



#### **WEEKLY PARENTS BULLETIN NO 5 – WEEK A**

Week Commencing 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2023		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Open Day Tours running all week	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October		
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October		
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 7 Tutor Evening (pre-booked appointments only)	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October		

It has been a great week at The Dean Academy with lots going on.

On Tuesday we had our "Limitless Languages" day to celebrate European Day of Languages led by our Head of Modern Foreign Languages, Ms Eddy. We were stunned with the quality, creativity and range of entries from students across the year groups. Ms Eddy commented, "As a Languages Team and school, we have been absolutely overwhelmed by the incredible entries and enthusiasm for all events that we ran to celebrate The European Day of Languages, which acknowledges the incredible diversity that exists in our world. We are extremely proud of all students who really embodied our departmental phrase- 'Modern Foreign Languages Make Future Leaders.' We would like to thank everybody for all of their support with all the phenomenal entries and we truly recognise the incredible amount of time and effort that has gone into each and every entry. Muchas gracias and merci beaucoup!"

Similarly, we've also been incredibly impressed by Year 7 pieces of work submitted to recognise the local historical figure, Warren James. Each year these pieces get better and better with some students even creating sculptures – well done to everyone!

Year 11 were handed an important revision guide today. They received their 6-week to mock exam countdown guide. The full programme of mock exams begin fairly quickly after half term in w/b 6<sup>th</sup> November. This guide sets out, week by week from now until then, the topic students should be learning and a link to where they can take practice questions! We've asked students to do a little revision every evening and not leave it all until the last minute so please can we ask for your support to help your child remain organised and use the guide.

We have been investing heavily this year in our rewards programme to ensure that the great work our students do every day is recognised. Mr Glynn, Head of Student Experience, has been running a range of rewards to mark Strong-Start-September made by our students. We've had doughnuts for 100% attendance and last week the students in the Top-Ten for positive points on ClassCharts had a free lunch in our canteen and were celebrated in our weekly student bulletin. This week our "SPARK" winners have received a free hot chocolate and cookie and next week it gets even better - the students with most community points on class charts will go into a raffle for a lunch with Headteacher, Mr Brand (!). Our KS4 students (Year 10, 11) have had a weekly raffle and "embrace the geek" cards have been drawn – well done to all of our weekly winners!



Finally, we just wanted to say how great it has been seeing a marked increase in the number of students staying to take part in afterschool clubs and events. We had over 30 students stay for Rugby this evening across Year 7 - 10 and it is good indication of things to come. All of our extra-curricular clubs can be found here

Richard Brand Headteacher

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**ENJOYMENT** 

**ACHIEVEMENT** 

**COMMUNITY** 

Congratulations to the following weekly winners of our attendance raffle week ending 22<sup>nd</sup> September:

KS3 – Phoebe A in Year 9 KS4 – Joe S in Year 11

#### CYCLING TO SCHOOL

As mentioned in last week's Parent Bulletin for those students cycling to school it is important that they wear a cycle helmet. We have had some helmets donated by staff which are in excellent condition therefore, if any student who hasn't got one would like one, please see Ms Alimi, Teaching Assistant over in SEN.

#### REMINDER ABOUT BUS PASSES

Just a reminder that students should carry their bus passes at all times. If a pass is lost or damaged a replacement pass should be ordered which will cost £10.00, obtainable only from Shire Hall, Gloucester. This only applies to bus passes issued by Gloucestershire County Council. If your child has a pass issued directly by a bus operator you will need to contact them for a replacement. If you need to obtain a replacement bus pass for your child, please go to to pay for your pass online. If your child has any issue with their bus pass, e.g. left it at home, bus pass won't scan etc they must go to reception first thing in the morning to report it as authorisation has to be obtained from Shire Hall for them to travel that day. Your child will then need to go back to reception at the end of the day to collect the authorisation. Thank you.





