

THE REDNOCK REVIEW

Term 2 – 2024/25
15th November 2024

Dear Rednock Community,

Happy Friday! As we conclude the second week of Term 2, it's wonderful to reflect on the positive energy and focus we've seen throughout the school. It's been an inspiring start to the term, and our students continue to engage enthusiastically in their studies and activities.

This week's edition of the 'Rednock Review' is packed with stories showcasing the achievements and experiences of our students. From classroom highlights to extracurricular activities, there's so much to read and celebrate!

I want to extend a special mention to our students for their exceptional conduct and the respect they displayed during our Remembrance Service which took place on Monday 11th November. Standing together, immaculate and united, they marked this significant occasion with the dignity it deserves.

Although it's only mid-November, we're already embracing the festive season with a range of exciting challenges now 'live' to engage our students in some healthy competition and community spirit. Here's what's already underway:

- **Advent Calendar Collection:** Our school is proud to support the Pied Piper Appeal and the Children's Hospital through this meaningful initiative.
- **Christmas Card Design Competition:** Creativity is in the spotlight as students have the chance to design this year's school Christmas card.

For students in Years 11 and 13, the coming weeks will see the beginning of an important period as they prepare for their



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pre-public examinations (mock exams). These assessments serve as an essential checkpoint in their academic journey, providing a valuable opportunity to evaluate their progress and fine-tune their preparation for next summer's final exams. We encourage students to use this time effectively, approaching it with focus and determination.

On a related note, I would like to remind you of our **Sixth Form Open Evening**, scheduled for Thursday, 28th November. We warmly invite all Year 10 and 11 students and parents to attend. Additionally, please be aware that Friday, 29th November, will be our third INSET day, and the school will be closed to students on this date.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support. We look forward to sharing more successes and celebrations with you in the weeks ahead.

Best wishes,

Mike Stratford, Headteacher



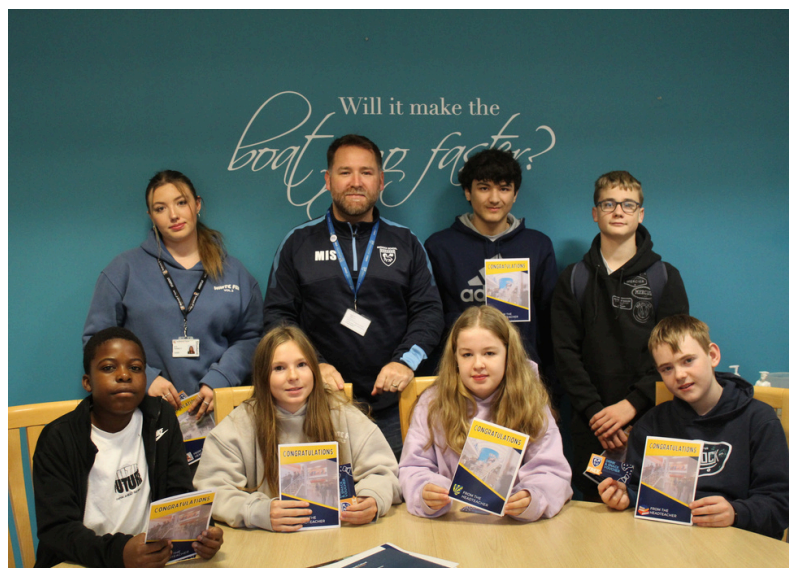
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Achievement Heroes

We've had some wonderful Achievement Heroes in the past 2 weeks and we're extremely proud to celebrate their achievements. They were nominated for various reasons, all as impressive as the last!

Winners are: **Krystal**, for being selected for the USA National Hockey Festival. **Holly**, for being selected to attend the U16 Girls National Welsh team training camp squad for Wales on a 3 day training camp. **Zac**, for making amazing progress this year. **Spencer**, for welcoming a new student to our school community with a great attitude. **Tom**, for his commitment to the Sicily trip and his great humour throughout the trip. **Dylan**, for his improved attendance and great effort in his work and attitude. **Keira**, for staying behind to help out a friend who was struggling to climb the volcano on the Sicily trip.



Harry, for showing courage and acting in the best interests of his friend. **Enrique**, for having his assignment published in the School Scholar's Programme journal, one of only 30 in the country. **Taylor**, for her amazing cake-baking skills and winning a certificate at 'Cake International'. **Mufaro**, for settling in and transitioning exceptionally well during their first term here at Rednock. **Erin**, for delivering the Boost session to Year 7 showing fantastic teaching potential. **Sophie**, for making a fantastic start at Rednock and having 100% attendance! **Heidi**, for being a supportive and kind friend to many in her tutor group.

Congratulations to Taylor in Year 7 for winning a bronze certificate at 'Cake International' held at the NEC in Birmingham last weekend. Taylor entered a cake into the 10-16yrs category 'my favourite thing' and did amazingly well coming 10th overall out of 29 entries in her category. Cake International is the largest cake competition in the world; 1100 cakes entered into 35 different categories from 39 countries with 24 judges! A fantastic achievement; well done Taylor!





