

# Parent Bulletin, 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

## Events wc. 24<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Week 2	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 7 Assembly (in school, students)
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 8 Assembly (in school, students)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 11 Assembly (in school, students) Trip to Woolpit (Outdoor Learning)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 9 Assembly (in school, students)
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 10 Assembly (in school, students)

## Bake Sale

Thank you to families who contributed to our recent bake sale for 'Children in Need'. We raised £218! Well done to 7AWN for raising the most (again!) Thanks Year 7 for the last TWO successful sales. Here are the top three form groups:

- 7AWN £75.10
- 7DRR £47.10
- 7LHS £34.60

## Fixture news

- Congratulations to our Basketball team who were runners up in a tournament this week; this was their first time taking part in an official fixture! They have progressed to the County Finals which will take place in December.
- The year 8 boys football team lost to Alde Valley 5-1. On what was an extremely tight first half ended in defeat in what were arctic conditions! The boys battled valiantly throughout and kept going until the end showing great team spirit and resilience.
- The Year 7 netball team played in a round-robin tournament yesterday. It was so cold and they played very well considering the conditions. We came joint 4th overall and lost 3 of our games by one goal.
- The Under 14 girls football team lost unfortunately to a very good St Joes team. The first 10-15 minutes we had most possession and played some good football. They had 4 very strong player who came alive especially in the second half. We lost 12-1 overall but I am so proud of their perseverance and the fact they never let their heads drop. Their coach said we had been their toughest opposition to date and that the score line didn't truly reflect the game.

## GCHQ Careers Session

The secret is out!

We engaged in an online session with language analysts from GCHQ (Government Communication Headquarters), who spoke about their job roles, their language journeys and gave us an insight into the work they do alongside other agencies such as MI5, MI6, NCA (National Crime Agency) and NCSC (National Cyber Security Centre). Students then engaged in an activity trying to bust a drugs ring (in French) and tackling cyber-crime (in Spanish).

The students engaged really well and asked some great questions in the Q&A session at the end - though many the presenter was not permitted to answer!

If you want to find out more about the work carried out at 'the doughnut', check out [About us | GCHQ Careers](#)

**Wolsey 550 Youth Voice Unlocked, Ms Wilson**

A big well done to the year 10 Art and Graphics students who joined our Wolsey 550 Youth Voice Unlocked trip. They produced some fantastic window paintings and helped to create a mural which is now visible in The buttermarket and various businesses around town. If you get the chance, go and take a look!

**Community Artwork, Ms Cunningham**

Over the next few weeks, you'll spot our students' artwork brightening local businesses! Bekash Tandoori, Fry-Days, and Alec Butcher Funeral Directors on Meridith Road are already on board, and we'll be reaching out to Garrick Way and Henley Rise in the new year. This initiative strengthens community ties and fosters belonging by giving students a visible role in the places they live and learn. It shows that creativity matters beyond the classroom, inspires aspirations, and supports local businesses too. If you know a business that would like to join in and display some artwork, please contact Ms Cunningham.

**Art request for Fruit Netting**

We're collecting the plastic netting/mesh that comes around fruits such as oranges, lemons, limes, avocados, and kiwis for an upcoming project.

If you have any at home, please bring it in rather than recycling it! Please drop donations off to Ms Thorpe Room 1.39. Thank you for your support!