# LEXIA LITERACY PROGRAMME

Congratulations to Seb in Year 11 who received a certificate from Mr Brand today for his excellent work completing the Lexia literacy programme. Seb demonstrated remarkable strength and determination, we are incredibly proud of his success. Great work!







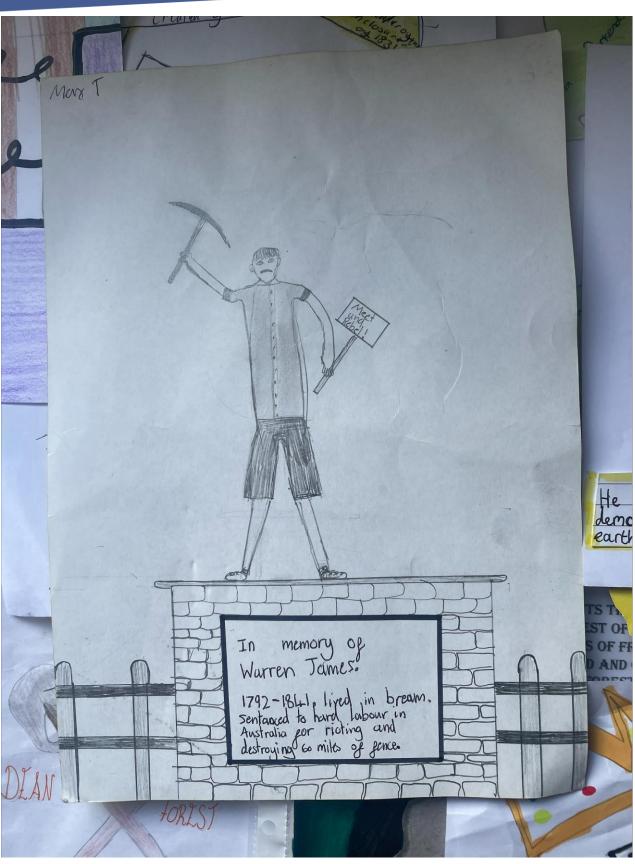
# **BRIGHT SPOTS**

Year 7 images of Warren James memorials for History.