Teaching and Learning Focus

As Year 11 and Year 13 PPEs (Pre Public Exams) are coming up at the beginning of December, this week's Teaching and Learning Focus is going to look at revision. In a previous Rednock Review we shared the Forgetting Curve and the fact that in lessons we constantly review prior learning to ensure students retain what they learn. On top of this, students need to revise again before an exam so that their knowledge can be topped up further.

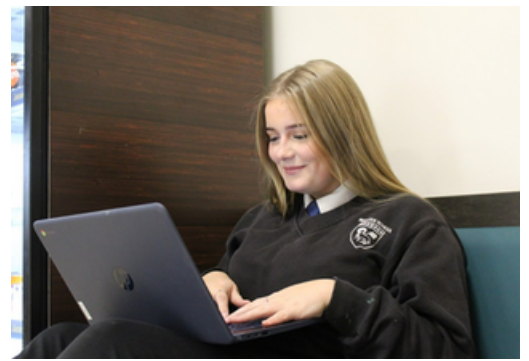
Therefore, a variety of things are happening in school to support this. Firstly, in lessons, teachers will be putting time aside to revise the key knowledge that will be needed for the exam. To be really successful, this will need to be done alongside revising how to tackle exam questions and the various skills needed for different subjects. This will then be further supported with homework.



In addition to this, extra optional sessions are being provided for Year 11 students to revise.

In the morning for 25 minutes before school starts, computer rooms are available for students who want to revise using GCSE Pod or Sparx Maths (known as Flying Starts) as pictured left.

After school there are a programme of revision sessions that are running across a range of subjects between 3.15pm and 4.15pm (Rednock Revises) and finally, from 4.15pm to 5.15pm, students can attend Champions Hour in the 6th Form Centre, where past exam papers are available for them to work on.



Remembrance Day

The whole Rednock community came together on Monday 11th November as we held a special Remembrance Service on one of the school fields to mark our respect.

Students who are a part of a Cadet Group, Guides or Scouts were invited to attend school in their uniforms in order to show their support. The Last Post was played beautifully by Elizabeth, Xavi and Evie, followed by a two minute silence at 11.00am to remember those who have lost their lives in wars around the world.





ADVENT CALENDAR DONATIONS

Last year, thanks to all your kind donations we were able to drop off more than 100 advent calendars to the Pied Piper Appeal at the Children's Centre, Gloucester Royal.

The Pied Piper Appeal aims to improve the quality of life, well-being and social development of any sick or disabled child in Gloucestershire. The simple act of receiving an advent calendar at such a difficult time in a child's life can open a small window of happiness in that child's day.



Can you help us make our donation this year even bigger! Please drop in your donation of advent calendars by 28 November. Thank you for your support!

Community Christmas Card Competition!

Time to get your festive and creative Christmas hats on! Students have been challenged to design a 'Rednock School' themed Christmas Card. Entries should be given in person to tutors **by 25th November**. Please ensure your name, community and year group is on the back of your design.

There will be a prize for the top three entries in each community. The first placed entry for each community will then be put forward to the final part of the competition, and the winner overall will then be reproduced and sent as the school Christmas card. Happy doodling!

Tutor Celebrations at The Chantry Centre

A massive thank you to the Chantry Centre for hosting our Term 1 tutor group celebrations. All term, students across the communities were in competition with each other aiming to be the winning tutor group. Students from the winning groups were then treated to 2 hours out of school, to play skittles and table-football at the Chantry centre, sharing the fun and snacks with the rest of their tutor group.

The students (and staff) had a great time and it was a really nice opportunity to celebrate the successes of some of our young people. Term 2's challenge is already underway...Which tutor groups will win this time??





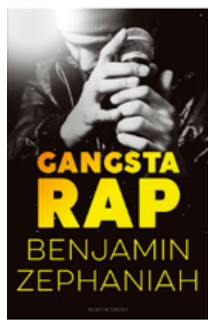
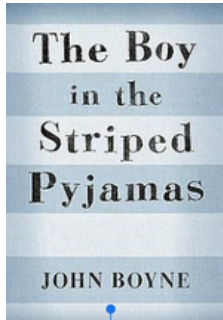
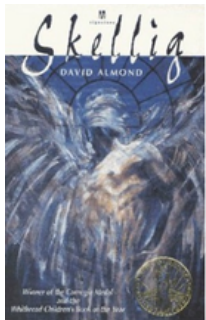
Exploring the respiratory system!

We wanted to share some of these fantastic pieces of work produced by Year 10 GCSE PE students who were asked to produce a 3D version of the respiratory system. There was a wide selection of different methods used including sponge cake, paper mache and even a pumpkin!



