

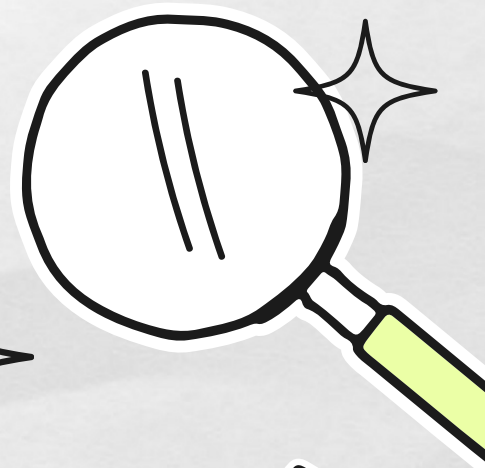


OCTOBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Mon, 30th Oct - Return to school
- Tue, 31st Oct - Y7 Library visit
- Wed, 1st Nov - Y7 Library visit
- Thu, 2nd Nov - SFC & CFE Talks Y11
- Tue, 7th Nov - DofE Awards Evening
- Thu, 9th Nov - Y11 Navy Day
- Thu, 9th Nov - Y7-11 Flu Vaccines
- Fri, 10th Nov - PTA Christmas Fair
- Tue, 14th Nov - Sixth Form Info evening
- Wed, 15th Nov - Y9 English Trip
- Thu, 16th Nov - CFE Information Day
- Fri, 17th Nov - Children in Need
- Wed, 29th Nov - Y11 Art Trip
- Thu, 30th Nov - Y11 Parents' Evening
- Wed, 6th Dec - Carol Concert, St Paul's
- Thu, 7th Dec - Y11 Careers & Skills Show
- Tue/Wed, 12/13th Dec - Pantomime
- Fri, 22nd Dec - Christmas Jumper Day & end of term



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



As we close the first half of the Autumn term, it is my pleasure to share our latest newsletter with you showing some of the exciting work that has been going on at St Sampson's High School. My thanks to our students who seize extra opportunities with such enthusiasm and to our staff for so regularly going the extra mile.

It has been a hugely positive first half-term and the Year 7 students have settled in very well to their new school routines. As always, your children have risen to the challenge and returned to school with renewed enthusiasm for learning and a desire to try to make their best better by improving their attendance, behaviour and quality of work. If the atmosphere in school over the first half-term is an indication of what is to come throughout the year, we will continue to move forward at pace.

Most recently we undertook a behaviour survey with parents which returned positive indicators. Communication with home is regarded as a strength of the school. Families are feeling a change for the better at St. Sampson's and the large majority of students have positive experiences during their time at school. Our rewards systems and extra-curricular programmes are enjoyed by many students and our Year 7s have already joined a variety of clubs. There are always areas for improvement and stable staffing comes to the forefront, which is something we continually strive to achieve. We want to ensure more consistency of staff applying policies and - even though the large majority of children feel safe in school - we want to ensure all young people who attend St. Sampson's High School feel safe and cared for.

I hope that you enjoy reading all about the wide range of activities which have taken place this half term, do encourage your child to take part and we wish everyone a lovely break.

Mrs V Godley
Principal



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

We are delighted that so many students have put themselves forward to help make SSHS an even better place.

We look forward to seeing all that these young people are going to achieve this year!

STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM



STUDENT COUNCIL 2023-2024



Gracie Guille, Jane Van Der Watt, Theo Pattimore, Ezraah Simon, Adam Collenette, Ellie Luxon & Olly Stephens

Beth Philippe, Katie Luxon, Monty Desforges & Edie Dorrian

Y11 PREFECTS



Summer Masterton, Lillie Ingrouille, Phoebe Lesbriel, Amy Adams, Oliva Lanoe, Elizabeth Collenette, Jasmine Atkinson, Carson Rive, Alice Inder, Aimee Duckworth, Rosalie Cluett-Hall, Alisha Pipet, Olivia Atkinson, Harry Thomas, Tahmid Rahman, Aimee Le Cras, Molly Newman, Sarah Le Hurray, Shannon Hussey, Caitlin Jouning, Lily Coutanche, Jess Pattimore, Annie Setters, Miles Brown, Clainagh Black, Noah Millar, Ethan Dray, Harvey Jackson-Gill, Owen Pugh, Sonny Coggins, Adam Walter, Grace Manford & Amber Le Page.



