

TUDOR TIMES

Tudor Grange Academy Redditch



Message From The College Leaders...



Mr B Hampton/Mr B Wilkes - Orion

The days are starting to get longer, which each year inevitably means our focus must turn to the examinations which take place in the summer term. Year 9 will have their second trust assessment window in May, followed by year 11's final GCSE examinations. Year 10 will have their second trust assessments in June. This is your chance to show us the progress that you have made since the previous wave of tests.



With the improved weather (although it still feels like it is raining all of the time) and the lighter evenings, it is a time to start enjoying the great outdoors again. Please remember to do this safely, particularly around water and roads, where the majority of accidents happen.



Have a restful and enjoyable Easter (except for those Year 11 students at the times when they are in school for revision classes!) - we look forward to seeing you after the break.



Miss L Hyde - Pictor

Hello to all Pictor students and parent/carers, it has been an extremely short and speedy half term in which our students have been working hard to prepare for all check points, assessments and of course, the up and coming GCSE exams. Over the Easter we are hopeful that Year 10 and 11 students will make effective use of GCSE, closing gaps in their learning and of course, to strengthen their understanding in readiness for GCSE exams and end of Year 10 mocks.



In addition to this half-term 5 preparation, I wish everyone a restful and positive Easter and that we get some sunshine!



Mr B Lumley - Vela

Hello to all of our Vela stake holders. Although it has been a short half term our students have been working hard to make progress across all subjects. It was great to see all of our Vela students performing in the showcase this half term, there really is some fantastic talent in Vela. Over the Easter break I am hoping that our Year 10 and 11 students use GCSE pod to close any gaps in their learning and strengthen their understanding. We have a large number of Vela students eligible to go on the Alton Towers as a result of their positive attendance, well done to you all. I look forward to the Summer Term and seeing all of our Year 11 students excelling in their GCSE exams.



Dates For Your Diary

Friday 22nd March 2024

Last Day Of Term

Monday 25th March 2024

Half Term Begins

Monday 8th April 2024

School Re-Opens

Monday 6th May 2024

May Day Bank Holiday

Friday 4th May 2024

Last Day Of Term

Monday 27th May 2024

Half Term Begins

Monday 3rd June 2024

School Re-Opens

Friday 28th June 2024

Inset Day - School Closed



Reminder that we accept and appreciate donations for school uniform.

Please drop these at reception. Many thanks.

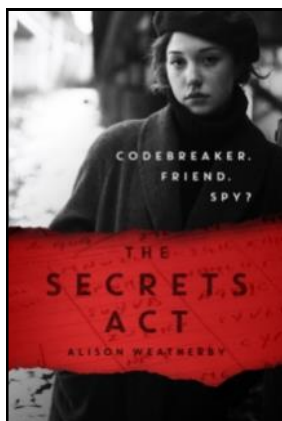


ParentPay



Following on from letters that were sent out recently, providing parents with log in details for ParentPay, please ensure that you register as soon as possible. Setting up a ParentPay account will enable parents to pay lunch money, pay for trips, buy revisions guides and purchase tickets for the Year 11 Prom. Please do not hesitate to contact the finance office if you need assistance with log in details.

TGAR Book Club



Codebreaker. Friend. Spy? A thrilling, nail-biting YA mystery with themes of friendship, loyalty, secrets, and a dash of romance.

Pearl and Ellen work at top-secret codebreaking HQ, Bletchley Park.

Pearl is the youngest. A messenger at sixteen, she's untidy, lively, bright, and half in love with the wrong boy, Richard. Her circle of friends overlaps with his – the dashing young men on their motorcycles who courier the secrets that Bletchley deciphers.

Ellen is a codebreaker. Reserved, analytical and beautiful. She never expected to get close to a girl like Pearl – or fall for a chap like Dennis. But when tragedy strikes, their logical world is upended, with both friends caught in a spy plot that rocks the very heart of the war effort.

Who can they turn to now? Who can they trust? And above all, can they unmask the traitor in their midst before it's too late? The story follows two young women, Pearl and Ellen, who are recruited to work at Bletchley Park during the Second World War Set in atmospheric 1940s England..