Tutor Reading Programme

A new iteration of the Tutor Reading Programme started this week in the Brunel and Darwin communities. Students will be reading one of the following texts together fortnightly in order to build our reading for pleasure in the school. Hubble and Jenner will be kicking off next week!



Update from the D of E Team

Many thanks to the parents who have helped their young person log on and fill in details of activities and assessors on the DofE App. Over 5 lunchtimes, we have endeavoured to enroll 70 students onto the DofE Programme. All details of username, ID and handy hints, dates of meetings etc are on Google classroom, along with ideas for volunteering etc. There is also a DofE suggested kit list which might be useful for Christmas present ideas!

Please can I stress they do not need to upload a photo every week for everything. With three sections over 12 weeks that would be a lot of photos! Collecting three photos would be fine. We would suggest they put photos on a google doc or perhaps keep a diary in notes on their phone etc. Students can show their portfolio to their assessor.

We are now looking forward to the training day! *Mrs Porter, Duke of Edinburgh Lead*



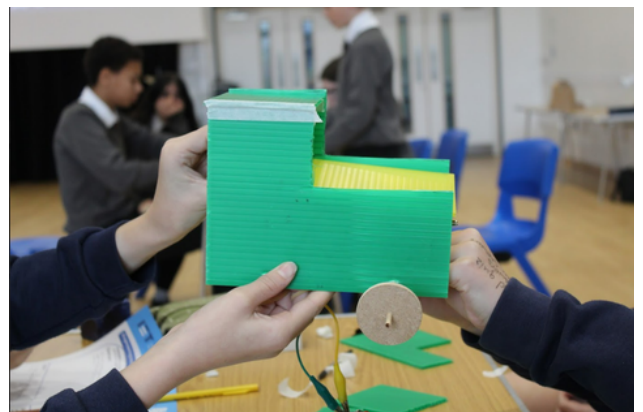
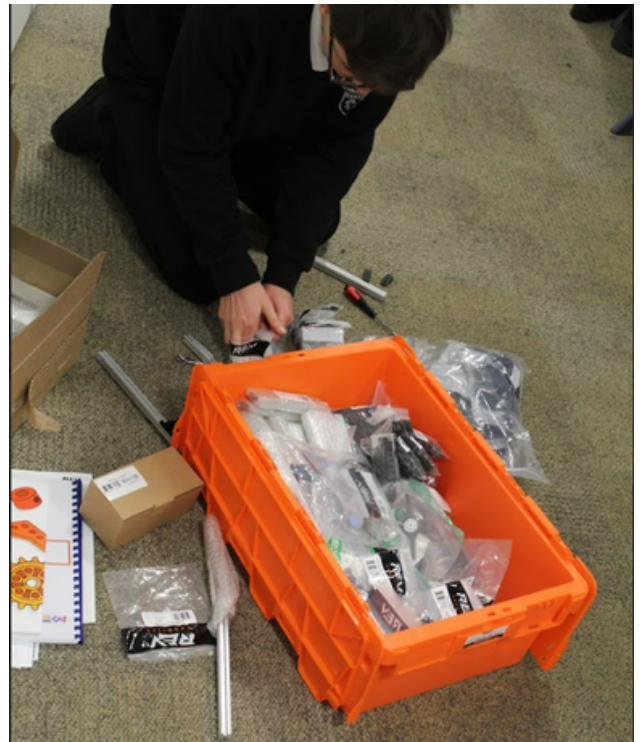
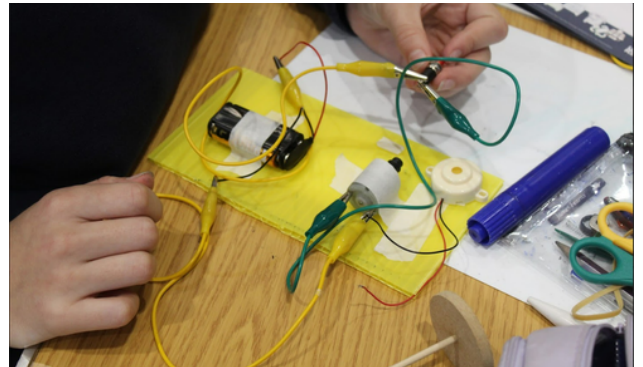


Faraday Challenge

On Tuesday 12th November, Rednock hosted the IET Faraday Challenge in the main hall. We entered four very eager teams of 6 students and invited two teams from Sir William Romney School in Tetbury to join us. This is a national competition and all six teams' scores have been entered.

The challenge was top secret before the event but teams were given a design brief at the beginning of the day. Students were tasked with designing a battery driven electrical product that could: help people with disabilities, be an educational toy or solve a sport-related problem. Students then undertook a short apprenticeship in engineering with RAF Engineer Dan Clark where they built a light controlled circuit. From there teams had to agree roles and responsibilities, with project managers, accountants and a variety of engineering roles being chosen amongst the students. This looked highly empowering and some of the students really got into their roles!

