

Be The Best You Can Be With CCSC



Week 3 - Monday 18th September 2023



**With Mr Essenhigh
(PE)**

Film	Happy Gilmore
Place	Cornwall
Team	Sale Sharks
Chocolate	Mars Bar
Song	Tainted Love (Soft Cell)
Book	Harry Potter
Colour	Green
Memory	South Africa Rugby Tour with College
Program	A league of their own

Year	Event logs	Conduct logs	Best pupil with most ELs
Y7	2633	40	Powell, Harvey 7JD (32)
Y8	1550	153	Jackson, Bethany 8DG (26)
Y9	1359	294	Arrowsmith, Keeley 9YM (20)
Y10	948	308	Matthews, Theo 10CK (16)
Y11	644	247	Henshall, Lily 11PF (13)
Total	Event Logs = 7134		Conduct Logs = 1042

	Zero Conduct Logs	100% Attendance	Attendance	Best form Attendance
Y7	188 (90%)	185 (89%)	97.8%	7NE 98.7%
Y8	118 (68%)	135 (78%)	94.4%	8LH 97.6%
Y9	98 (58%)	120 (71%)	90%	9MH 92.3%
Y10	88 (54%)	123 (76%)	92.8%	10MP 98.4%
Y11	96 (54%)	133 (75%)	91%	11LE 96.8%
Total	588 (66%)	695 (78%)	93.2%	

What's on this week?

Primary School Visits

All week to experience high school lessons.

Thursday 22nd

Open Evening 6pm – 9pm
Come visit any time

Friday 23rd

School Closed
Teacher Training Day

What's on NEXT week?

Year 11 Drama Coursework Day
Tuesday 26th

Year 5 Visit
Thursday 28th

Year 10 Geography
Friday 29th trip to Manchester

HOY AWARDS

Y7

All of year 7 for how well they have settled in.

Y8

Year 8

Angel Jepson 9LEH

Made a fantastic start to year 9!

Zach Hughes 9MO

Making huge improvements, and I have heard lots of positive things!

Y10

Cody Christer 10GF

Great standard of work across all subjects.

Kate Powell 10GF

Brilliant start to the new term.

Y11

Lily Henshall 11PF

For making a really positive and mature start to the year. I am so proud of her excellent effort and progress.

Charlie Jones 11LE

For consistently exceptional work across all of his subjects. His effort and enthusiasm is second to none!



Lucky Dip Winners 18th September



Zero Conduct Log Winners

Y7 English, Leon 7EF
Y8 Cartwright, Megan 8LH
Y9 Leonard, Ryan 9MH
Y10 Storey, Tia 10GF
Y11 Whitehouse, Liam 11HM

Outstanding Work

Lucas Eardley
Year 10 iMedia
Event Log Plus
Hollingsworth, Kavan 9YM
100% Attendance
Bloor, Ella 7EW

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.



Look who made a **BIG** impression this week!
It hasn't gone unnoticed and we couldn't be more proud of you!

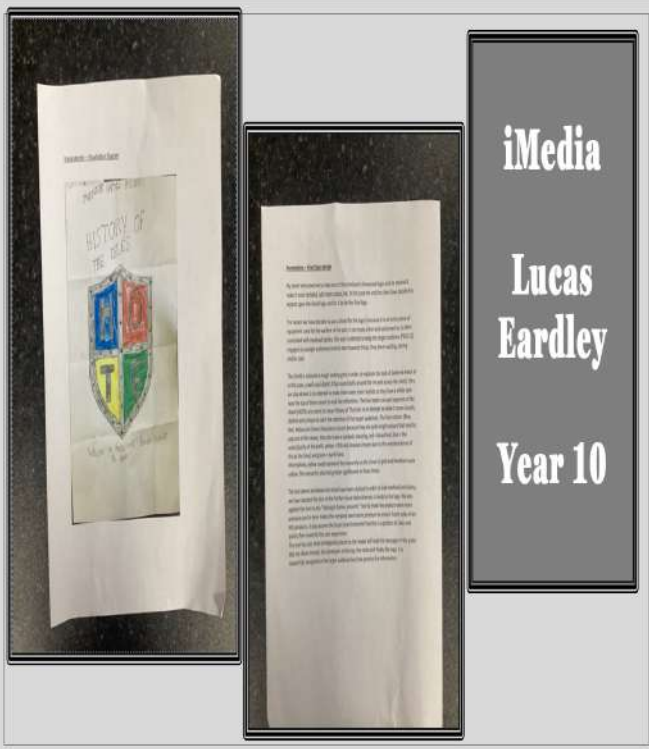
SELF-BELIEF & HARD WORK WILL ALWAYS EARN YOU SUCCESS



Barlow, Lois	Baker, Harry	Burns, Charlie	Barker, Connor	Barber, Maisie
Fradley, Kaiden	Cartwright, Megan	Dawson, Thomas	Chatterton, Harvie	Brook, Jessica
Guest, Tyler	Gould-Smith, Mia	Elks, Connor	Clowes, Elijah	Brown, Kara
Issa, Safiya	Hobbs, Oliver	Finney, Alfie	Conyon, Eleanor	Goode, Esmie
Smith, Noah	Jackson, Bethany	Henderson, Ruby	Douglas, Evie	Henshall, Lily
Walker, Mikayla	Johnson, Owen	Hollingsworth, Kavan	Eardley, Lucas	Hill, Tiegan
Wynne, Kaiden	Ruggieri, Emilia	Hughes, Zachary	Elliott, Reece	Rutter, Holly
Murray, Ryan	Vernall, Michael	Jepson, Angel	Harrison, Mikala	Rydz, Dominik
Roberts, Marietta	Walton, Oliver	Ladley, Ellouise	Kearsey-Smith, Zoe	Stanier-Filip, Thaleia
Sayers, Archie	Mountford, Erin	Lea, Holly	Lea, Harry	Vaughan, Paige
Timmis, Isabelle	Ratcliffe, Hannah	Leonard, Joshua	McKechnie, Lois	Weston, Lacey
Yates-Joyson, Ellie	Vasey, Thomas	Webb, Jaiden		Whitehouse, Liam
	Wright-Davies, Lewis	Wright, Harrison		

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>



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 Logs! 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!