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EASTER TENNIS CAMPS

Tues 2nd April - Fri 5th April - 9am-12 Noon

5-16yrs

at Tudor Grange Academy

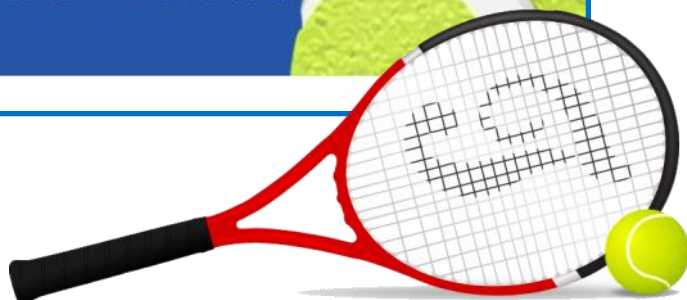
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Players will be in groups with
others who are a similar age & level

- £20 per morning session or £65 for 4 mornings
- £110 for two sibling for 4 mornings

All coaches are LTA Accredited

For more information or to book a place
please contact Tony Ravenscroft on 07969 649092



Skiing Sessions

Over the duration of this half term and next, Mr Feiven has been taking groups of students to the dry ski slope at Ackers Adventure in Birmingham. Over 70 students will have participated in these taster sessions including skiers of all ability levels. It has been great to see students navigating the slopes and learning how to ski ahead of December's Ski Trip to Austria.

We would like to thank Redrow for supporting these sessions with a bursary of £500. This has allowed our students to try skiing for only £5 per student.



Ackers Adventure Day

On Tuesday 19th March, 10 students from Year 9 and 10 enjoyed an Adventure Activity Day at the Ackers Adventure. We departed school at 09:00 am, arriving in time for our first session of the day, Tubing. The tubing session consisted of students sliding down the big main slope sitting in an inflated ring. They particularly enjoyed getting air over the little jump on the slope. After a break, students faced their fear of heights by climbing the tower. Students were able to try 3 different climbing routes that got progressively more difficult as the session progressed. After lunch, students channelled their inner Robin Hood and had a go at Archery. Throughout this final session, students were tasked with different challenges and competitions, which consisted of aiming for specific places on the targets.

We would like to thank the Ackers Adventure Trust for hosting this day and for fully funding this day. We are looking forward to organising more of these days in the future.



Half Term 4 Rewards — STAR Points

As part of our rewards policy, students are awarded STAR Points. To earn these students have attended School, followed the TGAR Way, been Ambitious with their learning and have gone out of their way to be Respectful and Kind. This half term students needed to receive 50 points for a Bronze certificate, 75 points for a Silver certificate and 100 points for a Gold certificate.

Bronze

Noah Bowman	Jack Anderson
Liam Flynn	Drew Beasley
Isabelle Rogers	Keeley Bradley
Lea Chilcott	Teeya Murray
Sam Fuller	Edward Rosu
Stefano Litman	Blake Tuer
Sophie Marley-Foster	Isabelle Walsh
Weronika Szafarkiewicz	Mitchell Whyte-Joyce
Georgia-Rose Heighway	Rhiannon Zawlocki
Lacey Poulton	Maxwell Bridge
Joseph Preston	Faith Bryan
Annie Robin	Megan Evans
Harry Smith	James Fletcher
Archie Annis	Caitlin Floyd
Katie Watts	Katie-Marie Jones
Daisy Anderson	Edwin Kaimathuruthy
Riley Reed	Kian Marley-Foster
Ricardo Smith	Chelsea Rutherford
C J Agyekum	Holly Turner
Max Cowles	Cerys Williams
Scarlett Freeman	Zuzanna Bednarz
Lara Laight	Issabelle Burton
Roxy Nicholls	Jack Coldwell
Kieran Thompson	Drew Felton
Callum Evans	Benjamin Hamer
Zach Felton	Hannah Morris
Daniel Ferguson	Aleeza Naveed Ata
Frankie Brough	Skye Turner
Muhammad Hussain	Alex Barton
Harley Kirby	Alfie Boyle
Connor Leaman	Daisy Brittain
Daniel Philpott	Troy Chadwick
Jake Quiney	Ashleigh Conwell
Zi Lin Xue	Chrissy Hadley
Ella Forsyth	Katie Lumley
Charlie Harrison	Ebony-Mae Niblett
Rizwan Khalid	Leah O'Loughlin
Maddison Farley-Waddell	Harry Ruddy
Skye Harrison	Tobias Wassall
Graysen Mills	Emily Watson
Kyle Wakefield	



Silver

Sam Drumm	Dylan Foster-Agg
Adrian Iwicki	Kyle Bell
Tegen Uren	Lucas Benyon
Ellis Warrilow	Harry Coleman
Ben Ashton	Samuel Cross
Jack Bushell	Tia-Analise Drake
Joshua Hamer	Isabelle Hornsby
Lexie Hobday	Angel McEwan
William Power	Connor Roberts
Hayley Robinson	Kaleb Smith
Hasnain Shoaib	Georgia Weavers
Joel Tuer	
Joe Berebon	
Isla Smith	
Zille-Umar Huma	
Andrew Watts	
Basil Binoy	
Hannah Legg	
Oscar Mills	
Max Carter	
Emily Kingscott	
Archie Poole	
Imogen Timms	
Will Edwards	
Elizabeth Ferguson	
Tanaka Kamungeremu	
Evan Tomlinson	
Millie Lloyd	
Phiyon Lukose	
Jayden Mataera	
Lucy Potter	
Eleanor Taylor	
Desiree-Lea Broadbelt	
Jess King	
Anna Mathew	
Callum Suggars	
Mevea Manjaly	
Amira Mehmood	
Connor Senior	
Sophie Allen	
Joshua Lostitch	
Daniel Aduloju	



