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Thanks to Lockdown ...New House Event Launched

The last few weeks have seen more House Events taking place, with students from all year groups getting stuck in

Inters football saw win for the Priestley boys, followed by a strong performance from the Bronte team. There was some very strong play from our youngest players in Junior House Football, with the final taking place after the Heckler goes to print!

House Maths has taken place for the Seniors and Inters, with a new style of event as students take part in the fast paced Maths challenges in the hall! Bronte took the victory in Senior Maths, with Priestley coming first in the Inters Maths.

After several requests made by students, the first 'in person' House Art competition was held in the Riddles Library. The competition previously held during lockdown, was very well supported. Students were asked to submit a piece of artwork around the theme of 'More in Common' an ethos inspired by the late Jo Cox MP. Students then presented their artwork to the judging panel - made up of Headteacher Mr Roberts, two school governors and librarian Mrs Whitelaw. Well done to all students who took part in House Art - the pieces are currently on display in the Riddles Library.



The winners pictured with Mrs Doubell (Governor) , Mrs Dixon (Chair of Governors) and Mr Roberts (Headteacher)

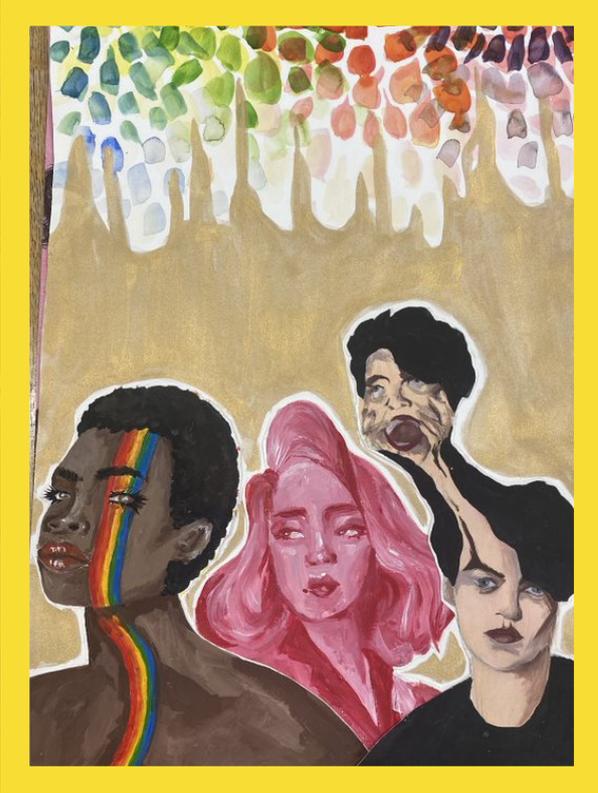
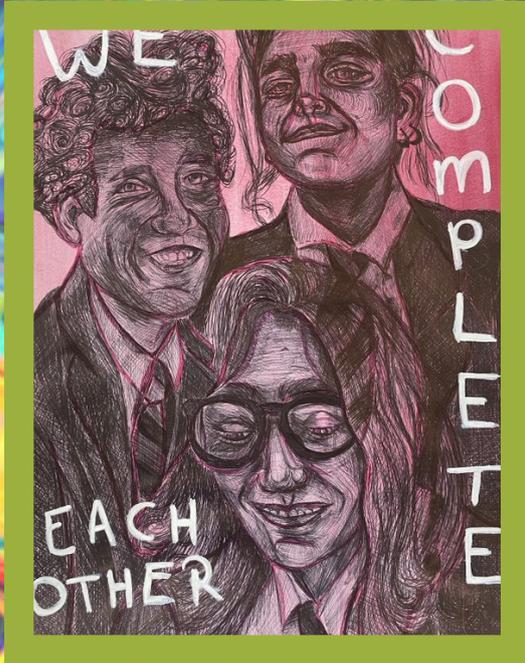
House Art results:

- Juniors - Clarke 1st, Priestley 2nd, Houldsworth 3rd, Bronte 4th
- Seniors - Priestley 1st, Houldsworth 2nd, Bronte 3rd, Clarke 4th

Winning entries:

- Juniors - 1st place Livia Stanley (Clarke), 2nd place Mikayla Pasquel (Priestley), 3rd place Eva Edwards (Priestley)
- Seniors - 1st place Alyssia Evans (Priestley), 2nd place Alice Cheesbrough (Houldsworth), 3rd Miriam Molokwu (Houldsworth)

House Art -Winning Entries



House Points



Department Focus - Maths

Maths Department Focus

After last year's restrictions through Covid, it has been lovely to be able to get back to a sense of normalcy and run some extra-curricular maths. This has included several year 7 - 11 students attending Maths Impact after school every Monday in S001 and sixth formers attending Maths Clinic on a Wednesday lunchtime in F005.