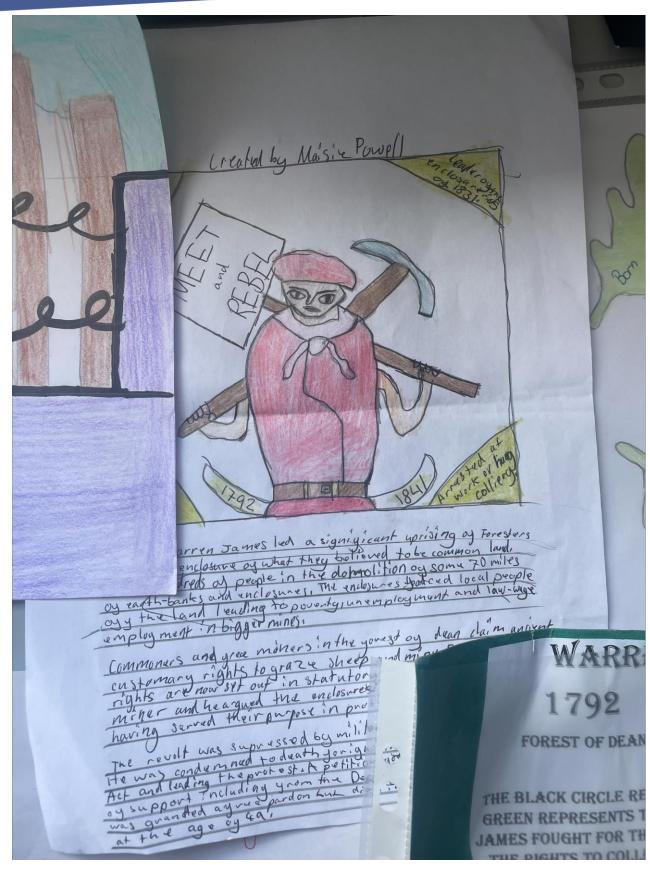




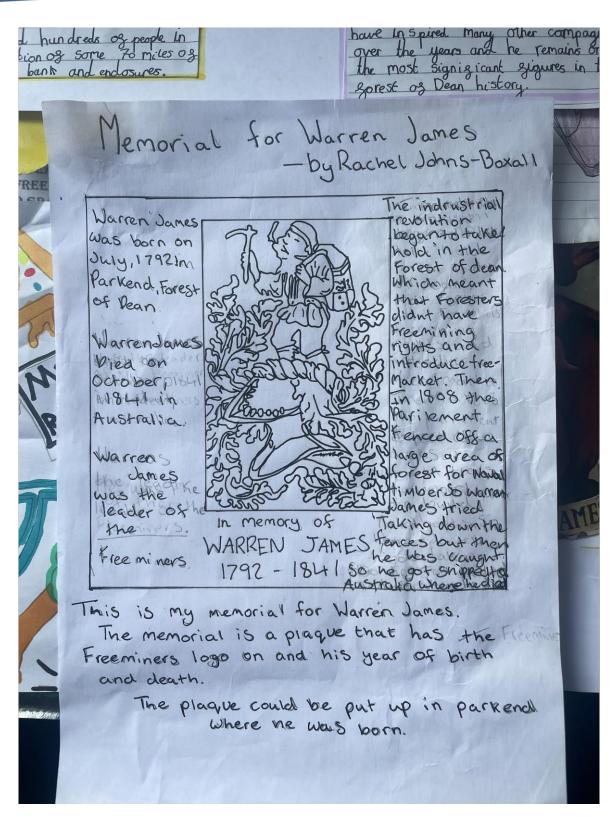




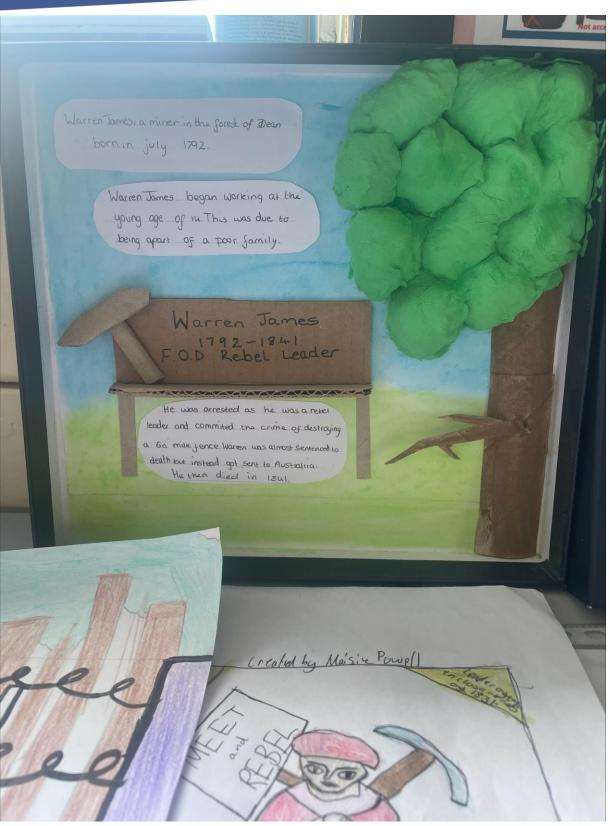




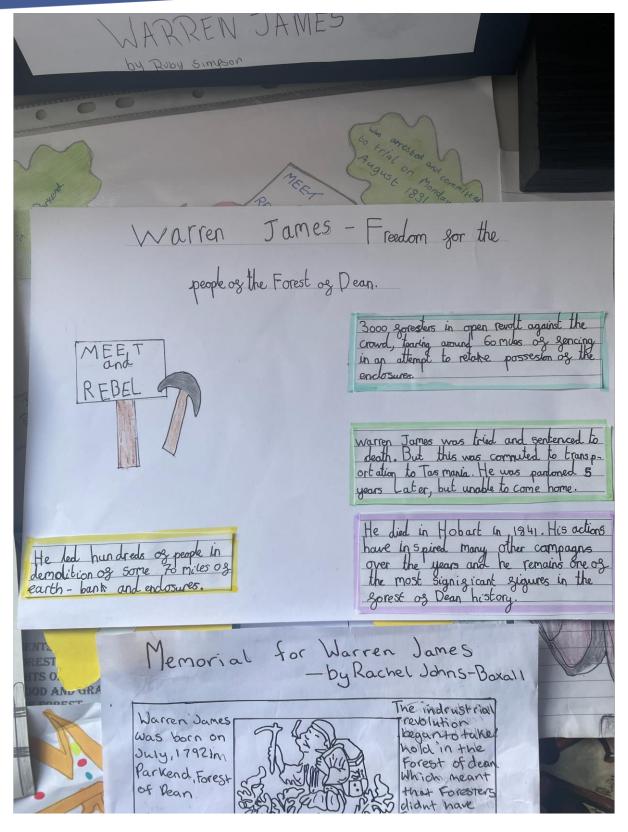






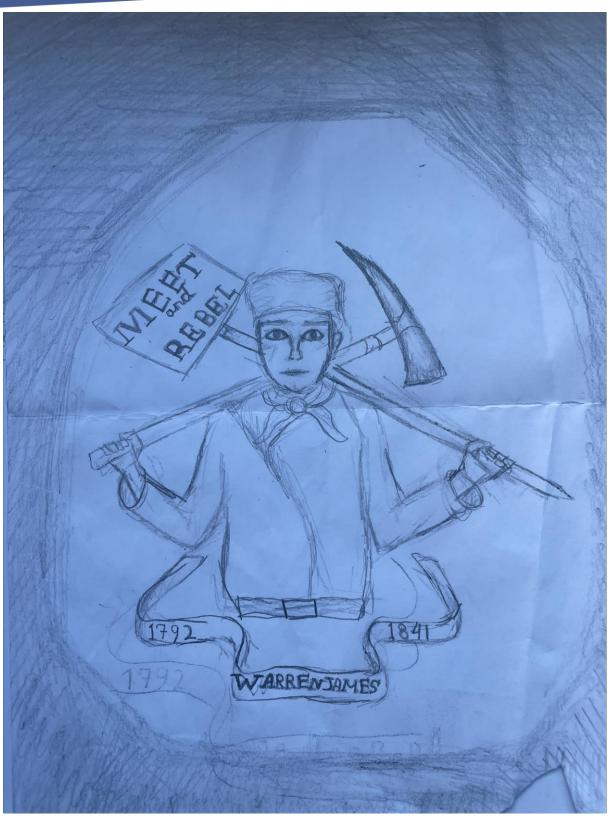














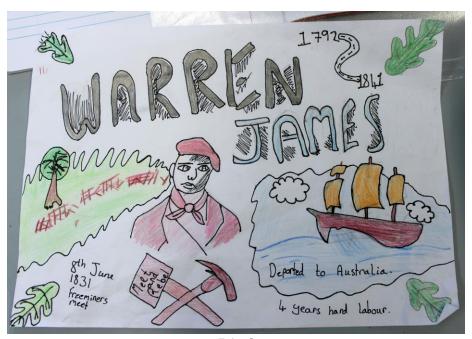


### **HISTORY**

Year 7s have created some fantastic memorials to Warren James (1792 - 1841) as part of their History topic with Mr Hole. He was really impressed with the effort and creativity that went into their work. Well done!



