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The new Year 12 Head Girl Team



BBC Journalist Emily Unia



'The Big Debate' about train strikes



The new Year 12 House Leadership Team

News

Current Reads

'The Song of Achilles' - is a book by Madeline Miller published in 2011 which consists of many different genre aspects but mainly showcases romance and fantasy. The book as a whole is narrated by Patroclus, who is apart of Greek mythology and fought in the Trojan War told in the 'Iliad'. The book is inspired by and based on Homer's 'Iliad' and The Trojan War. The Song of Achilles follows protagonist Patroclus, son of Mengetius. At the beginning, his father is disappointed in him for not being as 'noble' as many and when he was nine, he took him to Sparta where Helen would be choosing a husband however, she chooses Menelaus. However, the novel takes a turn shortly after that when Patroclus accidentally kills someone and Mengetius sends him to Phthia where he would meet his long-term friend Achilles.

Review by Alex Rockliffe, Year 12 student

Coming Up and Recent Events

Notices

- Year 13 PPEs: 27th February - 10th March
- Year 12 PPEs: 6th March - 17th March

Upcoming Events

- Half Term Break: 13th - 17th February
- Inset Day: 20th February
- KS5 Careers Fair: 10th March

Clubs

1. Medic Society - Thursdays Lunchtime
2. Current affairs club - Mondays 15:20 - 16:00 in B30 with Mr Lloyd
3. Chess club - Tuesday Lunchtimes 12:45-13:10 in O3
4. Crochet Club - Every 2 weeks Tuesday lunchtime with Ms Bassett
5. Card games club - Tuesday Lunchtimes 12:30
6. Debate Club - Tuesday lunchtimes with Ms Cowell
7. Careers Clinic with Ms Bastienne - Tuesday after school in S18, at 15:30 - 16:30.

Meet Your Head Girl Team:

Lilibeth Hatton - Geography, Classics, Spanish
Vedia Cakmakurdu - English Lit, Spanish, Sociology
Mursal Habibi - Biology, Chemistry, Psychology

Meet Your Leadership Team:

Rose Takubyansi - Biology, Chemistry, Maths
Sajidah Kamal - Biology, Chemistry, Geography
Isabella Hudson - Finance, Business, Spanish
Ayesha Amin - Biology, Chemistry, Physics
Evelynn Chan - Biology, Chemistry, Psychology
Tharanitha Thiyagarajah - Biology, Chemistry, Maths
Sagal Mohamed - Health & Social Care, Applied Science



Achievements

Congratulations to Year 13

Subject Awards:

Nafiso N & Ilhan M - *Applied Science*
Rebecca C & Lois T - *Art*
Maryam S & Siena D.M - *Biology*
Khodaja G & Jada S - *Chemistry*
Elizabeth E & Wendy L - *Economics*
Beren D & Martha L - *English literature*
Sabrina R & Isabelle B - *English language*
Eve M & Isabella C - *Film studies*
Megan F & Martha L - *Geography*
Sedinam N.M & Ilhan M - *Health & Social*
Clanna M & Senem D - *History*
Kaitlin B & Gabriella L - *Maths*
Meghan G & Charley E - *Philosophy*
Emily C & Isabella C - *Photography*
Deborah B & Abigail S - *Politics*
Hatice C & Siena D.M - *Psychology*
Beren D & Jasmine G - *Sociology*
Julena S & Catherine N - *Spanish*
Charlie C & Emily C - *Textiles*

Community Involvement Awards:

Milo S, Imogen H, Nafiso N, Kasha-Marie A, Amna A, Rithu S

Year 13 Awards:

Rebecca H & Elizabeth E

Congratulations to Year 12

Subject Awards:

Marian V.T & Sagal M - *Applied Science*
Safiyah A & Zerda T - *Art*
Rose T & Juhaymah H - *Biology*
Negenam M & Alero E - *Business*
Evelynn C & Hania B - *Chemistry*
Aisha A.K & Gabriella M - *Classics*
Amelia C & Lilibeth-Ann H - *Geography*
Tallulah R & Jazz S - *Film Studies*
Karolina T & Fateha A - *History*
Joshili R & Negenam M - *Health & Social Care*
Vedia C & Lilibeth H - *Languages*
Kushi P & Milla T - *Maths*
J'adore R & Sagal M - *Level 2 Maths*
Eirini G & Madeleine D - *Politics*
Hania B & Raisa N - *Psychology*
Ellie S & Dilara C - *Sociology*
Amelia C & Isabelle M - *Textiles*
Safa A & Scarlett L - *Level 2 English*

Community Involvement Awards:

Fariha H, Fatimah R, Ayesha A, Joshili R, Evelynn C, Rose T, Taqrim R, Tharanitha T, Mursal H