SSHS Science Stars

Congratulations to our Science Stars for this half term.

Year 7

Jenson
Moherndl

Year 8

Harriette
Jager

Year 9

Rafe
Rang

Year 10

Liv
Lloyd

Year 11

Shannon
Hussey

Well done for such a great start to the new year!



Year 7 Build a Cell Competition

Congratulations to the 3 winners



L-R Lars Austin 7CCK,
Maisy Campbell 7LTS and Oliver
Hulse 7LTS.



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Y11 RAF MORNING

Y11 students enjoyed a morning of leadership, teamwork and communication activities with Corporal Steven Henderson and Sergeant Chris Ward from the RAF on Wednesday, 13th September.



Y7 & 8 CODING CLUB

Do you have an interest in gaming?

This is your chance to play some of your favourite games and increase your skills on the computers.

If so come along and register with Mrs Kaine
Tuesday lunchtime Gaming Club CG5



Open to Year 7 & Year 8 students only

Places are limited to 15 students

Tuesday CG5 12.55 to 1.15



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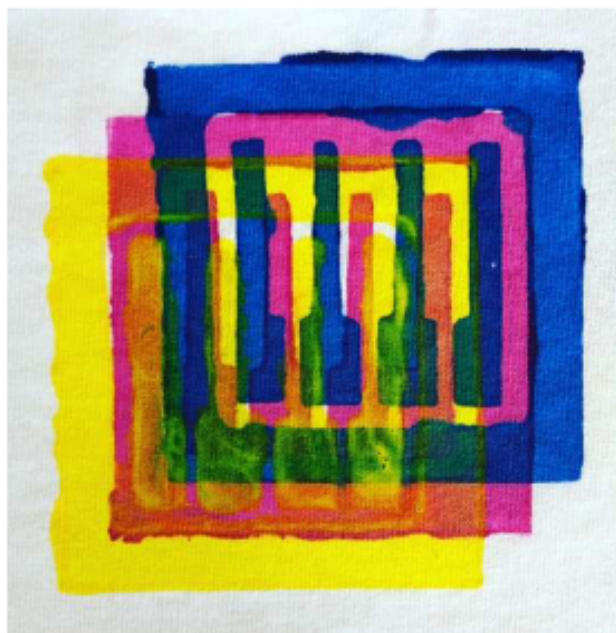
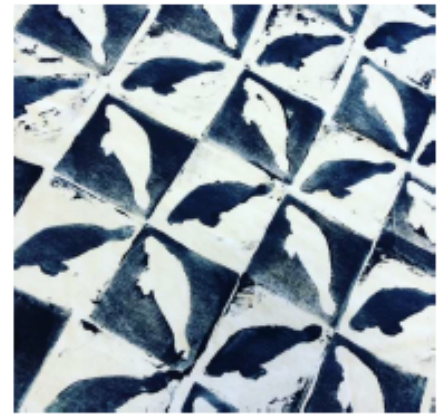
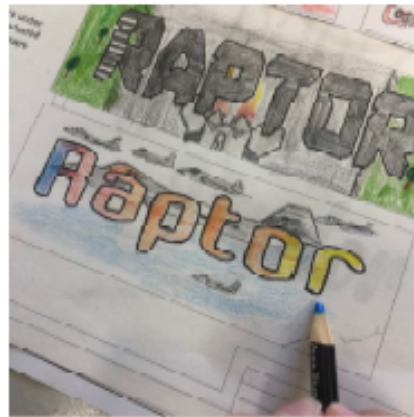


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GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION



So much beautiful work happening in the Graphics area of the D&T Department at the moment. Please have a look, via the QR code, at current work happening in Graphics.