What has been happening?



Theo to take part in the 2023 Scottish Poomsae Championships and he won Gold so is now Scottish champion for his category. Such another amazing achievement.

Some of our students attended Chesterton Park today for the opening of the gym equipment which has been installed for the use of Kidsgrove Care Solutions who support adults with disabilities. The students had a fabulous time chatting to people, playing badminton and having a go on the gym equipment. They also enjoyed eating the delicious cakes they bought. A lovely time was had by all.



Miss Owen, Miss Machin and Mrs Hall took a group of GCSE students to the Lowry Theatre in Salford today to watch the musical, 'Everybody's Talking About Jamie.' It was a fantastic production enjoyed by us all and our students were a credit to the school as always. (Miss Owen needs some selfie lessons though!)

We welcomed the return of Alison Cope, an anti-violence campaigner who delivered a very emotional and thought provoking presentation to Year 10. The year group were exceptional; they showed respect and listened attentively to all that she shared. Well done and huge thank to Alison once again. For more information on Alison's work, please go to <https://www.alisoncope.com/>

Year 10 Business students have been out and about in Liverpool conducting their Market research. They have all done fantastic, taking a step out of their comfort zone by asking members of the public to complete the questionnaires they have created in class. The staff were very impressed by their work ethic and behaviour



After School Clubs & Extra-Curriculum

Extra Curricular (23-24)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch	Peer Mentoring Y10/Y11 - Room 9		Peer Mentoring Y7/Y8/Y9 - Room 11	Writing Club Y7/Y8/Y9 - Room 7	Book Club Y7/Y8 - Library 1
After School 3:05 - 4	Book Club - Library 1 Dance - Dance Studio	Lesson X - Room 18 Chess Club - Room 30	Garden Club - Room 3 Drama Club - Room 34 Maths Club Y7/Y8 - Room 12	Pokemon Club - Room 20	

Boosters (23-24)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
After School 3:05 - 4	Drama - Room 34 Music - Room 33	Business Y11 - Room 26 Religious Studies - Room 34 D&T/iMedia - Workshop	Science - Room 30 German - MFL Health & Social/Child Development - Room 27	Business Y10 - Room 26 Spanish & French - MFL D&T/iMedia - Workshop Health & Social/Child Development - Room 7 Maths Foundation - Room 11 Higher - Room 14	History - Room 24 Italian - MFL

Detentions

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch Y7-Y9	Hall	Hall	Room 33	Room 2	Hall
Lunch Y10-Y11	Room 32	Hall	Hall	Hall	Hall
After School		Uniform Quiet Room		Lates Canteen	

CCSC House Competition

WELLY WANGING

Wednesday lunchtime on the astro.
Finals day on Thursday

House finalists notified by email!

Take part

Support your house

Volunteer your time

WANG A WELLY!



Can you beat the Staff champion!?

House Calendar 2024

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Autumn Term 1		House Assemblies - Launch	House event 1 - Welly Wanging			House event 2 - Tug of War KS3	House event 2 - Tug of War KS4	
Autumn Term 2	House event 3 - Darts			House event 4 - Mastermind				
Spring Term 1		House event 5 - Chess/Checkers			House event 6 - Art / Poetry			
Spring Term 2		House event 7 - MasterChef (afterschool)			House event 8 - Ultimate Chicken Horse			
Summer Term 1		House event 9 - Kabaddi(?)				House event 10 - Slow Bike Race		
Summer Term 2		House event 11 - Hobby Horsing		CLW	House event 12 - Competition Day		New TT	

LESSON

Room 18

Every Tuesday after School
Bring your friends and enjoy yourself.



Date	Week	Title
25-Sep	5	Bingo
02-Oct	6	Art and Crafts
09-Oct	7	Tea and Biscuits
16-Oct	8	Board Games
Oct 1/2 Term		
06-Nov	9	Quiz
13-Nov	10	Origami
20-Nov	11	Bingo
27-Nov	12	Art and Crafts
04-Dec	13	Xmas Movie
11-Dec	14	Xmas Cards & Decorations
18-Dec	15	Xmas Party
Xmas Holidays		

GET INVOLVED!

Opportunities at CCSC

Take advantage of all the opportunities!!

Make the most of your time at CCSC

School is a great time to find out who you are and to start finding things that interest you. Many pupils use this time to get involved in clubs, leadership opportunities, sports activities, etc.

School Council, Subject Leaders, House & Sports Captains, Sports Leadership, Prefects, Charity Leaders, Peer Mentoring,



- ccscstaffs
- ccsc_maths
- ccscenglish
- ccscscience
- ccsc_sen
- ccscmfl
- ccscitalian
- ccsc_history
- ccsc_geog_dept
- ccsc_art_and_photography
- ccschealthandsocial
- ccsc_childdevelopment
- ccsc_theoly
- ccsc_PE
- ccsc_drama
- ccsc_technology
- ccsc_rms

Follow



Can your work make any stories?

Complete Independent Learning Tasks #ILT



Never feel embarrassed about asking for help.



WRITING CLUB

Do you want to be a writer? Interested in poetry? Short stories? Each week we will look at examples of excellent writing and have a go at our own writing.

Wednesdays, Lesson 8
Room 7

Open to
Years 7, 8, and 9

See Miss Ferrari in Room 7 For more information.



"Be the best you can be"

Get involved every Tuesday after school till 4pm and try something different!



