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SYNAGOGUE TRIP

by Miss Wright

A group of year 10 learners visited the Northampton Hebrew Congregation to explore the synagogue and deepen their understanding of Jewish beliefs and practices.

The learners enjoyed hearing about Jewish history, and how that continues to influence the lives of Jews today.



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by Miss Wright

Year 12 learners had an exciting and thought provoking day of exploration in Oxford earlier in term. They participated in a range of sessions, covering topics from the true meaning of justice, to the psychology of outstanding achievement, to how rock guitars can help explain string theory. The day was enjoyable and informative, helping students to consider what higher study at Oxford and Cambridge would be like in future.

Oxbridge application support is being offered to year 12 learners. Please contact Mrs Wright for further information, if you would like to be part of our ongoing programme.



TALK FROM TRINITY COLLEGE OXFORD

by Miss Wright

Year 10 and Year 12 participated in an Outreach session led by Hannah Rolley, Head of Access at Trinity College Oxford. Learners heard about UCAS, Oxbridge and Russell Group Universities, with a focus on how to make competitive applications.

It was really inspirational session for all and learners have enjoyed building upon this in Careers and PSHE sessions.



ROYAL
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A huge congratulations to Mia (Y9) on being given a place as a Royal Ballet Senior Associate with the Royal Ballet.

Mia has worked exceedingly hard to secure this position and we are all very proud of her!

RED NOSE DAY

by Dr Rautenburg

We are very pleased to share with you the grand total of our Red Nose Day events this year, which has smashed our target of £1,500! Grand Total (so far) £1609.36!

A brilliant Wootton Park School family effort!



BOOK OF THE MONTH

by Mrs Jones & Mrs Collard

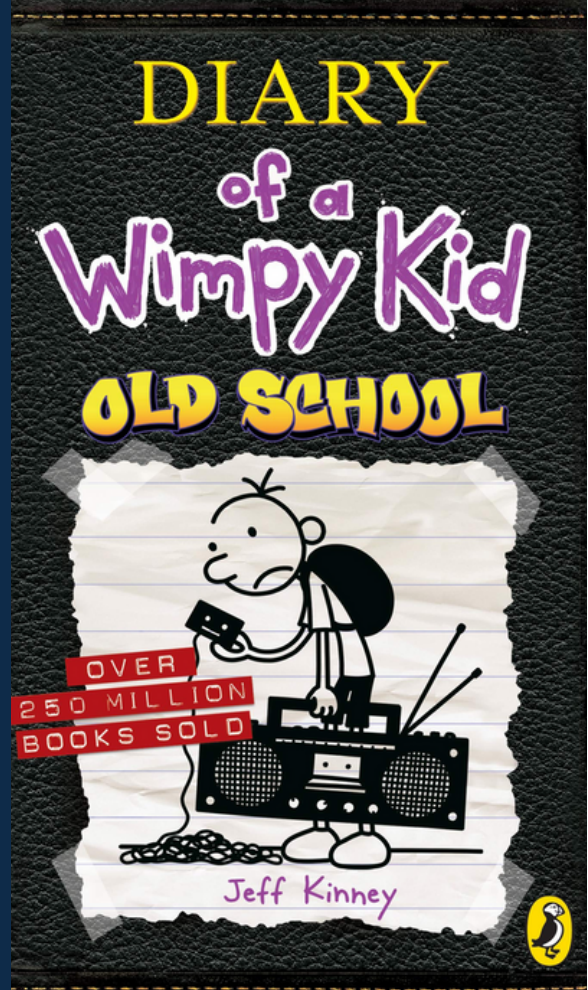
Diary of a Wimpy Kid – Old School

More shenanigans ensue when Greg's grandfather comes to live with them, the town tries to spend a day without electronics, and Greg's class goes to a haunted camp.

Life was better in the old days. Or was it?

That's the question Greg Heffley is asking as his town voluntarily unplugs and goes electronics-free. But modern life has its conveniences, and Greg isn't cut out for an old-fashioned world.

With tension building inside and outside the Heffley home, will Greg find a way to survive? Or is going 'old school' just too hard for a kid like Greg?



DERNGATE THEATRE TRIP

by Mrs Billington

On Monday 3rd April, a group of secondary musicians from years 7 to 10 went to the Derngate Theatre. We went to watch the National Youth Jazz Orchestra (NYJO) perform a selection of songs by Ray Charles, sung by the leader singer of the Strictly Come Dancing band, Tommy Blaize, as well as some of NYJO's own singers.

NYJO is a jazz band for young performers aged 18-25, and is made up of some of the best young jazz musicians in the country. For many of our learners, watching a jazz ensemble was a new experience, and one that they really enjoyed! For others, many of whom already play in NMPAT county jazz groups, it was an opportunity to experience new music, be inspired by fantastic solos and perhaps it was a glimpse into their own future!

What did you enjoy most about the NYJO trip?

"The feeling of community and going with friends, as well as the music played." – Year 9 learner

"The music was so upbeat! Watching the different instruments at a different level to my jazz group is so inspiring." – Year 7 learner

"Seeing all of the different types of instruments and listening to them play." – Year 7 learner

We look forward to even more of you joining us on our next music trip!



SIXTH FORM KEY DATES

by Mrs Clarke

Year 11

- Tuesday 4th July – Sixth Form induction day (for those that have accepted offers for WPS VI)
- Thursday 24th August – GCSE results day

Year 12

- Wednesday 17th May – Post-18 Parent information evening (5pm)
- Week commencing 3rd July - Work Experience
- Friday 14th July – Personal Statement deadline

Year 13

- Friday 5th May – Students that study coursework subjects & BTEC subjects will no longer need to attend these lessons from 5th May once teachers have confirmed that all work has been submitted.
- Monday 8th May – For most courses, students will need to respond to offers on UCAS by this date. See here for advice: <https://www.ucas.com/connect/blogs/replying-offers-%E2%80%93-your-questions-answered>
- Friday 12th May – Final “full timetable” day. After this date, students will only need to attend subject lessons where they still have an exam. Tutor sessions and PSHE lessons will come to an end on this date.
- Friday 12th May – Year 13 Student & Parent BBQ (4.30pm-6.30pm)
- Thursday 22nd June – Year 13 Celebration Assembly (9.40am). There will be the opportunity to say goodbye, sign shirts and receive a few treats.
- Friday 23rd June – Year 13 Prom at Brampton Heath Golf Club (7.30pm-11.30pm)
- Thursday 17th August – A Level Results Day



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