Our Rednock teams came up with some fantastic ideas, designing: a three-wheeled accessible car, an educational train toy that teaches children to count while they play and a water carrying robot for sports matches. The teams were given a budget to realise their dreams and all did a great job of managing their money. Throughout the day they had to record their progress, reflecting on and evaluating their problem solving skills and at the end the award was given to one of the Rednock teams. A huge congratulations to **Seth, Dylan, Finley, Phoebe, Ewan and Samuel** for their motivational running headphones that played encouraging music and torturous noises to keep athletes training hard as their performance dipped!



By taking part in a IET Faraday® Challenge Day, all students will receive an **Industrial Cadets Challenger Award** for completing a hands-on problem solving and critical thinking activity.

We look forward to hosting the event again next year as the students had a great time and really made the school proud.



Sports Science visit to the University of Gloucester

On Wednesday 13th November, our Year 12 Sport Science students went to the University of Gloucester where they were Sport Scientists for the day.

The students learnt how biomechanics, physiology and performance analysis aid an overall athletes' performance. Students undertook different biomechanical tests, specifically looking at strength of an athlete's hamstrings and quadriceps to improve flexion and extension at the knee joint. The day ended with our students becoming sport therapists and learning how to clinically tear an ACL injury.

Please come and see the Sport team at our Open Evening on 28th November to learn more about studying Sport at Rednock Sixth Form.

If you have any questions please email: katie.mcparland@rednockschol.org.uk



A Level Business - market research!

Students in A Level Business this week enjoyed their exercise around sampling methods for market research. Of course they did get to eat the skittles afterwards!




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SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING



Thursday 28th November 2024
5.00pm -7.30pm

Meet teachers and current students as they showcase the wide range of courses on offer. Discover more about our enrichment programme, wider opportunities and the extensive support available to our students.

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Othello Theatre Trip

Thursday the 14th of November, our Year 12 English Literature class journeyed to Stratford Upon Avon to watch Othello at the Royal Shakespeare Company. Before arriving at the RSC we made our way to Shakespeare's daughter's house, Susanna Hall, where we had the opportunity to experience a talk from an expert on Shakespeare's birthplace. The expert talk was an amazing experience that provided our class with a more academic, insightful perspective of Othello and other works of Shakespeare including Macbeth, Hamlet, and A Midsummer Night's Dream. The speaker allowed our class to be very much involved in the talk offering his own expertise as well as weaving our own ideas into the conversation. The speaker offered his views on the story of Othello itself as well as the fine details regarding the use of stagecraft throughout the Shakespearean period. The talk was very instructive and interactive and we all took down our own notes to assist us in our further studies. Following the talk, we headed to the RSC where we watched the play Othello. Accompanied with the traditional layout of a Shakespearean theatre, the characters, costumes, and more modern/abstract use of stagecraft, offered a breathtaking overall performance. The play was portrayed in a way that was different to the traditional portrayal, however, this tweaked version added dramatic effect and was captivating to witness. We are all very grateful to have been given the chance to experience such a high level drama. Thanks to our amazing teachers, the day ran very smoothly and was made thoroughly enjoyable, without which the day would not have been made possible.

(Isabelle S, Year 12)



Maths in Action at Warwick University

On Tuesday this week students from Years 11 and 12 journeyed to Warwick University for a day of interactive talks on Maths. From the harmony of sound waves and game theory, to the maths behind financial trading, news statistics and even 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire', all talks were delivered by experienced speakers including industry leaders, academics and communicators. They offered expert insights and shared their real-world experiences, covering topics across pure and applied mathematics.

Students experienced a brief taste of what university life could be like and valuable insight on 'how to get rich quick' which may come in handy if they do decide to go there!

"It was a really fun day at Warwick with lots of different talks. All of the speakers were very enthusiastic and shared their passion for maths excellently."





Trip to Sicily - 23rd-27th October

On the Wednesday before half term, 40 intrepid Year 11-13 students left for the Sixth Form Cultural trip to Sicily. After arriving and exploring a local fishing village, we checked in to our hotel and experienced the local cuisine. Day Two brought a trek up Mount Etna, the world's second most active volcano, standing at an impressive 3,300m above sea level. We then explored the old Hollywood glamour of Taormina - a popular town with famous writers and stars of the early 20th century. Day Three saw the group ferrying across to Vulcano island to ascend our second, rather sulphurous, volcano of the trip. We rewarded ourselves with some of Sicily's finest gelato and then spent the afternoon exploring the fascinating black beaches and hot springs of the island.

We explored the beautiful Alcantara Gorge the next day, followed by lunch in a local restaurant to experience authentic Italian pizza. In typical Sixth Form style, our last night featured a good old Rednock Quiz before our final dinner. Our final day saw us experience the beautiful Ortiga, part of Syracuse, by both land and sea. Sipping mocktails on our exclusive boat around the bay followed by free time to explore all the gorgeous old town had to offer led to many explorations into popular Sicilian delicacies such as arancini and even more gelato. We then had a whistle stop tour of the Greek and Roman amphitheatres nearby in the lovely dusk light, before heading back to the airport.