Gold

William Morris
Jayden Cavey
Kai Amies
Ayaan Asif
Logan Hewitt
Amy Gowland
Josiah Aduloju
Thomas Morton
Insa Qadoos
Jamie Twigg



Half Term 4 Rewards — Attendance

We also recognise students' attendance in each half term. From a rewards perspective, each half term is calculated separately, despite students attendance figures being as an annual figure. We recognise students whose attendance falls into two categories, 97% +, and 100%. We feel this is extremely important as research shows that there is a strong correlation between students attendance and their GCSE/A-Level results. This means students who attend school more, are likely to attain better GCSE grades, than those students with lower attendance.

100%

Noah Bowman
William Morris
Aayan Naz Ejaz
Isabelle Rogers
Jakob Taczuk
Tegen Uren
Ellis Warrilow
Ben Ashton
Jack Bushell
Jayden Cavey
Harley Daly
Sam Fuller
Joshua Hamer
Lexie Hobday
Evie Newell
William Power
Hayley Robinson
Hasnain Shoaib
Kai Amies
Ayaan Asif
Logan Hewitt
Archie Mccillen
Kimarnie Pryce
Mollie Ford
Amy Gowland
Joseph Preston
Harry Smith
Josiah Aduloju
Oscar Mills
Max Carter
Liam Cowles
Emily Kingscott
Kai Phillips
Archie Poole
Riley Reed
Imogen Timms
Dion Woods
Lacey Allcock
Max Cowles
Will Edwards
Elizabeth Ferguson
Callum Hancox
Tanaka Kamungeremu
Roxy Nicholls
Callum Evans

Daniel Ferguson
Millie Lloyd
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Mevea Manjaly
Amira Mehmood
Niamh English
Graysen Mills
Samuel Stevens
Louise Till
Kyle Wakefield
Sophie Allen
Jack Anderson
Drew Beasley
Pascal Labas
Edward Rosu
Rachael Steele
Isabelle Walsh
Mitchell Whyte-Joyce
Megan Bond
Maxwell Bridge
Faith Bryan
Taylor Day
Caitlin Floyd
Katie-Marie Jones
Edwin Kaimathuruthy
Joshua Lostitch
Kian Marley-Foster
Mikey Mudzo
Lucy Pearce
Daniel Aduloju
Zuzanna Bednarz
Cassie Bridges
Issabelle Burton
Jack Coldwell
Dylan Foster-Agg

Benjamin Hamer
Ravi Kumar
Maksymilian
Marciniak
Donovan Mhondiwa
Hannah Morris
Aleeza Naveed Ata
Lia Perkins
Jameson Pietsch
Ahmad Shafi
Jack Brough
Skye Turner
Lucas Benyon
Samuel Cross
Angel McEwan
Leah O'Loughlin
Harry Ruddy
Kaleb Smith
Jamie Twigg
Ethan West

97% +

Denisa Albu
Joel Tuer
Xing He
Aaron Senior
Mylo Smith
Billy Beedon
Casper Gavin
Evie Jones
Elisha Powell
Poppy Harris-Jewell
Faith Walker
Keeley Bradley
Libby Tudor
Megan Evans
Chelsea Rutherford
Alexander Smith
Drew Felton
Keira Preston
Kyle Bell
Alfie Boyle
Isabelle Hornsby
Emily Watson

Alton Towers Rewards Trip

A rewards trip will be running on Tuesday 25th June for all students who have had an attendance of **95%** or above across an 11 week period. In order to be invited, this means students can miss no more than 2.5 days between **Monday 26th February and Friday 24th May**. All absences will count, including illness and any student who arrives to school after 09:20 will be classed as absent for the morning session.

Students previous attendance will not be taken into consideration. Eligibility will only be determined by attendance across the selected 11-week period.

We reserve the right to review and invite any student with **historically excellent attendance**, who is able to demonstrate exceptional circumstances that have caused their attendance to drop below the 95% threshold during this period. If you feel this applies to your child then please contact me at Jfeiven@redditch.tgacademy.org.uk

Students' attendance is shared with them during form time on a Monday. This includes their attendance over the 11-week eligibility period for the Alton Tower Rewards Trip.



Half Term 4 Rewards — College Competition

Orion continued their dominance of this years college competition with another resounding win. This half term's victory was even more emphatic than before. Orion particularly excelled in the college competition, earning them more points than both Pictor and Vela combined. Vela meanwhile, faded from a close second to last. Mr Lumley will be hoping his college can rebound from this defeat and win next half terms competition. Orion students participated in a Bingo event to reward them for their excellent effort this half term.



