



Be The Best You Can Be With CCSC

Week 11 - Monday 18th November 2024



What's on **THIS** week?

Y11 Recap Week
Tue 19th Y9 Netball
Wed 20th Y9 RSE Day
Thu 21st Performing Art Trip

What's on **NEXT** week?

Y11 Mock Exams Begin
Wed 27th Y7 New Vic Trip

Important Dates

Dec
Tue 3rd Y7-Y11 Flu Vaccines
Thu 5th Y10 Parents Evening
Thu 12th RMS Trip
Mon 16th Careers Week
Fri 20th Finish for Xmas

Trips all on Parent Pay

December Buddhist Temple
February Sorrento
CLW 2025

Year	Event logs	Conduct logs	Best pupil with most ELs
Y7	1796 ↓	60 ↓	Lambourne-Gibbs, Emily 7APR (22)
Y8	1339 ↑	160 ↑	Elston, Franki 8JD (12)
Y9	1153 ↓	180 ↑	Jackson, Bethany 9DG (21)
Y10	921 ↑	200 ↑	Timmis, Isabelle 10YM (19)
Y11	574 ↑	122 ↓	Harrison, Mikala 11P (15)
Total	Event Logs = 5783 ↑ 9%		Conduct Logs = 722 ↑ 34%

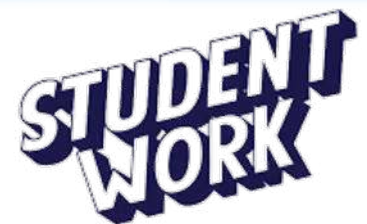
	Zero Conduct Logs	100% Attendance	Attendance	Best form Attendance
Y7	169 ↓ (83%)	154 (75%) ↓	91.2% ↓	7PF 95.7% =
Y8	150 ↓ (74%)	154 (76%) ↓	93.3% ↑	8MK 97% ↓
Y9	111 ↓ (65%)	123 (72%) ↓	93.1% ↓	9SWL 95.2% ↓
Y10	122 ↓ (74%)	117 (71%) ↓	92.1% ↓	10IR/CK 94% ↓
Y11	111 ↑ (69%)	119 (74%) ↑	91% ↑	11P 96.8% ↑
Total	663 ↓ (73%)	667 (77%) ↓	92.1% ↓	

REMINDERS

Charge your iPads EVERY night and IF you use a power bank you MUST hand it back and NOT take it home!!

View our weekly outstanding work here

<https://shorturl.at/XZGVL>





Look who made a **BIG** impression this week!

SELF-BELIEF & **HARD WORK** WILL ALWAYS EARN YOU **SUCCESS**

It hasn't gone unnoticed and we couldn't be more proud of you!

Cartledge, Lucy	Anderson, Zachary	Burnett, Ocean-Paige	Edge, Sophie	Austin, William
Davis, Leah	Bates, Maddison	Carter, Liam	Garner, Leon	Flanagan, Leon
Dunn, Mercedes	Currie, Holly	Darlington, Poppy	Goodall-Hambleton, Ashton	Jones, Macie
Hannon, Phoebe	Guest, Tyler	Fryer, Elsie	Grant, Lee	Marfleet, Lewis
Lythgoe, Tyler	Haggerty, Madison	Hobbs, Oliver	Hardy, Joshua	Morgan, Lilly-Mo
Machin, Ollie	Jones, Ava	Pass, Oakley	Howarth, Ethan	Mullen, Luca
Oxford, Esther	Millward, Betsy	Podmore, Oakley	Knight, Alfie	Winsper, Brooklyn
Patrick, Lloyd	Ratcliffe, Eva-Mai	Rogers, Yvie	Smith, Morgan	Wyrzykowski, Dawid
Walker, Faith	Rowe, Abbygail	Taylor, Ryan	Timmis, Isabelle	
Webb, Luke	Walker, Mikayla		Washington, Swayze	
Wedgwood, Harvey			White, MacKenzie	

Outstanding Work

A HUGE well done to all the pupils featured in this week's 'Outstanding Work'! We love seeing this each week..... Check it all out using the link

<https://www.ccsc.staffs.sch.uk/index.php/news/556-outstanding-work-at-ccsc>

Sargeant, Charlie-May 11P English

Whole School Rewards "Be the Best You Can Be"

Reward 1 - Earn 25 event logs to receive a voucher at the end of half term.

Reward 2 - Zero Conduct Log! If you get NO conduct logs in a week (Sunday to Sunday), you will get entered into a lucky dip. A prize for one person, per year group, per week will be announced in Monday's newsletter.

Reward 3 - For every WEEK you receive ZERO conduct logs you get 1 ticket for entry into a lucky dip prize draw. 1 prize for each year group! At the end of each half term ALL tickets are entered into a BIG lucky dip prize draw for a bigger prize, again 1 prize per year!

Reward 4 - Event Log Plus - each teacher makes one phone call home per week to someone who has really impressed them! For every pupil who has had a phone call, they will enter a lucky dip draw. There will be ONE weekly winner who will be announced in the newsletter.

