



## WEEKLY PARENTS BULLETIN NO 19 – WEEK A

Week Commencing 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	'Frozen' Trip, London (Year 8 – 11) Year 10 Maths Challenge at Sir William Romney (leaving at 10.00 a.m. & returning for 3.15 p.m.)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	

It has been a shorter week than we expected at The Dean Academy, and it's certainly been one where we have seen all types of weather.

As you know we were forced to close the school on Friday based on threats of incredibly high wind speeds and challenges with transport for staff and students. We agonised about the decision to close, as we always strive to remain open at all times as long as it is safe to do so, but on this occasion when faced with all the forecasts the risks were too high. We do hope that all of our families remain safe and well and we see a return to fair weather sooner rather than later.

It was great to see so many of our Year 11 parents join us for an information evening on Tuesday. We discussed the advanced information which has been released for summer GCSE exams, some key dates, and some techniques to help support your child with their revision over half term and as we move towards March mock exams. If you missed it a recording of the session can be found here <https://youtu.be/gViWYthQtKA>

We also learned today how many parents have chosen for their child to join our school in Year 7 in September. In the last two years, children looking to attend our school have more than doubled. We are delighted that the hard work of our staff and students is recognised and that we are becoming the only school in the area that parents want their children to come to. This really is a great school where students thrive.

### Enjoyment Achievement Community

Congratulations to the following weekly winners of our attendance raffle week ending 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022:-

KS3 – Carlie B, Year 7  
KS4 – Charlie S, Year 10



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If you don't already, please follow us on social media to see a snapshot of all the amazing things happening at our school.

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## CAREERS

<https://www.hartpury.ac.uk/about-us/working-with-schools/outreach-partner-platform/#>

### **Virtual Work Experience Opportunity for Year 9-13 students!**



Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> February | 10:00-15:00

### **Virtual Work Experience Day with NHS Southwest Pharmacy**

Spend the day with NHS South-West Pharmacy! Join us to learn about the exciting careers and routes into pharmacy! You will have the opportunity to hear all about NHS Pharmacy, as well as take part in interactive problem-solving exercises, hear about current Uni student's routes into the company, and partake in a Q&A with Pharmacy staff and University students! If you are interested in a career in pharmacy, this is not an event to miss!

**Register here: [Virtual Work Experience Day with NHS South West Pharmacy - Pathway CTM](#)**



Please find below the rearranged Open Evenings from January.

The new dates are:

CAMPUS	DATE	TIME
Gloucester	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	5.00-8.00pm
Cheltenham	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	5.00-8.00pm
Forest	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	5.00-8.00pm

Students can sign up by visiting the website or clicking on this link [Open Evening Gloucestershire College | Gloucestershire College \(gloscol.ac.uk\)](https://www.gloscol.ac.uk)

We will also be having our annual Apprenticeship Open Evening on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March from 5.00 p.m. -8.00 pm. .at our Gloucester Campus and students can sign up by visiting the website or clicking on this link [Apprenticeship Open Evening | Gloucestershire College \(gloscol.ac.uk\)](https://www.gloscol.ac.uk)

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EVENINGS**  
**Gloucester Campus**  
2 March 5.00pm – 8.00pm  
**Cheltenham Campus**  
7 March 5.00pm – 8.00pm  
**Forest of Dean Campus**  
9 March 5.00pm – 8.00pm

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## YOUR FUTURE, UNLOCKED.

### OPEN EVENTS AT GLOUCESTERSHIRE COLLEGE

Our Open Events are back! Explore your opportunities, on campus. Meet our expert lecturers and support teams to find out how we can kick start your career.

By providing just the right environment we can nurture your talents and offer opportunities that connect you to the right people, so they can see how great you are too. You'll have the freedom and flexibility to choose what extra activities you want to do on top of your course to make the most out of your time at college.

Whether you have a dream career in mind; want to continue studying on your journey to employment; or simply want to explore your options, we have number of ways to help you get to where you want to go.

### OPEN EVENINGS

Explore our cutting edge facilities, find out more about the courses available and meet our expert Lecturers and Support Teams. Open your opportunities at an Open Event.

-  **Gloucester Campus**  
Wednesday 2 March 5.00pm – 8.00pm
-  **Chetenham Campus**  
Monday 7 March 5.00pm – 8.00pm
-  **Forest of Dean Campus**  
Wednesday 9 March 5.00pm – 8.00pm



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## BRIGHT SPOTS

### COMPUTING

#### Emma M in Year 9 attended a CyberFirst Girls Development Day

On Saturday 12 February, Berkeley Green UTC Hosted a CyberFirst Girls Development Day for girls in Year 8 and 9. The activities were run by the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) and were fun, scenario-based, interactive learning experience to help the students discover cyber.

Students had the opportunity to hear from inspirational guest speakers and trailblazing women leaders working in the cyber industry.

