AGS Inquirer

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Dear parents and carers,

I hope all is well and you are all looking forward to celebrating Christmas in a few days time.

I wanted to write to you, to thank you for all the support and positivity I have received in my first year, as the Principal of Ash Green School.

I would be lying if I did not say that at times it has been an extremely challenging task, but I still maintain it was without doubt, the right decision for me to take on the role as Principal, especially whilst Ash Green School was going through some very difficult times. My students throughout the first 12 months of my leadership have been my motivation and inspiration during the hardest times.

The way the staff and in particular the students have responded to the new high standards and expectations has been key to some of the rapid improvements we have witnessed. I would like to highlight and celebrate some of the key areas that have seen secure improvement even before the first monitoring visit has taken place.

Attendance – overall attendance has improved by over 2% compared to last year. This year's December attendance is over 5% higher than students' attendance last December and Persistent Absence has dropped by over 6%. This is a significant shift and has only been possible thanks to your support and reinforcement of the importance of regular attendance.

Teaching and Learning – November's Year 11 mock results are better and higher than last year's Year 11 mock results. The academic profile of the current Year 11s based on primary data on entry is not as strong but the mock performance is better. This is evidence that the students have responded very well to the higher expectations in the classroom and that the quality of teaching they are experiencing is good and continues to improve.

Behaviour – this has significantly changed. The school is no longer chaotic and disorderly, as was described in the inspection report. Breaktimes, lunchtimes and lesson changeover are extremely calm and orderly. Once again, this has only been possible thanks to you supporting the high expectations I have of my students.

Enrichment – Ofsted rightly highlighted the fact that our students did not engage with enrichment opportunities at school due to a limited offer. Using student voice as a catalyst, staff have improved considerably the enrichment opportunities before school, breaktimes, lunchtimes and after school. As a direct consequence, one in three students now engages in an enrichment activity at least once a week. This is a vast improvement on 12 months ago, when less than 4% of our students took part in an activity outside of their normal lessons.

Bullying – this was the fifth key area mentioned in the OFSTED report. Unfortunately, bullying occurs in all schools, but at Ash Green students were not confident in reporting incidences of bullying as frequently as they should because they did not believe it would be dealt with or taken seriously. This is certainly not the case now, even though further work is required. The number of incidences of bullying has dramatically reduced by 78% in the last 12 months. I firmly believe this is because our students have led on our anti-bullying campaign which includes their ‘Accept and Respect’ charter and their work with the nationally recognised Anti-Bullying Alliance.

These are some of the significant improvements that we need to acknowledge and celebrate, but I remain determined to continue to push for further improvements so we can all have a fantastic school for our young people.

I'm extremely disappointed that Ofsted have not yet visited. I really wanted them to see first-hand how my students have responded to their report and how they have with your support and our guidance started to transform Ash Green School. I have no doubt that they will visit in January, and I will be in touch as soon as I take that call.

Parents and carers, thank you once again for all your support and for all the gifts, cakes, biscuits etc that you have sent through for the staff. It's one of the most generous parent communities I have had the privilege to work with.

Have a wonderful Christmas.

Best wishes,

Mr Choudhury
Principal.

INFORMATION

KEY DATES SPRING TERM:

- Monday 8th January 2024: Staff Training Day
- Tuesday 9th January 2024: School reopens for all students/ Year 9 winter assessments begin
- Monday 15th January 2024: Year 8 assessments begin
- Monday 22nd January 2024: Year 7 assessments begin
- Monday 5th February 2024: Year 8 Parents' Evening
- Friday 9th February 2024: Last day of half term
- **Monday 12th February 2024: Half term break begins (1 week)**
- Monday 19th February 2024: Students return to school
- Wednesday 21st February 2024: Year 9 Options Evening & Parents' Evening
- Monday 26th February 2024: Year 11 Spring mocks begin (2 weeks)
- Tuesday 27th February 2024: Year 7 Parents' Evening
- Monday 11th March 2024: Year 10 Assessments Begin (2 weeks)
- Friday 15th March 2024: Staff training day
- Friday 22nd March 2024: Last day of Spring term
- **Monday 25th March 2024: Easter holidays begin (2 weeks)**
- Monday 8th April 2024: Students return to school-summer term begins

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Winter Coat Exchange

This half term, we invited students and families to our first winter coat exchange, due to this being such a success, we will be making this an annual event. We would like to thank all of our families who very kindly donated coats, we really do appreciate your generosity and support.

Attendance Rewards

School attendance has always been a priority at Ash Green and recognising our students good and improved attendance has been celebrated this year more than ever. The following rewards will continue throughout this academic year:

- Best tutor attendance in each year group celebrated weekly
- Celebration assemblies
- League table winner prize draws each half term
- Fantastic Fridays
- Most improved attendance prizes for students and their families
- 100% attendance monthly rewards
- Golden tickets, issued each week a student has a full weeks attendance. This term the prizes were Apple Airpods, Love to shop vouchers, an Ipad and the mystery prize….4 tickets to Drayton Manor.

A December to Remember

December can be a challenging month for attendance, with increased illness, poor weather and us all needing a well-deserved break! With that in mind, we thought a few extra prizes to make December a little more magical would be the perfect way to end 2023.

The following rewards were won in addition to our usual attendance rewards:

- ‘Fantastic Festive Fridays’, saw 10 students each Friday in December win vouchers to the value of £50. Students suggested which vouchers were won, such as Odeon Cinema, JD Sports, Apple, Gamers vouchers and many more.
- All year groups were invited to a Christmas Party to celebrate their combined efforts at increasing their year groups attendance. We got into the spirit of Christmas with festive music, a Christmas quiz and a game of bingo!!
- ‘The Big Present’ was the prize all students were talking about, 16 days present in school in December saw those students entered into the prize draw for a PlayStation 5. There were so many students with their name in the draw so well done to all.

