



NEWSLETTER – 28TH MARCH

MESSAGE FROM MRS RICHARDSON, HEAD

Every academic year is a cycle, and in my 29th year of enjoying that cycle as a teacher, I think this is the time of year which is in many ways the most difficult. Younger students will be excited about the coming holiday, while the older ones will be beginning what is perhaps the most crucial few months of their school careers. Staff are certainly looking forward to 5pm this evening with enthusiasm, and I'd like to thank them for all their hard work this term! It is important for older students to remember that the most important things they can do over the next few months is to plan a sensible revision schedule and also to eat, sleep and exercise in a healthy way. We hope that the next few months will pass smoothly for our students, but they should know that whatever happens we will as a community be here to support them.



For younger students, it's essential to remember that the holiday is time for a rest, but it is also an invaluable opportunity to broaden our minds, explore new horizons, and embrace diverse experiences. Whether it's through travel, reading, engaging in creative pursuits, or volunteering within the community, the possibilities are endless. Younger students are encouraged to engage with the Yoto Carnegie book shadowing opportunity, or indeed the alternative reading groups offered to year 9. I know that a number of year 9s are planning to spend some of the break working on their Higher Project Qualifications, and I look forward to hearing more about those in due course.



As parents and educators, we have the privilege and responsibility to instil in our young people a passion for lifelong learning and curiosity. By encouraging them to make the most of their holiday time, we empower them to become questioning, adaptable, and globally aware individuals. I would urge parents to limit screen time as much as possible and instead encourage children to try new activities in the next few weeks.

I wish you all a restful and fulfilling holiday break.



HEADS OF YEAR AWARDS

Each term the Heads of Year recognize students in their year group. The award is not for academic achievement but rather for students who contribute a lot to the school, always do as expected, or have shown particular character or friendship. This term the Heads of Year awarded the following people:

Year 13	Luke
Year 12	Jess and Joba
Year 11	Sam and Leila
Year 10	Sophie
Year 9	Mikey and Amirali
Year 8	Varun
Year 7	William

HOUSE COMPETITION UPDATE

Points so far this year are:



2990



2610



2590



2210

Student Platinum Awards:

Nicholas D	Isabella B	Queenie M	Vivienne B
Luca G	Thomas G	Ena O	Chloe M
Alicia K	Lizzie J	Oscar R	Romario S
Purity S	William L	Harvey T	
Daniela V	Rex N		
Sanvi W	Brendan N		
	Raphael P		
	Shayo Y		


Student Gold Awards:

Amari B	Zach C	Isabella D	Junior G
Eesha B	Aliah M	Ella M	Ben H
Poppy N	Hina O	Saffron T	Joba J
			Erin J

Student Silver Awards:

Abdelrahman A	Josie A	Rania A	Atlanta D
Miki A	Rosie B	Alistair A	Cyrus G
Yuna A	Georgie G	Leo B	Persia L
Gloria F	Jake H	Beatrice D	Jasmine P
Evan F	Kerensa H	Cassian H	Ava S
Hassan J	Josie A	Anaya K	Tyler W
Shanar K	Rosie B	Ryan K	Alice W
Ryan K	Georgie G	Philip K	
Nathan M	Jake H	Lilly M	
Florentia P	Kerensa H	Florence S	
Maria R	Josie A	Paris T	
	Rosie B	Jessica Y	

Student Bronze Awards:

Ava A	Katherine C	Abigail A	Fleur C
James C	Seth-Joshua C	Andonis C	Athena D
Molly E	Yaqub F	Oscar M	Varun H
Dharmani J	Ellis H	Sophia S	Alvin K
Olivia K	Amirali N	Sadhra S	Kiyan K
Jesse S			Tatiana M
Olivia S			Manni O
			Vani P
			Tara P
			Mikey P



PE

Athletes of the week:

Year 7: Brendan N-W

Year 8: Abi A

Year 9: Rohan K

Year 11: Michael M

Year 11 fixture vs North London Grammar

The A team of Mount House stepped up to face North London Grammar's A, B and C team. The first game was against the B team and Luke our magician scored our two worldies that lead to us win 2-0. The second game was against the C team, and our number 9 Leon broke the deadlock by scoring a brace and making us win 2-0 again. In the last game against the A team, our maestro Michael assisted both goals for Leon and Luke for them to win 2-0. Overall, a successful experience for the boys. Special mentions to Zak and Krrish at the back and our keeper Emir.