An enormous thank you to Mr McCarthy and Ms Johnston for leading the trip, assisted by Mr Sykes and Mrs Perry-Gough; but an even larger one to the students who were impeccable ambassadors for the school and enabled everyone to have a truly enriching experience.





Fundraising Quiz night for the 'School of Rock' School Production

We are really excited to inform you that we are in the process of putting on a whole school production of 'School of Rock' to be performed in school in April 2025. Auditions have been conducted and the show is now cast - the students are really looking forward to showcasing their talents.

As you will appreciate, while it is very exciting for all involved, a school production is also a very expensive venture. Our current costs for this production are approaching £2,400. We have a dedicated student team who will be designing and making our props and set but with the other costs involved we will be looking at a total expenditure of close to £5,800. Although ticket sales make up a good part of this total, additional funds need to be raised to achieve this final amount. Our first event to support the production is a Christmas Quiz which will be taking place the evening of on **Friday 13th December, 6.30pm-9.30pm** in the main hall.

We welcome individual quizzers and those that want to quiz together, in team's of a maximum of 6 people. The quiz will be suitable for all ages and provides a great opportunity for friends and families to get together to kick off Christmas festivities!

Tickets are **£3 per person** and can be purchased via ParentPay or with cash from the main school reception.

During the evening we will be selling a variety of drinks (soft drinks, tea/coffee and alcohol) along with some light snacks to fuel your brains. Please be advised that we accept cash only on the night.

We do hope that you can join us for what looks to be an enjoyable, and slightly competitive evening, whilst supporting this important production by attending the quiz night!



Supporting the Production

Could you support this event by **providing us with a prize** for our Christmas fundraising quiz evening on Friday 13th December? If you are able to help us with this request please contact us.

Other ways you can support us:

- Would you like to advertise your company/business in our production programme? This will be seen by all of our audience and members of the local community.
- Would you like to sponsor us or help cover the cost of a particular item/equipment?
- Do you have any items that you would be able to donate to our design team? We are looking for materials/paints/equipment etc. If you are not able to make use of it (damage) we would love to take it off your hands.

If you can help with any of the above, or alternatively if you have any other ideas of ways that you can help, please contact our Head of Drama, Mrs Sharon Curtis, sharon.curtis@rednockschool.org.

This is a fantastic opportunity to support the local community and we thank you in advance for your generosity and support.





Careers Corner

Who is who in Careers

All teachers are teachers of careers! Please do chat to your tutor, your subject teachers, your CLs and the Sixth Form team at any time.



Dr Craig leads the careers programme at Rednock - she can be contacted on helen.craig@rednockschool.org.uk or found in room 125.



Mr Justice is our independent careers advisor. He works Thursdays and Fridays and can be contacted at tim.justice@rednockschool.org.uk



Mrs Amato is the careers administrator. Please contact her through the admin office - admin@rednockschool.org.uk to organise a careers interview appointment



NHS Careers Talk

On Thursday this week all of Year 9 had a presentation about careers in the NHS. The title of the presentation was 'Myth Busters' and students learnt that the NHS employs about 10% of people in Gloucestershire and that there are a vast number of roles available from clinical roles through to gardening and electricians. They also learnt about the variety of routes available to them from apprenticeships at different levels, to work experience, volunteering and graduate schemes.

Year 11 careers interviews

Hopefully Year 11 are starting to get a firm idea of what they would like to do next.

If they would like a careers interview, students should speak with their tutors, who will contact Dr Craig.



COMING SOON

Festive food bank Appeal

It's nearly that time of the year again when we launch our festive Food Bank Appeal. This is a vital service within our community and helps so many who, for many reasons, may be struggling for money and need help putting food on the table.

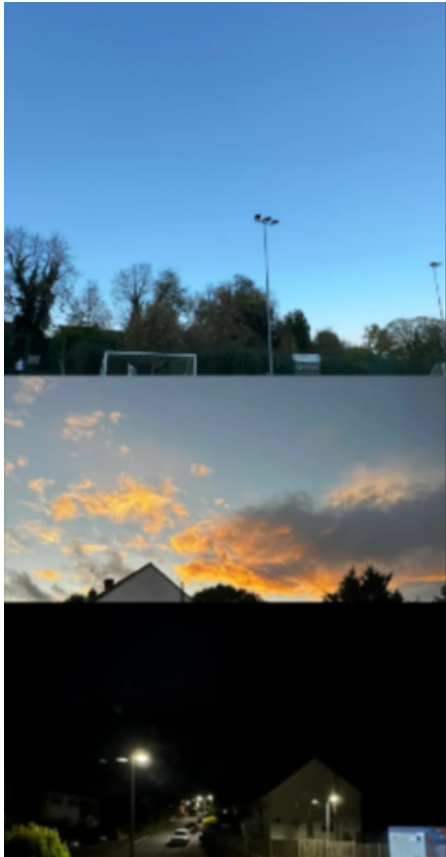
Please look out for more details coming soon of all the items we are hoping to collect under the Rednock Christmas Tree!





