



Wadham Words

8 March 2019



The 'new look' Wadham Words will now be distributed fortnightly

CURRENT EXTRA ACTIVITIES

Monday

Lunchtime

Week B only

Yoga in the Sports Hall

Tuesday

Lunchtime Choir in A09

Afterschool Girls netball

Wednesday

Lunchtime

Indoor Hockey in the Sports Hall

Music Tech Club in B02

Afterschool

Boxercise Fitness

Girls Football

Thursday

Lunchtime

Dance in the Sports Hall

Friday

Lunchtime

Singing/Karaoke Club in A09

BOYS FOOTBALL PRACTICE - CHECK THE PE NOTICEBOARD

*Tuesday, Wednesday and
Thursday afterschool
homelearning/catch-up sessions
A13 - 3 - 4.15 pm*

Open to all students

In Psychology this half term students have been learning about the different approaches to psychology with Mrs Hutter, including the cognitive, behaviourist and humanistic approaches. Much of psychology is about experiments. Students recently took part in an experiment focusing on cognitive psychology where they failed to spot a potato masher on a desk in an office because this goes against their internal mental schema of what they'd expect an office to look like. This is an example of the cognitive approach to psychology. In this photo year 13 students are organising the hierarchy of needs according to Maslow using paper cups.



TESCO

Bags of Help



The mental health of the young is much in the news. 'The Bridge' is a bungalow at school we use to support our students. We want to improve this space. @Tesco will give us a grant depending on how many tokens are collected in the Ilminster store. Please help us to collect as many tokens as possible.

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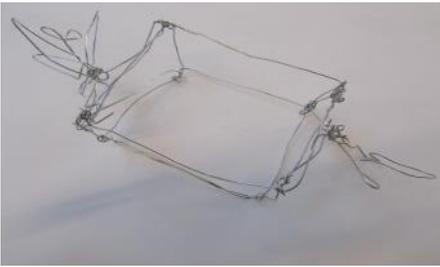
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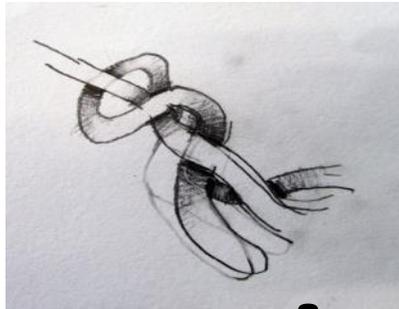
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Yr9 Drawing - 2D and 3D media, working from 'Celebrations' chocolates

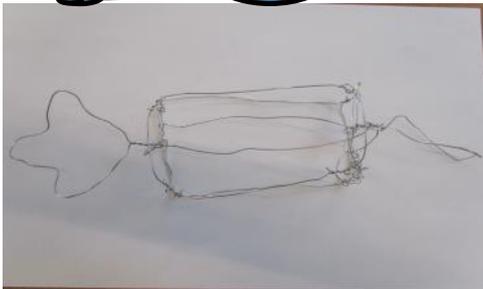


"It's the best project we have done so far!"



"It was fun"

"I found it challenging but I enjoyed it"



"I feel as though I have learned a lot about drawing with different media"

Creative Arts Yr9 making papier mache hats



CAREERS AT WADHAM

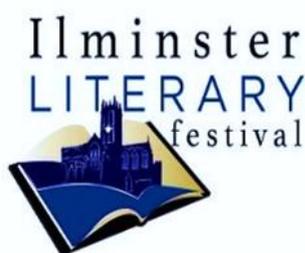
4th – 8th March saw National Careers Week and at Wadham this was celebrated by a number of activities and events. The year 9's were doing some careers based activities in their tutor time around the skills they have and the skills they need for the future. Year 10's now have their Record of Achievement folders, are aware of their options after year 11 and have had a session on how to choose their career, looking at their influences and how to make good decisions. 1:1 careers interviews have now started with Beth Church for the year 10's. Year 11's have been informing us of their progress with their college/sixth form/apprenticeship applications and interviews, and this will be followed up again later this term, to ensure that all year 11's have applied to at least one place, had an interview and been offered a place. Teaching across all subject areas this week has had an emphasis on future jobs and careers, so that all learners can see the relevance of the subject they are studying to a potential future career idea or opportunity.

Talent Academies are ongoing and the students have been providing me with some fabulous feedback to how positive they are finding the experiences. We have a visit for our Year 10 Manufacturing group to Yeo Valley in Cannington this week, a trip to TMB Patterns in Bridgwater for the Year 11 Engineers, and a visit to Yeovil District Hospital for the year 10 Nursing and Health students, both happening next week.

