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The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,





World Book Day at CW





Many of our staff and pupils went to great efforts to dress up as a fictional book character as part of the celebrations for World Book Day. It was a wonderful event that created a fantastic buzz around the school. You will receive a full write up with more photos in next week's edition of the Friday Letter. Well done to everyone who participated.





History students find Adolf Hitler guilty On Tuesday 3rd March a group of Year 10 and 11 History students visited the Crescent theatre in Birmingham to attend a GCSE revision workshop and then watch the performance 'Hitler on trial'.

The show was based around a mock trial in which we imagined that Adolf Hitler had been captured alive during the Second World War and was brought to trial for crimes against peace, war crimes and crimes against humanity. The trial dealt with the first of these charges: that the fundamental purpose of Hitler's dictatorship was to plan and prepare for war. During the course of the play Prosecuting and Defence Counsels questioned and crossexamined a series of contemporary witnesses. At the end, the students were invited to vote on whether or not they found Adolf Hitler guilty, and the result was not as clear cut as you might expect with 160 students voting YES and 106 students voting NO.

"It is so important to provide our pupils with extra-curricular activities like these so that their learning is enhanced and stimulated beyond the classroom. The pupils conducted themselves in an exemplary fashion throughout the performance, and got involved in a number of heated debates on whether or not Adolf Hitler should have been found guilty of the crimes against peace".

Miss E Edwards, Head of Humanities.



KS4 Catholic Partnership Debating Competition

On Tuesday 3rd March four of our year 10 students travelled to St Thomas Aquinas school where they took part in a Catholic Partnership debating competition against other Catholic secondary schools in Birmingham. Thomas Lafferty argued that "The Joker" was the greatest villain of all time. His speech was beautifully articulated, full of passion and perfectly delivered. The judges were incredibly impressed and Thomas very narrowly missed out on first place, coming second. Well done Thomas!

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely

Christina Stewardson

Week beginning 9th March – Year 9 Test Week

Week beginning 16th March – Star Reading Tests

Thursday 19th March – Year 7 Parents' Evening

Thursday 26th March – Year 8 Options Evening



Superstar of the week Shanelle Paul (11C) for achieving an outstanding A* grade in her mock exams. Nominated by Miss Kharod					
Subject:	Person and Reason:	Class	Nominated by:		
Physical Education	KS3: Ryan Milan - For great Leadership and progress during Gymnastics this week!	7 East	Mr Powers		
	KS4: Karla Davis - For superb attitude towards her BTEC coursework.	10 BTEC	Mr Matthews		
Maths	KS3:Harmony Lila-Day for excellent achievement in maths assessment	7E1	Mr. Badmos		
	KS4: Sian Gaynor for an excellent piece of work on Compound Interest.	10F	Mrs Poxon		
Science	KS3: Katie Bowen for massively improving her effort and concentration in lessons and achieving an amazing 6A in her exam.	7E1	Miss Kharod		
	KS4: See Superstar of the Week				
DT/ Graphics	KS3: Paris Palmer - supporting other students during practical session	8w2	Miss E Smith		
	KS4: Mina Vanu - Consistently excellent controlled assessment	10op3			
Art	KS3: Amy Jones - for always attending lesson with positivity and a smile	year 7	Miss Gamble		
	KS4: Charlie Sheppard - for attending lessons with eagerness to learn and develop as a young artists	year 10			
R.E.	KS3:Kevin Dyksinski - for achieving highest mark in RE quiz	8W2	Mrs Jinks		
	KS4: Libby Jones - for being an RE star!	9F	Mrs Meersand		

History	KS3:Sapphire Allen - excellent work ethic every lesson	7w2	Miss Edwards Miss Mc
	KS4: Ellesse Malone - consistent hard work in History	10	Namara
Geography	KS3: Joshua Brookes for consistent hard work in Geography	8e2	Mrs Biddle
	KS4: Harry Kirby - A positive mock exam result	11opt 2	Mrs Biddle
Chaplaincy	KS3: Reece Seager for always being so polite and helpful at breakfast club. Well done	Year 8	Steven Fleming
	KS4: Danny Wright for helping me to carry all the breakfast club items. You're a star!	Year 11	Ben Neville
Computing	KS3: David Aigbe . Outstanding work and concentration on Event Handling	8W1	Mr Mulcrow
Drama	KS3: Emily Starling - For her high level of focus and commitment in Drama lessons.	7E1	Mr Kearns
	KS4: Lucy Burbridge - For her high level of commitment and passion in her Drama lessons.	9op4	Mr Kearns
Spanish	KS3: Dylan Green - for working with great enthusiasm.	7W2	Mr Beckett
	KS4: Shanelle Paul - for achieving great marks on her mock exams.		
Child Development	KS4: Chelsea Beet - for achieving high scores on her Child Development test.	9 Opt 1	Mrs Jinks
LSC	KS3: Jake French - for always reading well and producing thoughtful written work.	8E1	