Year 10 Photography

Our Year 10 GCSE Photography students continue to produce some wonderful work. We hope you will enjoy this week's selection of photographs taken by some of the group exploring the theme of 'Time'. Contributions from Ned, Archie, Zoe, William and Malakai.



High 5 Netball Tournament

On Wednesday 13th November, Rednock hosted the 'Dursley Primary Schools Sports Association' High 5 Netball Tournament.

The tournament was attended by eight schools and efficiently organised by Alison Read from Whitminster Primary School. The spirit of the competition was fabulous with the students playing a really high standard of netball. It was lovely to see the Rednock Sixth Form students running and officiating the event; all in all it was a really successful afternoon.

The winning schools at the end of the day were: BLUE school tournament was a draw with the trophy being shared by Whitminster and Slimbridge; the RED school tournament was won by Lakefield.
Congratulations to all who took part!





U12's Rugby

Over the past two weeks the U12's rugby team have competed in three fixtures beating Archway 20-10, playing a district festival at KLB school, and beating Kingshill 20-5 with all performances showing great team spirit. This team has come together really well and they are playing some great, exciting rugby. The district festival at KLB saw the boys finish second in their group and were then highly competitive in the latter stages. Despite resolute performances from all, Oscar T and Henry C were the standouts as they ran well with the ball.

A big thank you goes to the parents who have supported the group for the games which have pushed them on we look forward to the fixtures that are coming up to see how the group progresses.



Year 8 Rugby

Our Year 8 rugby team had a visit to Archway school last week. They gave a spirited display and showed some huge improvements in rucking and scrummaging, but unfortunately had a 30-5 loss. The sole try came from Oliver B who also received the 'man of the match' from his team mates.



In this week's game on Wednesday vs Cirencester Kingshill, a very well contested game although on the end of some strong running rugby from our opponents, we managed to score two tries through Henry C and George K. 'Man of the match' was Alfie L for his incredible running and tackling. Hopefully the team can look to further improvement in a couple of weeks against Thomas Keble.



Year 9 Boys Football National Cup - Rednock 1 Brimsham Green School 2

On Tuesday the Year 9 boys team played in the third round of the National Cup. They had already beaten Bristol Metropolitan Academy last term and were now facing their new opponents from Brimsham Green School. Those who played for Rednock showed incredible grit and determination despite the strength of the opposition. Having soaked up a lot of the pressure we managed to score first only to concede an equalizer a few minutes later. This is how the game stood until the last ten minutes of the second half when a cleverly worked move down the wing by Brimsham saw them convert a tight angled shot into the back of the goal. Sadly, this ended up being a decisive move allowing our opponents to progress to the next round. All players deserve great praise for their efforts with outstanding performances by Jude, Oz and goalkeeper Beau.



Learning Resource Centre (LRC)

Thank you to everyone who bought books from the Scholastic Book Fair - we now have almost £100 with which to buy more for the LRC. More books mean more choice for students, and that can only be a good thing.



Have you seen Timeguesser? Can you identify the time and place from a photograph alone? Try it [here](#). The LRC is hosting their inaugural **Timeguesser competition**. It's easy to enter - put your name down in the LRC by Friday 22nd November. There will be prizes, reward points and kudos!

And talking about more books... There are a number of students with overdue books. These overdues really affect the choices of all students. As a school, we cannot ignore the losses so please encourage your child to look under their bed and return overdues before they are asked to replace them.

Lost books can be paid for with cash, in a sealed envelope with the student's name on and addressed to the LRC. Alternatively, the cost can be added to ParentPay.



LRC spotlight on... SPORT

We recently interviewed Elodie, a Y7 cricketer.

Q. When did you start playing?

A. I started playing when I was four.

Q. Who do you play for?

A. When I was younger I played for Cam Allstars and Dynamo but now I'm in my third season at Frocester C.C.

Q. Which player impresses you the most and why?

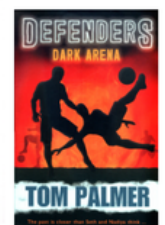
A. Joe Root - I met his brother and just became a fan!

Q. What are your career goals?

A. Well, I've already made two 50s, so I'd like to get a 100! Later, I'd like to play for Gloucestershire and England.

Q. What's the best sports-related book you've read?

A. I enjoyed reading **League of Champions** by Bob Cattell and **Booked** by Kwame Alexander, but at the moment I'm reading **Defenders: Dark Arena** by Tom Palmer.





The story continues!

Our English Ambassadors (Evie, Elina, Ellie, Ieuan, Charlotte, Ruza and Eli) are working on a story which we are serialising in each issue. Please sit back, put your feet up and enjoy the third chapter of, *'The Rednock Crusaders'*!



