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-Parent Bulletin-

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



On Wednesday this week I sat with Keisha (Year 9) and Mr McLean and it was fantastic to hear about her meeting with HRH Prince William and the Duchess of Cambridge last week. I am so pleased that St Peter's was so ably represented at the prestigious event to discuss mental health awareness.

The fine form of the Year 7 football team continued with a 4-0 victory over Codsall Middle School. Next week several other teams have fixtures including one or two versus Thomas Telford School. It was also really impressive to see so many of our students attending the fabulous table tennis club after school on Thursday evenings.

Slowly but surely it is beginning to feel like a normal school once more. There are however one or two things that need to stop immediately. I am very concerned with the amount of students who readily film any potential incidents on their mobile phones and then sometimes share these. It is a worrying trend that is not welcome at St Peter's. Unfortunately this week I have had to take a very hard line on this. Please can I ask you to remind students about safe use of mobile phones and that they are not allowed to be used in school.

Next week we will be holding assemblies with all students to remind them of this and to explain the new Behaviour Policy that we will be trialling in the Summer term. This will also be included as a link in next week's issue.

We will be saying goodbye to Year 11 and Year 13 students next week. We will miss them all terribly and wish them all the best for the future (if they are not returning to Sixth Form study in the case of Year 11).

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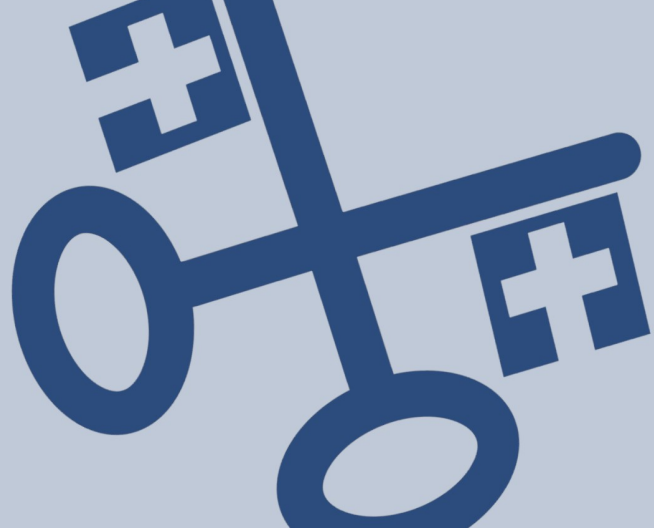
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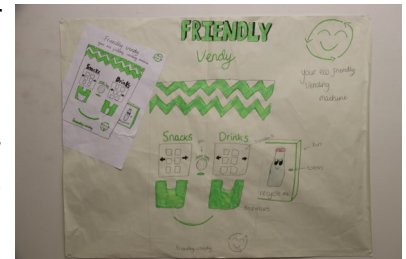
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ENTERPRISE DAY YEAR 8



On Monday 17th May we were delighted to re-open the doors to National Enterprise. The excited Year 8 students were off timetable all day as they worked their way through challenging enterprise tasks. In conjunction with Air Products, students were tasked to come up with an idea for a product which helps the environment.



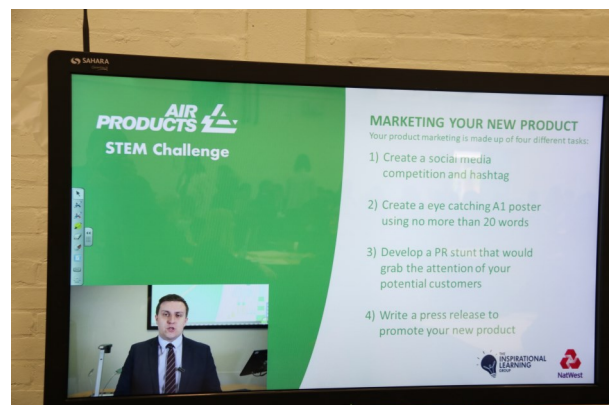
Right from the outset the students were enthusiastic and they threw themselves into each challenge which culminated in several groups being chosen from the whole year group, to present to teachers, students and the National Enterprise staff! They had to pitch their idea and design a marketing campaign. The creativity and flair with

which they did this was show stopping. We had role plays of adverts, professional looking logos and interesting slogans. In terms of the product, the concepts the students came up with were truly impressive, ranging from a friendly vending machine to water filtration systems, a compost product and even a solar powered rocket!