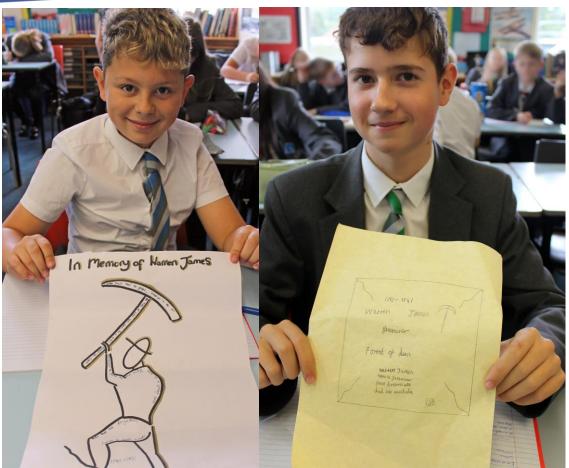
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Erin S







George W Charles J



Harriet G





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Sophie P Marlee W H







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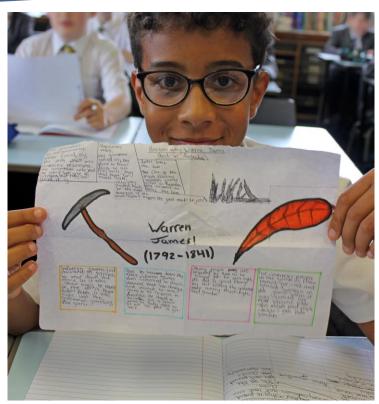


Toby H Noah Y



Teddy J





Theo L



Wilf W





Travis H





# HAIR & BEAUTY

Year 11 Hair & Beauty students have been creating make up designs with Ms Muirhead in the Hair Salon. They were able to choose from two very different themes – the Little Mermaid or Halloween! Great work.



Bluebell Gracie R



Izzy W





#### MFL - EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

To celebrate European Day of Languages, our MFL department organised various fun activities and competitions to highlight the importance of learning languages.

Students took part in the MFL MasterChef challenge creating colourful dishes from different cultures, they also designed local postcards and created a poster about why languages are important.

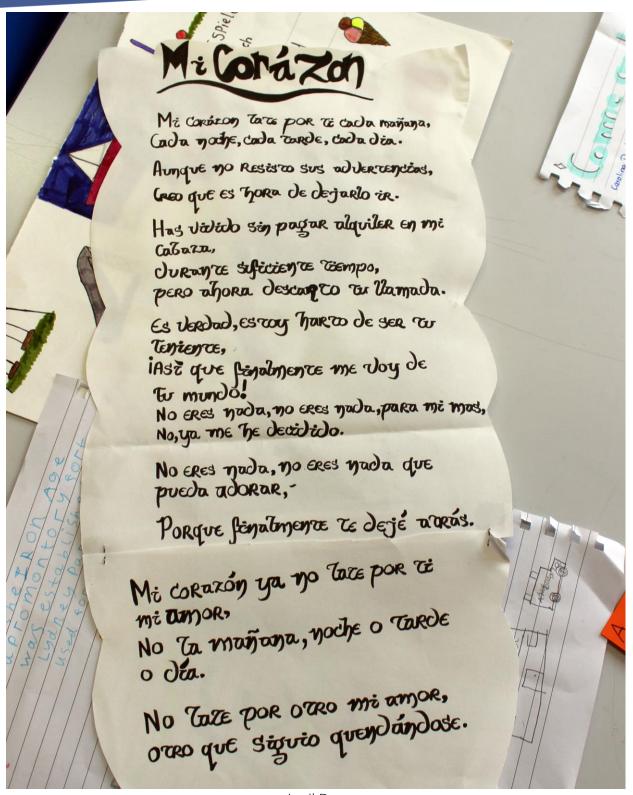
Our students responded fantastically to the challenges, here are just a few of their efforts including Toby's 'Around the World in Six Dishes' triumph, George's tasty Alfajor treats, Sophie's postcard tribute to Lydney and Isla's Romanian poem.

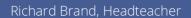
Staff have been blown away by the entries and we would like to say an enormous thank you to everyone involved for all of their support with these projects. We are overwhelmed by their brilliance! Well done, bon travail, excelente, fantastisch!