THE REDNOCK CRUSADERS

Chapter Three: Eden's big decision

Slouched back in her chair, Eden Hubble sat absent-mindedly fiddling with a pencil and mulling over all the information her cousin had just off-loaded onto her. In front of her lay a piece of paper crammed with dozens of quadratic equations, all completed, marked (every one correct of course) with extra questions (also answered and marked) that she had added herself. With all of this, there was also room left for mindlessly doodling in the margin, which is what she would normally do to occupy her busy brain after she had finished the whole worksheet, while her peers were still pondering question 1.

Eden hated being clever. Sure, she had a guaranteed Grade 9 in her GCSEs and probably an A* in her A-levels too, but she could never keep her brain quiet; it always wanted more to do, more to problem-solve, more to learn. This, paired with her ADHD, meant she could never catch a break from herself, so Eden had learnt to keep her intelligence quiet so as to not have the extra pressure of others wanting to praise and give her attention, and she was pretty flawlessly achieving this so far. That was until just now when Harvey had informed her of Lucy's midnight visions.

Harvey was looking lost in thought, his usual state, when Eden had bumped into him as she was walking down the English corridor. Harvey greeted her cheerfully as Eden questioned what he was contemplating.

"Oh it's Lucy," he had declared to her. Eden's heart sank. For all she cared Lucy Darwin did not exist and was not a part of her life anymore. However, curiosity got the better of her.

"What does she want?" snarled Eden in the most irritated tone she could muster. Ignoring Eden's arrogance, Harvey continued. "She and Liam have this crazy idea they want our help with!"

Harvey, after dismissing his initial doubts, was secretly ecstatic about the thought of undergoing this insane quest and proceeded to reel off every single ingredient of Lucy's far-fetched plan and his own genius ideas he had been agonising over all morning. On the other hand, Eden felt quite the opposite about this reckless, mess of an idea. Partially because there were about a million mathematical contradictions that would stop the process from even being logically possible, but equally because Eden was not willing to back down on her two year long grudge against Lucy, especially not for some stupid fantasy of Lucy's.

Her mind was made up and there was no changing it. Lucy had betrayed her trust and that was that. Why should she be expected to forgive her? Drop everything just to help her worst enemy? Unfortunately, as it often did, her second worst enemy, curiosity, snuck up on her, and she unwillingly gave in to it.

When the monotonous ringing of the school bell signalled the end of the day, Eden was snapped out of her own thoughts. Carelessly grabbing her tattered, azure-coloured school bag, she sprang out of the classroom, down the staircase, past the school hall and into the DT Atrium. Slowing her walk slightly and taking a deep, nervous breath, Eden stepped into the DT classroom to face the tiny, auburn-haired Darwin girl smiling a wide grin up at her.

To be continued...



Creating an Outside Classroom

Mr Moir and Mr Dessi from our DT department have been busy starting to revive the unused bike shed next to the Music block. This exciting project is to create an outdoor covered learning space. The bike shed already looks like a polytunnel and has loads of potential as a horticulture and DT space.

The floor has been cleared and, with the help of a lot of power tools, the gates have been moved from the carpark end of the shed to the school field side to create a safe learning environment. The next phase is to re-board the lower edges of the tunnel to stop the leaves blowing back in, and to start to build workbenches using the old bike racks as the bases.



CALL for DONATIONS

Do you have any old scaffolding boards you could donate?

We need your help please! We need materials to build the workbench tops. If you have any old scaffolding boards (wood or plastic) or something similar that you no longer need we'd love to hear from you.

Please email deborah.brooks@rednockschool.org.uk

Rednock Swing Band Gigs

Look out for our fantastic musician's performing at the Cam Christmas Lights Switch On, on Saturday 30th November from 3pm-5pm.



Would you like to help create the Festive Winter Garden for the Dursley lights switch on event?

The Dursley Christmas lights will be switched on during the evening of **Friday 29th November**.

The 'Festive Dursley Team' has asked us to share this opportunity with our students to ask if they would like to help them create a Winter Wonderland in the garden leading to Santa's Grotto.

The team is meeting at 11am on 29th November in the garden outside the dentist on Parsonage Street. Food and drinks will be provided. If trees, reindeer and snow aren't your thing, there are also opportunities to help set up the stage and marketplace!