January Rewards

Just like December, January can be a hard month for everyone, so to make it as fun as possible we have planned some exciting attendance rewards for each week of January!

Welcome

2024

Each week in January there will be 24 prizes to be won!

24 prizes on a Friday to be won
if you have 100 % attendance that week

24 bigger prizes on Friday 2nd February
if you have 100% attendance in January

SIXTH FORM NEWS

On the 15th November, we had a wonderful evening sharing the Sixth Form Offer for 2024. Prospective students were able to meet with both staff and current students, where they could ask any questions they have and hear what the students experience is. Ms Gunn, Head of Sixth Form, gave a speech for parents, joined by some of our current student leaders who shared their personal experiences of their time in sixth form so far. The atmosphere on the evening was exciting and it was great to meet our prospective students for the year ahead! Applications to join us to study in September 2024 are now open and we invite applications from all interested students.

Sixth Form Application Form-
September 2024 Entry

Sixth Form Application Form

CET Public Speaking Final & Essay Writing Competition

Thursday 7th December hosted the annual CET Public Speaking Final, as well as the prize giving for the sister prize for Essay Writing. Ash Green Sixth Form was heavily represented, with Jasmine M in Year 13 competing in the Public Speaking and five Ash Green essays making it through to the final shortlist from Jayden R, Hannah D, Simran N, Grace B and Natalia T. The students were able to write 1500 words on a theme of their own choosing and had worked with professional writers to redraft their final submissions. The venue was stunning, set in St Mary's Guildhall in our home town of Coventry. The students were impressed with the grandeur of the venue and it set the mood for an impressive day. We were treated to 8 speeches from students from students from the five sixth forms competing. Each of the speeches took a different take on the theme 'Power to the People', ranging from politics, race, self-worth and knowledge. After lunch, the judges announced the prizes for both competitions and we were absolutely delighted to take home a clean sweep! Jasmine won the Public Speaking Prize with a brave and assured speech on race and power, and Natalia won the Essay Prize with a classy essay focusing on representation within the Hunger Games. We are so proud of both girls for their hard work and the final submissions and are delighted to be the reigning champions for the year ahead!

UCAS Applications

Students in Year 13 are in full flow of sending their university applications! It is one of the most exciting times of year, with students receiving offers almost daily from universities that they have dreamt of applying to and attending. This year, we are already celebrating some wonderful milestones. Simran N (Year 13) is our first student to apply to college in the USA, already securing offers with scholarship from two colleges, including an offer of a $48,000 President's Global Scholarship. We've also had a record 10 students apply to the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, which from a cohort of 56 students is phenomenal. This is also the first year since the sixth form has opened that we have candidates for Medicine, Veterinary Medicine and Dentistry in the same year group. I have been exceptionally proud of the work that each student has put in to their applications, interviews and admissions tests, and there is still more to come! We cannot wait to see where this year group progress to and to celebrate their success this summer.

SIXTH FORM NEWS

Sporting Success

We were delighted to celebrate Kerry Fisher's sporting success early in the term. Kerry was selected for the England Indoor Cricket Under 17's squad for the Dubai World Series, which ran across ten days in September. Students and staff were keenly following along through the YouTube links and watching games live where possible. Kerry and the team came an admirable 4th place, bringing home the Shield Plate. We are very proud of Kerry and can't wait to see what her future holds!

Charity Work

For the first half term, we have supported Link to Hope's Shoebox appeal. Students from each tutor group brought in the shoeboxes, wrapping paper and items to fill the boxes to gift to families or elderly people in Eastern Europe. The students worked well together to fill the boxes and we donated 8 full shoe boxes to the appeal. Well done to all involved! This half term, we are donating to the Foodbank with our Christmas Jumper week. Students will be donating items for the foodbank each time they wear a Christmas jumper in the last week of term. I am looking forward to seeing the donations coming in as much as I am looking forward to seeing the Christmas jumpers and cheer!

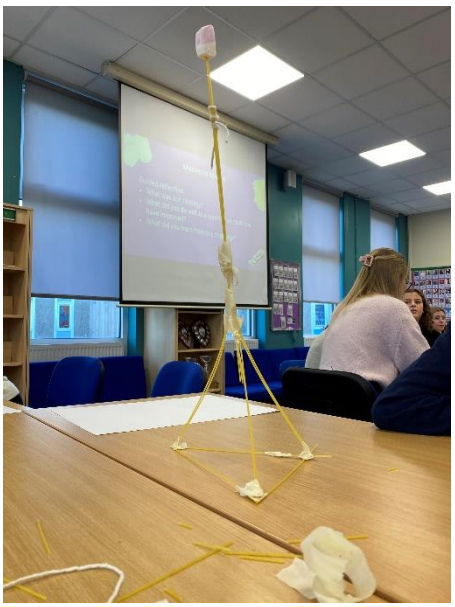
SIXTH FORM NEWS

Hero Project

In November, we were visited by Jane from the Hero Project, part of the Anthony Nolan Trust for our assembly. Jane shared how students can sign up for the Stem Cell Register, why this is important and what it means to be on the register. Jane also shared her own personal story of donating stem cells to a young boy with blood cancer, and the story of how they were able to meet at a later point. The Anthony Nolan trust then came back the following week to give students a chance to join the Stem Cells Register. Mrs Wallis and the volunteers were blown away with the amount of students who signed up: 33 students, which is 30% of our sixth form! That is a wonderful selfless act and we were so pleased to see students taking time to ask questions, think through their decisions and think about what they could offer to someone else. A life changing act- well done!