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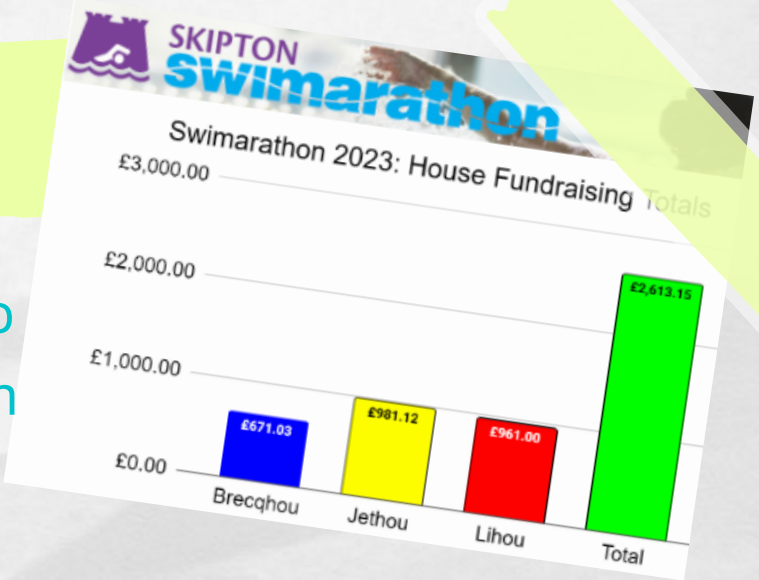


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SWIMARATHON

We were delighted to see so many students taking part in this year's Swimarathon. It was fantastic to see the enthusiasm and we are very grateful to everyone who took part and donated.



Our Charity Reps were awarded the Milvus Software Trophy for most money raised by a school with its own pool: £2618.15



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PARENT FORUMS

5:30PM

Tuesday 31st October 2023 – Careers and Personal Development

Tuesday 14th November 2023 – Importance of PE and physical activity on children's physical and mental development.

Tuesday 21st November 2023 – Inclusion and additional needs support.

Tuesday 05th December 2023 – How to support my child in KS3 Maths.



HAPPY HUT

We are delighted to have been given £200 as initial funding from the PTA to start up our new "Happy Hut" wellbeing space which can be accessed by all students with no questions asked.

Following a survey to students, the overwhelming majority said they would utilise the new facility which will be stocked with a variety of things that they have been able to request including: personal hygiene products, stationery, water bottles and more. There will be ongoing input from students who will can make suggestions about future items they may benefit from being able to access. We look forward to working alongside the PTA termly to continue supporting our efforts.

If, individually, anyone would like to make a donation towards items or if you have any business contacts who would be interested in providing any form of sponsorship, please contact Ms Chesters directly via emma.chesters2@stsampsonshigh.sch.gg.

We really look forward to being able to provide ongoing support to our students and spreading the Happy Hut love!



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Y9 FOOTBALL - B TEAM



It has been great to see this team grow in communication and teamwork. We can expect to see lots more great things from everyone involved!



Y9 FOOTBALL - A TEAM

Students have shown impressive teamwork and commitment during their matches so far. We have been really impressed with the amazing goals that have been scored so far!



Y10 FOOTBALL

Our Y10 students have risen to the challenges they've faced so far this season. We have seen lots of dramatic moments and some tense matches.



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Y10/11 NETBALL

We are so proud
of the KS4
students who
represent SSHS.
Congratulations
on your recent win
against
Blanchelande!



CROSS-COUNTRY

SSHS Y7/8

Boys: 3rd

Girls: 4th

SSHS Y9/10

Boys: 2nd

Girls: 2nd

We were delighted that
Grace King came 1st for
Y7/8 Girls.



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Y7 FOOTBALL



Both of our Y7 football teams have made an impressive debut, winning matches and showing some exceptional talent.



Y7 NETBALL

Our Y7 netballers have already shown great teamwork and tenacity. We're so proud of how these students are gelling as a team and working hard to improve each week. Keep it up!



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Y9 NETBALL

Our students have had a fantastic season so far. We've seen some great teamwork, great footwork and great wins!



Y11 FOOTBALL



Y11 Footballers

Well done for winning the tournament over the last two weeks. Amazing attitudes and some great football!



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Y8 NETBALL

Our Y8 netballers are showing they've retained their skills from last year and are ready to take on the challenges ahead. Well done, everyone!



Y8 FOOTBALL

We have seen both teams getting off to a great start this season, winning matches against Elizabeth College.