Half Term 4 — Easter Egg Design Competition:



1st Place Overall — Mr Cahill-Kitson (Orion)



3rd Place Overall — Rhiannon Zawlocki (Pictor)

Year 9:

1st Te'Jay Mountford	Orion
2nd Issabelle Rogers	Orion
3rd Kai Amies	Pictor

Year 10:

1st Theo Foster-Agg	Orion
2nd Eleanor Taylor	Orion
3rd Phiyon Lukose	Orion

Year 11:

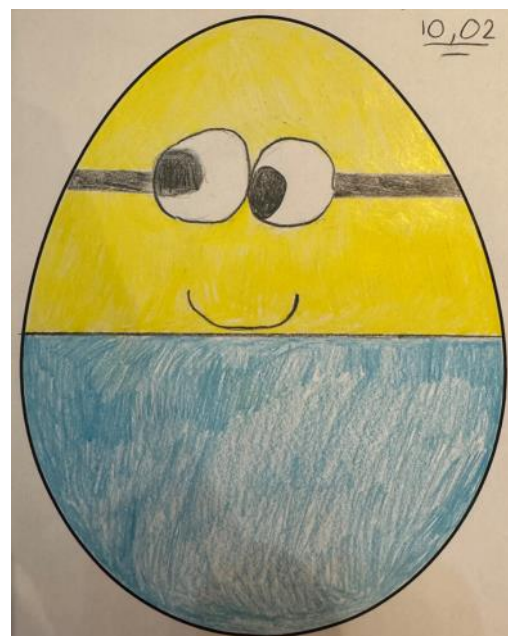
1st Rhiannon Zawlocki	Pictor
2nd Sophie Allen	Pictor
3rd Julia Kasprzak	Vela

Staff:

1st Mr Cahill-Kitson	Orion
2nd Miss Maher	Orion
3rd Miss Wolstencroft	Vela

Overall Winners:

1st Mr Cahill-Kitson	Orion
2nd Theo Foster-Agg	Orion
3rd Rhiannon Zawlocki	Pictor



2nd Place Overall — Theo Foster-Agg (Orion)

Press Release

A group of Redditch schools are working together with families, the health service and local businesses to improve school attendance across the town.

Since the disruption to education due to the pandemic school attendance across the country has suffered meaning that a higher proportion of children nationally and locally are not attending school on a regular basis.

The Redditch Re-engaged Project is designed to support schools and families to improve school attendance for all children and to help remove any barriers they may face.

Regular school attendance not only ensures the best possible academic outcomes but supports children's social and emotional wellbeing helping them to build the resilience and confidence needed for future success.

Future developments include working in partnership with GP's and healthcare professionals to share a more cohesive approach to working with children and families.

Adrian Ward, CEO of Bordesley Multi Academy Trust commented: "I am delighted that a number of Academy Trusts have agreed to come together with Worcestershire Children First to work collaboratively to support families in improving school attendance."

Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Education at Worcestershire County Council, Councillor Tracey Onslow said: "Regular attendance provides an environment for children to develop social skills, build friendships, and learn essential life lessons through interaction with classmates and teachers. Of course, some situations may require authorised absences. In these cases, whether due to illness, specific bespoke needs or other exceptional circumstances, we encourage parents and carers to work with their child's school to arrange the necessary support and reasonable adjustments.

"We appreciate that some pupils may find it harder than others to attend school which is why we're working closely with education settings across the county, to support pupils and parents and, where possible, help remove any barriers to attendance."



Message From The Principal

As we come to the end of what has been a very short half term, I can't help but think that we really have managed to pack a lot in. Y11 have been busy with mock exams and now that they have received their results, I hope they use their remaining time at school wisely. The next few weeks really will make a difference and it was pleasing to see many students improve on their grades from last term.

We had the Spring Showcase this week and once again I was blown away by the talent we have here at TGAR as well as the confidence and self-determination shown by some of our students to perform, despite feeling nervous doing so. This is something I never managed at that age! Well done to everyone involved.

We have also had numerous trips this half term, ranging from Geography field visits to skiing at Ackers Adventure as well as a trip to Cadbury World. Next term is our reward trip to Alton Towers for all students who have had an attendance of 95% or above across an 11 week period. I know this will be a very popular trip so do make sure your child has good attendance. Students who attend school regularly have been shown to achieve at higher levels than students who do not have regular attendance.

Finally a reminder that we do have high standards when it comes to uniform. Please make sure that when your child returns from the Easter break they are in full school uniform. Nose piercings, jewellery, hoodies and fake nails are not permitted in school.



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Any Questions?

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