Beth Church, CEIAG Adviser

Well done!

A whopping £451.29 was raised towards the work that Open Door (Taunton) do. A charity that helps rough sleepers in Taunton.



**28th May
to
6th June
SAVE THE DATES!**

“Slummy Single Mummy”
LOOK OUT FOR DETAILS ON www.ilminsterliteraryfestival.org

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Year 9 Netball House Competition

1st Place	Powell	500 House points
2nd Place	Cooper	300 House Points
3rd Place	Berry	200 House Points
4th Place	Gibson	100 House points



On Wednesday 6 March, in all of England's glorious weather, a Year 9 and Year 10/11 netball team travelled to Holyrood for their first fixture of the year in which both teams WON!!!

The final scores being 1-7 for the Year 10/11 team and 7-12 for the Year 9 team!!

Year 9 Football House Competition

Yr 9 boys enjoyed an afternoon of House football. Despite the damp weather the boys enjoyed their first taste of these type of activities. Congratulations to Powell house on being the winner

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2nd Place	Gibson	300 House Points
3rd Place	Cooper	200 House Points
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Yr 9 boys football team played Stanchester in the Yeovil Area Cup and won 5-0. A very good team performance.

HE+ Conference – 27th Feb 19 at Kings Academy, Cheddar

Six students from Year 12 recently attended a HE+ Conference. For the conference they had to research and give a presentation on a topic of their choice that extended or enhanced their understanding of a subject that they were currently studying. As part of that, students produced an A3 board to summarise their findings.

The rest of the conference students were given advice on how to make a successful application for a university place and researchers/lecturers from Cambridge University gave talks on topics they were currently studying



Alternative Timetable Activities

Tank trip—Year 11 Historians

On March 5th, 51 students and 5 staff travelled to the Bovington Tank Museum as part of their current GCSE studies. As well as having free time to look at the numerous tanks on display, two sessions were organised for the students. The first focused on the experience of a typical WW1 Tommy, from enlistment to arrival on the Western Front, as well as what the dangers an ordinary soldier might face fighting in the trenches. The second explored the issue of medicine on the front line in World War One

and illustrated in gruesome detail what was involved in dealing with the British sick and wounded. Throughout the day, the students were engaged in the sessions, gained valuable knowledge and represented the school very well.



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Year 9—Diversity in the UK and British Values

On Tuesday year 9 spent the morning celebrating diversity in the UK and British values. They spent time listening to speakers from Travelers Ed talking about refugee and asylum seekers, Jason from ARC in Taunton discussing homelessness and addiction and Selim from Taunton Mosque talking about being a Muslim in the South West. After listening to the speakers they spent some time in tutor groups looking at four key British values (democracy, rule of law, freedom of religion and liberty) and discussing how each value was important to them and how it would affect the speakers they'd heard. Finally they put together an argument for which value they thought was most important and why in a written piece of work that summed the day up and had them using their evaluation skills. Feedback from the day was really positive and students took a lot from the different speakers, a big thankyou to Selim, Laura, Becky and Jason for coming to take part in the day and all of year 9 engaging with the day so positively.



Year 10—Geographers

Today we went to Lyme Regis (5 March) to study the sea defences and completed the tables we created on the sea defence, bipolar surveys on all the sea defences, using ranging poles and carried out a questionnaire in Lyme Regis town to gather information of what the public have to say about the sea defences.

Shay Allen, Yr 10



Design & Technology

3D Printing



First test prints being produced.



The Design & Technology department have recently taken delivery of a new 3D Printer. This was funded by the Hinkley Connection Project Education Fund Programme. Students are now going to experience hands on the many benefits that 3D printers bring to designing. A wider range of highly complex 3D products will be produced by students and this will benefit all year groups throughout the technology subjects.

Leisure Centre Watch this Space!

We are currently working hard with the District and Town Council to re-launch the Leisure Centre, formerly run by 1610, in the second half of the summer term. We will shortly be in contact with all the local groups who have told us that they are very interested in using the facility.

In the meantime, if you have any questions please email the school office.

Diary Dates

March

Week beginning Monday 11th - Yr 11 Reports home via students

Week beginning Monday 18th - Yr 10 Reports home via students

Thursday 28th - Yr 10 Parents Evening 4 - 7pm

April

Thursday 4th WADSTOCK

Monday 8th—22nd Easter Holidays

Tuesday 23rd - Week B Return to School

Wednesday 24th - Alternative Timetable Day

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