NEW DANCE CLASS STARTING YEAR 7, 8, 9

MONDAYS
3.05 - 4.00PM
@
DANCE STUDIO

IF INTERESTED IN ATTENDING,



Garden Club

- Grow your own salad
- Look after the school flower beds
- Learn how to look after different kinds of plants
- Learn about how gardening helps wildlife, the environment and your own mental health
- You don't need to have a garden or any experience of gardening!



OPEN TO ALL YEARS - NEW MEMBERS VERY WELCOME

MEET IN ROOM 3



Starts at 3:05
Ends at 4:05

Every Wednesday after school

Gardening club



NOW ON WEDNESDAYS

ALL WELCOME, NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. SPEAK TO MRS RUTTER OR MRS BAKER FOR MORE INFORMATION

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Here at CCSC we believe that good attendance is essential for pupils to achieve their best at school. We work closely with parents and VIP Education to support and promote the importance of regular school attendance.

As part of our attendance strategy, we monitor and address attendance patterns using a traffic light system. The 3 different attendance zones are:-

Green Zone	96% and above
Amber Zone	90% - 95.9%
Red Zone	Below 90%

As a school, we wish to work closely with parents to help and support all pupils to move into or stay in the **GREEN ZONE**.

As these are such important targets, special awards are presented to pupils who achieve 100% attendance each term.

TRAFFIC LIGHT ZONES

Each 'Attendance Zone' represents different levels of absence.

Green Zone

Pupils in the 'Green Zone' have an attendance level of 96% or more. This recognises patterns of good to excellent school attendance and pupils that fall within this band are more likely to do well at school and achieve good results.

Amber Zone

Pupils in the 'Amber Zone' have an attendance level of between 90 to 95.9%. Pupils with this level of attendance are cause for concern and are at risk of under achieving at school.

Red Zone

All pupils in the 'Red Zone' have an attendance level of below 90%. Pupils in this zone are regularly absent from school and less likely to achieve their potential. These pupils are closely monitored by the Education Welfare Service.

ABSENCE PROCEDURE

If your child cannot come to school because of illness or family emergency you should advise the school on each morning of absence by contacting the school office on 01782 568350 before 08:30. You can also text us on 07984 395261 (accepts texts only).

Any absences where a reason is not supplied will be marked as unauthorised. In cases of continuous absence where we receive no communication from you and we have reasons to be concerned we may ask our Education Welfare Officer to carry out a home visit.

Repeated non-attendance could result in a Penalty Notice being issued by the Local Authority (see unauthorised absence information)

If your son/daughter experiences any problems with regard to attendance please contact the school as soon as possible as we may be able to help by providing appropriate support.

WHY REGULAR ATTENDANCE IS SO IMPORTANT

- ✓ To achieve your full potential.
- ✓ To learn and make new friends.
- ✓ To build confidence and self esteem.
- ✓ To develop a wide range of new skills.
- ✓ To develop social skills.
- ✓ To develop awareness of other cultures and be part of the wider community.

Give your child the best start in life..... To Be The Best They Can Be

For further information, please either contact the school office or our Education Welfare Team, VIP Education

Tel: 07803 207599
Email: info@vipeducation.co.uk

PUNCTUALITY

It is very important to attend school every day on time.

Registers are marked in the morning between 8:30 and 9:00am and an afternoon register is marked during period 10. School starts at 8:30am and all students should be in their form room in preparation for the register being taken.

Getting to school on time really matters

If you are late for...	You would lose...	Or have missed...
5 minutes	3 days from school	16 lessons
10 minutes	5 days from school	32 lessons
15 minutes	8 days from school	48 lessons
20 minutes	11 days from school	63 lessons
30 minutes	16 days from school	95 lessons

LATES PROCEDURE

When children are late to form or lessons a late mark is issued by their teacher.

If a child accumulates 3 or more late marks in one week then they will be issued with a 30 minute detention. (This can be a combination of late to school and late to lesson marks).

Parents will receive a text message when a detention has been issued.

For repeated late arrivals parents could receive a Penalty Warning Letter or a Penalty Notice from the Local Authority.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Whilst we recognise that it is not always possible, we do encourage Parents/ Carers to book non-urgent medical and dental appointments outside of the school day or during the holidays. Where this is unavoidable, we request that evidence of the appointment is supplied to our Attendance Officer.

Your child can hand this in to the school office when they sign out for their appointment or you can hand details to our Receptionist.

Where the appointment is confirmed by email or text you can forward a copy of this onto us by emailing admin@ccsc.staffs.sch.uk

HOW PARENTS CAN HELP

- ✓ Contact the school promptly on the first morning of every absence.
- ✓ Ensure contact numbers and address details are up to date.
- ✓ Encourage your child to attend school regularly.
- ✓ Support the school in ensuring that your child arrives promptly at school every morning.
- ✓ Make every effort to arrange medical and dental appointments outside of school hours.
- ✓ Contact the school to discuss any problems or emerging issues with your child.
- ✓ Praise and reward your child's achievements at school.

REWARDING PUPILS FOR GOOD ATTENDANCE

Here at CCSC we like to reward pupils for their great attendance during the year. Here are just a few of the reward schemes we have in place:

- 2 event logs issued for completing a full week in school (25 event logs = £5.00 shopping voucher).
- Entry into the weekly Newsletter Lucky Dip where various prizes are on offer.
- Reward for 100% attendance each term, i.e. free lunch, lunchtime queue jump.
- Shopping voucher for 100% attendance for the whole year.
- Form Tutors and Heads of Year also run attendance competitions and rewards throughout the year.

HOLIDAYS

At CCSC, we are aware that there will be exceptional circumstances where leave of absence may need to be given. The Headteacher may grant special permission but this must be requested in advance and you should be prepared that some may not be authorised.

If you make the decision to take your child out of school without permission, then the absence does have to be recorded as unauthorised and a Fixed Term Penalty notice may be issued.

ABSENCE REQUEST

If you are requesting an absence due to exceptional circumstances, a covering letter will be required, although this will not guarantee authorisation.