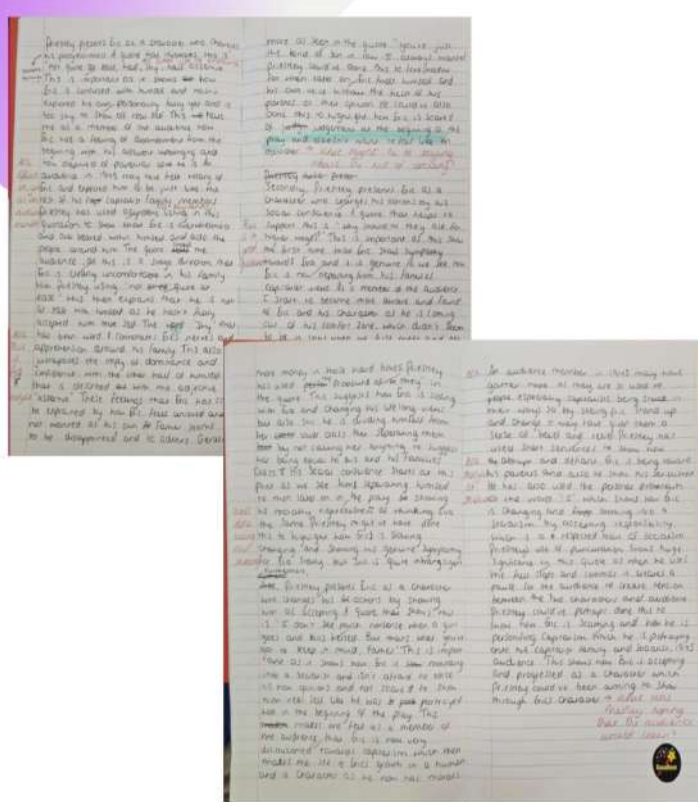
Reward 5 - Outstanding Work Submissions. There will be ONE weekly winner who will be announced in the newsletter.

Reward 6 - At the end of each half term, we present prizes for the Best Boy and Best Girl in each year group. We also do Best Form in each year, Best House and Best Attendance!

Reward 7 - Every pupil who has 100% attendance for that week will be entered into a lucky dip!

Reward 8 - Reward afternoons and Rewards Day - more information to follow!

SO, let's all keep working hard and keep our fingers crossed for our weekend prize draws- a winner in every year group for every category!



HOY AWARDS

Y7

Gracie Mae Bailey Matthews

For excellent attitude and effort this week especially in PE and Science. Well done!

Oliver Hancock

For making great progress in his lessons as well as his always impeccable behaviour. You are a credit to the year group!

Y8

Maddy Haggerty

Is absolutely smashing this week. She has had 3 event log plus phone calls in the last week. AMAZING!!!!

Oliver Hackman

A polite, well presented and kind young man. When talking to staff they only have lovely things to say about this young man. Keep it up!!

Y9

Poppy Darlington and Olivia Gouyet

These pair are great examples of getting involved in school life, especially after school sport. They have the personality and qualities to succeed in both their academic and practical endeavours and I hope they continue positive and pragmatic approach to school.

Y10

Zach Worgan

Zach is really impressing me with his focus and effort at the moment. Keep it up Zach!

Amelia Tench

Consistently working hard across all subjects and making super progress. Well done Amelia!

Y11

George Brownsword
11GF

For excellent learning across all subjects in school.



Lucky Dip Winners 18th November



Zero Conduct Log Winners

Y7 Simm, Esmae 7PF
Y8 Richards, Joel 8NE
Y9 Daley, Cara 8AHP
Y10 Bomparola, Josh 10MWI
Y11 Taylor-Cottam, Lucy 11KDR

Outstanding Work
Sargeant, Charlie-May 11P
English
Event Log Plus
Flanagan, Leon 11GF
100% Attendance
Rawlinson, Sophie 7APR

Be The Best You Can Be
Work hard and get
noticed!

£5 vouchers
OR
Front of Queue Pass to Canteen
OR
Free break food for a week!
PLUS entry into the BIG prize draw

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noticed!

Please email Miss Edwards kedwards@ccsc.staff.sch.uk
With your choice of prizes from above.

What has been happening?

Introducing our 2024/25 Sports Leaders – Huge congratulations goes to: Reece Elliot, Amelia Bailey Matthews, Sidney Hibberd, Ellie Conyon, Harry Lea, Olivia Pye, Harvey Beswick and Lois McKechnie.

Y10 Parents Evening is now live on School Cloud please log in to book your appointments.

Any problems please contact the office via email, text or phone.

<https://ccsc.schoolcloud.co.uk>

This week, Miss Edwards organised rewards Buffet breakfasts for all 304 students to celebrate achieving 100% attendance last half term. Really well done to all!! Remember come to school every day for 7 weeks 😊 and the reward is yours!!



Miss Edwards is helping out with Bee Active over the Xmas Holidays. Please use your HAF code which you would have received from Staffordshire Council via email to book on.

<https://shorturl.at/GtP8R>

BEE ACTIVE

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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

Winter Trip Programme

FREE trips for 12-16 year olds this winter!

Join us for an adventure and make new friends. Transport and lunch included.

Thursday 2 January 2025

Flip Out Indoor Trampoline & Adventure Park!



Flip Out is home to multiple trampolines, foam pit, bronco, ninja wipeout, inflatables, football, basketball and much more.

Children need to meet at Newcastle-under-Lyme College – the mini bus will depart at 9am and all children will be transported to Flip Out Stoke for a 2 hour jump 11:00-1:00pm.

Children will be encouraged to participate in sporting activities before and after travelling to Flip Out at Newcastle-under-Lyme College. A meal will also be provided.

All children will receive a pair of Flip Out socks, we recommend wearing comfortable clothing (trousers and T-Shirt/Jumper) for this activity.

Please note: this is a programme for children only. Parents and Carers are not permitted to attend.



Friday 3 January 2025

Awesome Walls & Inflato World

AWESOME WALLS INFLATO
STOKE

Join us on a trip to Awesome Walls, followed by Inflato World!

Children need to meet at Newcastle-under-Lyme College – the mini bus will depart at 9am and all children will be transported to Awesome Walls for a 1 hour climb session 10:00-11:00am and then to Inflato Stoke for a 1 hour session at the inflatable air park starting at 13:00pm.

Children will be encouraged to participate in sporting activities before and after travelling at Newcastle-under-Lyme College. A meal will also be provided.

We recommend wearing comfortable clothing (trousers and T-Shirt/Jumper) for this activity. For Awesome Walls rock climbing, all participants should arrive in sports/active clothing and shoes/trainers that can be fastened.

Please note: this is a programme for children only. Parents and Carers are not permitted to attend.



Book from 11 Nov at eequ.org or scan the QR code:



What has been happening?



