You can also download the Epraise App

## EPRAISE

- Is the best way to get in touch.
- We will try and get back to you within 2 days (not weekends)-usually much quicker.
- If you do not get a timely response, please forward your message directly to K.Wright (Head Teacher)
- Please use the table overleaf to direct your message to the most appropriate person:

epraise

**IN CASE OF  
EMERGENCY**



### Emergency Contact

To contact the Academy during the day for reasons that need a quick response please:

- Epraise message P.Pastoral

Or

- Phone Reception 01793 426900 (please be aware that unless it is an emergency, reception will only EPRAISE the most appropriate person.)

Or

- Phone Pastoral Support 01793 4266980 (please be aware that unless it is an emergency, reception will only EPRAISE the most appropriate person.)

### To meet with a College Manager/SENCO/Attendance

- Parents can book appointments via EPRAISE to meet with a College Manager during the day every day.
- Parents of SEN students or parents with queries about SEN can book to meet a SENCO on Mondays 2.15pm-3pm, Wednesdays & Fridays 8.50am to 9.30am .
- Parents can book to meet with a member of the Attendance Team between 10am and 11am each day.
- To book go to EPRAISE-Community/Parents Evenings and Select the right event/day.

**PARENT  
MEETING**

We will also offer drop-in appointments for parents at the above times. Parents need to be willing to wait to be seen.

**Hard work - Kindness - Responsibility**

Query about.....	Epraise.....
Contacting Principal	K.Wright
Contacting Head Teacher	A.Lawrence L.Jordan
Pastoral matters/Uniform	P.Pastoral or your child's College Manager <b>Bath</b> C.Roberts, <b>Cambridge</b> K.Nicholls, <b>Imperial</b> L. Quinn <b>Warwick</b> R.Harding
Attendance/Medical Appointments/Punctuality	A.Attendance
Prep Work/Bedrock/Seneca/Sparx	P.Prepare
Detention	P.Pastoral
Parent Pay/FSM/Trips & Visits	J.Greenwood
Safeguarding	D.Ramshaw
UCSF (Sixth Form) Queries	L.Dodsworth
SEN	C.Oke & R.Suleman
Epraise Shop/Clubs	C.Oke
Grammar Stream	L.Rowe
D of E/ Camp/ABC Week	N.Warren
Password/Chromebook queries	P.Prepare
Subject Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PE/Music/Drama/Dance <b>D.Boucher</b></li> <li>• Maths/Business Studies/CSc <b>L.Roche</b></li> <li>• English <b>E.Cole</b> or <b>D.Carryl</b></li> <li>• Science <b>L.Rowe</b></li> <li>• History <b>J.Rivers</b></li> <li>• Geography <b>C.Greenwood</b></li> <li>• RE/HSC <b>H.Green</b></li> <li>• Dt &amp; Art <b>L.Thomas</b></li> <li>• Spanish <b>A.Alvarez</b></li> </ul>
Champion (Tutor)	P.Pastoral or your child's College Champion <b>Bath</b> M.Jones <b>Cambridge</b> J.Higgins Khan <b>Imperial</b> J.Capstick, <b>Warwick</b> C.Ganney
Year 11	<b>D.Boucher</b>