Enrichment and Progression Opportunities

External Speakers

- On the 19th of January, midwife Anouk Lloyd delivered a speech to Post-16 students discussing her pathway to midwifery and key information on the skills required. She delivered a positive message, advising us to pursue our dreams, sharing her own story of travelling for a few years and then having a child, yet still achieving her dream of becoming a midwife today.
- 2 guest speakers visited health and social care students to speak about the importance of recognising abuse and how to support victims. Different types of abuse were discussed such as: psychological, emotional and domestic. To report abuse contact: 08082000247
- BBC Foreign affairs Reporter Emily Unia spoke to Post 16, on the 25th of January, about her career and daily routine. Inspiringly, her path into journalism began from her interest in writing! She gained early experience volunteering at a local radio station run by students when she was in Post 16. Emily went on to study English at Oxford, before completing a Masters in broadcasting journalism at Cardiff University. According to Emily, the key skills that make up a journalist are organisation, speed, accuracy and technical skills. She advised us to not fear giving things up when they're not for us.
- Lily O'Kelly spoke to Post-16 students on the 26th of January, about her career as a TV producer, where she designs TV shows for the BBC and Channel 4. Lily described how her job entailed flexibility and being able to make sacrifices whilst maintaining a good social network, essential for this vocation.

Film Review

- 'Avatar: The Way of Water'

The renowned movie Avatar, known for gaining immense attraction for its remarkable graphics worldwide, is followed by the sequel movie 'Avatar: The Way of Water' which, like its predecessor, did not disappoint. This science fiction movie follows the previous protagonist Jake Sully and his wife Neytiri as they try to protect the family they have created in Pandora. However constant evasion from the Sky people, otherwise known as humans, cause worry amongst neighbouring tribes and constant conflict between the Sully family leading them to leave the place they once called home and join the water tribe of Metkayina, where a budding romance begins to form as Jake's son Lo'ak and daughter of water tribe leader Tsireya become familiar with the presence of one another. Trouble, however, does not end there whilst the sky people trek tirelessly to find Jake's location only causing a bigger and irreplaceable rift between the family. Their last hope resides in their daughter Kiri, who has a dark yet life-saving secret she is yet to discover.
Review by Fariha Hossain, Year 12 Student

Extracurricular Opportunities

- **Reading at lower school** - Friday P1 (talk to Mr Maxwell & Ms Ogundario for more information)
- **Explore Oxbridge Programme**
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc6TBJx1W6sDRm0KblSetMRmJMHFANV5BPNUqS-z9Bq9Y_xg/viewform
- **Think Cambridge Webinars (online sessions)**
<https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/21FO00rhri5gml008hqs7s93fj>
- **In2MedSchool Mentee application form**
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeV_epa anfnAVDac7vCv-8oBgyXXFHkOzh7RnnBuz0gsplzgg/viewform
- **NHS careers fair at Middlesex University Campus**
<https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/21FO00g4rodyc0080wym9qqvk>
- **Free workshops from BCE** (during half term):
 1. **Digital Production, Design and Development:**
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bce-winter-sessions-code-load-t-level-digital-production-design-tickets-506400907747>
 2. **Sports Studies:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bce-winter-sessions-gains-gains-gains-sports-studies-tickets-506314388967>
 3. **Music Events Management:**
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/winter-sessions-music-events-music-events-management-tickets-507559563317>
 4. **Commercial Dance:**
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bce-winter-sessions-commercial-street-dance-tickets-507700595147>
- **Virtual Work Experience**
<https://www.springpod.com/virtual-work-experience/search?status=Open>

Uni Open Days

18th February 2023

- University of Bedfordshire: Nursing & Midwifery Drop In - Aylesbury
- Central Film School London
- Coventry University London
- University of East London
- University of Roehampton London (virtual)

For more University Events see:

<https://www.unitasterdays.com/search.aspx>

Revision Websites

- <https://www.revisely.co.uk/>

A great resource for video tutorials, revision notes, topic exam questions and past papers!

- <https://www.savemyexams.co.uk/a-level/>
Includes a variety of topic notes and exam questions for all exam boards! (Has a subscription fee, however, if you split the price between friends it will be cheaper)

- <https://app.senecalearning.com/courses?>
A free, interactive resource to help you learn and revise various topics of different subjects.

Photo Gallery



'The Big Debate' on whether teacher strikes are responsible or irresponsible



TV Producer Lily O'Kelly



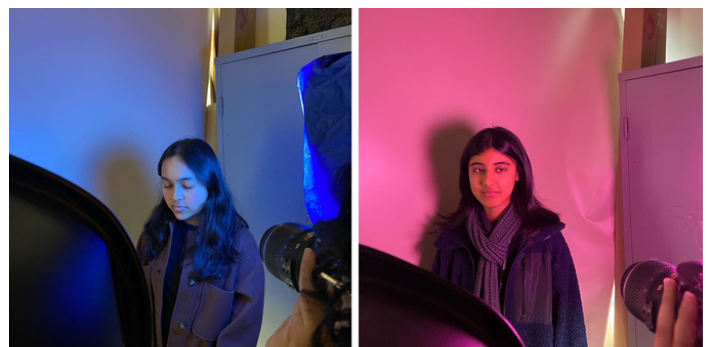
Year 12 Achievement Assembly



Emily Unia broadcasting live at the Queen's funeral



Year 13 Achievement Assembly



Photography coursework shoot