NCS

This year we are hosting NCS for the Community Project. This project launched at the end of November, and will run through until March. All students have the option to join the programme, which covers Leadership, Skills and Social Action. Students will have the chance to build their skills and knowledge in each section, including gaining qualifications in Safeguarding, First Aid and Food Hygiene. Students will also have the opportunity to gain put their plans into action in the Social Action element of the programme. The launch was really positive and we look forward to seeing the students grow over the remainder to the programme.



SIXTH FORM NEWS

Year 13 Geography fieldwork

During the Autumn term year 13 Geography students have had the opportunity to apply their knowledge and understanding of geographical processes in a number of real-world examples.

In October they carried out sand dune transects at the dunes in Holme-next-the-Sea in Norfolk where they used a range of fieldwork equipment to investigate the changes that take place across the dunes. It was a perfect day for fieldwork with mild autumn temperatures and even a bit of sun making it much easier to identify the range of plants present. We then continued onto Hunstanton, an old favourite with the geography department, to investigate the effectiveness of the sea defences. The trip allowed students to revise and revisit their coasts unit while practicing their fieldwork skills ahead of their coursework later in the term.

In November students carried out a tour of Coventry as part of their Changing Places case study. This time they used a range of human geography skills to investigate how areas of the city differ from each other and how different groups of people might perceive the sense of place.

Finally at the start of December the students completed their independent research in Coventry City Centre as part of their coursework. Each student has a different aim, with some focusing on the regeneration of the city centre, while others used a bus route as a transect to investigate changes across the city. This data will now be presented and interpreted in the write up of the coursework.

STUDENT CELEBRATION

It has been fantastic to hear of some of the wonderful opportunities students have experienced outside of school this term. Below is a small snapshot of some of the great achievements of our students outside of school. We love to hear about these fantastic achievements and would like to recognise these more so. Please do get in touch with your son or daughter's head of year if you think there is something that the have achieved outside of school that we should know about.

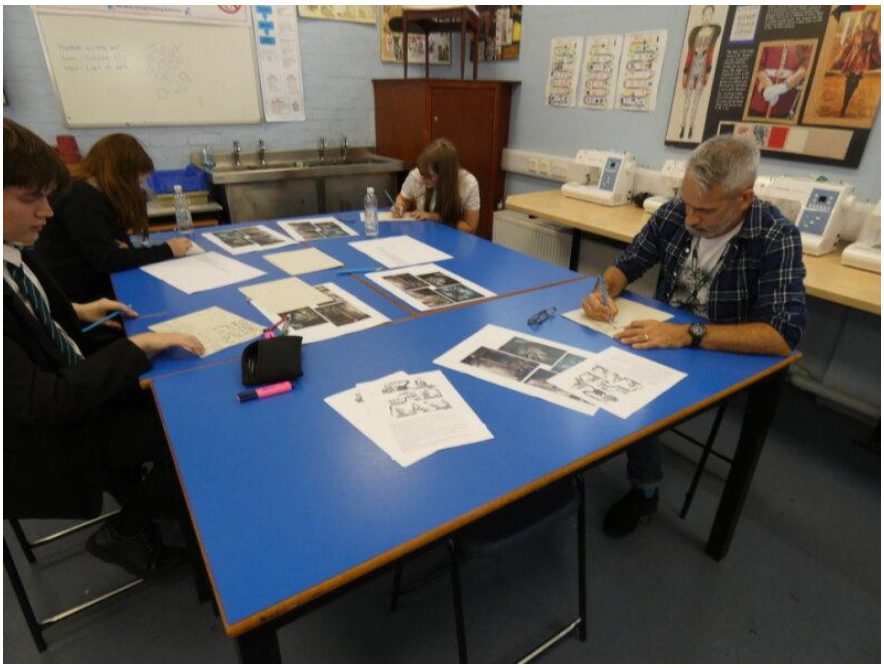
Congratulations to Olivia in year 9 who has taken part in a number of dancing experiences recently including at the Bedworth light switch on, His Majesty's theatre and the Abbey Theatre in Nuneaton. The images here show Olivia in performance at His Majesty's Theatre as well as outside the stage door pre show.

Congratulation to Maisie in year 9 who plays both under 14s and under 16s Ice Hockey in Coventry including being Captain for the under 14s team as well as playing Sheffield Shadows girls team this season. Maisie is currently trialling for England under 15s. This is an incredible achievement. Well done Maisie!

CET DESIGN & ACTING WORKSHOPS

Each year as we prepare rehearsals for our CET Shakespeare production, students are given the opportunity to work with theatre professionals to design or perform theatre.

On 10th October and 10th November Miss Port held two design workshops alongside Theatre Designer Mark Friend. In the first design workshop students from year 7, 8 and 10 worked on creating designs for costumes for the characters of Macbeth. Their designs were imaginative and intricate to show the hierarchy of characters and promote the chosen apocalyptic theme of the story. In the second design workshop, students began to create set and costume pieces to be used in the final production. Students were extremely focused and hardworking in both sessions, enabling them to create magnificent pieces to use in the final performance.



CET DESIGN & ACTING WORKSHOPS

On 13th October the cast of Macbeth worked alongside Miss Johnson and actor Ryan Early (of Heartbeat and Coronation Street fame). Ryan spent the day with the cast, encouraging them to embrace the apocalypse context of our version of the Macbeth through creating a memorable opening physical sequence where students emerge from underground. He taught them confidence techniques and how to use their bodies to show the mood and emotions of the characters. It was wonderful to see the students having the experience of working with a theatre professional and quizzing him over his career path!

CET SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

On 29th November Ash Green Students from years 7 -12 s, performed our production of Macbeth at Abbeyfield School. Miss Johnson and Miss Port have worked with Drama and Art students to create the performance, set and costumes ready for the show to be presented to four other schools from Creative Education Trust.