The whole day was free to attend, and we had the opportunity to put this out to our students as we are a Cyber First Silver standard school. There were only 50 places, so Emma was very lucky to get a place on the day. **(Mr Warren)**



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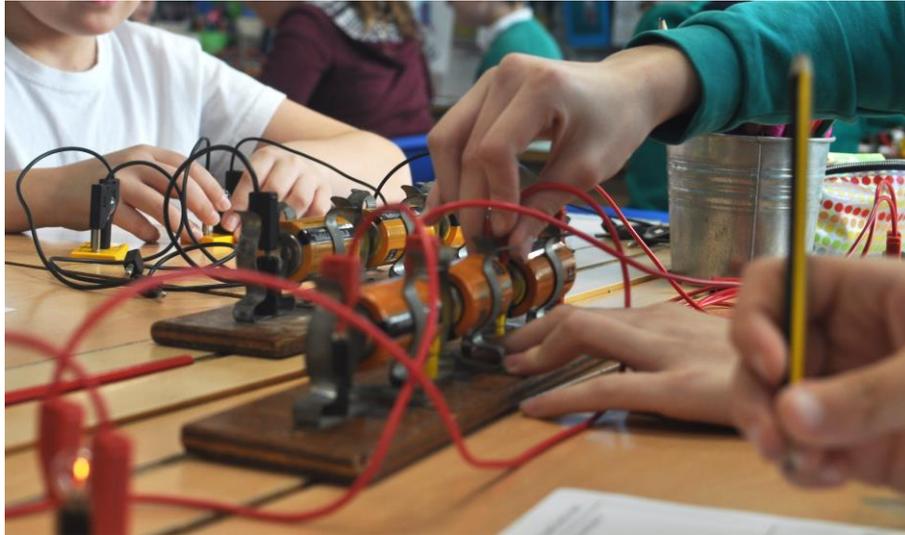
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## SCIENCE

Science with pupils at Severnbanks Primary last week (Mr Edy)

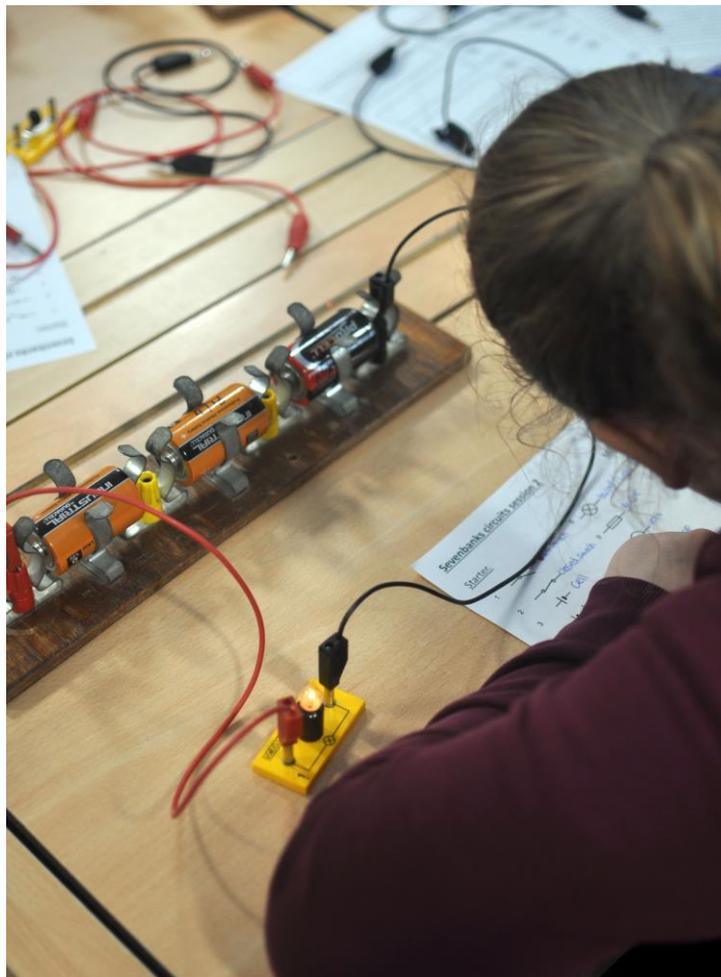
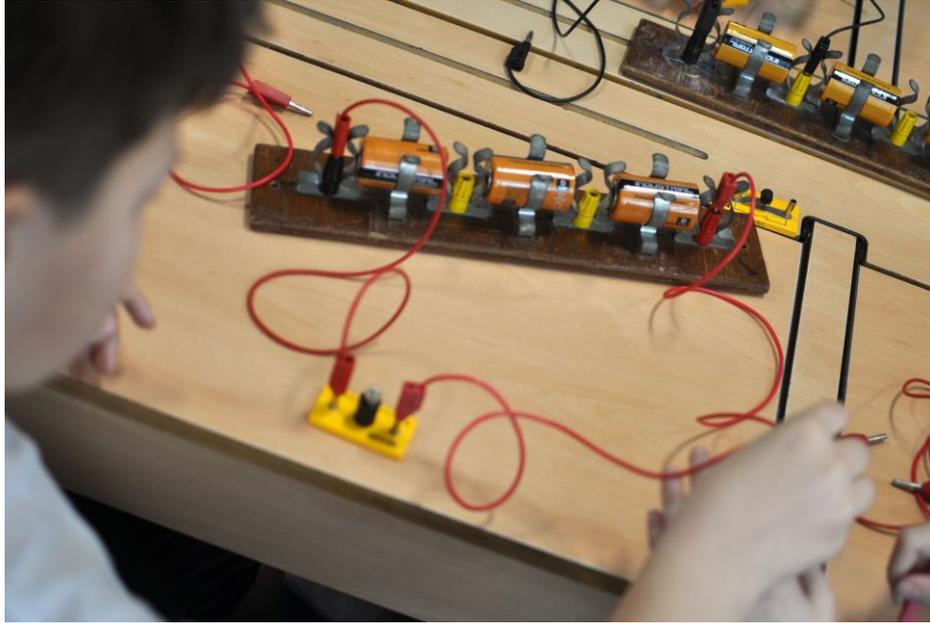