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ENGLISH

Descriptive Writing - Ted Langlois, Y8

Ivy. Ivy strangled the house, whipping the life away. Fog wrapped the house with its long skeletal fingers. The moon, surrounded by seething clouds, shone bright trying to not be put out. Towering, the house cast a shadow covering the dead animals. Crows seem to swarm in the distance. A forest surrounds the house no one knows what is lurking inside. The garden is overgrown, tall trees stand where the once was a shed twisted, skeletal, rotten vines are like a carpet. Death, clung to the air burning my nose and throat. The smell of rotten flesh crawled through the trees.



Guernsey International Poetry Competition

Your poem could be on show in 2024. The Guernsey Literary Festival, together with Guernsey Arts, presents a competition that could deliver your work to thousands of readers.

Winning entries are displayed in two phases: 21 bus poems will be chosen, and the top 9 of these will take part in a second, larger exhibition, first at Guernsey Airport, then all over the island.

Competition
deadline
15 Jan 2024

Entries must be no longer than 14 lines and must fit on a single A4 page.



Ready to submit your entry?
Go to:
enter.poemsonthemove.com



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WELLBEING DROP IN

**Are you feeling overwhelmed,
stressed or anxious?
Come and see us for a chat!**



Sessions held in room AG34

*Take care
OF
YOURSELF*



FRIDAYS
FROM 15 SEPTEMBER 2023



TIME
12:25-1:25

CONTACT US

wellbeing@youthcommission.gg

SHARE YOUR NEWS WITH US!

WE LOVE HEARING
ABOUT OUR STUDENTS'
ACHIEVEMENTS - IN
AND OUT OF SCHOOL.

IF YOU HAVE
SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE
US TO SHARE WITH THE
WIDER COMMUNITY ON
OUR SCHOOL
FACEBOOK PAGE,
PLEASE SEND US AN
EMAIL AND WE'LL POST
YOUR NEWS!



**St Sampson's High School,
Guernsey**

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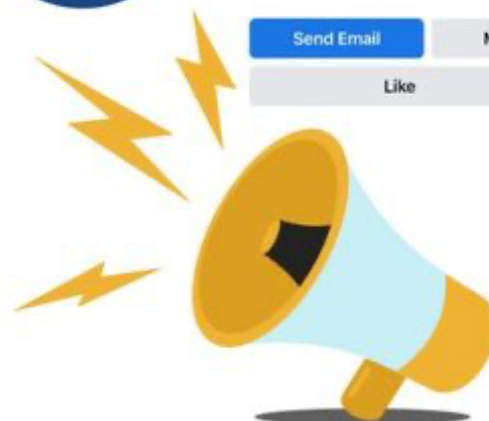
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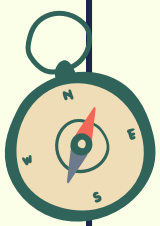
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Students in Y9 were invited to sign up for Bronze and students in Y10 have risen to the challenge of Silver.

We are thrilled that more than 100 students have taken this fantastic opportunity and are already engaged in volunteering, being active and learning skills all across the island.

We are pleased to see so much sea swimming, baking and litter picking happening already!

Reminder:

Bronze - two sections must be completed before January

Silver - one section must be completed and all three must be started before January

Fulfilling both of these requirements will mean that you are invited to after school training commencing after Christmas.

If you have any DofE related queries, please visit the library after 1pm each day.



Any Y10/11 students who achieved their Bronze or Silver Award last year, please keep Tuesday, 7th November free for our presentation ceremony. 6pm in the school hall.



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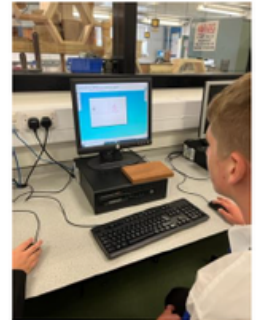
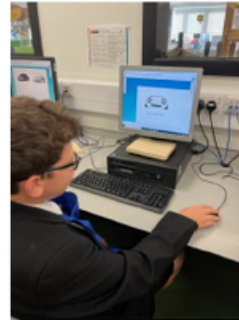
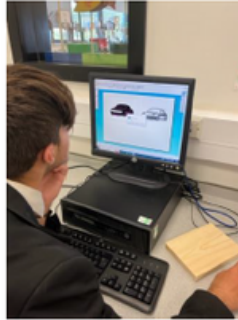
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RESISTANT MATERIALS

Ms Skirka



Y10: Design Inspiration, Modelling & Cad Cam



Y8: Modelling initial ideas



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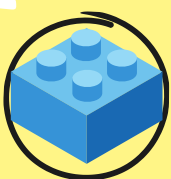


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PACE CLUB

PACE club relaunched this September and we have really enjoyed getting to know the new students over games and lemonade. PACE club is open to all students who want to have fun, make friends and enjoy interesting discussions. Come and find us in room AG34 on Tuesday lunchtimes from 12:25pm.