CET SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

It was an early start to arrive at Northampton for a day of rehearsals and performances. The students were a mix of excited and nervous, however they conducted themselves admirably as they prepared for their performance. The students witnessed very creative renditions of Shakespeare's classics including a steam punk Midsummer Night's Dream and a feminist interpretation of The Taming of the Shrew. The students then had chance to rehearse on Abbeyfield's spectacular theatre stage under the stage lights and then it was their time to present the performance. Ash Green School's performance of Macbeth was a hit! Our apocalyptic interpretation of warring Scotland was appreciated by the audience who admired the costumes and the emotions of the actors. We are all very proud of the students achievements in this production, particularly as for many it was their first time on stage.

A massive congratulations to all involved; performers, designers and members of staff. A special mention to Manroop Sandhu who unfortunately could not perform her role of Banquo despite months of rehearsals due to an injury, and a thank you to Miss Johnson for stepping into the role. We're excited to see next years performance will be.

BELGRADE THEATRE PRODUCTION

After Preston Belgrade Theatre production pre show workshop and Performance

On the 15th November and the 1st December students from year 10 participated in a project with the Belgrade Theatre and University of Warwick who have commissioned and developed a brand-new piece of theatre using research on whether arts-based interventions might impact and inform police practice. On the 15th November students worked alongside Dramaturg Jess Davis and Interim Producer, from the Belgrade Theatre, Joe Rose.

Students had a sneak preview of a scene from the play as well being asked to contribute ideas and opinions that would shape the devising of the performance , *After Preston.*

On the 1st December Miss Johnson and Mr Henderson took eight students to the first sharing of the performance. Students initially completed a pre-show series of questions giving their opinions on the police, justice system and the government of the UK. They then explored an exhibition by Kay Rufai commissioned as part of the City of Culture, where the artist explored the world of young people and the police and their experience of each other in Coventry.

Students were treated to a lunch of Pizza Express, provided by the theatre, where nothing was left to waste! And finally, it was time for the show.

The students and teachers all felt after the performance, that the stories that unfolded seemed realistic and poignant, representing the reality for many young people. Our year 10 students were fantastic ambassadors for the school, showing the thoughtful and inspiring young people we teach.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

This term we launched our student leadership team for 2023-24. Our student leadership team ensures our students have a role in shaping the growth of vital student development programmes in the school. Student leaders have a vote and a say on the real issues that impact them in school. We felt it was vital that our sixth form students had the opportunity to use their school leadership opportunities for personal development. Therefore, we have established a series of sub-committees overseen by sixth form leadership mentors. Sub- committees and ambassador teams, supported by a member of staff meet weekly. Key work that students have already driven include the development of the assembly and tutor time programme following input from the diversity committee; a review of the way in which students can provide student voice to the student leaders and the launch of the social action committee' Christmas food bank appeal.

We are so grateful to all of the families who have donated items for this foodbank appeal and the student leadership team wanted to extend a huge thank you to everyone who supported them with their first social action campaign of the year.

LOUDMOUTH THEATRE

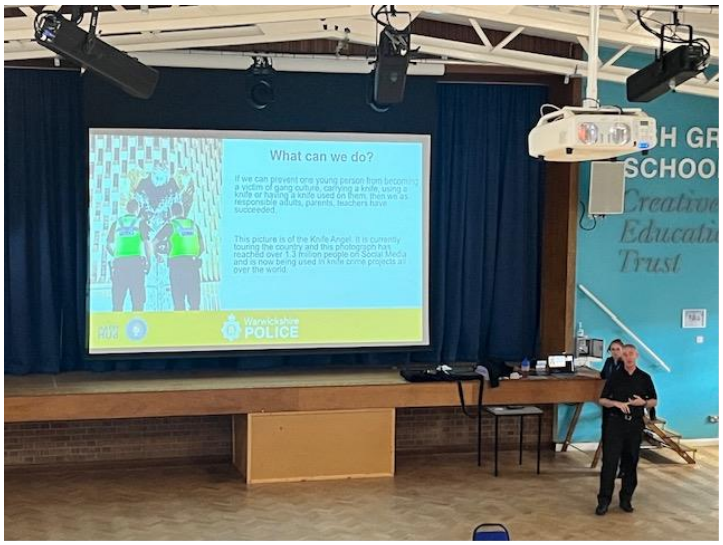
In order to further enhance our Personal Development programme for students this year we have increased the opportunities for students to engage with external agencies. Loudmouth theatre delivered 'Calling it out' sessions to years 9 and 10 in September, a programme which reinforces to students the vital message of non-tolerance of harmful sexual behaviour. The first part of the day was delivered through a live theatre performance for the whole year group. Following on from this, students then worked in small discussion-based workshops where they explored where these behaviours are coming from and alternative positive behaviours. The programme raised the groups' awareness of the huge impacts these everyday incidences of sexual harassment and assault can have on girls and young women and how we all have a role in safely challenging and reporting these behaviours.