Exceptional circumstances do not include family holidays but may include:

- Death or funeral of a close relative
- When a health professional recommends an absence from school
- Attendance at events, exams or performances related to extracurricular activities
- Religious observance

To request a holiday please [click here](#) for our holiday form.

This should be completed and returned to the school office to be processed. Please include a letter from your employer informing us of why you need to take leave during term time.

UNAUTHORISED ABSENCES

In the event that your absence request is not authorised a Fixed Penalty Notice may be issued by the Local Authority which will result in:

- A cost of £60 per Parent/ adult for each student/ child. This will require payment being made to the Local Authority within 21 days.
- The cost increases to £120 per Parent/ adult for each student/ child if payment is not received within 28 days.
- If the penalty is not paid in full by the end of the 28 day period, the Local Authority will instigate Court proceedings and the outcome of the prosecution could be up to £1,000 per parent/adult

All students can track their event logs,

conduct logs and attendance using the isams app which can be found in self service or from the App store.

Students log in details.....

Username: firstname.surname

Password: FSurname1234

(First initial, Surname followed by their ipad pin)



Don't forget to check your Emails and Teams notifications every day, especially your year group team page!!

Be Prepared
Be the Best You Can Be
Follow Instructions

Know More, Remember More
Understand It, Apply It

BE ON TIME FOR SCHOOL

**8:20am – Arrive to school
– Go to your form room**

**8:30am – You are in your form room
– School gates close**

Pupils should be in their form room before 8:30am each day.

LATES

If you are late to lesson...

▪ 3 Late to Lesson CLs

→ Lunchtime detention (HoY/KSL) + after-school detention (30 mins)

▪ 6 Late to Lesson CLs

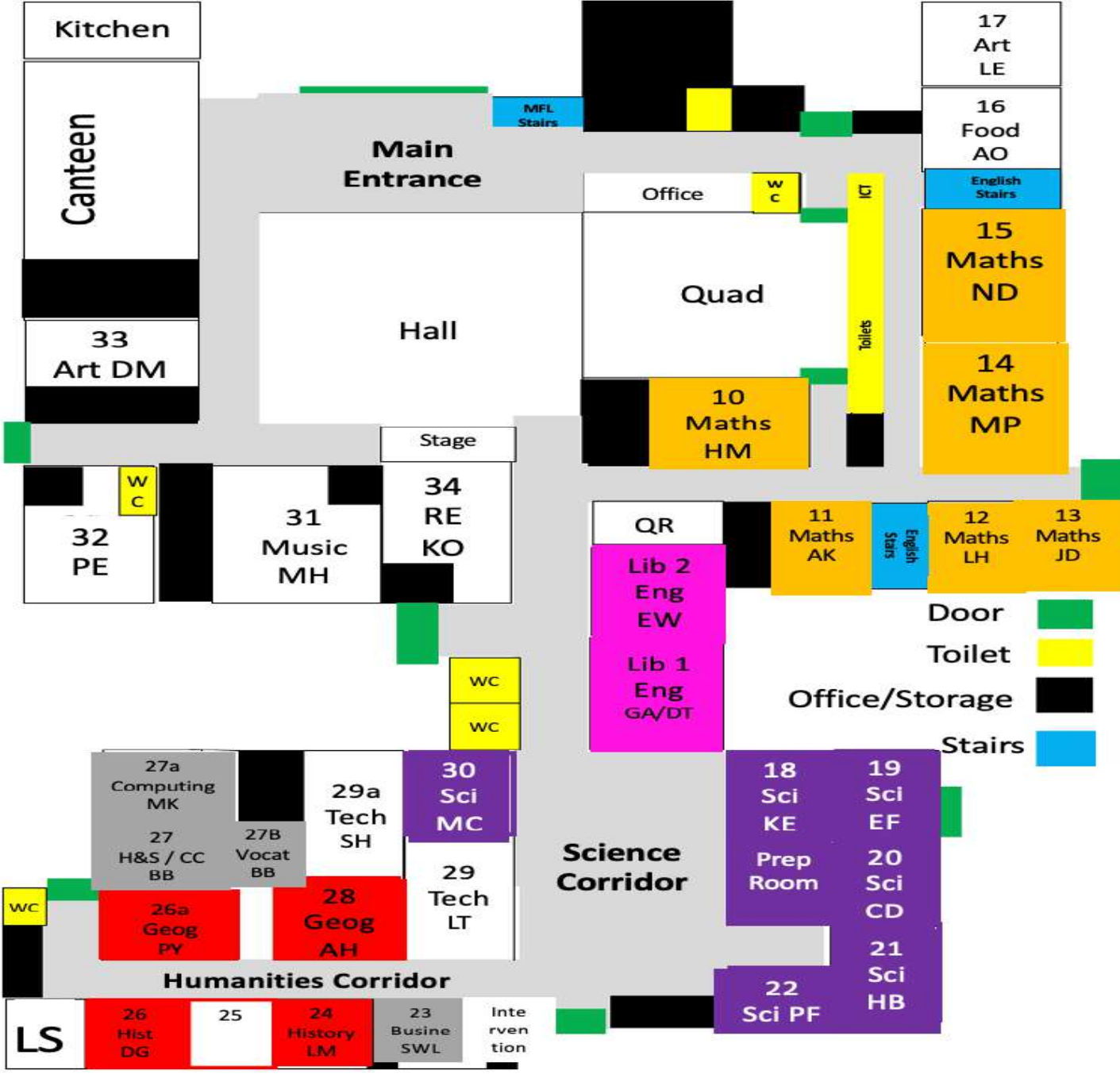
→ Lunchtime detention in Quiet Room + after-school detention (1-hour)

▪ 9 Late to Lesson CLs

→ Day in Quiet Room + after-school detention (1-hour)

▪ 12 Late to Lesson CLs

→ **AT LEAST** 2 days in Quiet Room + after school detentions (RS decides time) + parent meeting





Independent Learning Sessions

How should I use my time?