Here are some of the achievements that our students have made in maths this term.

UKMT Senior Maths Challenge

This year, we had a number of students in the sixth form who participated in the Senior Maths Challenge. This is a 90-minute, multiple-choice challenge, which encourages students to reason mathematically, have precision of thought, and fluency in using mathematical techniques to solve interesting problems.

Congratulations to the following who achieved:

- **Bronze Awards** - Sally Rutledge, Zain Alkhalidi, Emily Ashwell, Asish Chittamuru, George Dye, Ronan D'Souza, Lauren Fellows, Isabel Hudson, Jazib Imran, Ismaeel Karolia, Sanaha Kauser, Affan Khan, Arooba Kiani, Pooja Patel, Sam Robertson, Sumeed Saleem, Dhruvan Tailor and David Tomlinson.
- **Silver Awards** - Ummayyah Moeen, Parin Ali, Zain Asif, Zahra Dalal, Jenny Hepworth, George Hine, Daniel Damo, Waqas Hussain and Reuben Price.
- **Gold Awards** - Saugat Bohara, Beth Kernick, Chris Newsome, Tom Berry and Ellis Speight.

Ellis' score of 117 out of 125 was truly exceptional and he will now be competing in the British Mathematical Olympiad round in early December.



Junior Mathematical Olympiad and Kangaroo

Yahya Variava and Mary Blakey qualified for the Junior Olympiad with Mary receiving a certificate of Merit and Yahya a Bronze medal with his Certificate of Distinction.

Ananya Tantry, Kelvin Zhang, Abdul Rehman Aziz, Rehan Lohn and Sam Nolan all received a Certificate of Merit for the Junior Kangaroo.

Congratulations to all – these are exceptional achievements.

Department Focus - Maths

Maths Club

This term, in what has now become an Autumn term tradition, Maths Club have been participating in the National Cipher Challenge 2021. The theme this year is The Lighthouse Conspiracy and follows a group of GCHQ cryptographers who are working as part of a cold case division nicknamed "the Archaeologists". They spend their time deciphering obsolete wartime despatches and diplomatic communications, unbroken in their day, in the hope of finding something still significant...



We have 10 teams registered, made up of students from

years 7 to 10 inclusive plus Ms Jarvis who enjoyed taking part so much last year she's doing it again! Nationally (indeed internationally) hundreds of teams (made up from over 5000 participants) are

registered in total, mostly students aged between 11 and 18 but also adults with a keen interest in cryptography (code cracking).



At the time of writing, and with 6 out of 10 challenges completed, 3 of our teams are doing rather well in the competition: msjjmaths, Misanthropes and Pi-thon sit in joint first place so have everything to play for as the ciphers begin to increase

in complexity. The Mistry Cipher are not so very far behind, sitting in overall joint second place.

The final challenge goes live on 16 December and the teams will be communicating over the holidays, working together using online collaboration tools, to try and crack the final two ciphers by the deadline of 23.00 Thursday 6 January!



Department Focus - Maths cont

House Maths



The autumn term events for the intermediate and senior event has already taken place with the junior event held this Tuesday after school. The event involves teams competing against the clock to solve a number of challenging maths problems. It was great to see such commitment and enthusiasm for maths for an hour after school. Presently, Priestley or Bronte look the likely winners of this event. Many thanks also to the house and maths staff and sixth form helpers who gave up their time to make both events a success.



Jo Cox – Memorial Award Winner 2020

Eve Halmshaw

Eve and her dad, Darren recently called in to school to collect the Jo Cox memorial award for last year. Regrettably, last year due to covid, we could not hold our senior prize giving in person, so Eve had not had the honour of holding the award and sharing it with her family.

The award, named after our former Head Girl is for outstanding service in the community. For many years, Eve has led many charity initiatives for research in to ovarian cancer and through difficult times of her own, has channelled her efforts to support those perhaps less fortunate than herself. Indeed, very much the true spirit of Jo Cox.

Since leaving school, Eve has taken up a graduate apprenticeship with Nestlé, initially based in York, but with opportunities to travel as she works in the numerous departments of a large multinational company.

Mr Roberts commented, “We were always enormously proud of Eve in the 7 years she was in school with us and this has certainly continued with her successes now in the world of work and we look forward to hearing how her career develops.”