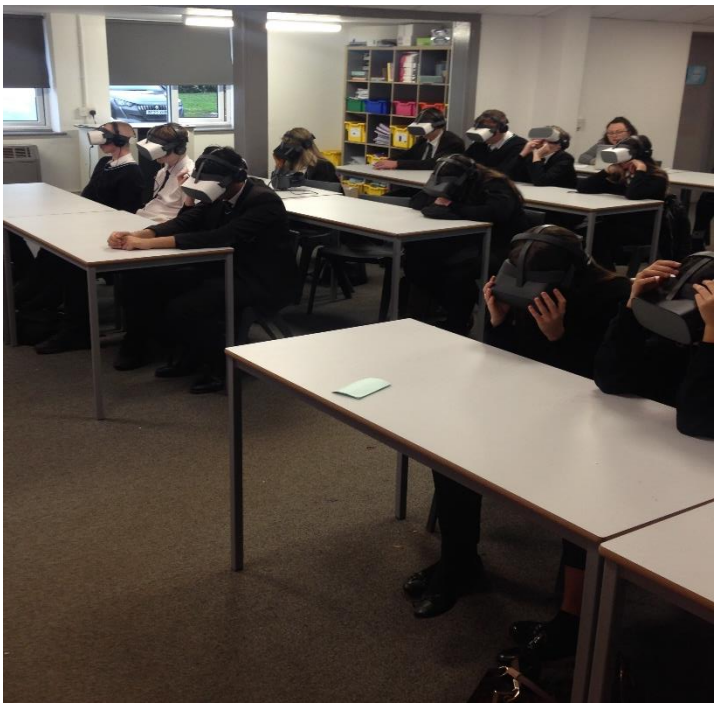
In November, Loudmouth returned to deliver specific sessions which focused on tackling bullying behaviours with years 7 and 8. Again, delivered through drama and discussion workshop sessions the activities covered many forms of bullying including cyber, sexist/sexual, homophobic bullying and bullying linked to sexting. The session also Included work on respect in relationships and male victims of teenage relationship abuse.

WARWICKSHIRE POLICE WORKSHOPS

This term, Warwickshire Police have supported our Personal Development programme offering workshops and assembly sessions to students across year groups. Years 8 and 9 have both had full year group, hour long assembly sessions on knife crime, developing a greater understanding of the legal consequences of knife crime as well as the emotional impact of knife crime on victims and families.

Students across year groups also completed sessions using virtual reality headsets exploring the impact of misogyny, racism and bullying. The level of engagement from all students involved in the sessions was excellent with positive responses from students in their understanding of these topic areas.