Year 10 dancers were amazing today as they had a day working on their set phrases for their GCSE course. Year 9 joined them later in the day and they too were very impressive. Both Mrs Hitchin and Mrs Baldry are really proud of how hard they worked. Mrs Hitchin said she wishes she could do that every day! Well done girls- so lovely to see.



Competition starts 18th November and will be during lunchtimes

Sign up with your specialist subject on Teams.



Can you dethrone the current champions?
 Y8: Alexis Oliver - Care Bears
 Y9: Dominic Cooper - FNAF
 Y10: Lucas Davison - Carpentry
 Y11: Evie Douglas - One Direction
 Staff: Mr Morgan - The Beatles



House Mastermind

A 10 question quiz about YOUR specialist subject. You get to choose 1! Winner gets the most correct answers.

Everyone can enter! Just sign up in advance so the question masters can prepare.

CCSC House FIFA

Year 7 Fixtures

Wednesday 13th Nov	Charlie Coon	Vs	Annabelle Badger-Steaton
Friday 15th Nov	Harry Weatherer	Vs	Freddie Brammell
Wednesday 20th Nov	Dominion Baddley	Vs	Mason Readings
Friday 22nd Nov	Jayden Goobin	Vs	Anderson Turner
Wednesday 27th Nov	Nick Summers	Vs	Archie Dujak
Friday 29th Nov	Tyler-James Blando	Vs	Ruby-Tuesday Rodgers
Wednesday 4th Dec	Maisie Boslier	Vs	Magnus Everson
Friday 6th Dec	Charlie Bolt	Vs	Milson Hammett
Wednesday 11th Dec	Ibrahim Chowdhury	Vs	Noah Thornhill
Friday 13th Dec	Thomas Harper	Vs	Kalen Tillyman
Wednesday 18th Dec	Daniel Wood	Vs	Jonah Challinor
Wednesday 8th Jan	Tommy Rowie	Vs	AshleyAnn Sims
Friday 10th Jan	Harry Bennett	Vs	Jonah Jackson
Wednesday 15th Jan	Kian Whitmore	Vs	Logan Blaze
Friday 17th Jan	Brody Clives	Vs	Logan Potts
Wednesday 22nd Jan	Cory Fenner	Vs	Isabel Woodcock

Remember, if you can play your games after school, email Mr Powell. We can get more games done quicker then!



Year 11 Fixtures

Thursday 7th Nov	Tom Bomperola	Vs	Lewis Cornwell
Monday 11th Nov	Stephen Barlow	Vs	Sonny Dyer
Tuesday 12th Nov	Ashton Smith	Vs	Marius Salter
Wednesday 13th Nov	Zach Price	Vs	Luca Mullen

Uniform

Dear Parent/Carer

8th July 2024

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our school uniform policy. We expect high standards across all years in school and take great pride in the appearance of our pupils. First impressions are important and our school uniform is to be worn with pride. Part of our school values is to 'be prepared' and having the correct uniform and equipment will ensure that your child is effectively prepared for learning.

Here is an update regarding our sanctions:

- For genuine reasons, please inform our school office (that same morning) - phone calls or emails only and no letters/notes. They will then be issued a uniform card and reported to the Head of Year and Mrs. Waterhouse, who will then decide if isolation is still required.
- If no valid reason is given that morning, a conduct log will be issued and form teachers will report to Head of Year and Mrs. Waterhouse. **These pupils will be isolated with either form tutor, Head of Year, Key Stage Leader or even placed in the Quiet Room.**
- A weekly whole-school detention will then be issued where we have had no parent contact on the day of incorrect uniform (parent text will be sent on Fridays, with detentions after school on Tuesdays). For those who are persistent, Quiet Room time will be issued until uniform is corrected.

Please see below for a summary:

The uniform for the school includes:



- Black blazer with school badge. This should be worn at all times and can be taken off in lessons **only** if a member of staff allows it (for example, in hot weather). Coats, jackets, hoodies and jumpers are not to be worn around school.
- White shirt: It should be noted that this is a traditional shirt that buttons to the collar and is long enough to be tucked in (**shirts should be tucked in at all times**).
- A plain, black jumper (no logos) can be worn under the blazer
- School house tie
- Black trousers: Girls should note that the trousers must be of a formal, tailored style, i.e. **not fitted trousers, jeans or leggings**. We should not be able to see ankles! Tight fitting, Lycra trousers will not be allowed at all. Black socks are preferred.
- Skirts: Girls are allowed to wear a school skirt with a school logo, which can be purchased from the school shop. Skirts should be of appropriate length and not rolled over at the top. Black tights or black socks/knee high socks required.
- Black footwear (low-heel, no coloured logos, no additional colours on laces or soles). Footwear can be trainers as long as they are all black.
- Jewellery: For safety and security reasons, only one pair of sleeper or stud earrings may be worn in each earlobe. Pupils may wear a watch.
- In all cases, jewellery should be removed for safety reasons (PE, Technology). Where jewellery can't be removed or where it goes against the school policy (in the case of facial piercings), pupils will be made to wear plasters to cover until it can be removed.
- Hair should be of a natural colour – we are having an increase in coloured hair. Please ensure that our policy is adhered to. Pupils who do present themselves with a different colour hair (and go against policy) will have to wear hair up and will be monitored on a daily basis until it grows out.
- Eyelashes need to be natural (pupils will be asked to remove fake ones).
- Nail varnish and false nails are not allowed (for health and safety reasons).
- An apron is required for Technology.
- Air pods/wireless earphones are not allowed in lessons. Pupils will be asked that these are removed and, in some cases, will be confiscated.
- Using mobile phones in school is not permitted.

PE Kit

- Royal blue polo shirt, black shorts/black sports leggings/black jogging bottoms (NOT any other colour) and black socks.
- There is also the option of having a blue, long-sleeve jersey and a black waterproof sports jacket.
- PE Hoodies are available to buy.
- For outdoor field activities, boots, gum shield and shin pads are necessary for rugby, hockey and football.
- Trainers with non-marking soles for indoor use.
- Nike pro shorts are NOT allowed. Sport shorts must come to at least mid-thigh/just above the knee.
- Please read the PE FAQs and department policy for further information on if your child is unable to take part in PE lessons.



