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Semi-Final Place Secured

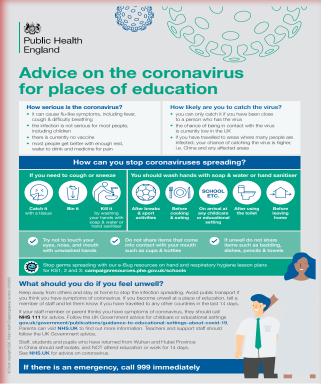
Yet again ex HGS student Bradley Walmsley and his dance group Brothers of Dance, dazzled viewers with another outstanding performance to Dont Start Now by Dua Lipa, on Saturday's BBC Greatest Dancer. The group secured 96.2% in the audience vote which helped to secure their semi-final place this Saturday 2 March 7.30pm. Please show your continued support by voting online http://www.bbc.co.uk/greatestdancer



Public Health England

Mr Roberts, Headteacher, this week issued to all parents a letter, a copy of which is available on the school website, regarding the Coronavirus with the information that has been received guidance from Public Health England and the Department For Education around travel advice for people visiting countries affected by the Coronavirus and attending school upon their return.

If you are planning to take your son/ daughter to any of the countries infected please let a member of the attendance team know by calling the school on 01924 402202.

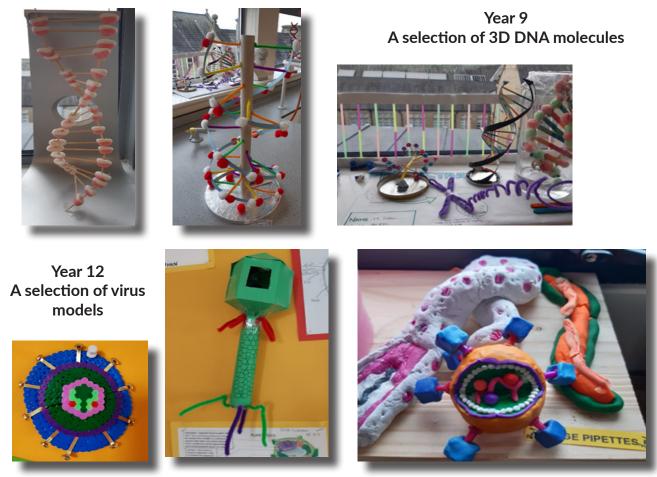


Department Focus: Biology

Biology students this half term have been proving that arts and crafts skills can be transferred into any subject.

Students from all key stages have been using their cross curricula skills to produce a range of fantastic models and 3D structures depicting everything from deoxyribose nucleic acid (DNA to you and me) to virus (don't worry, no need to quarantine), cell structure and Reebob's (monsters caused by genetic crosses).

Whilst this is clearly great fun it actually demonstrates the spiral curricula embedded in the biology department as topics taught in year 7 are revisited in year 12 & 13.



Esports Competition - News

We'd like to congratulate the Heckmondwike Hotshots 'Smash Bros.' team (Wiktor Liskiewicz, Dileep Darjipati, Cody Lee, Thomas Hunter, Michael Marples and Oliver Mollitt) for placing 3rd in the Digital Schoolhouse national competition in Manchester on Tuesday 25 February. Not only did they play a great game, they also spoke a great game as some of them had a chance to commentate the games for the livestream. If you would like to read more about how they did, please go to https://sway.office.com/KPQ10s1Az-4jkjfRD?ref=Link.



Year 10 Mock Exams Timetable W/C 2 March

Y10 Mock Exams 2020						
Date	Start	Len	Component Title	Cands		
Monday 02 March	09:00	02.00	Art & Design GCSE Group	37		
Monday 02 March	09:00	01:45	Religious Studies GCSE	33		
Monday 02 March	09:00	01:45	Music Listening GCSE	15		
Monday 02 March	13:15	01:00	Mathematics GCSE Paper 1	181		
Tuesday 03 March	09:00	02:00	History GCSE	79		
Tuesday 03 March	11:15	01:00	Spanish GCSE Writing	38		
Tuesday 03 March	11:15	01:00	French GCSE Writing	23		
Tuesday 03 March	13:15	01:30	Business Studies GCSE	125		
Wednesday 04 March	09:00	01:15	Biology GCSE	181		
Wednesday 04 March	13:15	01:30	Computer Science GCSE	90		
Thursday 05 March	09:00	01:15	Chemistry GCSE	181		
Thursday 05 March	13:15	01:30	Mathematics GCSE Paper 2	181		
Friday 06 March	09:00	01:15	Physics GCSE	181		
Friday 06 March	13:15	01:00	Graphic Products GCSE	47		
Friday 06 March	13:15	01:00	Food & Nutrition	22		
Friday 06 March	13:15	01:00	Resistant Materials GCSE	35		



Lucy Jones, a year 7 student, took part in the Yorkshire gymnastics Grade 5 2009+ WAG (womens artistic gymnastics) competition.

Lucy came 1st on Beam, 1st on Floor, 1st on Bars, 1st on Vault and 4th on conditioning/Range. Achieving a score of 63.633, receiving a gold medal along with a trophy declaring her 'Yorkshire Champion'.

