



The Hinckley
SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Building Brighter Futures 2023

16th June 2023

Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),



After a very warm week our year 11s finally finish their GCSE exams today! Next week we look forward to celebrating their successes with them, reminiscing about their time at school and enjoying their company at the prom. We will be in touch later in the year about our Celebration Evening for year 11 where parents will also be warmly invited to take part in their children's academic success and collect exam certificates.

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Thank you to those parents who attended our year 12 UCAS evening on Wednesday to help support their children through the university applications process. Feedback from the evening was that it was very helpful and we hope students now feel fully ready to start seriously considering their next steps. Teachers also very much enjoyed meeting year 7 parents on Tuesday to talk through the progress our Bridge children have made this year. Year 9 this week also had a careers day from Willmot Dixon and year 7 have visited Leicester university.

Again, please keep an eye on school communication as there is a lot happening in the last 4 weeks of term, as you can see above. From trips to careers experiences to celebration assemblies, we have much to celebrate this year. Our key stage 4 and 5 Malta trip departs on the 8th July and we are also busy planning next year's New York Trip and Skiing trip. A big thank you to the staff for all of these experiences that they are organising for our children.

Have a lovely weekend

Lisa Hickman—Headteacher

DUKE OF EDINBURGH BRONZE AWARD SUCCESS



Our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's award programme finished this week, to celebrate we played a game of rounders and enjoyed an ice-cream in the sunshine. Our young people were all presented with their first aid certificates and those that had completed their full bronze award, received their certificate and pin badge.

**Congratulations
to George, Teigan, Lucy and Zac!**



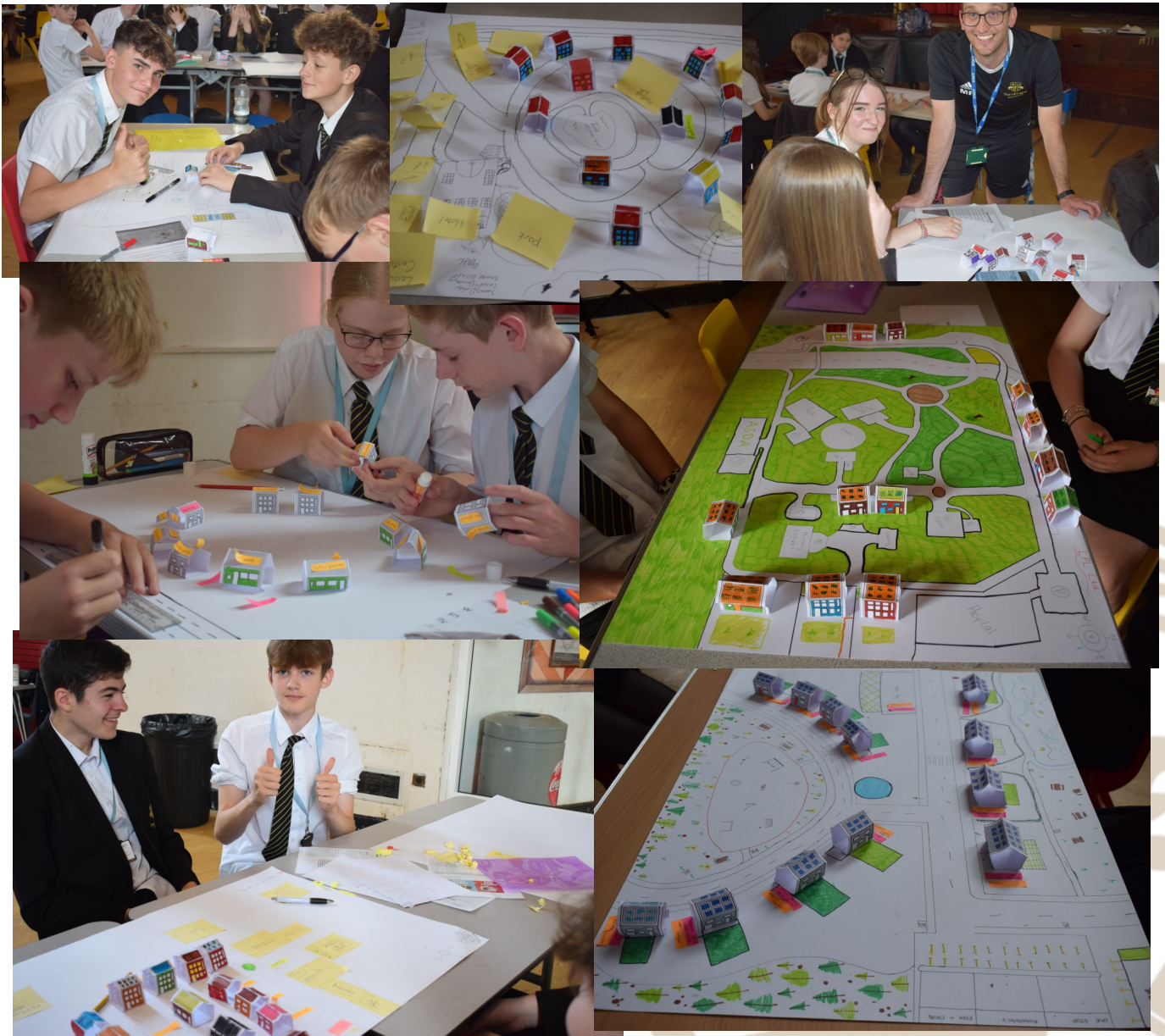
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Y9 BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DAY WITH WILLMOT DIXON CONSTRUCTION

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We are thrilled to share the exciting news of this week's Business Enterprise Day, organised by Willmott-Dixon, where students had the opportunity to take part in planning and building an eco-village. The event aimed to foster entrepreneurial skills and environmental awareness among young minds. Students collaborated in teams, applying their creativity and problem-solving abilities to design sustainable structures and explore eco-friendly practices. Roles included quantity surveyer, environmental planning manager and construction manager. Under the guidance of industry professionals, the year 9s gained insights into sustainable construction techniques and the importance of creating environmentally responsible communities. This hands-on experience not only sparked their entrepreneurial spirit but also instilled a sense of responsibility towards our planet. The 5 hour session will lead to the nationally recognised Industrial Cadets Bronze Award once each student has presented their project to their tutor groups. As you can see from the photographs, there were some very impressive projects. Congratulations to all the participants for their remarkable achievements and we thank Willmott Dixon for their amazing team who ran the day – especially on the hottest day of the year!



BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES

BRIDGE SINGLE MIXER EVENT



Thank you to our select group of Bridge students who represented the Hinckley School with PRIDE this week by facilitating one of our many transition events to welcome our new Bridge students for September 2023. This week we hosted our Singles Mixer event where families and students who are the only students from a feeder primary are able to start to make new friends in advance of our transition days.

THIS WEEK BRIDGE STUDENTS VISITED LEICESTER UNIVERSITY

Every student in the Bridge experiences University life with a trip to one of the UK's leading University providers.

This week was the turn of 7SAR who along with Miss Sargent, had a tour, lecture and team building/problem solving experience with the post graduates at Leicester University.

A fun and informative day was had by all and some students now have their sights firmly set on University life in only 7 years time!



IT'S ABOUT LEARNING

YEAR 9—GET AHEAD WITH YOUR GCSE ENGLISH TEXTS

Year 10 Autumn Term 2023



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The first literature text you will study in Year 10 will be the play 'An Inspector Calls' by J B Priestley.

To enable you to highlight and annotate your text in order to develop your understanding and to support your revision in Year 11, we are asking students to purchase their own copy.

SUGGESTED READS INSPIRED BY OUR STUDENTS FROM THE WORK LAST WEEK COMPLETED FOR EMPATHY WEEK



The Light in Everything, Katya Balen

Tom couldn't be more different. Having escaped from domestic violence, Tom and his mum live in a little flat in the city. Tom is frightened, quiet and timid, finding comfort in folding paper into beautiful birds and filling his room with lights to keep out the dark. When Tom's mum and Zelia's dad fall in love, it's a shock to both children. These reluctant new stepiblings have absolutely nothing in common. Zelia's worried about being replaced by her Dad's new girlfriend and her son, which makes her mean and bitter towards Tom. Tom just wants his Mum to be happy after what she's been through, though he's mistrustful of Zelia's Dad, and shrinks into himself to avoid being noticed.

As the children try to get used to their new lives, tragedy threatens to strike. Both Tom and Zelia are forced to reassess what is truly important - and what makes a family.



The Hate U Give, Angie Thomas

Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds, the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed.

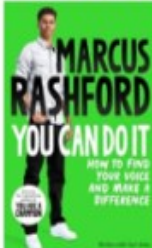
Soon afterward, his death is a national headline. Some are calling him a thug, maybe even a drug dealer and a gangbanger. Frontiers are taking to the streets in Khalil's name. Some cops and the local drug lord try to intimidate Starr and her family. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr. But what Starr does—or does not—say could open her community. It could also endanger her life.



You've Reached Sam, Dustin Thao

Seventeen-year-old Julie has her future all planned out: move out of her small town with her boyfriend Sam, attend college in the city, spend a summer in Japan. But then Sam dies. And everything changes.

Desperate to hear his voice one more time, Julie calls Sam's phone just to listen to his voicemail. And Sam picks up the phone . . . What would you do if you had a second chance at goodbye?



You Can Do It, Marcus Rashford

Marcus uses the power of his voice to shine a light on the injustices that he cares passionately about, and now he wants to help YOU find the power in yours! From surrounding yourself with the right team, to showing kindness to those around you, to celebrating and championing difference, You Can Do It shows you that your voice really does matter and that you can do anything you put your mind to. You don't have to be an international footballer to make a difference - even the smallest changes can have the biggest impact. Packed with more inspiring stories from Marcus's own life, brilliant advice, and top-tips from social justice educator Shannon Weber, this book will show you how to use your voice and make a difference in this world.

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CALLING OUR CREATIVE ALUMNI

As our Art, Design and Technology Faculty continues to develop its Careers Education Programme, Miss Webster would like to hear from any of our past students (JCC, HAJC or THS) who have completed further study and/ or pursued a career in the creative sector.

We understand that your time is precious and appreciate any support that you are able to offer to promote pathways and careers in Art and Design. This could include, but is not exhaustive to:

1. Information regarding your further education, training and career progression
2. Teams/ Zoom calls with our GCSE and A-Level students to discuss the above, showcase practical work and complete a Q&A
3. Presentation and practical workshops for specific groups of students at GCSE and/ or A-Level
4. Visits and tours of the workplace/ studio

If you would like to be involved in the above, please contact Miss Webster directly for further infor-



FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27TH JUNE—Y12 OFFER HOLDER DAY

28TH JUNE—SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TEACHER TRAINING

5TH JULY—Y6 TRANSITION EVENING

13TH JULY—BRIDGE CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY FROM 1PM

LAST DAY OF TERM - 14TH JULY

TERM DATES FOR 23-24 ARE UPDATED ON OUR WEBSITE

PARENTS ARE ASKED TO KEEP CHECKING EMAILS FOR THE ARRAY OF YEAR GROUP SPECIFIC EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS FOR THE END OF TERM