LEGO CLUB

Mr. Thomas is running Lego Club at lunchtime on Thursdays. The first challenge was to build something around the theme of 'Signs'. William Harris was crowned the winner of the first week's challenge. Great work, William!



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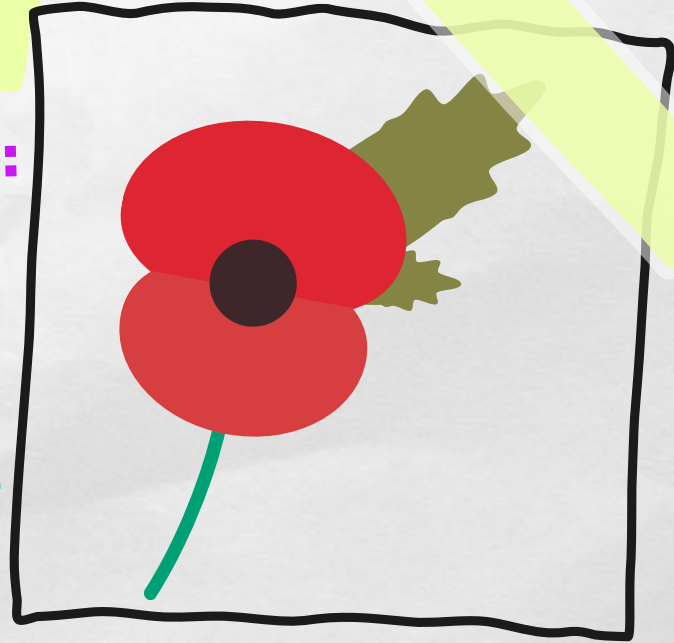


CREATIVE ARTS

PERFORMANCE DATES:

Memorial Service

12th November: 11am Wind Octet
performing at Vale Memorial for
the Remembrance Service



Carol Concert

6th December: Join us for our
Christmas Carol Concert held at St
Paul's Church 7pm featuring the Choir,
Chamber Choir, Orchestra, Chamber
Orchestra, Guitar/Ukulele group,
Woodwind ensembles and Stage
Sound.

Pantomime!

12th and 13th December: A Budget
Cinderella 6.30pm at SSHS. A
pantomime performed by SSHS
Players, Back Beat and Choir. Tickets
will be on sale after half term.



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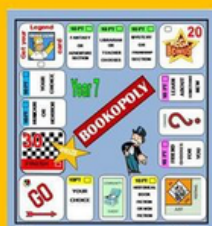
Y7 BOOKOPOLY

Who will take
the lead?

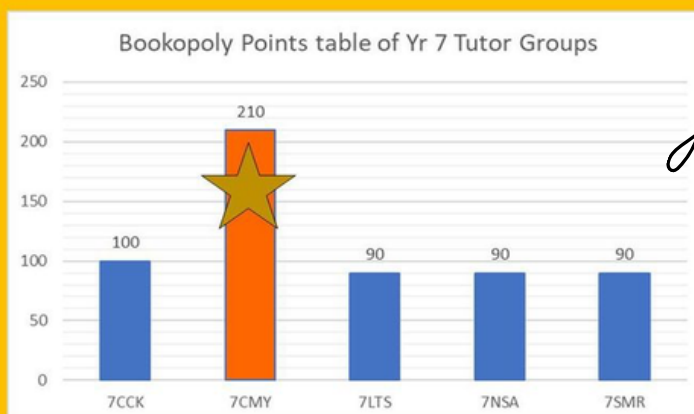
Y7 students have been competing to see who can read the most books. So far, 7CMY are in the lead! Keep up the great reading, everyone. Don't forget to fill in your record each time you finish a book!



Monday
2nd
October
2023



BOOKOPOLY LEADER BOARD



READ
more



BASKETBALL MORNINGS

Put your trainers on and head to the sports hall at 8am each morning to shoot some hoops and warm up for the day.