Yours Sincerely,

Mrs. S Waterhouse

Mrs Baldry

Always happy, supportive and can always put a smile on people's face

Mrs Fower

She is always ready to welcome us with a big smile. She always makes the lesson challenging enough but everyone always has a amazing time. She is a hard working teacher and I always look forward to having her ...she is my favourite teacher by far and I would like to thank her so much



Miss Hargreaves

She hasn't been working at the school long yet she is always kind and welcoming to every student. Even when she has her job to do she will make things fun with you and makes everyone enjoy what she is doing with them. She is a joy to be around.

thank you

Mr Gribbin

Mr Gribbin has supported Scarlett since year 7 we couldn't of asked for a better form tutor over the years he knows how to control Scarlett and when things are on her mind. He is always available to chat to Scarlett which is lovely as Scarlett feels she can open up to him not only this any call or email we send he replies to. Mr Gribbin also supported Scarlett after half term when she lost her grandad in helping her to deal with everything. He also supports Scarlett with her dancing watching her audition for the school talent show as she was nervous.

Thank a teacher

From your lovely feedback last year parents and students have suggested a way to nominate a teacher to recognise them for an act of kindness, support or hard work.

If any student or parent would like to anomalously recognise a teacher then please use the link to fill out the form.

<https://forms.office.com/e/rBW6B67Kwy>

A BIG
THANK
YOU!



Clubs & Boosters

Clubs (2024-25)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break Time	Library (all years) Borrow & Return Books	Library (all years) Borrow & Return Books	Library (all years) Borrow & Return Books	Library (all years) Borrow & Return Books	Library (all years) Borrow & Return Books
Lunch P7	Book Club (Year 7) Rm. 25	Peer Mentoring (Year 7)	Spanish Drop-In (Year 7) Rm. 3	Library (Years 7)	
Lunch P8	Spanish Drop-In (Years 8 + 9) Rm. 3			Library (Years 8 + 9)	Peer Mentoring (Years 8 + 9)
Lunch P9		Peer Mentoring (Years 10 + 11)	KS4 French Club (Rm. 3) Library (Years 10 + 11)		
After School	Girls Netball (Y9, Y10 + Y11) SB,GF Swim Club (all years) Library (until 3:35pm) Borrow & Return Books	STEM Club - Rm. 22 Aqua Zumba (all years) SB,GF,APR Handball - Y9,10,11 PS/LEH Run Club x Parkrun (LM,JD,DG) Library (until 3:35pm) Borrow & Return Books Pokémon Card Club Room 20	Boys' Football (Year 11) PS Badminton (all years) LEH/APR Book Club (all years) Library Pokémon Card Club Room 20 Dance Club Dance Studio (LHi)	Drama Club (all years) Hall Girls Netball (Y7 + Y8) SB,GF Book Club (all years) Library Library (until 3:35pm) Borrow & Return Books	

Boosters (2024-25)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch P9			French Booster (Rm 3)		
After School	Music & Drama Drop-In	Science Booster (Science Dept.) English Booster (see rota) Child Dev. / Health & Social Cwk Drop-In (Rm. 27 - BB) Business Booster (Y11)	English Booster (see rota) German Booster Rm. 4	Child Dev. / Health & Social Cwk Drop-In (Rm 27 - RF) D&T Booster Workshop (SH) Maths Booster Rm. 10 Higher Rm. 11 Foundation Religious Studies (Rm. 34 KO) Business Booster (Y10)	Spanish Booster Rm. 1 + 2 Italian Booster Rm. 3 History Booster Rm. 24 Geography Booster (starts after Christmas)

2024-2025 Autumn Term 2. PE Extra Curricular Timetable.

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7, 8 & 9 Lunchtime	Astro	Astro	Astro	Astro	Astro
Year 10 & 11 Lunchtime	Astro	Astro	Astro	Astro	Astro
After School (3:05-4:00pm)	Staff Meeting Night GCSE PE Booster – Year 11 (Dance Studio)	Girls Football (APR) – All years Handball (PS/LEH) – Year 9, 10 & 11 Swim Club (SB/GF) – All Years	Badminton (APR) – All Years Boys Football (PS) – Year 9 Dance (LHi) – All Years Boys Rugby (LEH) – Year 10 & 11	Girls Netball (SB/GF) – Year 7, 8 & 9	NEW



The spongy superhero beneath your feet.

Can we learn from moss? We tend to ignore it — or try to get rid of it. But a new study reveals that the strange, spongy plant might be a key asset in the fight against climate change.

Gardeners have many foes. Weeds pop up between plants and steal their light. Slugs and snails nibble holes in leaves. Moles and voles burrow beneath the ground then burst up, leaving the lawn scarred with ugly bumps.

But the most cunning villain in this rogue's gallery might be moss: the bizarre ancient plant that sprouts up alongside grass and turns perfect green lawns into a clumpy, discoloured **mulch**. And it is not just an enemy of gardeners. Moss also peeks through roofs and tiles. It brings a slimy tone to everything it touches. **Shakespeare** associated moss with sadness and death.¹

Yet, according to a recent global survey, we have got it all wrong. Moss is actually a **miracle** plant. It fights air pollution, cools down air, keeps soil healthy and helps other plants to grow.²

Mosses have a unique structure, with no roots, flowers or stems. While most plants use roots to absorb water and nutrients, mosses do so with their entire bodies. This makes them incredibly efficient at absorbing **air pollution**. Some moss species can suck in the chemicals in car exhaust fumes, while others can remove heavy metals from the air.³

They are also natural sponges. They can slurp up and store up to 20 times their weight in water. When this evaporates, it can cool the air around by up to 2C.

suspended animation. Scientists have been able to revive mosses that have been dried for 40 years. We have no equivalent ability to simply wait out global warming.