Written by Michael (year 11)

B Team Match Report

Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to an exquisite display of football prowess as Mount House School took on North London Grammar! The stage was set, the crowd was roaring, and anticipation hung thick in the air like a mist over the mountains. The players lined up, determination evident in their eyes.

As the match got underway, the symphony of football began. Mount House School, a bastion of talent and tenacity, wasted no time in asserting their dominance on the field. Rocco opened the scoring with a first time shot smashing the back of the net. The ball danced at his command like poetry in motion.

Their precision passing and impeccable vision continued into the next game. Tiger displayed his talents, running through before throwing a rocket into the box. In the dying seconds, Alex weaved in between defenders before leaving the goalkeeper disorientated.

The opposition did not back down easily and with determination, were triumphant in the last game. It was a true battle of wills, and a clash of titans.

Written by Rocco (with some artistic licence).



Well played by all students with some brilliant results.

A Team man of the match: Luke

B Team man of the match: Tiger

Over the weekend, Beatrice D showcased her exceptional talent at the inter-regionals trampolining competition, battling for a place in the finals in Birmingham. Through her incredible efforts, Bea gained second position, securing her passage to the finals in July!

The P.E. department is absolutely elated by Beatrice's outstanding achievements, a testament to her unwavering dedication and hard work. We all extend our best wishes for Beatrice's continued success as she prepares for the finals.





ROSIE TAKES PART IN ACTIVE YOUTH GAMES, LILLE

On 13th March I went to Lille in France where I took part in the Active Youth Games, similar in format to the Olympics and for 14-16-year olds. We did wheelchair basketball, fencing, volleyball, spitting darts and break dancing. There was a big ceremony at the end of it, where we met some famous French athletes and they spoke about their experiences. The trip was very fun and we met a lot of people from different countries.



MIKEY'S TRIP TO PARIS

Going to a football match in Paris to see PSG play against Reims was super exciting, especially because it was so different from my usual hangout at the Emirates. The game ended in a 2-2 draw, and the stadium was filled with a mix of excitement and disappointment. Surprisingly, the fans were pretty quiet during the match, which was a big change from the crazy energy I'm used to.

But the best part of the trip wasn't just the game itself. I got to meet the awesome Kylian Mbappé! I took a chance and told him how much I'd love to see him play for Arsenal. When we got to the stadium, the event leader was really nice and gave us a tour. We went into the players' changing rooms and even stepped onto the field. I couldn't resist sitting in the manager's chair!

Feeling the buzz of the players walking around, hearing them chat in French, and hearing their team spirit up close was unforgettable. It totally added a new level of excitement to my love for the game.





NEWS FROM THE CLASSICS DEPARTMENT

Students with a passion for Classics and Latin, please see below some learning opportunities for you to develop your interest of the subject beyond the classroom!

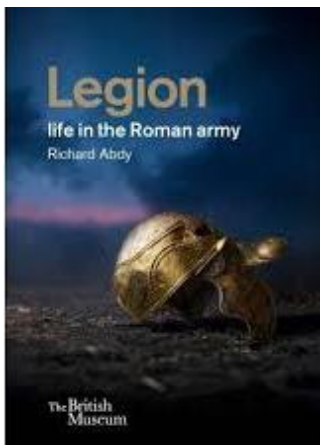
Disney + TV series: Percy Jackson and the Olympians

Percy Jackson is on a dangerous quest. Outracing monsters and outwitting gods, he must journey across America to return Zeus' master thunderbolt and stop an all-out war. With the help of his quest mates Annabeth and Grover, Percy's journey will lead him closer to the answers he seeks: how to fit into a world where he feels out of place, and find out who he's destined to be.

Rated: 12+.



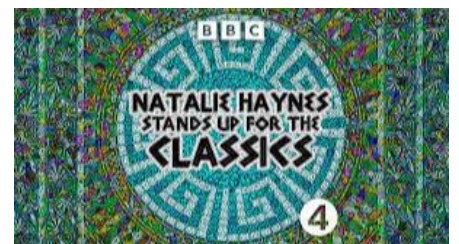
Legion Exhibition at the British Museum



From family life on the fort to the brutality of the battlefield, experience Rome's war machine through the people who knew it best – the soldiers who served in it.