Alfie R P - Cypriot Cake







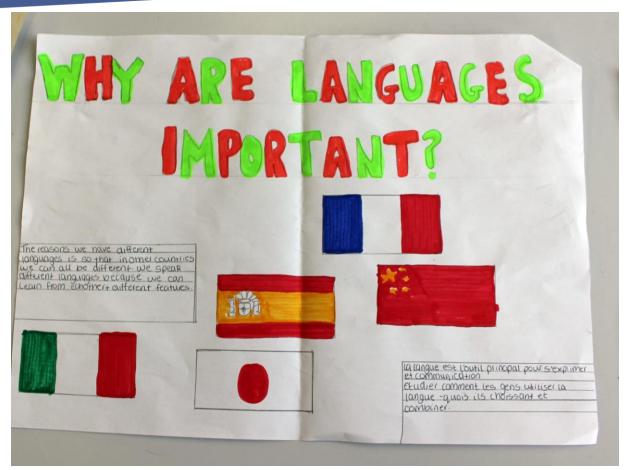






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Chloe W





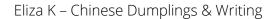




EDL









Finley L - Pizza



Evan D







lvy E – Italian Risotto



Jasmine S & Eliza K





THE DEAN ACADEMY

Oliver T cooking Paella

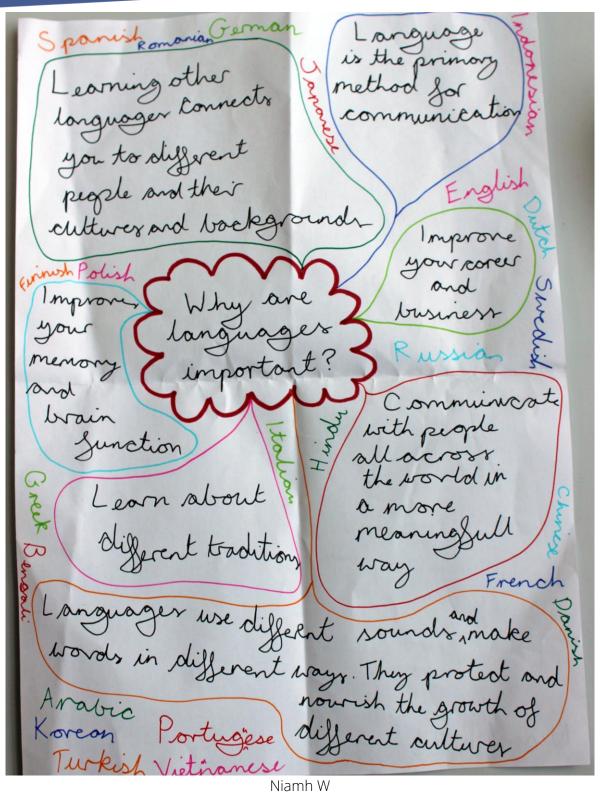


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Ryan W



Hello!,

Lydney is a town in Glovcestershire, England. It is often called 'The Gateway to the Forest'. It is surrounded by the Forest of Dean on the edge of the wye valley, and situated on the River Severn. There are thirty pubs, cafes and restaurants as well as a variety of local shops that offer everything you need. Lydney also has a lovely park and several historic monuments, greatfor exploring and having fun.

You can even go on a breathtaking train ride through the beautiful woodland and countryside, truly a magnificent experience.

Lydney is an amazing town. Perfect for a one-day visit or a wonderful new home for you and your family.

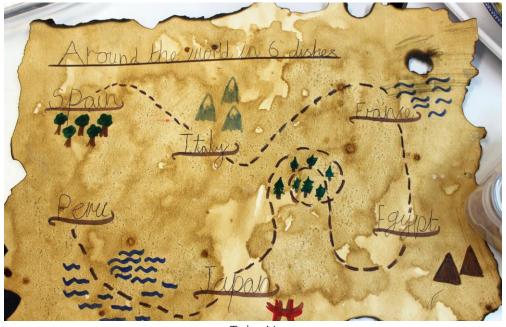
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Sophie H







Toby N





THE DEAN ACADEMY

Wilf W – Greek Chicken Pasta





Miss Eddy is really proud of Lucy SP in Year 9 who has written a fantastic short story in Spanish for European Languages Day. Great work!



