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# NEWSLETTER



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## UPDATES FOR THE PARENTS OF KINGS'



Welcome to our new pupil leadership team

## HPQ LUNCH

On Thursday June 23rd we, the participants in the Higher Project Qualification (HPQ), all had a fabulous lunch with Dr Adams and our HPQ teachers celebrating the completion of our 2000-word AQA HPQ project and final essay. The qualification is worth half a GCSE and leads on to the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), which we would all hope to complete in Year 12! Thank you to the teachers for their continuous support during these weekly sessions and well done to everyone who finished them. We are looking forward to the amazing results in September.

It was hard work going through back-to-back tasks and meeting expectations every week, but the outcome was most definitely worth the effort. We learnt about referencing, how to research ethically and how to construct an essay.

Good luck to anyone planning to attend next year. You need to know that all that matters is that you are pushing yourself and challenging yourself to try and finish, because one step towards the future you want is better than none at all.

Charlotte (Yr



## HAMPSHIRE BOOK AWARDS

On the 29th June ten Year 8 judges, accompanied by Mrs Miles, made their way to Applemore College in Dibden Purlieu. Here they got to meet and mingle with judges from other secondary schools across Hampshire. There were enthusiastic discussions as the judges debated the merits of the six shortlisted books and having spent the past three months reading these books and analysing them in great detail, the chat was both lively and informed. The six books on the shortlist covered different genres and styles and presented our judges with a challenging experience, but they rose to the challenge quite magnificently. Cardboard Cowboys addresses the issue of homelessness, while Black Brother, Black Brother deals with racism in the United States. Giften is a dark fantasy, and Tsunami Girl mixes historical fact with Manga, and The Five Clues is a fascinating whodunnit. But in the end, the judges reached a unanimous verdict and the winner was Ground Zero, a powerful and thought-provoking novel set firmly in the recent past. Congratulations to our year 8 Judges who acquitted themselves brilliantly on the day and throughout the competition.

Copies of all six shortlisted books are available to borrow from the school library.



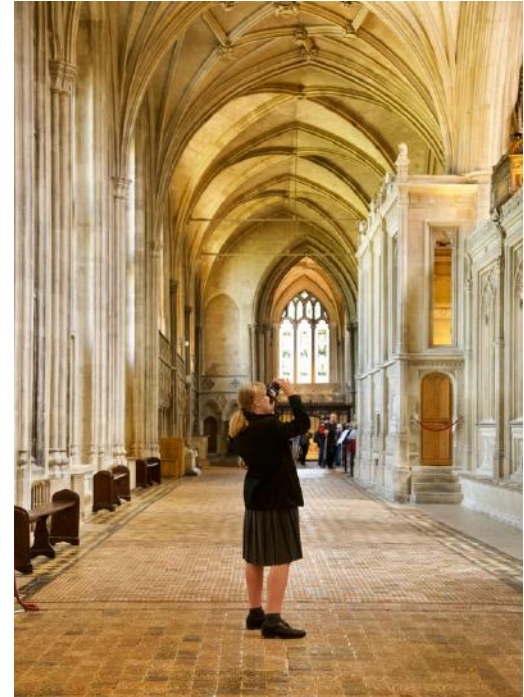




## GCSE ART AND TEXTILES VISIT TO THE CATHEDRAL

The Art department has recently taken its Yr 10 pupils to visit Winchester Cathedral in preparation for their Mock Exam. Pupils were given a tour by the cathedral guides and were then encouraged to explore the cathedral to collect resources, photographs and sketches for their own research and development of ideas. The pupils will then experiment with these ideas to create a personal response to the brief, using the cathedral as inspiration. We are really excited that the pupils will be able to work on this project further, in a bespoke workshop with the renowned artist Ian Murphy.

Sincere thanks to Winchester Arts Society for assisting with the cost of this workshop. We know it will provide pupils with a wide range of skills and experiences that will be invaluable to them during the remainder of their Art careers. We are particularly pleased to announce that pupils will then have the rare opportunity to exhibit their work in the cathedral in the Spring of 2023. We are looking forward to seeing how they respond to this exciting challenge and to see their final outcomes. We will keep you informed about our exhibition closer to the time.



## WINCHESTER COLLEGE TRIP

Pupils from Year 9 recently visited Winchester College to take part in an ecology workshop with their science department. They visited the school's science library and natural history exhibits, as well as making use of the school's grounds. The pupils learned more about how species are adapted to their environment, how fossils are formed, factors affecting the distribution of lichens and identified aquatic invertebrates in the River Itchen. All of the pupils learned a lot and enjoyed the unique experiences offered by Winchester College.





## SPORTS DAY

After a 2 year hiatus, we finally welcomed the return of the much anticipated Kings' School Sports day. With the sky clear of rain, we saw pupils and staff massively engaged in a variety of sport and the event saw the whole school pull together in a way that made the PE department incredibly proud. A huge congratulations to all the participants and especially to those who achieved medal success. It was a day to remember.







# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



## FESTIVAL OF CHEMISTRY AT PORTSMOUTH UNIVERSITY

On Wednesday 29 June, ten students from Year 10 travelled to Portsmouth University to participate in a Festival of Chemistry. The event, run by the Salters Institute, was one of nine taking place at universities across the country. We joined 8 other schools from across the south for a fantastic day exploring chemistry.

In the morning, Professor Paul Cox, from the School of Pharmacy and Biomedical Sciences, revealed to us that as a computational chemist his 'laboratory' was his computer. He demonstrated how he uses sophisticated computer modelling to help solve the structures of complex molecules such as proteins and enzymes in our bodies. We used 3D glasses to bring these molecules to life in the lecture theatre.

Later we were given the opportunity to do some chemistry ourselves in the laboratories, where we synthesised the drug aspirin.

The day closed with a question and answer session with three chemists from the University who shared their experiences of working in very different aspects of chemistry. The panellists answered many excellent questions posed by the pupils on their careers and experiences as chemists.

A huge thank you to Portsmouth University for hosting us and to the Salters Institute for facilitating such a fascinating day.



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### Parent Voice

We are currently reviewing our pupil toilet provision. We are asking pupils and parents for their opinion about how we can improve a range of aspects including accessibility and the quality of the environment.

We would welcome your opinion regarding our pupils' toilets. If you would like to be part of a focus group, please complete the form **here by 15th July 2022**.

Thank you for your support.

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

14th July - Beauty and the Beast production

15th July - Yr9/10 interim reports

11th July-21st July Yr10 work experience

21st July last day



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Finance Assistant  
Site Supervisor  
Year Officer  
Cover Supervisor  
Inclusion Lead

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## PRESENTS



### DISNEY'S BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

THE BROADWAY MUSICAL

EVENING PERFORMANCES  
14TH | 15TH | 16TH JULY - 7PM

MATINEE PERFORMANCE  
SAT 16TH JULY - 2PM

MUSIC BY  
ALAN MENKEN

LYRICS BY  
HOWARD ASHMAN | TIM RICE

BOOK BY  
LINDA WOOLVERTON

ORIGINALLY DIRECTED BY - ROBERT JESS ROTH

ORIGINALLY PRODUCED BY DISNEY THEATRICAL PRODUCTIONS

THE AMATEUR PRODUCTION IS PRESENTED BY ARRANGEMENT WITH MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL

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