Y7 TEAM BUILDING

Students enjoyed getting to know each other whilst taking part in different team building activities. We are so pleased with how everyone is settling into the new routines at SSHS.



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GUERNSEY CHORAL FESTIVAL

A number of our students had a fantastic opportunity to work with Bob Chilcott during his recent visit to Guernsey. We were delighted to see representatives from our Choir and Chamber Choir taking part.



MFL BAKE-OFF

Brecqhou house took the victory and achieved house points for the best entries to our MFL Bake-Off competition.

Thank you to everyone who entered.

Ruby Honey won 1st place
Emilia Sexton won 2nd place





FREDDO FRIDAY

Our Freddo Friday celebrations have continued this term. Each week, a student is chosen from every tutor group and their effort, attitude and behaviour is recognised. Well done to all of our winners!



DAILY LEGENDS

Each week, we choose two students to receive a £10 Amazon voucher. Share your Legend on Facebook to double your chances of winning.



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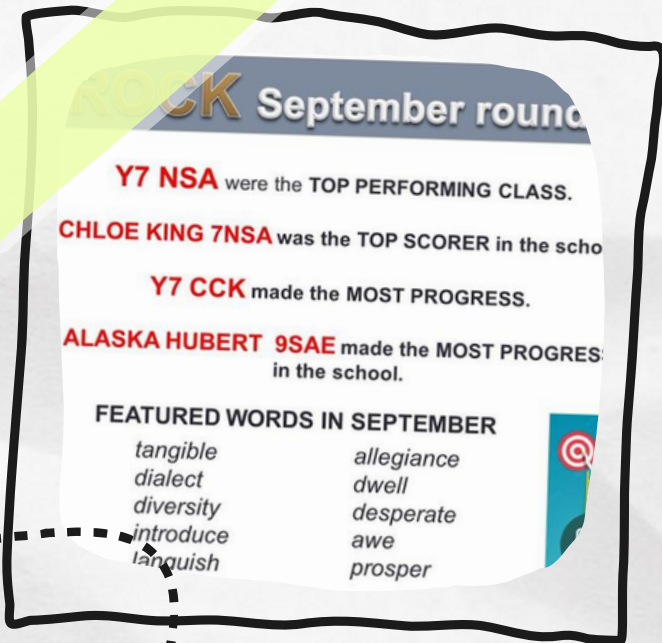


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BEDROCK ROUNDUP

KS3 students have been busy using Bedrock to improve their reading, grammar and vocabulary knowledge and skills. Check our school Facebook page each Tuesday to see which students are 'most improved' and 'top of the leaderboard'.



BAUBIGNY
SCHOOLS PTA

Our PTA needs you! If you would like to get involved with organising events, fundraising or coming up with great ideas for future projects, we'd love to hear from you. Alternatively, email baubignyschoolspta@gmail.com for more information.

Stay tuned for details of our Late Night Shopping Event on the 10th of November.



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FEEL GOOD FRIDAY



ST. SAMPSON'S HIGH SCHOOL FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

We are so proud of
all the students who
have been
nominated for a
Friday phone call.
Keep up the great
work, everyone!



Cara Langlois
Edie Dorrian
Zane Bean
Jacob Enticott
Ellie Luxon
Harry Stone
Ehro Patricio
Rosie Gist

Amelia Sheppard
Ivy David
Sienna De Carteret
Phoenix Mahy
Ben Gosling
Kylan Gallienne
Charlie-Ray Baker

STUDENTS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED BY STAFF TO RECEIVE A
PHONE CALL FROM MRS GODLEY AND THE PRINCIPAL'S
AWARD (WORTH 10 MERITS) ON CLASS CHARTS!



Collectively Diverse
Red

Orange

Yellow

Green

Blue

Purple

Anyone Can Come!
AG34, Monday Lunchtime!
Bring Your Lunch

If You're Feeling:



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Y7 SCIENCE

Y7s have been learning about science lab safety and how to light Bunsen burners safely and appropriately .



GIRLS' FOOTBALL PITCH UP & PLAY

Bring PE kit, water & trainers



● Y7-9, Thursday 9th Nov 3:15-4:15pm

● Y7-9, Thursday 16th Nov 3:15-4:15pm



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