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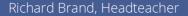
# YEAR 7 ASSEMBLY

Year 7s were really inspired in their assembly this week by our wonderful brass teacher, Mr Richards, who gave a thrilling demonstration of how brass instruments work. Our brass students, April, Oliver, Sadie, Tristan, Oliver and Toby also contributed to the special assembly by performing a piece with Mr Richards called 'Blue Shift' receiving thunderous applause!

If any students are interested in signing up for lessons with Mr Richards or any of our peripatetic music teachers, please speak to Mr Peacock or Mr Matthews.



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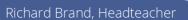






Oliver T, Nevaeh B, Riley MM









# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW HOUSE CAPTAINS















# **U16 COUNTY NETBALL**

Yesterday, 12 of our Year 10 and 11 students travelled to Cheltenham to participate in the U16 County Netball Tournament. The girls played against 15 other schools and worked extremely hard all day. They faced The Crypt School, Balcarras School and Cleeve School in the opening rounds. The girls showed fantastic determination and resilience. Although the results didn't go their way, we are incredibly proud of the improvements they made as the tournament went on and they never let their heads drop. They were a real credit to the school. Well done!



Beth P, Summer T, Amelia P, Megan K, Ines L, Maria A, Eleanor C, Bailey W, Leila C, Keira P, Holly T, Skye G



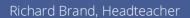


# **CHELSEA'S STORY**

Thank you to AlterEgo Creative Solutions for visiting our Year 9s this week to perform their hard-hitting drama 'Chelsea's Story' which raises awareness of child sexual exploitation and explores the consequences of abusive and unhealthy relationships.









# CAREERS GLOUCESTERSHIRE CAREERS HUB BROADCAST NOTIFICATION

We are writing to inform you of the free, educational and informative broadcast we have coming up for parents/carers on Careers LIVE.

Gloucestershire Careers Hub – Apprenticeship and Technical pathways in Gloucestershire - Join us Wednesday 25th October from 6:00 p.m.

The Gloucestershire Careers Hub would like to help parents/carers understand the landscape of post 16 options within the county of Gloucestershire.

You will hear from apprenticeship providers, organisations that deliver vocational qualifications including T Levels and Independent training providers. This knowledge will allow you to support your young person when it comes to making decisions about their next steps.

SAVE THE DATE: https://careersliveuk.com/partner/gloucestershire-careers-hub/

This broadcast along with all of our other broadcasts, will be available on demand 5-7 business days following the LIVE broadcast. The broadcast may be available before this, simply register to be kept up to date on the link above.

Please share this broadcast with your fellow colleagues, parents/carers and through social media. Make sure to tag us so we can engage with this.

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The Learn Live Team







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Apprenticeships and Careers

Don't miss the chance to attend one of our careers sessions, see overleaf.



# Myth or Reality?

"Apprenticeships offer no career prospects"

Many successful professionals began their careers through apprenticeships.

# Did you know?

The structure and regulations of apprenticeship programs varies widely from country to country. In some places, apprenticeships are highly structured with standardized training, while in others, they are more informal.

FOLLOW US TO KEEP IN THE LOOP









28TH SEPTEMBER 2023

## LIVE VACANCIES

### Click the links below

to apply

Therapy Support Worker Apprentice Level 3

Closing Date: 28/09/23

Apprenticeship - Pharmacy Technician (Integrated) - Band 4 Annex 2I Level 3

Closing Date: 01/10/23

Apprentice Resourcing Administrator - Recruitment Level 3

Closing Date: 01/10/23

Apprentice Customer Service Practitioner - Respiratory Physiology Level 2

Closing Date: 02/10/23

Apprentice Business Administrator -Unscheduled Care Level 3

Closing Date: 09/10/23

#### **COMING SOON!**

Apprentice Junior Energy Manager -Sustainability L3

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#### WHAT'S ON

## **NURSING Q&A SESSION**

https://shorturl.at/yKO79



Wednesday 4th October 2023



17:00-18:00



**Microsoft Teams** 







#### **DIETETICS TASTER DAY**

Email ghn-tr.careers@nhs.net to express interest.