For more information, email

deborah.brooks@rednockschool.org.uk





School Clubs

[Click here](#) to see times, year groups and locations for the below clubs:

- Book Club** (KS4) - Tuesday (Week A)
- Rocket Club** – Thursday
- Hack Wednesday** - Wednesday lunchtime
- Code Club** (KS3) - Every lunchtime
- Chess Club** - Monday & Wednesday lunchtime
- Dance Club** - Thursday
- School Production Rehearsals** - Tuesday (Full cast) & Wednesday (principal cast only)
- School Production Band** - Wednesday
- Debate Club** – Wednesday
- DT Club** - Wednesday
- DT Coursework and Skills Clinic** - Thursday
- Dyslexia Drop-In** - Thursday lunchtime
- Further Maths** – Wednesday
- Homework Club** - Tuesday & Wednesday
- Lunch Club** – Every lunchtime
- Open Space** - Tuesday lunchtime
- Quiet Study** - Monday/Thursday/Friday
- Recorder Group** - Wednesday registration
- Swing Band Rehearsal** - Thursday
- Warhammer 40k / Age of Sigmar Club** - Friday
- Sport Studies Catch Up** – Tuesday



Sports Clubs

All PE after school clubs start at 3.10pm and finish at 4.15pm, unless specified on this list

Tuesday

- After school - Netball - Girls - Years 10 - 11
- After school - Rugby - Boys - Year 7 & Year 10 - 11
- Lunchtime - Badminton - Girls and Boys – Year 11

Wednesday

- After school - Football - Girls - All Years
- After school - Rugby - Boys - Year 8
- Lunchtime - Badminton - Girls and Boys – Year 9 - 10

Thursday

- After school - Netball - Girls – Year 7 – 9
- After School – Rugby – Boys – Year 9
- Lunchtime - Badminton - Girls and Boys – Year 8

Upcoming Girls Sports Fixtures

18/11/2024	U14	Netball
20/11/2024	U13	Football
21/11/2024	Y10	Netball
26/11/2024	Y9	Netball
27/11/2024	Y8	Netball
27/11/2024	U14	Football

Upcoming Boys Sports Fixtures

25/11/2024	Y7	Rugby
26/11/2024	Y11 & Y9	Rugby
27/11/2024	Y8	Rugby
01/12/2024	County Trials	Cross Country

Dates for your Diary

Date	Year Group	Event
18/11/2024 - 20/11/2024	Y7-Y11	Flu vaccinations
28/11/2024		Sixth Form Open Evening
29/11/2024	All	Inset Day 3 (staff only in school)
30/11/2024		Rednock Swing Band performing at Cam Lights Switch On
02/12/2024 - 16/12/2024	Year 11	Pre Public Exams
02/12/2024 - 06/12/2024	Year 13	Pre Public Exams
13/12/2024	All	Quiz Night - Fundraiser for 'School of Rock' production
17/12/2024	All	Christmas Dinner
18/12/2024	Year 7	Panto Trip to Bristol Hippodrome
18/12/2024	All	Christmas Fayre - lunchtime
18/12/2024	Year 7	Christmas Disco
19/12/2024	Years 7,8,9,10,12 - specific students	Trip to International Horse Show, London
19/12/2024	All	Winter Concert
20/12/2024	All	End of Term 2
06/01/2025	All	Inset Day 4 (staff only in school)
07/01/2025	All	Start of Term 3



Dursley's Christmas Lights Switch-on Friday 29th November from 4.30pm

Artisan Market Shopping evening at The Engine, Silver St.

Christmas Stalls, Music, Song and Dance in the Market Place

Christmas Stalls in Parsonage Street

Christmas Tree Lights Switch-on in the Link at 6pm

Christmas Song themed Shop Window Displays

Fun Fair in Castle St Car-Park opens 4.30pm

St James Church Christmas Market

Parsonage St. Winter Garden

Visit Father Christmas in the Methodist Church from 4.30 to 5.45pm and 6.10pm onwards

Photos on Santas Sleigh on the Church Green

Fantastic Fireworks at 6pm

First Aid, Lost Children, Vulnerable Adults Meeting Point Jacob's House

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Rednock School  **6TH FORM**

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Thursday 28th November 2024
5.00pm - 7.30pm

Meet teachers and current students as they showcase the wide range of courses on offer. Discover more about our enrichment programme, wider opportunities and the extensive support available to our students.

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2024
Sunday
03 Nov
17 Nov
01 Dec

2025
Sunday
05 Jan
02 Feb
16 Feb

Indoors @ Chantry Centre
Long Street | Dursley | GL11 4JB

To help transport pre-loved items to your table use our wheelbarrows!

Sellers

- ★ Arrive from 9am
- ★ Book your table for £7 via TicketSource

Buyers

- ★ Free Entry
- ★ Open 10am - 1pm
- ★ Hot Dogs, Bacon Butties
- ★ Tea & Coffee

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Sad to see the end of the season for car boot sales? The Chantry Centre in Dursley has a solution...

It is launching a new winter alternative to car boot sales - the 'Barrow Market'

Taking place in the largest local indoor hall on selected Sunday mornings from November through to February.

The Barrow Market is a table-top sale but with a bit of a difference! The name comes from the wheelbarrows the Chantry Centre makes available to help sellers transport their pre-loved items from their cars to their booked tables.

Entry for buyers will be free; tables will cost sellers £7 via TicketSource or visit www.chantrycentre.org

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