Learn/test your Crucial Knowledge

- Pick a subject, then use the Crucial Knowledge resources to test yourself and learn anything you don't know
- You can find all the resources here: <https://www.ccsc.staffs.sch.uk/index.php/2013-09-25-09-25-35/all-files/crucial-knowledge>

Complete all your Crucial Knowledge quizzes

- Work through all set Assignments in Teams
- Work through Educake, Kahoot, etc. quizzes set by your teachers

Make a 'to-do list'

- In OneNote (top of the page)
- Using 'Notes' on your iPad
- Or just on paper!

Read a book

- Improving your reading skills will help you in all subjects
- Find lots of books on the Sora app

Work through extra subject resources

- Go to your Teams classes
- Work through the extra resources that your teacher has put in your class Teams
- These resources will help to **extend your subject knowledge**

Organise/tidy your notes

- Organise and tidy up work in your OneNote notebooks
- Group pages together so your notes are in order
- Turn pages into subgroups so that topics are together

Make corrections and improvements

- Look at teacher comments in your exercise books or Class Notebooks
- See how you can improve previous work and have another go at it
- Look at any quizzes that your teachers have returned. Make notes on anything you got wrong and learn

Independent online revision

- **All subjects:** <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>
- **All subjects:** <https://quizlet.com/en-gb>
- **All subjects:** www.educake.co.uk
- **All subjects:** Kahoot! (For Science, search keccscb1, keccsc1, etc.)
- **All subjects:** <https://senecalarning.com/en-GB/>
- **MFL:** <https://www.language-gym.com>
- **Maths:** <https://www.onmaths.com>

Complete classwork & coursework

- Complete any work in your OneNote notebooks, exercise books, folders, OneDrive, etc.

Complete exam questions/papers

- Check the exam board with each of your subjects, then search for past exam papers and mark schemes

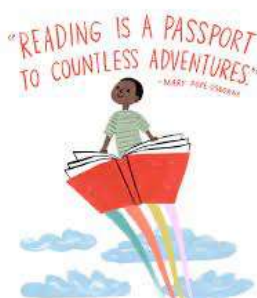
Crucial Knowledge (all subjects):
<https://www.ccsc.staffs.sch.uk/index.php/2013-09-25-09-25-35/all-files/crucial-knowledge>

Curriculum Intent Documents:
<https://www.ccsc.staffs.sch.uk/index.php/information/curriculum-and-qualifications>

CCSC Parent Information Video:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3I88V5qNVDk>

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VEiolb-YHH4>

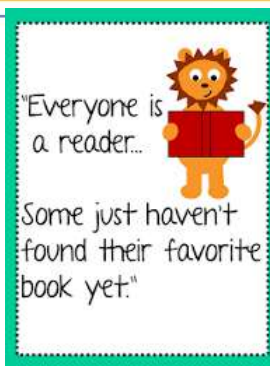
Careers & Post-16:
<https://www.ccsc.staffs.sch.uk/index.php/information/careers-post-16>



READING

is to the
MIND
what
exercise
is to the
BODY.

READ



CCSC OPEN EVENING

SEPTEMBER 2024 INTAKE

21ST SEPTEMBER 2023 6PM- 9PM

HEADTEACHER AND PREFECT SPEECHES AT 6PM

Come and join us and see what we are all about!
No bookings required!

Tours also available during the school day and at your convenience

To book please call 01782 568350

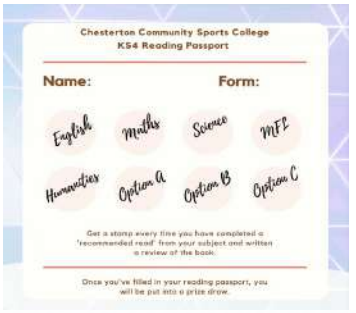
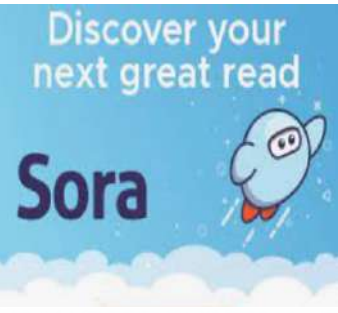


'PARENTS SAY THAT STAFF CARE ABOUT PUPILS AND EXPRESS CONFIDENCE IN THE SCHOOL'S LEADERS. MANY PRAISE THE RANGE OF SUBJECTS ON OFFER AND SAY THEY FEEL WELL INFORMED. ONE PARENT REPRESENTED THE VIEWS OF MANY WHEN SAYING: 'THIS IS A GREAT SCHOOL, WHERE MY CHILDREN ARE LOOKED AFTER IN A CARING AND SAFE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.' OFSTED 2022



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English Department



Sora Achievements

Did you know that you can unlock achievements on Sora?

Click on the 'Me' tab.

You can see your statistics.

And you can gain achievements – the more you read, the more you will earn!

🌟 English Stars Of The Week 🌟

KM: Lexi Machin Y11 for settling beautifully in her new group, applying herself fully and making a fantastic effort on the first GCSE question

GA Oliver Hobbs Y8 – for his fantastic contribution to learning and unwavering enthusiasm. He really does make the classroom a better place to be!

NE: Brooke Kirby (8/2X) for her fantastic PEE paragraphs and interpretations about the book that we are reading. Very impressed!!

EW: Maz Roberts Y9 for her amazing creative writing, lovely vocabulary and fab contributions to the lesson 😊

RF: Oliver Wright for incredible reading of An Inspector Calls. Oliver is excellent as Mrs Birling!

KDR: Liam Pinches Y9 – for making a really positive start to Year 9. Liam has impressed me with his fab contributions to lessons.