Wednesday 18th October 2023



09:30-16:15



**Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust** 



#### RADIOTHERAPY OPEN MORNING

 $\textbf{Email } \underline{ghn\text{-}tr}.\underline{oncologyradiotherapy}\underline{@nhs.net} \ \textbf{to express interest.}$ 



Saturday 7th October



10:00-14:00 TBC



Cheltenham General Hospital



If you would like a poster for any of these events to display please contact ghn-tr.apprenticeships@nhs.net

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#### **Take the NHS Careers Quiz**

Follow the link below to the NHS Health Careers site to complete a short quiz which aims to match you with your ideal career route. Information on various different opportunities including apprenticeships is also available: <a href="https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/">https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/</a>



#### APPRENTICESHIP OF THE WEEK

**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR** 

A **Business Administrator** apprenticeship is a structured training program designed to prepare individuals for a career in administrative and business support roles. To become a Business Administrator, candidates typically need a minimum of GCSEs (or equivalent qualifications) in English and Maths. However, entry requirements may vary by employer and program. Successful completion of a Business Administrator apprenticeship often leads to nationally recognized qualifications, such as a Level 3 Diploma in Business Administration or an equivalent qualification. After completing individuals can pursue various career paths in administration, office management, or related fields such as HR or digital marketing. They may work in a wide range of industries as well as healthcare such as finance, education, government, and more.



# CAREER OF THE WEEK

RECRUITMENT

A career in **Recruitment** is rewarding and dynamic. To succeed you'll need outstanding communication skills to be able to regularly communicate with clients, very effective time management and organisation and understanding of employment laws and organisation. You could start with entry-level positions like a recruiting coordinator or an administrative assistant in a recruiting department, or alternatively look for internship opportunities with recruitment agencies or in-house HR departments to gain practical experience. Within an interview scenario, be ready to discuss your understanding of recruitment processes, to demonstrate your ability to source and assess candidates, and your communication and negotiation skills. Within a Recruitment career you may advance towards more senior positions in Human Resources, providing you have a commitment to continuous development as well as maintain good networking skills to build relevant contacts.



#### T LEVEL CELEBRATION WEEK - 2 - 6 OCTOBER:



T Level Celebration Week is taking place on the 2 - 6 October! This will be a fantastic opportunity to both create awareness and find out more about the opportunities available within T Levels as well as the benefits they bring to organisations. With new T Level courses on offer, new students and new training providers supporting T Levels, there's a lot to celebrate this year!

Read more at Amazing Apprenticeships: <a href="https://amazingapprenticeships.com/t-levels/">https://amazingapprenticeships.com/t-levels/</a>







# NHS CAREERS UNTAPPED UPCOMING WEBINARS



The NHS Careers Untapped NHS Team are pleased to announce upcoming webinars showcasing some more of the great jobs available in the NHS

Careers in Medicine	Careers in Digital Healthcare
27th September 2023: 16:30-18:00	19th October 2023: 16:30-18:00
Online via Zoom	Online via Zoom
For anyone interested in medicine, this webinar will showcase the variety of roles available including paediatric medicine, surgery and general practice	Spotlighting some of the exciting roles in digital healthcare, this webinar will introduce careers in analytics, social media, web development and more
Click here to register or scan below	Click here to register or scan below





Future career webinar dates for your diary include: Nursing & Midwifery on 14th November 2023, Primary Care on 6th December 2023, Allied Health Professions & Healthcare Science on 25th January 2024 and Mental Health on 5th March 2024



#### NHS Careers Untapped is brought to you by London NHS employers including:

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