Her team mates came 2nd and 3rd out of 22 other gymnasts which was a fantastic result for the club.

Lucy practices at TSV in Cleckheaton for 11 hours a week including the weekends and school holidays and her determination and dedication have paid off.

The hard work continues as Lucy prepares for her next competition. Keep up the hardwork Lucy!

Great News!

We are delighted to let you know Isabel Hudson has been offered a place on an Engineering Development Trust 2020 course at Queen Mary University of London.

The aim of the four day non-residential Inspire course is to equip female year 11 students with the skills that will allow them to have an advantage upon entry into sixth form. Students will be encouraged to work in teams

which will naturally build upon their existing communication skills. In addition to this, students are given masterclasses on how to deliver oral presentations to a large audience, how to tailor their CVs,



how to write an effective covering letter, top tips for interviews as well as how to effectively manage a project from specialists within Queen Mary the university who have many years of experience. Students will also benefit from taking part in engineering based activities.







Eleven schools in the Spenborough area have come together as the Spenborough Community Hub to explore how we can collectively build stronger, supportive communities. The Hub works in new ways with our children's families and other organisations to make the most of all our knowledge, skills and resources to improve our physical, socail and emotional wellbeing and create a welcoming learning environment within the community.

A questionnaire is being used to gather information on local issues to help us to understand the strengths we have and to continue the process of working out solutions together. We want to know what you want, what challenges you face and how we can work together for the good of the local community. By completing the questionnaire below, you will be helping us to focus on the area that really matter to you.

We will feedback the findings to you and there will be plenty of opportunities to get involved further in the future. The Hub works with partners from the local authority, health professionals and third sector/voluntary organisations. We want to support our community so that our children can learn effectively and reach their full potential in our school.

Thank you

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We are celebrating National Careers Week in school from Monday 2 March to Friday 6 March. There will be careers and progression related assemblies for students in Years 7-11 and a range of lunchtime opt in workshaps in classrooms and stalls in the Swapp Liall on several days asress

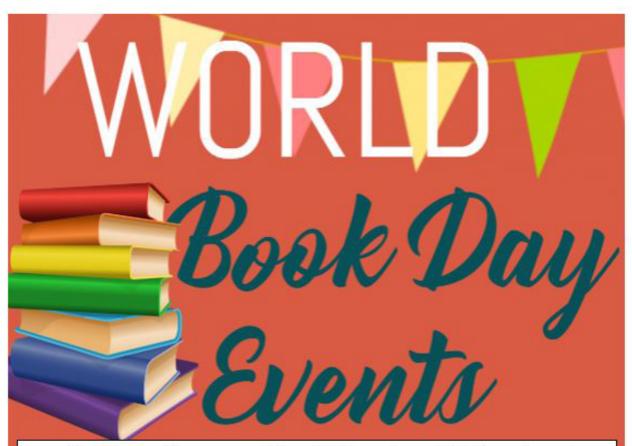


workshops in classrooms and stalls in the Swann Hall on several days across the week. There will also be an employer panel running for all of Year 7 on Wednesday Period 5.

We are aiming to raise students' awareness of the wide range of opportunities open to them in the future and develop and widen their aspirations.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL	Our	#NCW2020	Plan	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
00 45:000 Year 7 Assembly HSS Careers Department An introduction to the careers programme and regional LMI 12:15:12:45 Years 8 and 9 12:15:12:45 Years 8 and 9 12:15:12:45 Years 9 and 9 12:15:12:45 Years 9 and 9 12:15:12:12:12:12:12:12:12:12:12:12:12:12:12:		0845-900 Year 9 Assembly University of Bradford An Introduction to Higher Education 1000-1015 YH1 Students Senior Common Room University of Bradford 11:00:115 All Students Information Standt The Swann Hall University of Bradford 12:15-12:45 Years 10 and 11 Newcastle University STEM Careers (Opt in) C011 12:45-13:15 Years 10 and 11 Newcastle University Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences Careers (Opt in) C011 12:15-13:15 All Students Information Stand The Swann Hall University of Bradford	12:15-13:15 All Students Information Stands The Swann Hall University of Huddersfield Researching HE options HGS Careers Department - Focus on apprenticeships	





- Creative writing competition. Write a story of 500 words or less. Hand it in at the library counter by Thursday 5th March. There will be a prize for 1st and 2nd place.
- 2. Book mark competition. Create a book mark based on a book or literary theme. There will be 3 prizes and the winning designs will be made into bookmarks and available in the library. Designs must be done on the bookmark template that will be available from the library counter from Monday 2nd March.
- 3. There will be a literary themed treasure hunt on Thursday 5th March at lunchtime. Teams of up to 4 can enter, the entry pack will be available at break and the clues will be put out before lunchtime.
- 4. Book sale. There will be a sale of used books in 'The Hub' in the Library at break and lunchtime on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Please donate any books to the library or Mrs Hancock.

Parent Notices

2-6 March - National Careers Week 3 March - Year 13 Parents' Information Evening 4 March - Year 9 & 10 London Trip Information Evening 5 - March - World Book Day 2-5 March Year 12 Geographers Cranedale Trip 12 March Year 11 & 13 Mock Exams Begin 13 March - Non-unform day - Sports Relief