Even Kimmerer is unsure if moss can help humans to survive climate catastrophe. She is certain that "the evolutionary creativity of the plant world will renew itself" as the planet heats up. But will humans be around to witness the mossy new world? Kimmerer says: "I have less faith in that."

Can we learn from moss?

It even has an amazing ability to freeze time. Centuries-old human bodies have been found preserved in mossy bogs.⁴

According to environmental biologist Robin Wall Kimmerer, mosses are: "the most overlooked plants on the planet. But they're gifts, too. They provide us with another model of how we might live."

Kimmerer is the world's most famous **bryologist**. She encountered moss as a student and was immediately obsessed with its slow pace, complex architecture and intricate scale: "It was love at first sight."⁵

Now she believes that they can offer lessons for our future. Mosses are the oldest land plants on Earth, with the first examples dating back 450 million years. They have survived millennia of changing climate.

Mosses have often proven useful to humans. Ancient mountain people lined their boots and gloves with mosses for insulation. Fishermen have used moss to clean caught salmon. Doctors in **World War One** used peat moss to help stop and even heal wounds.⁶ Researchers today are experimenting with numerous new uses, from air cleaning systems to nappies.

Yet although mosses are remarkable, they are difficult for us to imitate. They can reproduce by **cloning**. When they face hostile climates, they can **dehydrate** themselves and go into

Yes: Plants can teach us to think differently. As naturalist Henry David Thoreau wrote: "By the mediation of a thousand little mosses and fungi, the most unsightly objects become radiant of beauty."

No: Moss is a strange, beautiful, remarkable plant. But it is also fundamentally a very different organism to ourselves. None of its lessons can stop the environmental crisis that threatens our world.

Or... The great boon of human life is that we can learn from almost everything. Moss is no exception. But there are plenty of other plants and natural phenomena that can teach us just as much or more.

Y11 GCSE Mock Exams

Day	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9	P10	P11	P12
Thursday 21st November	Textiles Exam - Day 1				Textiles Exam - Day 1				Lunch	Textiles Exam - Day 1		
	Normal Lessons				Normal Lessons					Normal Lessons		
Friday 22nd November	Textiles Exam - Day 2				Textiles Exam - Day 2				Lunch	Textiles Exam - Day 2		
	Normal Lessons				Normal Lessons					Normal Lessons		
Monday 25th November	History Exams - Papers 1&2 2 hours exams (in total)				French & Italian Reading and listening Higher 1hr 45 - Foundation 1hr 20mins				Lunch	Biology Exams - Paper 1 Combined 1hr15mins - Triple 1hr 45mins		
Tuesday 26th November	English Literature - Paper 1 1hr 45mins exam				Normal Lessons				Lunch	Geography Exam - Paper 1 1hr 30mins Exam		
Wednesday 27th November	Maths - Paper 1 1hr 30mins exam				RE Exam - Paper 1 1hr 45mins Exam				Lunch	Computer Science - Paper 1 1hr 30mins Exam		
Thursday 28th November	Chemistry Exams - Paper 1 Combined 1hr15mins - Triple 1hr 45mins				Citizenship exam - Paper 1 1hr 45mins exam				Lunch	Food - Exam Prep session p10-p12		
Friday 29th November	Spanish Listening & Reading Higher 1hr 45mins Foundation - 1hr 20 mins				Child Development Coursework 2 hours focus p5-p9				Lunch	GCSE PE Exam - Paper 1 1hr exam		
Monday 2nd December	Physics Exams - Paper 1 Combined 1hr15mins - Triple 1hr 45mins				RE Exam - Paper 2 1hr 45mins Exam				Lunch	Health & Social Coursework 2hrs focus - p9-p12 (pupils have early lunch)		
Tuesday 3rd December	English Literature - Paper 2 2hr 15mins exam				Normal	French & Italian Writing Exams Higher 1hr 15 - Foundation 1hr			Lunch	Geography Exam - Paper 2 1hr 30mins Exam		
Wednesday 4th December	Maths - Paper 2 1hr 30mins exam				Citizenship exam - Paper 2 1hr 45mins exam				Lunch	Computer Science - Paper 2 1hr Exam		
Thursday 5th December	Biology Exams - Paper 2 Combined 1hr15mins - Triple 1hr 45mins				Drama Exam 1hr 45mins Exam				Lunch	Spanish Writing Exam Higher 1hr 15mins Foundation - 1hr		
Friday 6th December	English Language - Paper 1 1hr 45mins exam				Normal Lessons				Lunch	GCSE PE Exam - Paper 2 1hr exam		
Monday 9th December	Maths - Paper 3 1hr 30mins exam				History Exams - Papers 3&4 2 hours exams (in total)				Lunch	Chemistry Exams - Paper 2 Combined 1hr15mins - Triple 1hr 45mins		
Tuesday 10th December	English Language - Paper 2 1hr 45mins exam				I Media Coursework focus 2 hrs - 2 computer rooms				Lunch	Music Written Exam 1hr 30mins exam		
Wednesday 11th December	Physics Exams - Paper 2 Combined 1hr15mins - Triple 1hr 45mins				D&T Exam 2hrs Exam				Lunch	Geography Exam - Paper 3 1hr 30mins Exam		
Thursday 12th December	Art Exam day 1				Normal Lessons				Lunch	Art Exam day 1		
	Normal Lessons				Normal Lessons					Normal Lessons		
Friday 13th December	Art Exam day 2				Normal Lessons				Lunch	Art Exam day 2		
	Normal Lessons				Normal Lessons					Normal Lessons		
Thursday 19th December	Photography Focus Day - p1-12								Lunch	Photography Day		
	Interview day - Careers											

NB - some subjects that have been focusing on coursework will have exams after Christmas - please ask subject teachers for specific details.