The exhibition runs until the 23rd June. Our GCSE students will be visiting the British Museum next term, but some of our KS3 students might enjoy a visit with their families over the Easter break. Under 16 years free.

On Wednesday 27th March, Anastasia and Katie in year 13 were lucky enough to receive lottery awarded tickets to attend the latest BBC4 recording of Natalie Haynes' popular podcast – Natalie Haynes Stands up for the Classics. This week Natalie spoke about the Egyptian queen Cleopatra and her impact on ancient civilisation.



Natalie Haynes' podcasts and novels are very popular amongst our A Level Classics students, and I would strongly recommend our GCSE Classicists to listen to her episodes on The Odyssey and Penelope, to support their revision over the Easter break.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b077x8pc>

SCIENCE WEEK

During science week, students took part in a number of amazing projects.

They were learning about scientists of diverse backgrounds in the Smashing Stereotypes activity. They found new and exciting ways to measure time, including the importance of not being distracted while you are driving. They also designed better transport routes for new sustainable cities.

We had two major competitions: the poster competition and the roller coaster competition. The top poster in the school was designed by Isobel in year 8.

Thank you to everyone who participated.

Roller coaster design and construction competition

Joint first place - 'Into the unknown' - built by Miku in year 12. 'Pink spider loop' - built by Dharmani, Talya, Georgie, and Sadhra, year 10.

Runner-up - Y9 'Mohamed Express' - built by Santino, Peter, Amirali, and Mohamed.

Designs were very impressive and many incorporated excellent engineering design concepts. They will be issued with their certificates and prizes in their next Physics lesson.



SPEAKERS' CORNER / GLOBAL STUDIES ASSEMBLY

On Friday 15th March, four year 9 and two year 12 students led and presented an outstanding Speakers' Corner assembly which focused on 'Prisoners of Conscience'.

The assembly was led by Beatrice and Darcie. They introduced Lizzy, Reuben and Tyler, who spoke about prisoners of conscience throughout the world with special emphasis on:

- Nasrin Sotoudeh
- Julian Assange
- Alexei Navalny.

The students spoke eloquently and with conviction, outlining the need for students in our school and across the world to campaign for human rights and the right of free speech.

The students received an enthusiastic round of applause from all present and rave reviews from many staff and students.

Well done!

Speakers' Corner is open to any student who wishes to address the school on any issue, idea or concern they may have. It could be an issue associated with current affairs, international events, social and environmental concerns. All Speakers' Corner presenters are awarded a certificate and two prizes.





NEWS FROM THE PTA

This week the PTA supported the two-nightly production of Alice in Wonderland by supplying complimentary refreshments, before and during the interval.

Also, on the last day of term the PTA provided Easter eggs (or alternatives) for all the Mount House students. Happy Easter to all our students and those who support the PTA. See you next term!



Parent Teacher Association
MOUNT HOUSE

BAKE SALE

Thanks to all the parents, teachers, and carers who supported our bake sale and tombola at the school production of Alice in Wonderland earlier this week. We raised £360 for our Wings of Hope Charity. **Darcie, Vani and Aoife.**

SOUTHGATE HOCKEY CAMPS

Booking is now open for Southgate Hockey Club's holiday hockey camps. Keen hockey players of all abilities, please go to <https://www.southgatehc.org.uk/hockey-camps/> for more details.

EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS

4/5 APRIL	Mini Hockey Camp Years 1-6 Junior Hockey Camp Years 6-9 Small group sessions for 1:1, 1:2 or 1:3
8/9 APRIL	Mini Hockey Camp Years 1-6 Junior Hockey Camp Years 6-9 Small group sessions for 1:1, 1:2 or 1:3
11/12 APRIL	Performance & GK Camp Years 8-13 for players of county standard and above Small group sessions for 1:1, 1:2 or 1:3

MAY HALF TERM CAMPS

30/31 MAY	Mini Hockey Camp Years 1-6 Junior Hockey Camp Years 6-9 Performance & GK Camp Yrs 8-13, county standard and above Small group sessions for 1:1, 1:2 or 1:3
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We wish students, parents and staff a happy holiday and we'll see you back in school on Monday 15th April.