Towards the very end of the day the judges struggled as they sifted through the excellence that was presented to them. Nevertheless, they provided feedback to the groups and the result was,

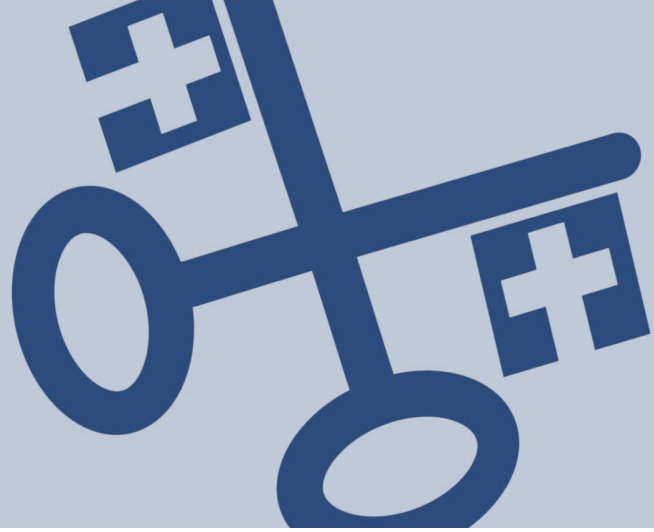
Winners: Group name
WASW - Water Supplies Around the World
Group Members:
Mazvita Nyasango
Ava O'Connor
Tanveer Randhawa
Jageer Rhoad
Eve Robinson
Pavan Sahota



The winners of the challenge will now go through to the Grand Finals at the ICC in Birmingham (coronavirus permitting) in July, pitching their idea against other schools from across the UK.

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Here is what Mazvita, the product manager of the winning group (WASW) had to say about her experience:

'Enterprise Day was really fun as it wasn't anything like I expected. Our whole year group was placed in the sports hall where the event took place. We spent the whole day working in groups and interacting with each other using the tasks given. During the course of the day we were also given various activities to do with the overall competition, which was to create a way to recycle metal cylinders - big or small. Being the product manager of my group, I had to guide my team and help them with the jobs I gave them. Winning felt not only overwhelming, but really good as I knew it was well deserved!'

MILLION WORD WINNER

Michelle Agbonmare, Year 8, is a star student on the Accelerated Reading programme. She has read over one million words and successfully passed the quizzes for each book. A truly fantastic achievement.

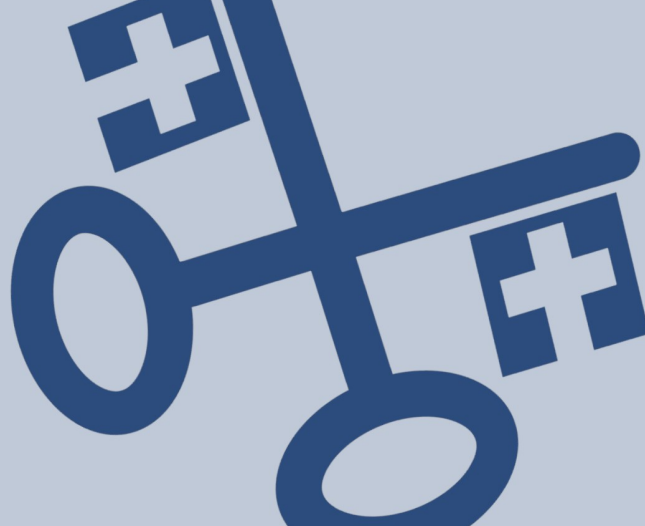
Mr Arnold presented Michelle with her prize and certificate and appointed her a St. Peter's Reading Ambassador - to inspire other students to enjoy reading as much as she obviously does!



1 Million Words

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SECOND HAND SCHOOL UNIFORM

Dear Parents/Carers

During these very difficult times, many parents are seeking ways in which to support other families whose children attend St. Peter's and may not be as fortunate as themselves.

We have had donations of some items of pre used uniform and PE kit which we are able to offer our students. Details of available uniform items can be viewed by clicking on the link below:

<https://speters.org.uk/second-hand-uniform/>

If you are interested in any of the items listed please email freemantle@speters.org.uk confirming the item and size together with the name and form of your child and we will arrange for the items to be collected from the Finance Office.

If you would like to donate any items of school uniform or PE kit (new style kit only please) that are no longer used, please ask your child to drop these into the Finance Office or main reception ready to support other families.

RORO CHAN CHALLENGE

A website promoting **Roro Chan Challenge** has been circulating locally and shared via WhatsApp, pinterest and possibly Tik Tok. Roro Chan Challenge is supportive of self-harm and encourages people to take their own lives and a child in the West Midlands recently committed suicide after accessing this site. Please be alert to the nature and risks of this site and talk to young people who may be accessing it.

<https://www.distractify.com/p/ro-ro-chan-challenge>

OPTIONS

Dear parents

I am delighted to advise that the options process has moved along and is now all but complete as we focus on next academic year's timetable. Student voice has been listened to, to determine the options on offer for both our Year 8 and Year 9 students as in the future, we will move towards a single options selection year.

This change has been to ensure that a greater depth of teaching can occur, beginning in Year 9, due to the increase of subject content that followed the Government's review of GCSEs, resulting in improved GCSE outcomes for the students.

If you wish to see more of the detail of the program of study in each subject, please follow the link attached here :<https://speters.org.uk/subject-overview/>

Many thanks, Mr Gardner Assistant Principal