REVISION How To Revise/Recap

- 1. Summarise**
 - Read a topic/chapter/page and summarise into 5 bullet points.
- 2. 5 Questions**
 - Read the topic/chapter/page and write your own 5 questions with answers.
- 3. Definitions**
 - Pick 5 keywords and write the meaning.
- 4. Picture**
 - Draw a diagram/picture and label it to explain what it shows.
- 5. Video**
 - Watch a SHORT video on YouTube on a topic/keyword/concept and pause it at appropriate times to make 5 bullet points.
- 6. Quiz**
 - Find 10 questions on kahoot, booklet or educate, answer them and make notes on anything you learn or need to remember.
- 7. Mind Map**
 - Pick a topic and draw a mind map explaining 10 key points.
- 8. Copy**
 - Pick a topic and read the crucial knowledge.
 - Copy 5 sentences that you don't remember or understand.
- 9. Memory**
 - Look at the crucial knowledge for 30 seconds. Cover it up and write down everything you can remember in 30 seconds. Repeat 3 times.
- 10. Flash Card**
 - Pick a topic/chapter/page and on the front of the flash card write 5 keywords/phrases or pictures and on the back write what they mean.
- 11. Exam Questions/Past Papers**
 - Pick a topic and answer exam questions. Ensure you use a mark scheme to check your answers. Past Papers can be found online and downloaded.
- 12. Worksheets/Workbooks**
 - Pick a topic and complete a placemat or worksheet on that topic. Ask your teacher and they will print/send you lots. Use your memory first and then use other resources such as the crucial knowledge to help you.

English Department

What is Sora?

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How do I log on?

Press the green button under the Sora logo and select our school from the list.



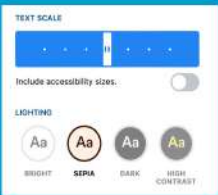
Press the 'explore' tab at the bottom of the screen to show the titles that are available.



They are split into subjects for you to browse or you can search for a title in the top bar.

Sora's Features

You can adapt the size of the font, the colour of the background and the style of font to make it more dyslexia friendly



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Sora Requests

If you'd like a title that isn't currently on Sora

Book Request

Hi, Kaitie. When you submit this form, the owner will see your name
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English Stars of the Week!

Miss Mooney:
Ethan Swartz (year 10) – Ethan always work beautifully in English and I am really impressed with his feedback response.

Miss Egan:
8.1Y – for their fantastic effort this week! They have all worked so hard in every single one of our Language Paper 1 based lessons! Very impressed with them all xx

Miss Durant:
Josh Leonard for his fabulous in this week's writing assessment on how Eric Birling is presented. Well done, Josh!

Mrs Parton:
Tyler Lythgoe- he works hard every single lesson, offers great contributions to learning and is a beautifully polite young man.

Mrs Allen:
Mikayla Walker – for her fantastic creative writing this week. She produced a beautiful description of Fort Harmony from The Recruit by Robert Muchamore.

Miss White:
Megan Cartwright – for working incredibly hard in every lesson, and producing thoughtful and insightful poetry analysis, well done 😊

Miss Wedgwood:
Lealand Williams – amazing poem written in lesson using new poetry techniques


Mrs Ferrari-Evans:
Will Bayley for effectively using teacher feedback to improve his writing and helping his classmates this week.

Mrs Melvin:
Zak Smart for his conscious effort on his exam and his desire to improve and progress.

Booster timetable


Week		Tuesday	Wednesday
1	Date	05-Nov	06-Nov
	Staff	KDR room 8	KW room 5
	Focus	ACC - plot, character, theme	P2Q5
2	Date	12-Nov	13-Nov
	Staff	EW room 6	GA library
	Focus	ACC - character of Scrooge	P2Q2
3	Date	19-Nov	20-Nov
	Staff	AP library	KMn room 7
	Focus	ACC - context	P2Q3
4	Date	26-Nov	27-Nov
	Staff	RF room 7	NE room 6
	Focus	ACC - redemption	P2Q4
5	Date	03-Dec	04-Dec
	Staff	KM library	KW room 5
	Focus	ACC - poverty	P2Q5
6	Date	10-Dec	11-Dec
	Staff	KDR room 8	GA library
	Focus	ACC - Family	P2Q3
7	Date	17-Dec	18-Dec
	Staff	AP library	KMn room 7
	Focus	ACC - key quotations	P2Q4

MFL Department



Miss Moscati's Star of the Week
Leon Flanagan for an exceptional effort in his Mock Spanish Speaking Exam

Mr Whitehead's Stars of the Week
Sophie-Mae Edge 10/2Y Spanish for working hard in assessments and always putting in her best efforts




Mrs Knight's Star of the Week
Ana Paladino da Silva for her outstanding results in the listening and writing on House and Home. She achieved a solid grade 6 in both results.

Mrs Orton's Star of the Week
William Austin Year 11 (2Y) - Amazing effort and achievement in his Spanish Speaking Mock Exam. Keep up the good work!



Miss Corn's Star of the Week
Ollie Machin for his enthusiastic approach to learning Spanish.

Mrs Rutter's Star of the Week
Lilly-Mo Morgan for an outstanding speaking exam. Grade 9. Well done!



Miss Mendez's Star of the Week
Swayze Washington - She completed extra work (a whole booklet) for her lessons, and it was amazing.

Spanish Boosters - 2024-25

Term 1.1

27/09	Speaking exam prep - Y10
4/10	Speaking exam prep - Y10
11/10	Listening prep - Y11 - Theme 1
18/10	Writing prep - Y11 - all question types - Theme 1 & 2
25/10	Reading prep - Y11 - Theme 1 & 2

Term 2.1

08/11	Prep for Y11 mock exams - speaking - Themes 1 & 2
15/11	Prep for Y11 mock exams - writing - Themes 1 & 2
22/11	Prep for Y11 mock exams - reading - Themes 1 & 2
29/11	Listening skills - Themes 1 & 2
6/12	Translation skills - H&F
13/12	Drop in - open for everyone

MFL lunchtime drop-in sessions

Y7- Wednesday (Room 3)
Y8-9 - Monday (Room 3)



Educake

Don't forget to log into Educake EVERY week and complete your weekly Crucial Knowledge Quizzes set by Mr Cartlidge during Independent Study or own time.