HOUSE EVENTS

~~w/c Monday 15 November~~

~~Thursday - Junior Boys Football (Y7 and Y8) - Lunchtime
Friday - House Art deadline - Lunchtime~~

~~w/c Monday 22 November~~

~~Monday - Junior Girls Netball (Y7 and Y8) - Lunchtime
Monday - Senior Debates Final - After school
Tuesday - Senior House Maths (Y11 to Y13) - After school
Tuesday - House Art Judging - After school
Thursday - Junior Boys Football (Y7 and Y8) - Lunchtime~~

w/c Monday 29 November

Monday - Junior Girls Netball (Y7 and Y8) - Lunchtime
Tuesday - Junior House Maths (Y7 and Y8) - After school



**For more information see
your Head of House!**



Sports Notices

Under 14 and Under 16 Kirklees Badminton tournament.

Thursday 9 December 2021. Westborough / St John Fishers

The PE department needs to select four Girls and four Boys for each age group for the upcoming Under 14 and Under 16 badminton tournaments to be hosted at Westborough and St John Fishers High Schools.

Please attend your Year group sessions and email Mr Walker if you are interested in competing.

Kirklees schools cross country – Tuesday 11 January 2022 – Colne Valley High School

The PE department has entered teams into all ages groups Years 7 – 10.

We will be completing trial cross country races in PE lessons to select teams over the next few weeks. These will take place on the grass playing fields at Cawley lane during your scheduled PE lessons. Please speak to a member of the PE staff if you are interested.

Badminton Academies

Each Year group has an allocated morning for students to play badminton in the sports hall. You will not need to change into full PE kit, just bring a clean pair of trainers. Sessions run from 7.45am – 8.30am.

Year 7	Monday
Year 8	Tuesday
Year 9	Wednesday
Year 10 / 11 / 12 / 13	Thursday
School team	Friday

A reminder that if a Pupil attends a lunchtime club or House sports event, please get your lunch at break or bring a packed lunch as you will not have time to go to the dining room.

After school clubs – Please inform Parents or Carers in advance if you are attending an after school sports club or sports fixture. Clubs will run every week unless a message is posted that the club has to be cancelled.

For fixtures and competitions, Team sheets are always posted on your Form noticeboards in the PE corridor with details of meeting times, venues and estimated return times. Please inform the member of staff running your team if you cannot play.

Sports News - Senior Netball

On Thursday the Year 11 and Sixth Form team travelled to Crossley Heath School in Halifax for their first fixture in a long time!

It was great to be back on the mini bus with these girls even if I was given directions too late and ended up doing a short tour of Halifax first!!

The Sixth Form team played first and although Crossley Heath took an early lead we eventually found our pace and took the lead. From that point on we were in control with some great mid court play from Charlotte Smith, Natalie Kaniymo and Martha Currie, leading to some excellent shooting from Libby Sweeney and Matilda Harrison. The final result 24-5. A great win

The Team

Charlotte Smith
Libby Sweeny
Martha Currie
Natalie Kaniymo
Harriet Haycock
Matilda Harrison
Sally Rutledge



Year 11 were up next. They had heard that they might be up against a strong team so were a little anxious at the start, however they still found their rhythm and with some good end to end action, at the end of the first quarter the score was 5-5. After a quick chat at the turn around, they went back out with their heads up and they were playing some great Netball and very quickly took the lead with some great shooting from Summer Jarvis and Freyja Grayshon. Although there was still some great