AP: Eli Clowes: Y10 Eli is like a different child since returning from the summer holidays. He is awake and answering all of the questions. He has taken an active role in every single English lesson this week. I am really impressed with him 😊

Did you know that you can read with your ears using Sora!!

Read With Your Ears

Try An Audiobook!

Showing 337 audiobooks. Includes: Young Adult Fiction (163), Young Adult Literature (87), Fantasy (86), Nonfiction (80), and more.

Preferences Refine

YEAR 10 MACBETH THEATRE TRIP

Royal Shakespeare Theatre - Stratford-Upon-Avon

THURSDAY 5TH OCTOBER
10:00AM - 6:30PM
£20 FOR TICKETS AND TRANSPORT

	Date	Staff	Focus
Week 3	Tuesday 19 th Sept	EW	Lang - P1 analysing language in an extract
	Wednesday 20 th Sept	GA	Lit - AIC character analysis
Week 4	Tuesday 26 th Sept	KM	Lang - P1 analysing structure
	Wednesday 27 th	AP	Lit - AIC theme
Week 5	Tuesday 3 rd Oct	NE	Lang - P1 analysing language in PEE paragraphs
	Wednesday 4 th Oct	KDR	Lit - AIC structure
Week 6	Tuesday 10 th Oct	KM	Lang - PIQ4
	Wednesday 11 th Oct	RF	Lit - AIC role of male characters
Week 7	Tuesday 17 th Oct	EW	Lang - PIQ5
	Wednesday 18 th Oct	GA	Lit - AIC role of female characters
Week 8	Tuesday 24 th Oct	KM	Lang - PIQ5
	Wednesday 25 th Oct	AP	Lit - exam technique

English Department



BOOK CLUB

Library 1

YEARS 7 AND 8

Friday - Period 8

Bring your lunch
All abilities welcome :)



WRITING CLUB



Do you want to be a writer?
Interested in poetry? Short stories?
Each week we will have a go at our
own writing.

Thursdays, Lesson 8
Room 7

Open to
Years 7, 8, and 9

See Miss Ferrari in Room 7 for more
information.



BOOK CLUB

Library 1

YEAR 7 - 11

Monday - 3:05 - 4pm

All abilities welcome :)

The New Vic Theatre

THE NUTCRACKER

Year 7

Thursday 7th
December 2023

10:30am

£20 on Parent Pay

Deadline: 27th
October

WRITING CLUB COMPETITION: SEPTEMBER 2023

PICTURE A VAST EXPANSE IN FRONT OF YOU. YOU'RE IN SPACE. You've been sent on a voyage to another galaxy, and NASA want you to write a diary entry, detailing your journey.

FOR EXAMPLE:

Day 21 Mission Log, year 2150.
This is Elay Long, crew member of the Venturer. Supplies and fuel are looking good, yet morality's a little low. Everyone's missing something, wether it's family or food. The crew themselves are getting along nicely, everybody's doing their duties well. Yet something feels... off. I was walking along one of the vast corridors when I heard some unusual chattering, it sounded like interference from the intercom. I merely assumed that anyway. Whatever it is, we'll find it, I'm sure of it. Goodbye for now.

EMAIL ENTRIES TO MISS FERRARI BY
SEPTEMBER 30TH

English Department

Before the summer holidays, a number of classes took part in the annual Young Writers' writing competition. This involves writing a short story of no more than 100 words based on a particular theme or concepts. This year it was numbers with the opportunity to be published in a collection of short stories entitled 'Integer'

After receiving feedback from Young Writers, I am delighted to say that every single one of our 211 entries have been chosen to be published and have received a book mark and certificate to recognise this achievement – the highest amount ever! As you can see from the comments made in their letter, Young Writers are extremely impressed by the standard of the stories received and look forward to seeing more.

If any pupils missed out on entering, we will be running the competition again next year during new timetable fortnight. In the meantime, they can log on to <https://www.youngwriters.co.uk> where there are regular competitions throughout the year for not just story writing but poetry too.

Well done to everyone that took part and I look forward to seeing your printed work!

Hello,

I am emailing from Young Writers, with regards to the latest competition Integer your pupils entered.

The editorial team have loved reading over each and every entry submitted to us, thank you for participating and sending us your pupils work.

I am pleased to confirm 211 of your schools entries have been selected for publication. A big well done to the teachers and pupils who were involved 😊

We have sent the full details in the post to you. This includes acceptance packs for the pupils who have been chosen for publication, along with details about the book, publication and any unused work.

I hope this package has reached you, it was addressed for your attention. Please let me know if it hasn't and I can track the whereabouts of it for you.

You can log onto your to send paperwork electronically to the parents, check who we have received permission to publish from, along with updates about the book.

If you need any further information, or have any questions you'd like to ask please get in touch.

A big well done again, I hope your pupils will enjoy seeing their work in print.

Kind regards,

Ashley

<https://theday.co.uk/marvel-films-are-the-new-shakespeare-r4/>

'Marvel films are the new Shakespeare'



Can we honestly compare the two? We go to a Marvel film for storytelling, stunning imagery and gripping action. We don't go for William Shakespeare, but many say: he'll be there.



Hamlet, Romeo, Peter Parker? It might not seem an obvious series. But Benedict Cumberbatch, who plays Dr Stephen Strange in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, thinks it makes perfect sense.

Certainly, there is very little **iambic pentameter** in the Marvel Comic Universe. But Cumberbatch thinks the films' ability to evoke emotions and create complex characters place them alongside the Bard.

And there are surprising links between Marvel and Shakespeare. The first Thor film was directed by **Kenneth Branagh**, a Shakespearean actor known for his era-defining performance as Hamlet in 1996 - and for adapting a number of other Shakespeare plays for film.

He cast Tom Hiddleston - who had previously played Cassio in **Othello** and has since appeared as the lead in **Coriolanus** - as the god Loki.