	% Correct	Questions Answered	Best Class
Year 7	71.8%	7,488	7/1x & 7/2x
Year 8	69.3%	7,513	8/1x & 8/2x
Year 9	69.1%	5,043	9/1x & 9/3
Year 10	71.6%	3,629	10/1y & 10/2w
Year 11	66.7%	1,992	11/1x & 11/2x
Whole School	70.1%	25,665	



Science leaderboards.

For more information on how to use Educake for all subjects please view the website.

<https://www.educake.co.uk/resources/>

Student	Year	Class(es)	Qs Answered	% Correct
1 Ella Walford	7	7/2x CD SS	383	80%
2 Ava Wilshaw	7	7/2x CD SS	250	85%
3 Leia Needham	7	7/1x SS	246	86%
4 Aimee Tsui	7	7/1x SS	241	91%
5 Ava Haley	7	7/2x CD SS	226	80%
6 Zachary Littlehales	7	7/2x CD SS	198	70%
7 Oliver Jackson	7	7/1x SS	177	89%
8 Doxa Adesomaju	7	7/1x SS	163	71%
9 Leah Cofax	7	7/1x SS	144	81%
10 Mahadev Manesh	7	7/1x SS	135	84%

Student	Year	Class(es)	Qs Answered	% Correct
1 Alexis Oliver *	8	8/1x Sci MP	565	97%
2 Noel Garside	8	8/2x Sci SS	224	83%
3 Archie Leighton	8	8/2x Sci SS	209	68%
4 Archie Simcock	8	8/2x Sci SS	142	63%
5 Kiera Simpson	8	8/1y Sci CD	130	68%
6 Ruby Gerrity	8	8 set 4 Sci PF	105	54%
7 Ben Lloyd	8	8/2x Sci SS	100	75%
8 Olivia Beasant	8	8 set 4 Sci PF	100	52%
9 Dexter Podmore	8	8/2x Sci SS	95	97%
10 Thisath Chandrasekara	8	8/2x Sci SS	94	71%

Student	Year	Class(es)	Qs Answered	% Correct
1 Bethany Jackson	9	9/1x Sci Sci KE	184	94%
2 Logan Wilton	9	9/1x Sci Sci KE	148	90%
3 Marcin Orczykowski	9	9/1x Sci Sci KE	140	92%
4 Lilly Smyth	9	9 set 3 Sci PF	139	37%
5 Ryan Taylor	9	9 set 3 Sci PF	134	72%
6 Stephen Groden	9	9/1x Sci Sci KE	115	74%
7 Charlie Kwiatkowski-Grand	9	9 set 4 Sci KE	114	11%
8 Custer Lin	9	9/1x Sci Sci KE	98	86%
9 Paula Tihon	9	9/1x Sci Sci KE	98	89%
10 Ryan Eardley	9	9 set 3 Sci PF	96	59%

Student	Year	Class(es)	Qs Answered	% Correct
1 Chloe Barker	10	10 set 1x Sci MC	134	72%
2 Archie Davies	10	10 set 1x Sci MC	122	80%
3 Lilliah Miller	10	10 set 2x Sci PF	121	47%
4 Kiya Ashworth	10	10 set 2y Sci CD	84	25%
5 Sophie Lamb	10	10 set 1x Sci MC	80	91%
6 Ryleigh Webb	10	10 set 1x Sci MC	80	93%
7 Lee Grant	10	10 set 2x Sci PF	80	61%
8 Ethan Schwarz	10	10 set 2x Sci PF	79	59%
9 Phoebe O'Donnell	10	10 set 1x Sci MC	78	95%
10 Ruby Henderson	10	10 set 1x Sci MC	76	88%

Student	Year	Class(es)	Qs Answered	% Correct
1 Kevin Anh	11	11 set 2x Sci KD	155	77%
2 Mikala Harrison	11	11 set 3 Sci MC	129	57%
3 Erin Mountford	11	11 set 1x Sci PF	109	68%
4 Sadie Huxley	11	11 set 1x Sci PF	90	76%
5 Aimee Bagnall	11	11 set 2y Sci KE	88	61%
6 Lucy Gater	11	11 set 1x Sci PF	80	49%
7 Libby Johnson	11	11 set 2x Sci KD	66	65%
8 Daniel Wragg	11	11 set 1x Sci PF	61	92%
9 Marius Salter	11	11 set 1x Sci PF	60	90%
10 Evie Dykeman	11	11 set 1x Sci PF	59	68%



- PSCHE – Exploring pathways
- Opportunities with Higher Horizons begin
- Parent Workshops – Helping your child with their future choices
- Business and Enterprise Day
- Careers Week
- Employer Encounters in Lessons
- Careers Links on the Newsletter

- PSCHE – CV Writing and Applications
- Opportunities (apprenticeships/training) advertised on Teams pages
- Parent/Pupil newsletter sent out regularly
- Careers Interviews continue
- SLT Interviews
- College/University Taster sessions
- College/University/Training provider assemblies
- Careers Evening
- Contact continues after Year 11



- PSCHE – Start Programme
- Creative Learning Week
- BUZZ Quiz
- START Programme
- Assemblies and Topic of the Week
- Careers Week
- Employer Encounters in Lessons
- Careers Links on the Newsletter

- PSCHE – Employability
- Options Process/Options Evening
- START Programme
- Assemblies and Topic of the Week
- RAF, Cadets and STEM opportunities
- Big Bang Event
- Careers Week
- Option Taster Sessions
- Employer Encounters in Lessons

- PSCHE – Work Experience, Myth busting and Stereotypes
- Careers Interviews (Mark Stubbs)
- Work Experience
- Post 16 Week
- Mentoring with Career ready
- Careers Ambassadors
- Higher Horizons – curriculum opportunities
- College/University/Training provider assemblies
- Careers Evening
- Careers Week
- Employer Encounters in Lessons