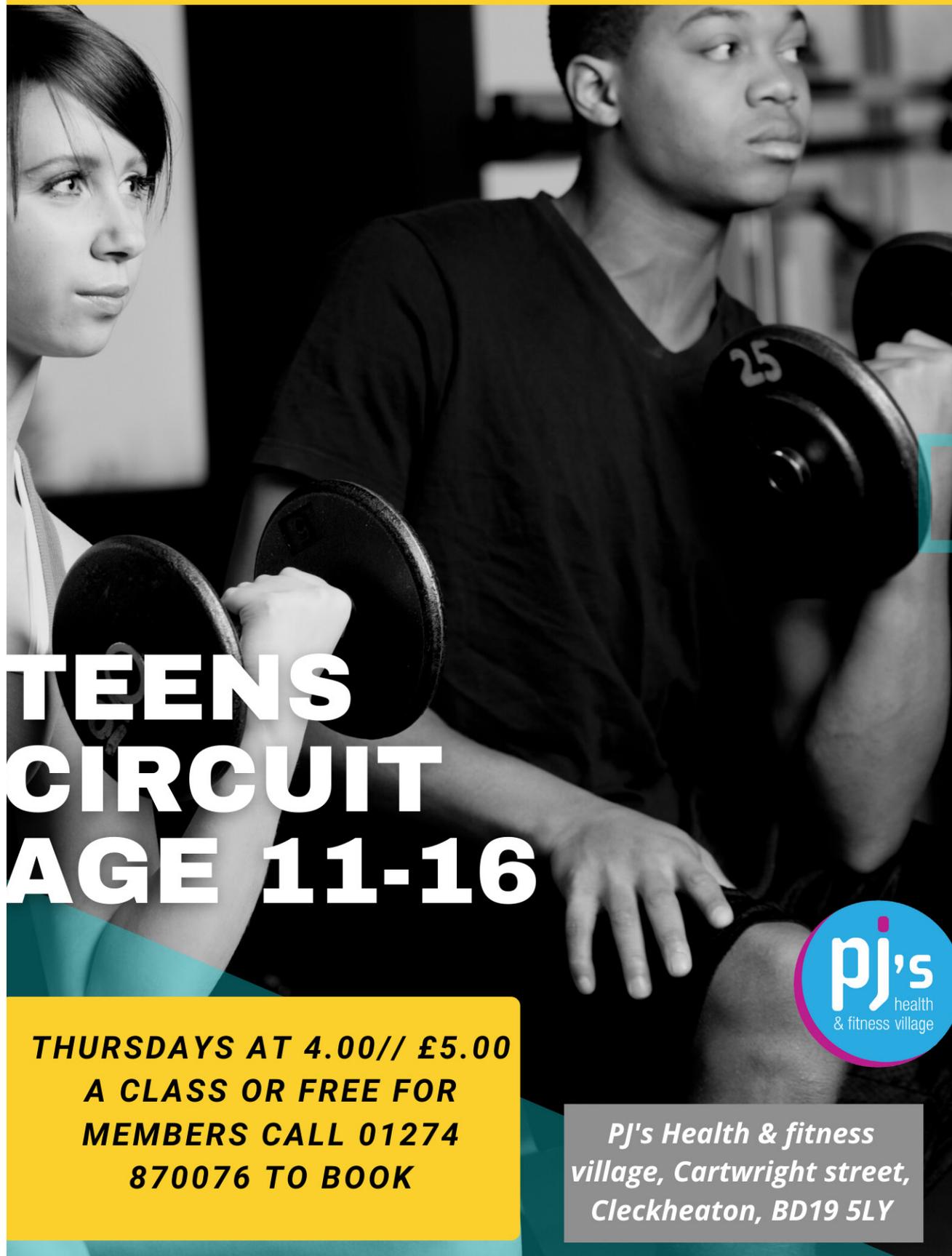
play from both teams, we kept our lead throughout and the final score was 18-14. This was a performance that the whole team can be proud of.



The Team

Summer Jarvis
Freyja Grayshon
Ava Higgins
Ella Lister
Bella Lobley
Gracie Kitching
Mya Saleem
Aaminah Mir

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<https://heckmondwikegrammar.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

All purchased tickets will be billed and paid for through Parentpay





Invitation for Parents: Success Beyond School

This is a free event

We are thrilled to announce the last in our *Success Beyond School* series for 2021; **free-of-charge, live online evening seminars designed to help parents supercharge their children's career potential**. Register now for:

[Wednesday 24th Nov: Learning to Lead](#)
Help enhance your child's leadership skills

[Wednesday 1st Dec: Building a Future in Finance](#)
How your child can break into the finance industry

[Wednesday 8th Dec: Level up with Law](#)
Support your child on their journey to becoming a top lawyer

These events are for parents of students aged 12-18 and above to attend. Please share this email with parents; either directly with parents or with your child's school.

Summer Internship Experiences For Ages 12-18



We are already getting booked up for some of our most popular summer experiences in London. **For a limited time only students can get 15% off using code SUMMER15. Shadow doctors in a hospital, argue a human rights case in the Supreme Court, explore a supercar engine with F1 engineers and much much more.** Click on any area of interest below and register now.

Parent Notices

Wednesday 1 December
Winter Showcase Concert

Thursday 2 December
Year 11 Virtual Parents' Evening

Tuesday 7 December
HGS Youth Theatre Presents
The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe

Wednesday 8 December
Inset Day - school closed to all

Thursday 9 December
Year 13 Virtual Parents' Evening
details to be emailed to parents shortly

Friday 10 December
Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Candlelighters

Thursday 16 December
Carol Service - St James Church Heckmondwike
Details to be released soon



In attempt to reduce the spread of covid 19 we are asking families to continue with the twice weekly lateral flow tests and to report ALL results via the school website. The new Antigen Rapid Test, which is nasal only, are issued every 3 weeks to students.

All students are required to wear a facemask around school. Please ensure that you send your child with the appropriate face covering. School have a very limited stock.



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Salvation Army Christmas Gift Appeal

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Toys, games, puzzle books, CD's, DVD's and stationery for younger children. Items suitable for older children toiletries, hats gloves, perfumes etc.

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HGS Reverse Advent 2021

Final Day 6 December

Suggested Donations

soup, pasta, tinned vegetables/tomatoes/fruit/meat, tea, coffee, lentils, beans & pulses, desserts, toiletries, household products etc.

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