Since then, Marvel has been using more and more Shakespearean actors to lead its films. Tessa Thompson, who plays Valkyrie in the Thor films, previously appeared as Juliet. Cumberbatch himself has had a long and illustrious Shakespearean career, appearing as Hamlet and **Richard III**. More than two-fifths of all Marvel films have starred a major actor who previously performed in a Shakespeare play.

Some think this is because Marvel and Shakespeare are doing much the same thing: producing drama by mixing realism with fantasy. And that calls for a similar kind of acting.

The most popular form of theatre training in the USA is method acting. Building on the ideas of **Constantin Stanislavski**, this school teaches that an actor should draw on their emotional memory of an event.

This often leads actors to put themselves in the same positions as their characters. For example, Robert de Niro spent months driving a taxi around New York to play the lead part in **Taxi Driver**, while Al Pacino pretended to be blind whilst filming **Scent of a Woman**.

But it is much harder to find an emotional memory of fighting aliens in the streets of New York, or conjuring up portals in a Himalayan temple. That is why Marvel actors benefit from a Shakespearean training, where the focus is on filling the script with emotion.

And there are other similarities. One way in which Marvel films have redefined modern cinema is through their dialogue: light on its feet, full of quick, darting quips to offset the seriousness of the conflicts.

But it was Shakespeare who pioneered this technique of balancing drama with comedy. Even his most serious tragedies feature comic lines and parts.

And just as Marvel has set up a sprawling universe in which characters cross over into each other's films, Shakespeare filled his plays with the same character types. Many of his works contain a jester, or a Fool, who makes jokes but also speaks truth to power. In his own day, they would usually be played by the same actor, **Richard Tarlton**, creating the sense of a character crossing from one play to another.

MFL Crucial Knowledge challenge of the week

Code breakers

Break the code using the information below. Find each coded letter on the top row, and read down to break the code.

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Break the code to find the Spanish Crucial Knowledge phrases

Miss Moscatti's Star of the Week
Lewis Wright Davies for excellent work and attitude to learning

Mr Whitehead's Star of the Week
Ruby Henderson for an excellent start to the year in German – you are already producing some brilliant work!

Mrs Knight's Star of the Week
Megan Cartwright for her enthusiasm and attitude to independent learning

Mrs Orton's Star of the Week
Ruby Henderson - for brilliant effort in Spanish lessons. Keep up the good work!! 😊

Mrs Rutter's Star of the Week
Layla Ralphs– for consistently working really hard in lessons and a great grasp of Spanish grammar!

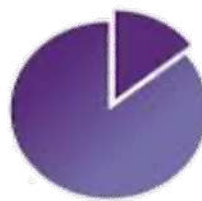
MFL Department

Maths & Science Department

CCSC Maths Kahoots!



Enter your Full name and year for
leaderboard ELs
Index Laws:
01663673
Ordering Decimals:
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Fractions Decimals Percentages:
08767448
Collecting Like terms:
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Educake

Don't forget to log into Educake every week and complete your weekly Crucial Knowledge Quizzes

Name / Main Topic	Year	Class
Ordering and operations CK quiz	11	Year 11 Found
Triangles CK quiz	11	Year 11 Higher
Powers CK quiz	10	Year 10 Higher
Operations CK Quiz	10	Year 10 Found
Ordering numbers CK quiz	9	Year 9 maths
Place value CK Quiz	8	Year 8 maths
Place value CK Quiz	7	Year 7 maths

KAHOOT

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B1 Cell Organelles

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C1 Atomic Structure

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P1 Energy

WEEK 3

Student	Year	Class(es)	Qs Answered	% Correct
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1 Sean Taperek	8	8 set 4 Sci KE	418	96%
2 Ollie Forester	9	9 set 2x Sci PF	257	78%
3 Daphne Spangler	7	7/1x Sci KE	246	78%
4 Keira Gough	8	8 set 4 Sci KE	198	88%
5 Logan Hood	9	9 set 1y Sci KE	193	79%
6 Adam Evans	9	9 set 1y Sci KE	193	87%
7 Sienna Jones	9	9 set 1x Sci HB	190	94%
8 Holly Moran	9	9 set 1y Sci KE	184	77%
9 Oliver Walton	8	8 set 4 Sci KE	176	31%
10 Layla Harper	9	9 set 1y Sci KE	159	76%

THINK TANK BIRMINGHAM

Tuesday 17th October
Year 7 Trip
Pay online Via Parent Pay

$$W = F \times S$$

$$E = m \cdot c^2$$





- PSICHE – 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

- PSICHE – 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

- PSICHE – 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

- PSICHE – 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

- PSICHE – 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.ccsw.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 2023/24

Pre-registering for the events via the college website is highly recommended.

****Please check college / provider websites for any last-minute changes****

Newcastle College (NSCG): 01782 715111

4th October 2023 5:30pm - 8pm
 16th November 2023 5:30pm - 8pm
 20th January 2024 10am - 12 noon
 20th April 2024 10am - 12 noon

Reaseheath College: 01270 625131

7th October 2023 10:30am - 2pm
 4th November 2023
 2nd December 2023
 13th January 2024
 10th February 2024
 23rd March 2024
 20th April 2024
 8th June 2024

Cheshire College: 01270 654654, (Crewe campus)

11th October 2023 5:30pm - 8:00pm
 14th November 2023 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Stoke-On-Trent College: 01782 208208, (Burslem & Caudon)

18th October 2023 5:00pm - 7:30pm
 29th November 2023 5:00pm - 7:30pm
 6th March 2024 5:00pm - 7:30pm
 18th May 2024 10am - 2pm
 28th June 2024 5:00pm - 7:30pm

Stoke Sixth Form College: 01782 848736

11th October 2023 5:00pm - 7:00pm
 21st November 2023 5:00pm - 7:00pm
 27th February 2024 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Visit websites below for information / forthcoming events at:

MARTEC Training:

E. Quality Training: (Newcastle, Hanley, Stafford centres)

School 6th Forms:

Alsager School

The King's CofE Academy (Kidsgrove)

Trinity 6th Form

St Joseph's College: (Trent Vale)

12	13	14
9	20	21
6	27	28



Career & Further Education

Want to share your journey with us?