CCSC Careers Programme

Colleges

Newcastle College

<https://nscg.ac.uk/events/newcastle-openevents>



Stoke on Trent College

<https://www.stokecoll.ac.uk/open-events/>



Cheshire College

<https://www.ccs.w.ac.uk>



Reaseheath College

<https://www.reaseheath.ac.uk>



Stoke 6th Form

<https://www.stokesfc.ac.uk>



Alsager 6th Form

<https://www.alsagerschool.org/alsager-6th-form/>

Kings 6th Form

<https://thekings.staffs.sch.uk/welcome-1/>

PM Training (Achieve training)

<https://www.achievetraining.org.uk/events>



Equality Training

<https://equality.training>

Martec Training

<https://www.martectraining.co.uk>



OPEN EVENTS 2024/25

Pre-registering for the events via the college website is highly recommended. Please check college / provider websites for further information and any last-minute changes

College	Contact	Website
Newcastle College (NSCG) 01782 715111	https://nscg.ac.uk	
9th October 2024	5:30pm – 8:00pm	14th November 2024
25th January 2025	10:00am – 12 noon.	5th April 2025
		5:30pm – 8:00pm
		10:00am – 12 noon
Reaseheath College 01270 625131	https://www.reaseheath.ac.uk	
28th September 2024	10:00am – 2:00pm	23rd November 2024
18th January 2025	19th October 2024	22nd March 2025
26th April 2025	08th February 2025	
	14th June 2025	
Cheshire College 01270 654654, (Crewe campus)	https://www.ccs.w.ac.uk	
09th October 2024	5:30pm – 8:00pm	
(More to be announced)		
Stoke-On-Trent College 01782 208208, (Burslem & Caudon)	https://www.stokecoll.ac.uk	
16th October 2024	5:00pm -7:30pm	27th November 2024
5th March 2025	5:00pm -7:30pm	10th May 2025
25th June 2025	5:00pm - 7:30pm	5:00pm -7:30pm
		10:00am – 1:00pm
Stoke Sixth Form College 01782 848736	https://www.stokesfc.ac.uk	
08th October 2024	5:00pm - 7:00pm.	20th November 2024
25th February 2025	5:00pm - 7:00pm	5:00pm - 7:00pm
Buxton & Leek College 0800 074 0099	https://www.blc.ac.uk	
05th October 2024	10:00am – 1:00pm	21st November 2024
13th February 2025	5:00pm – 7:00pm	29th March 2025
		5:00pm – 7:00pm
		10:00am – 1:00pm

Visit websites below for information / forthcoming events at:

MARTEC Training <https://www.martectraining.co.uk>
E.Quality Training, (Newcastle, Hanley, Stafford centres) <https://equality.training>

School 6th Forms:
Alsager School <https://www.alsagerschool.org>
The King's CofE Academy (Kidsgrove) <https://thekingscofeacademy.org>
Trinity 6th Form <https://www.saintjohnfishercc.co.uk/sj-f-sixth-form>
St Joseph's College (Trent Vale) <https://www.stjosephstrentvale.com>
Blythe Bridge 6th Form <https://www.bb-hs.co.uk>

Westwood College (Leek)

<https://www.ttitl.org.uk>

Media

There are numerous forms of media. Print media includes newspapers and magazines. **Broadcast media includes television, radio programmes and podcasts.** Internet media includes websites such as Facebook, Tik Tok and X.com. All of these forms of media serve as a way to communicate information on a broader scale and connect with other people, worldwide.

November 21, 2024 is World Television Day.

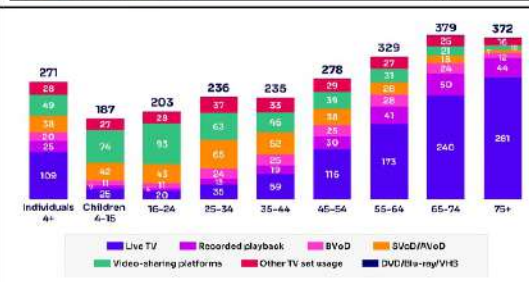
It is a global observance that celebrates the impact and importance of television as a medium for communication, information, and entertainment. It acknowledges the role television plays in shaping public opinion, promoting cultural diversity, and fostering dialogue among nations.

In absolute terms, India is home to the world's largest "unconnected" population, and data indicates that 730 million people across the country are still not using the internet at the start of 2023. China is home to the world's second-largest "unconnected" population, with almost 375 million people across the country not yet online. While in North Korea access to the internet is still blocked for everyday citizens by order of the state.

In Western democracies there is increasing concern about the impacts of social media on younger children and Australia's government recently announced that it would introduce "world-leading" legislation to ban children under 16 from social media.

In the UK what we use our televisions for varies widely with age with only people over 55 years old using it to watch live tv (shown in dark blue) for the majority of their viewing hours. This also reflects on how the different age groups access news and arguably influences their views and opinions, affecting society as a whole.

According to a 2024 Ofcom report the BBC is the most popular news source for UK teenagers (12-15 years) with 36% of this group using its news content, although similar numbers use Tik Tok and You Tube. Whatever we watch/read we should always check if a news story can be trusted by considering; is it current, reported by others, giving named authors and on a reputable (known for its honesty) website.



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Can your work make any stories?

Complete Independent Learning Tasks #ILT

Never feel embarrassed. Always asking for help.

Media

MEDIA

Veg Pledge/ Mowvember Month
21st World Television Day,
(Week beginning 18th November 2024)

<https://www.unifrog.org/teacher/resources/sort/know-how-student-launch-video-11-14>

Theme of the week

To Live on in Hearts

Don't forget to check you emails and Teams DAILY to complete your homework quizzes/assignments!

Have an idea, event or news that you want to share in next week's edition please email Miss Edwards kedwards@ccsc.staffs.sch.uk