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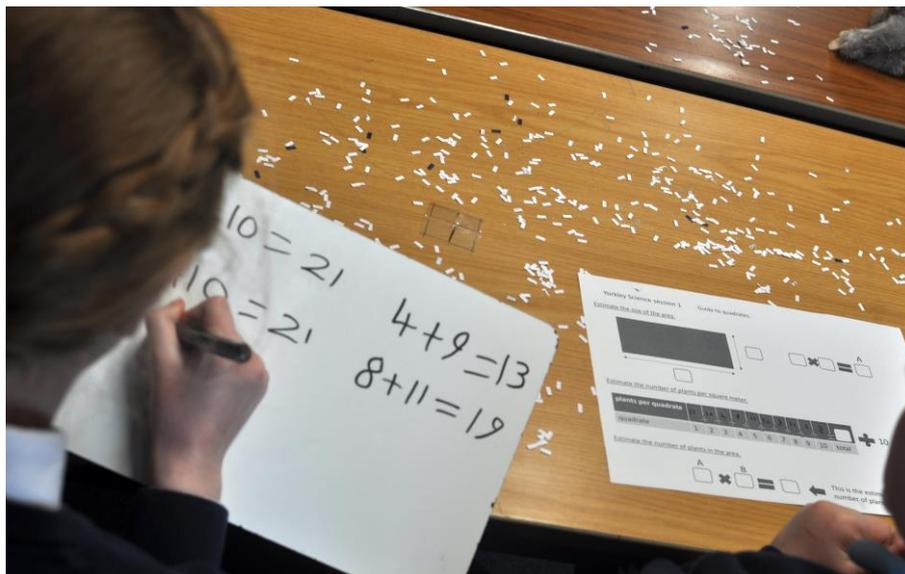
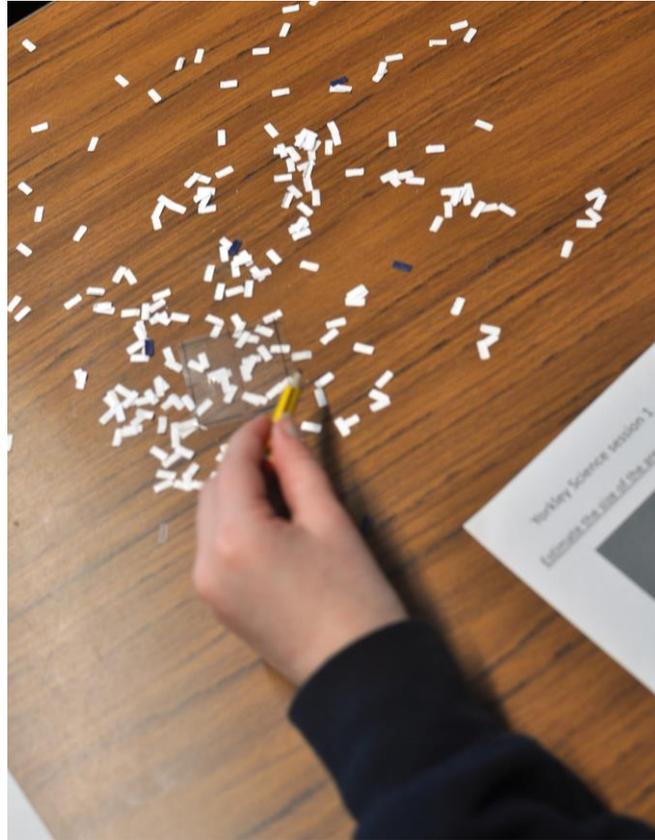
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Science with pupils at Yorkley Primary last week (Mr Edy)





## FOOD

This week Year 7 students showed off their splendid skills. Working independently, they sliced, diced, sauteed and simmered to create a range of healthy, filling soups (**Mrs Gittins-Jones**)





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Year 7 Fruit Salad, their first practical lesson (Mrs Sayers)





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