



## Y7 REWARD ASSEMBLY

We have had an amazing half term for Rewards.

Having relaunched our Rewards Store in January, students have been clamoring to "buy" the new items with their points. Valentine lollies, Pringles and novelty pens have flying off the shelves on a daily basis.

Mrs O'Keeffe launched Golden Ticket Thursday - 5 Golden Tickets leads to a prize at the end of the day. Students were desperately trying to reach the end goal and reap the rewards! It was a fantastic sight to see!

Free Food Friday has also been a great success, with students being treated to something sweet at break or lunch for achieving 100% attendance!

Keep up the great work everyone!

## YEAR 5 TRANSITION

We welcomed our first groups of year 5 students into the academy this week.

Students from Roseberry Primary and South Stanley Primary took part in an amazing Enterprise activity, led by Mrs R Graham.

It was a very tasty event, with the year 5s designing and creating items of fast food and promoting them.

Everyone had a great time and the students left our academy full of smiles and "hungry" for more!

# Upcoming Events

Day	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Monday	Mars Scientist Talk Oxford Uni Talk Beacon on Light	Mars Scientist Talk Oxford Uni Talk Beacon on Light	Mars Scientist Talk Oxford Uni Talk Beacon on Light	Mars Scientist Talk Oxford Uni Talk Beacon on Light Career Wave interviews	Mars Scientist Talk Oxford Uni Talk
Tuesday	School closed to Year 7 students due to strike	School closed to Year 8 students due to strike	School closed to Year 9 students due to strike	In school	In school
Wednesday					Mock exams start GER - Sociology, Computer Science, English
Thursday	Beacon of Light Paired Reading	Beacon of Light	Beacon of Light	Beacon of Light	GER - Maths
Friday					Gateshead College Visit

## READING



Our first group of Paired Readers have completed stage one this half term! 29 students in year 7/8 have been reading twice a week with a year 10 mentor to raise their confidence. It has been wonderful to watch them develop their skills and see them start to enjoy reading.

On Friday afternoon, the students and their mentors were treated to cookies and a movie in the library as a reward for their efforts this term!

Well done!!!





On Monday our Advanced PEACE Advocates planned, prepared and delivered the first training session for our new PEACE Advocates in year 8.

Well done everyone it was a a great session and you all worked really hard.

See you after half term for the next training session. Wishing you all a restful half term.



## Attendance

We had 671  
students with  
100%  
attendance this  
week

# LIBRARY NEWS



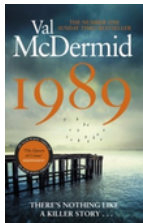
The Yoto Carnegie Medals are awarded annually by CILIP and the Youth Libraries Group to books for children and young people that create outstanding reading experiences through writing or illustration.

The longlist has now been announced!

All of the books longlisted for the Yoto Carnegie Medal for Writing are available from the school library. Why not read them and see if you can predict which will be shortlisted in March?

Once the shortlist has been announced, students will be offered the opportunity to shadow the awards. This means that we will read all of the shortlisted titles and use the award criteria to determine which book, in our opinion, should win the award! We can then vote for that book to win the Shadower's Choice Award.

If you are interested in borrowing any of these books, or in taking part in the shadowing group, please speak to Mrs Thompson in the library.



## BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS!

Join us once a month to share a book and chat over cake and a drink



The meetings will be one evening a month, 5.30 – 6.30, in the school library.

There will be a selection of titles to choose from to start us off, but if you have a book you think everyone must read we can add that to the list.

Refreshments will be available, and if any students would like to accompany you that would be lovely – you'll be able to read the same book and discuss it at home! If the book we choose is unsuitable for students we will provide a book of the same genre or author for students to read alongside the adults.

The group will be free, very informal and a great way to relax with friends old and new.

If you would be interested in coming along please complete this questionnaire before the 30th March.

## WORLD BOOK DAY

This year the World Book Day token will be sent out to parents via Weduc. You can also use the token printed here – it is valid from 16th February until 26th March.

The token can be presented at checkout, on your phone, for a free £1 World Book Day title OR as £1 off any other book.

Students without access to a phone to be able to use the digital token can call into the school library and collect a paper token.



# YEAR 11

Year 11 Mock exams commence on Wednesday 1st March. The timetable has been sent via weduc. To support students with revision we have provided Year 11 with a revision pack of resources to use over the holidays. We are also running a series of intervention sessions over half-term. Please see the schedule on the poster. Students will be provided with free breakfast and Domino's pizza for lunch, as well as receive a raffle ticket for their attendance which enters them into a prize draw to win apple air pods, prom tickets and vouchers. Be in school to win!

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
AM Session 10am - 12pm	<b>Maths</b> X Band	<b>Food</b> All food students	<b>Geography</b> Geography GCSE students	<b>Science</b> All students
	English Y Band		Spanish Speaking DT NEA Making	DT NEA Making
Lunch	PIZZA TIME			
PM Session 12.30pm-2.30pm	<b>Maths</b> Y Band		<b>DT NEA Making</b> Selected students	<b>DT NEA Making</b> Selected students
	English X Band			