Then please use the link below, we love hearing from you!!

<https://www.ccsc.staffs.sch.uk/index.php/alumni>



Mrs S Waterhouse

Deputy Headteacher, Teacher of English and Photography



Schooling

Primary School: Reginald Mitchell Primary School, Buff Lane.
Secondary School: Clough Hall High School (now Kings).

Further Education and Qualifications

Clough Hall Sixth Form College – A Levels in English, Media, Art and Psychology

Manchester Metropolitan University – BA Joint Honours in English and Cultural Studies (2:1)

Keele University – PGCE in English, Media and Drama

Jobs

- Shelf stacker at 'Select House'
- Waitress and barmaid
- Face Painter
- Bar Manager
- Human Resources at Barclays (I hated this job with a passion!)

When I was younger, I wanted to be...

a Paramedic! From the age of 7, this is all I wanted to do. However, a science teacher decided to tell me that I would never make it as I wasn't very good at science.

Even though this destroyed me and knocked my confidence for years, I worked hard and got CC in Science just to prove him wrong!

Interests and hobbies

- Films
- Reality TV
- Booking and planning holidays
- Reading
- Spending time with my family
- Photography and Art
- Watching eldest daughter play



PRIMARY CARE VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE HEALTH & CARE CAREERS

NEW programme for 2023!

Launching Monday 23rd October



Launching in October 2023, Primary Care Virtual Work Experience is an immersive careers programme designed for students aged 14-19.

Primary care is the front door to the NHS, providing day-to-day healthcare to communities delivered by a range of professional roles:

- Doctors/GPs
 - Social Prescribers
 - Pharmacists
 - Physiotherapists
 - Mental Health Practitioners
 - Nurses
 - Physician Associates
 - Medical Secretary
 - GP Receptionists
- and many more...

Learn about responsibilities, progression and pathways, and hear from real life professionals in LIVE webinars!



FREE Free to apply for students aged 14+ living in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent

Packed full of interactive activities and quizzes
Certificate on completion

Meet clinical professionals in 3 LIVE Webinars

Wednesday 24th October @ 16:15
Thursday 25th October @ 16:15
Friday 26th October @ 16:15



To find out more, click [here](#) to visit our website



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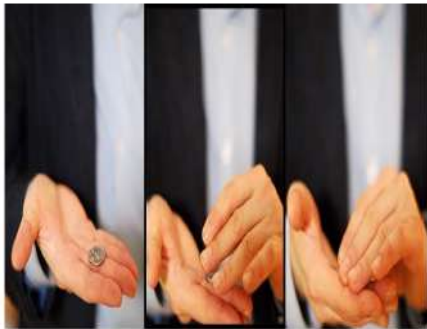


Magic trick of the week – try this!!!



1. Make a coin disappear. This is an easy trick that makes it look like you're moving a coin from your left hand to your right, and then making it disappear in your right hand. In reality, you'll keep the coin in your left hand the whole time while tricking your audience into thinking you moved it. Here's how you do it:

- Hold the coin between the thumb and first two fingers of your left hand.
- Move your right hand towards the left, pretending to reach down to pick it up with your three middle fingers, while really letting it "drop" into the left hand.
- Pretend that you're holding it between the index finger and thumb of your right hand.
- Blow on "the coin" and open up your right hand, showing that it has disappeared.
- Reach your left hand toward your elbow and reveal the coin, making it look like that was where you made it disappear.



CURRENT WARS AND ARMED CONFLICTS: INTERNATIONAL (IACs) AND NON-INTERNATIONAL (NIACs)

EUROPE: 7 ARMED CONFLICTS

Military occupations in 7 different Regions constitute the cause of the majority of armed conflicts that are taking place in Europe. Russia is continuing to occupy Crimea (since 2014 and more recently, effectively annexed other Regions of Ukraine bordering the Black Sea. Russia is also occupying parts of Moldova and Georgia. While Armenia is occupying parts of Azerbaijan. **The major armed conflict is taking place in parts of Russian occupied Ukraine and increasingly in Russia itself.**

ASIA: 21 ARMED CONFLICTS

Asia is the theatre of 19 non-international armed conflicts (NIACs) involving 19 armed groups. These are happening in **Afghanistan, India, Myanmar, Pakistan and the Philippines.** Two international armed conflicts – between respectively **India and Pakistan** and between **India and China** are also taking place in the region.

AFRICA: MORE THAN 35 ARMED CONFLICTS

Africa comes second in the number of armed conflicts per region with more than 35 non-international armed conflicts (NIACs) taking place in **Burkina Faso, Cameroon, the Central African Republic (CAR), the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Mali, Mozambique, Nigeria, Senegal, Somalia, South Sudan and Sudan.**


MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA: MORE THAN 45 ARMED CONFLICTS

This is, in numbers, the most affected region: more than 45 armed conflicts are currently taking place throughout the Middle East and North Africa in the following territories: **Cyprus, Egypt, Iraq, Israel, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Turkey, Yemen and Western Sahara.**

LATIN AMERICA: SIX ARMED CONFLICTS

The six non-international armed conflicts that are taking place are split evenly between Mexico and Columbia. While Columbia has experienced one of the longest non-international armed conflict (NIACs) in modern times and is still the theatre of three NIACs. Mexico is characterised by three NIACs involving drug gang cartels.

War (What Is It Good For?)



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National Organic Month, 19/9 Youth Mental Health Day/International Talk Like a Pirate Day 21/9 International Day of Peace
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S < C




(Week beginning 18th September 2022)

Theme of the week

REMEMINDER

War

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