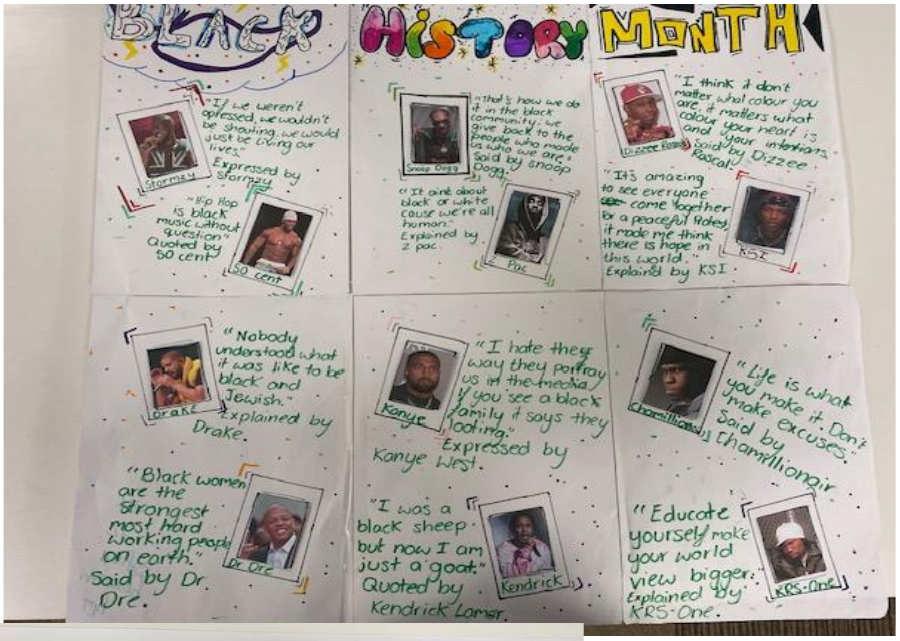


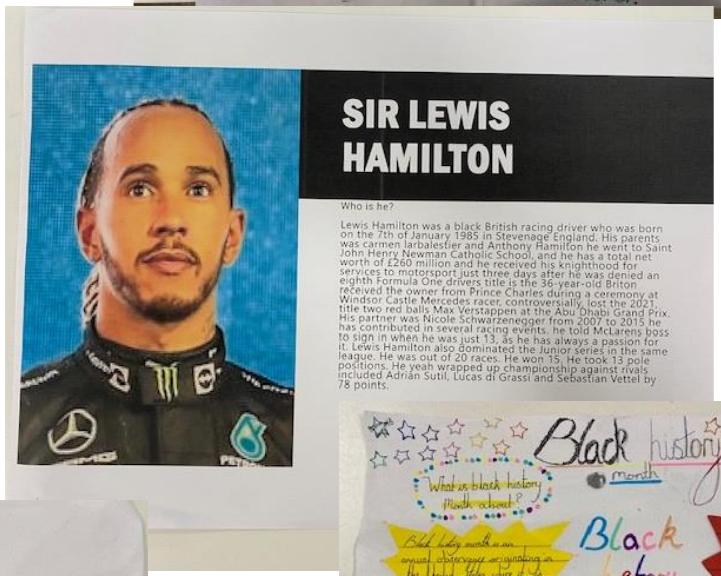
BLACK HISTORY MONTH

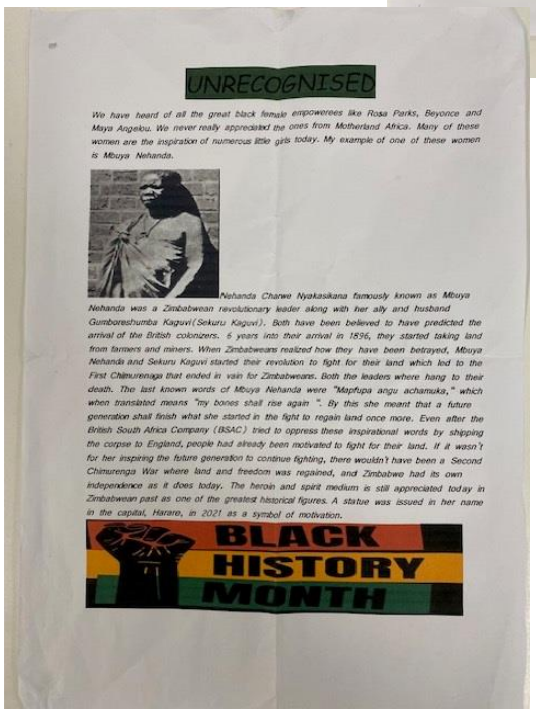
In October the History Department ran a Black History Month Competition. Pupils in all year groups were encouraged to think about the achievements of Black Britons both in the past and today.

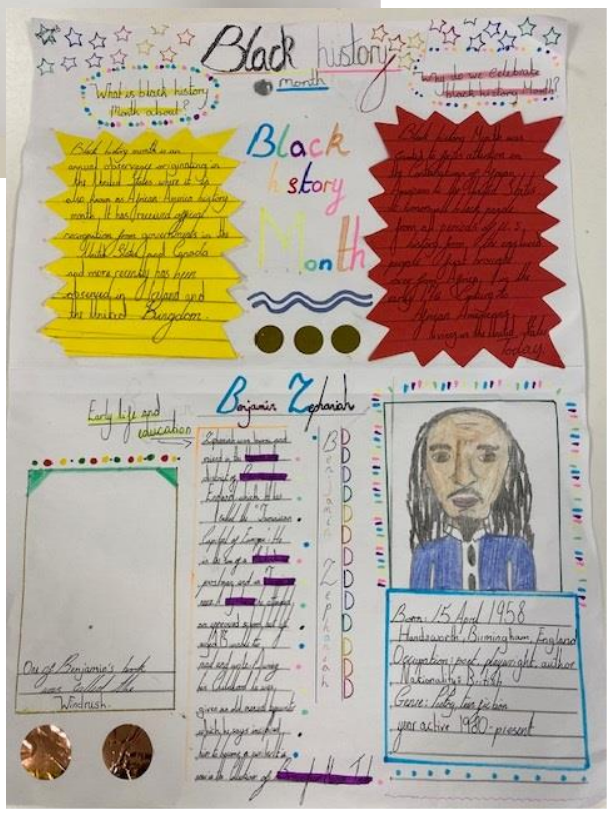
Four pupils from Y7-10 won a copy of David Olusoga's Black and British for creating fantastic posters on Black Britons that have inspired them, from Lewis Hamilton to Benjamin Zephaniah. The competition provoked interesting discussions on the role of Black Britons in our History and pupils will have a chance to learn more about the experience of Black Britons in different parts of British history throughout the year.

Dr Sumner







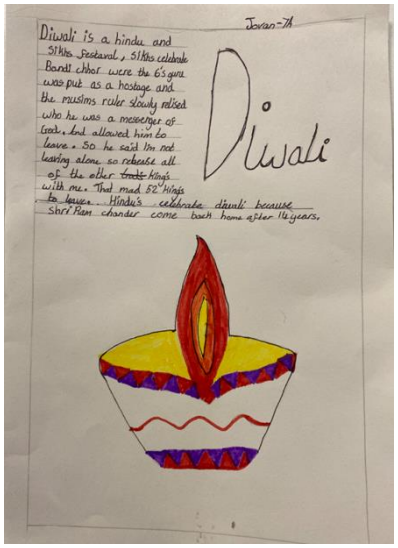


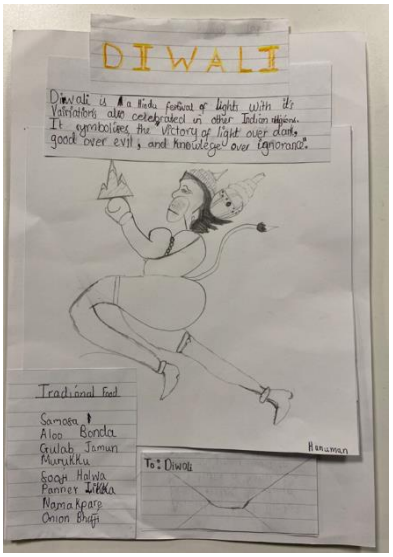
DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

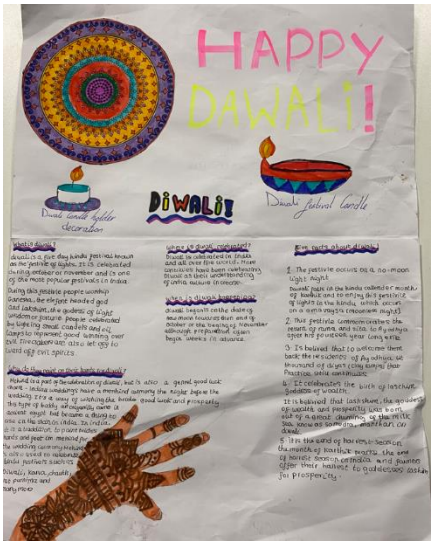
Our Diversity Committee has been meeting regularly this term to discuss ways to celebrate diversity and inclusion in the school. The committee have been keen to celebrate different religions, faiths and cultures. This has included celebrating Diwali in November with the Diwali poster competition, Islamophobia Awareness Month Exhibition and a focus on Hannukah in tutor time. They are busily planning ways in which they can celebrate World Religions day next tern with an Interfaith week.

