### **GCSE Grades Class of 2022**

These are the percentages of the Year 11 and Year 10 pupils that achieved a grade 4 or higher in this year's exams

**English Language - 22%** 

**Maths - 44%** 

**Physics - 27%** 

**Chemistry (year 10) - 43%** 

English Literature (year 10) 25%





### **End of Term Trip**



### **Morrisons Maths Trip**

The students have to make their own pizzas with their choosing of topping. Making sure the tomato base reached all the side and an even amount of cheese over the pizza too. Some fantastic designs too! The students want to come back to help Pizza Wendy from our counters to help her out!



We also talk about what makes a pizza look good for our customers. Even distribution of the toppings and creating new flavours.



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### **Morrisons Maths Trip**

Working with the small groups made it much easier managed but it also meant more time was given to each student.



The students enjoyed making artistic pizza. This is a Mr. Morrison Pizza!



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### **Morrisons Maths Trip**



We looked in our staff room and I showed them our grab and go system. We talked about break allowance and how similar it was to school life.

At the start of our tour, we begin upstairs in the staff area! I explain about our 'clocking' machine that pays our wages. We discuss how it works and how important it is for colleagues to take responsibility for being on time for their shift.



### **Morrisons Maths Trip**

The students were taken to each department along market street. We talked over fruits and where they come from. We talked about how Morrison like to use local British farmers when possible. We talked about our bakery and how many different types of bread there are. We tasted some of our pic 'n mix breads too.







### **Morrisons Maths Trip**

Portal House Students were not afraid of bit of hard graft either! They were willing to show of some customer service skills and serve our customers. The students packed bags, learnt the understanding of challenge 25 and having a good scan rate! The students really enjoyed it and it was lovely to see them take on board the important work retail staff do.





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### **Morrisons Maths Trip**





Overall, the checkouts were the main winner for the students. They really enjoyed learning how the till worked and interacting with our customers.



### **Events**

- 100m
- 200m
- 300m
- 800m
- 1500m
- Long Jump
- Triple Jump
- High Jump
- Shot Putt
- Discus
- Javelin
- 4 x 100m





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KS3 Sportsman of the day – Hayden Wightman!

KS4 Sports Man of the day – Charlie Bailey!

House Winner of Sports Day 2022

# **ARES**



### Year 7's trip to Beltinge

On the hunt for fossilised shark teeth!

Jacob "I liked finding all the shark teeth and shells!"

Dylan "I found some shark teeth and shells, it was exciting."



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# Drop

### **E**verything

### And

### Read

Our chosen book of the term is 'Ghost'.

"Running. That's all Ghost (real name Castle Cranshaw) has ever known. But Ghost has been running for the wrong reasons – until he meets Coach who sees something in Ghost: crazy natural talent. If Ghost can stay on track, literally and figuratively, he could be the best sprinter in the city. Can Ghost harness his raw talent for speed, or will his past finally catch up on him?"

# **Enrichment Wednesdays**

### **Cake Decorating**









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### **Enrichment Wednesdays**

### Outdoor Learning

Spending time in the woods using basic tools to make things and exploring the natural surroundings.







# **Enrichment Wednesdays Animal Welfare**



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# **Enrichment Wednesdays Sewing Machine Missions**



### **Golf Practice**



### **Enrichment Wednesdays**

### **Den Building**

Students have worked well as a team to build a single den so far in the woods close to school. They have only used resources found at the location.





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### **Enrichment Wednesdays**

**Cricket** – An outside coach came to teach the students some basic cricket skills!





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### **Enrichment Wednesdays**

### Woodwork -

Planning, designing and constructing a bird box. Also, plan to build Bluetooth speakers.









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# **Enrichment Wednesdays Creative Writing -**

A creative story written by Wyatt Year 10

"Hear ye! Hear ye! everyone lock yourselves inside your homes and toss away the key! The red legion will be here in five days"

When we heard that message, panic ensued. Ellen Sophradies was on edge. He knew the challenges he would face. The destruction of Greece weighed heavily on my mind. The Red Legion is out with mercy. They spare no one.

The day has come. They are here and coming fast, their progress measured by the dust clouds of hundreds of marching feet. They stand, brave, bold. Their mood will soon change when they see what lurks ahead of them. Over a thousand shields covered in blood. Although it is not visible it will never leave them. Sophradies gazed over the enemy, not a single pounce of fear in their eyes. Then Sophradies peered over his own army, they shivered in their boots.

Suddenly, the sky was alive. Not with birds, but with thousands of arrows raining down on the soldiers, shredding them. The arrows were not fazed by the few shields that they passed. Screams of agony echoed across the battlefield as blooded soldiers attempted to pry the arrows out of their arms. Before they could pick themselves up, the enemy was at their feet.

### **Enrichment Wednesdays**

# Painting & Decorating

Learning how to prepare surfaces; sanding, filling, cleaning, taping. Using stain blockers on affected areas.

1st coat painting; rollers and brushes for cutting in.







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### **News from the Art Department**

Artist of Merit this Term:

Evan P Year 11 (making excellent attempt to catch up)



#### **Year 11 Notice:**

Your Coursework Portfolio Deadline is at the end of Term 2! You are now in the final stages of working towards 60% of your overall grade so every lesson is so important and can be the difference between a 3 and a 4 or a 4 and a 5... Use your time wisely and good luck!

If you would like work at home please ask - we can provide you with lists of work and resources to do this with!

#### **Year 10 Notice:**

You have started your coursework portfolio brilliantly - do not forget that everything you do in each lesson is part of your portfolio and worth 60% of your grade - so full effort in every piece of work will mean the best grades possible!

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### **Important Dates 2022/2023**

#### **Term 1 -**

Starts – 1<sup>st</sup> September '22 Ends – 17<sup>th</sup> October '22

#### **Term 2 -**

Starts - 31st October '22 Ends 16th December '22

#### **Term 3 -**

Starts 3<sup>rd</sup> January '23 Ends – 10<sup>th</sup> February '23

#### Term 4 -

Starts – 20<sup>th</sup> February '23 Ends – 31<sup>st</sup> March '23

#### **Term 5 -**

Starts 17<sup>th</sup> April '23 Ends – 26<sup>th</sup> May '23

#### **Term 6 -**

Starts 5<sup>th</sup> June '23 Ends – 21<sup>st</sup> July '23

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# PORTAL PAGES

Welcome to the 1<sup>st</sup> edition of our news school newsletter.