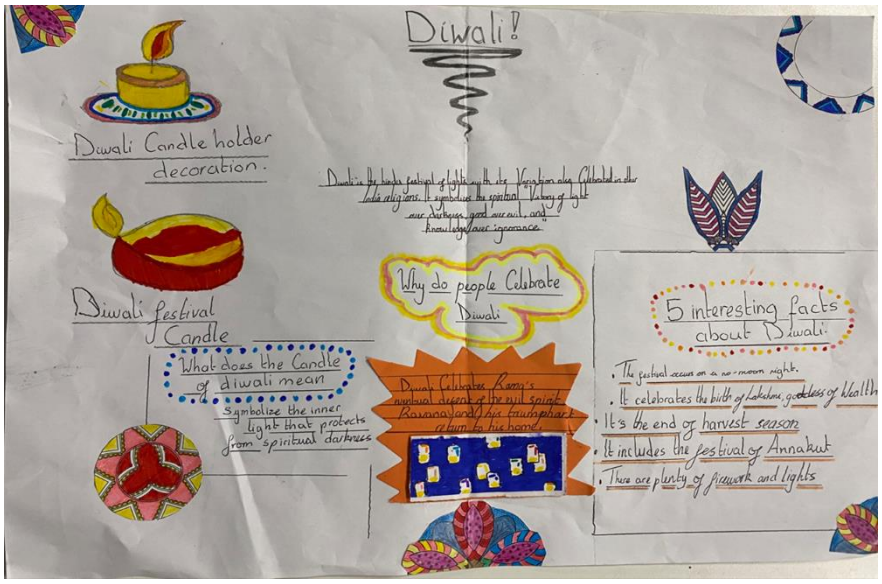
The diversity committee have also been proudly wearing their new badges to show their support for diversity and inclusion.

Some of the fantastic entries for the Diwali poster competition can be seen below.









DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

During the first weekend in October some of our fantastic pupils took part in their Expedition for Duke of Edinburgh. The pupils are expected be self-sufficient for 2 days in the countryside. For this year's expedition the pupils travelled to Astley and walked all the way to Kenilworth Castle to complete their expedition. While the pupils were they, they had to plan their routes on the ordinance survey maps. They walked a total of 21km over the 2 days. During this time the pupils cooked their own dinner and breakfast over the 2 days, and they also had to ensure they put up their tents and packed it away the next day. Throughout their expedition pupils were taught the importance of keeping Britain's countryside tidy and to ensure they did not leave any litter anywhere. The pupils were impeccable at this, and they ensured wherever they had gone on their route and at camp that everything was packed away and put in a bin if needs be.

Whilst at camp the pupils had a great time, and a campfire was set up whereby everybody managed to have some Smores which was a highlight of the evening. Also, during the evening pupils were able to have free time and during this time football and cricket were being played, as well as some gymnastics. The pupils were having an excellent time socialising with one another.

During the expedition the pupils were brilliant and the best phrase from the weekend came from a particular pupil stating, "I'm scared of that dog because it has eyebrows." This was a particular highlight.

A massive shoutout must go to all the pupils who attended the weekend and the 7 members of staff who gave up their own weekend to help with the running of the weekend and ensuring the pupils were safe and had an enjoyable weekend. Overall, it was a fantastic and successful weekend.

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

SPORTS NEWS

It has been another busy first term for school football here at AGS. Through weekly practice sessions and fixtures against other local schools, we have again offered our students the chance to enjoy extra-curricular football, both on a social and competitive level.

Our training sessions have been extremely well supported where we have regularly had between 30 and 40 students (both male and female) regularly attend our Year 7 – 9 sessions on a Monday. We are extremely pleased with this, especially with all the other activities that are going on in our students' lives.

We have had competitive fixtures for all year groups this half term. We are extremely pleased to say too that we have a growing number of female students who are now attending our open practices and also representing school teams.

The camaraderie throughout all the teams has been superb and is just one of the values we pride ourselves on instilling into our students. When we train and play, we expect our students to show respect for their team mates, respect for the officials, respect for the opposition. These they always do.

Overall, the AGS School Football Teams across Years 7 to 11 inclusive have played 14 matches this term, winning 7, losing 5, drawing 2, scoring 26 goals and conceding 27.

Year 7s Played 3 Won 3
Year 8s Played 2 Drawn 1 Lost 1
Year 9s Played 2 Won 1 Lost 1
Year 10s Played 5 Won 3 Lost 2
Year 11s Played 2 Drawn 1 Lost 1

Once the weather improves and the clocks go forward again, fixtures will resume for all age groups.

Also, the Year 7 squad have been entered for the WCSFA U12 Cup competition. The squad received a first round bye straight into the quarter finals where they will play either Kenilworth School or Princethorpe College away before the 26th of January 2024 – more information on that fixture nearer the time.

Our netball teams have also been involved in matches against other schools this term.

The year 8 netball team took part in a friendly tournament with Nuneaton Academy and St Thomas Moore. The girls were fantastic, showing great effort and determination throughout. It was a tough competition for the girls against two good schools but they were resilient and worked hard as a team.

SPORTS NEWS

As always, every player in every game has thus far given their all. They have played in a competitive, but truly respectful manner. More pleasing is that they have represented themselves, Ash Green and their families in a positive manner – and this has been commented on by other schools we have played against.

We believe in the AGS PE Department that these attributes are important to instil into our young athletes and we will continue to foster these positive messages.

Thank you to all the staff who have helped run the football practices and who have taken charge of fixtures, both at home and away – thank you Mr Conway, Mr Sanghera, Mr Moore, Mr King and Mr Hussein.

Thanks also to every parent/carer/guardian who has come to support one or more of the teams at our fixtures – it really does lift the students to have your support there. It is incredible to see the support we have, especially when the weather isn't great for spectators!

However, the biggest thanks as always goes to every student who has come to a training session so far, who has represented a team so far and who has played with the Ash Green logo on their shirt with pride.

Thank you from the PE Department

INCLUSION HUB

We had our first SEND Coffee Morning in October and we joined by the Mental Health in School's Team and Connect for Health, who were able to share information on how to support students with their mental health, sleep, hygiene and dealing with bullying. It was also an opportunity to meet the SENDCO and Assistant SENDCO. It was lovely to meet new faces and share what support we have in place.

This term has been a busy one for the SEND department with an increase in interventions available including anger management, numicon and pathways. We have also increased the different enrichments activities that we have available to students before, during and after school.

We also held an Inclusion Family Christmas event on Thursday 14th December where families took part in arts and craft activities as well as had opportunities to speak to the Inclusion team and access support from external agencies. Our cooking group even provided the mince pies and biscuits.

Period: 2023 to 2024

Parent Information Sessions for Warwickshire parents and carers

Courses available online – via Zoom
Understanding and Supporting Children aged 3-11 Years with Anxiety Thursday 19 October, 11.00am to 1.00pm
Understanding and Supporting Children and Young People with Emotionally Based School Avoidance Tuesday 17 October, 2.30pm to 4.30pm
Understanding and Supporting Children Aged 12+ Years Anxiety Thursday 26 October, 10.00am to 12.00pm
Understanding Emotion Regulation in School Aged Children Friday 10 November, 12.00pm to 2.00pm
Understanding Self-esteem in Children and Young People Monday 20 November, 12.30pm to 2.30pm
Understanding and Supporting School Aged Children Who Self-harm Tuesday 5 December, 10.00am to 12.00pm
Understanding Sensory Needs in School Aged Children Tuesday 19 December, 12.30pm to 2.30pm
Understanding Low Mood in Children and Young People Wednesday 29 January, 12.30pm to 2.30pm

Places on our workshops are subject to availability. To book your place please email risecommunityoffer@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

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ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

It has been a busy term for enrichment activities with the offer students growing week by week. The number of students attending lunchtime and after school activities has continued to increase with over one third of all students regularly taking part in at least one enrichment activity.

This term, we have introduced the use of two external companies to support delivery of enrichment activities, extending our offer so that students can access activities every day of the week. The introduction of the after school basketball club on a Monday and the boxing fitness sessions on a Thursday have been incredibly popular and we look forward to these continuing in to the new year.

Our Eco team have been busy, growing plants from shoots and then delivering one for each classroom in the school. Alongside this, they have already started work on preparing for our new school garden.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

Our students leaders have established a space for students to go to at lunch time to play games with friends which has proved to be really popular.
In addition, the specific SEND offer as further increased with our inclusion team delivering cookery skills sessions each Tuesday after school.

We are always interested in further ways that we can grow our enrichment offer and would be keen to hear from any of our wider community who could offer support for our enrichment offer in school at both lunchtimes and after school. If you feel that you could get involved, we would love to hear from you.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

Enrichment activities continue daily in the spring term. Please see below the timetable of activities.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break Time 11:00-11:20am	Inclusion Hub Quiz	Inclusion Hub Quiz	Inclusion Hub Quiz	Inclusion Hub Quiz	Inclusion Hub Quiz
Lunch Time 1:20-1:55pm	Music practice rooms-Mr Silvestro-Music Suite- All year groups	Music practice rooms-Mr Silvestro-Music Suite- All year groups	Music practice rooms-Mr Silvestro-Music Suite- All year groups	Student Quiet Space/ Board Games L2	Student Quiet Space/ Board Games L2
	Student Quiet Space/ Board Games L2	Student Quiet Space/ Board Games L2	Student Quiet Space/ Board Games L2	Library-Open for all year groups	Library-Open for all year groups
	Library-Open for all year groups	Library-Open for all year groups	Anti-Bullying Ambassadors-M6-All welcome	Inclusion Hub Film	Inclusion Hub Film
	'How to…' club-Mrs Benford-L3-All year groups	Inclusion Hub Board Games	Library-Open for all year groups		
	Inclusion Hub Board Games	Diversity Committee CT	Book Club-E2		
			Inclusion Hub Art		
After School 3:15-4:15pm	Dance Club- Miss Howe-Dance Studio-Boys and Girls-All year groups	Warhammer-Mr Green-A1-All year groups	Geography Explorers (linked with Eco Schools Committee)-Mr Smith-SS5-All year groups	Boxing Fitness-Boxing Clever Academy- Sports hall	No after school sessions
	Inclusion Hub Homework Club	Drama Club - Mrs Johnson-P1-All year groups	Rugby Club- Mr King-Year 7 to 9 Boys		
	Basketball-Game on coaching-Sports hall	Textiles Club-Miss Beech-A3-All year groups	Inclusion Hub- Arts and Crafts		
		Graphics Club-Miss Port- A4- All year groups	STEM Club-Mr Vaikunthan-S6-All year groups		
		Football Club-Mr Sanghera-PE-All years-Girls and Boys			
		Netball Club-Miss Cheema-All Years			
		Chess Club-Miss Cho-E4-All year groups			
		Inclusion Hub-Cooking/ D & D			

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

HAF

Any young person aged 4 - 16 years old (in full-time education) who receives benefits-related free school meals can request a HAF code

CHILD FRIENDLY WARWICKSHIRE

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The programme offers free support to families on lower incomes, giving eligible young people access to enriching activities and healthy meals during the main school holidays.

You can attend up to 4 sessions during Christmas and Easter and up to 16 sessions over Summer

The activities available include sports, animal care, performing arts and so much more!

Contact the Family Information Service for more information.

Call **0800 408 1558** Email **fis@warwickshire.gov.uk**

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