



**NEW-BRIDGE INTEGRATED COLLEGE**  
**THE SCHOOL FOR ALL THE FAMILY**

**Read All About It!**

**September 2017**

**WELCOME BACK TO A NEW YEAR AT NEW-BRIDGE.  
THIS YEAR WE ARE COMING BACK FOR A STRONG START  
WITH A NEW POSITIVE GROWTH MINDSET.**



**THIS YEAR IN NEW-BRIDGE, PART OF OUR WHOLE SCHOOL FOCUS IS DEVELOPING GROWTH MIND SETS FOR ALL OF OUR STUDENTS; A BELIEF THAT, WITH HARD WORK, DETERMINATION AND "GRIT", INTELLIGENCE CAN BE MODIFIED AND ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!**

**TEACHERS HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGING PUPILS TO UNDERSTAND THEIR FULL POTENTIAL FOR SUCCESS AND THAT HARD WORK AND REGULAR PRACTICE BRING IMPROVEMENTS IN INTELLIGENCE .INDEED, WE HAVE BEEN INSPIRED BY THE EFFORTS MADE BY OUR STUDENTS SINCE THE BEGINNING OF TERM AND HAVE HIGH HOPES FOR ALL OF THEM!**

**GROWTH MIND-SET IS ABOUT LEARNING FROM CHALLENGES AND SETBACKS. IT'S ABOUT KNOWING THAT YOU ARE ON A LEARNING CURVE, AND ALTHOUGH YOU HAVEN'T REACHED YOUR GOAL YET, WITH A DETERMINED EFFORT YOU WILL IMPROVE NEXT TIME. ANOTHER WAY OF DESCRIBING THIS MIND-SET IS RESILIENCE .. LOOK OUT FOR VISIBLE SIGNS OF THIS IN EVERY CLASSROOM!**



**MRS HARBINSON'S JUNIOR AND SENIOR ASSEMBLIES LAST WEEK FOCUSED ON THE IMPORTANT THEME OF KINDNESS. LET'S TRY TO REMEMBER THE CHALLENGE SET FOR YOU DURING ASSEMBLY TO PERFORM AT LEAST ONE ACT OF KINDNESS EVERY DAY....REMEMBER EVEN THE SMALLEST ACTS OF KINDNESS CAN MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE TO SOMEONE'S DAY #DOSOMETHINGKIND**

*No act of kindness,  
no matter how small,  
is ever wasted.*

# looking To The future

## YEAR 14 OPEN DAYS



**ON THE 7TH AND 8TH SEPTEMBER, YEAR 14 STUDENTS FROM NEW-BRIDGE INTEGRATED COLLEGE VISITED ULSTER UNIVERSITY AND QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY ON THEIR OPEN DAYS.**

**THE TRIP PROVIDED STUDENTS WITH A VALUABLE INSIGHT INTO THE COURSES PROVIDED AND HELPED NARROW THE CHOICES AND DECISIONS THEY HAD TO MAKE BEFORE COMPLETING THEIR UCAS FORMS.**

**STUDENTS WERE ABLE TO SEE FIRST-HAND THE CAMPUS FACILITIES, VISIT MULTIPLE DEPARTMENTS AND SEEK ADVICE ON ADMISSIONS, FINANCE AND ACCOMMODATION.**

**OUR ENTHUSIASTIC STUDENTS TOOK FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND SUBJECT WORKSHOPS, SPEAK TO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ALREADY UNDERTAKING COURSES OFFERED AND DISCUSS WHICH CAREER PATHS WOULD BE OPEN TO THEM.**

**IT ALSO PROVIDED AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE THE STUDENT UNION AND ASK SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THE STUDENT SOCIAL SOCIETIES IN BELFAST.**

*Mrs D. Morgan  
Head of Careers*

## YEAR 8: "OUR SCHOOL OUR BUSINESS"



**YOUNG ENTERPRISE VISITED YEAR 8 ON FRIDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2017. THE PUPILS PARTICIPATED IN THE 'OUR SCHOOL OUR BUSINESS' PROGRAMME. THEY LOOKED AT THEIR ROLE WITHIN THEIR "BUSINESS" AND HOW THEY COULD IMPROVE IT. IT WAS A GREAT DAY AND THE PUPILS HAD FUN LEARNING!**

*Mrs D. Morgan*

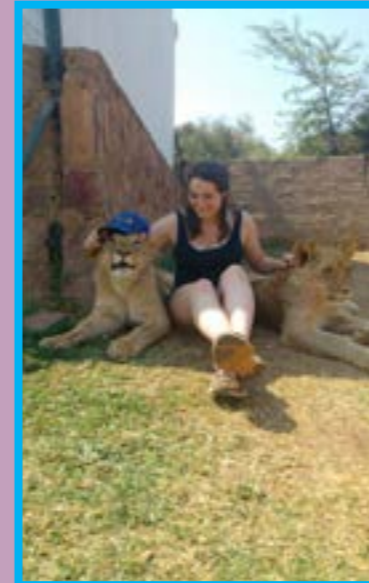


# looking To The future

## PAST PUPIL UPDATE



**OUR VERY OWN VICTORIA BUSHBY HAS JUST RECENTLY RETURNED FROM HER EXPEDITION TO SOUTH AFRICA VOLUNTEERING FOR THE BIG CATS PROJECT. THIS WAS AN AMAZING EXPERIENCE FOR HER, AND ONE THAT WILL GREATLY BENEFIT HER CHOSEN CAREER PATH. VICTORIA IS NOW STUDYING ZOOLOGY IN BANGOR, AND WE WISH HER ALL THE BEST WITH HER STUDIES!**



## CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT

**A BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YEAR 9 STUDENTS ON THEIR OUTSTANDING SUCCESS IN THEIR SUMMER EXAMS!**

**CERTIFICATES WERE PRESENTED TO THOSE STUDENTS WITH 100% ATTENDANCE, FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016/17, AND TO THOSE WHO ACHIEVED EXCELLENCE THROUGH EFFORT AND OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT ACROSS THEIR SUBJECTS. WELL DONE EVERYONE!**

*Ms G Byrne*



# Literacy Corner

## ROALD DAHL'S CAKE

CONGRATULATIONS TO ABBIE RICHARDSON AND JAMIE BROWN WHO WON THE COMPETITION TO DESIGN ROALD DAHL'S BIRTHDAY CAKE THIS WEEK. THE CAKE WAS DECORATED USING IDEAS FROM BOTH THESE ENTRIES, ALTHOUGH ALL THE ENTRIES WERE EXTREMELY WELL DESIGNED.



## RECOMMENDED READ: WONDER

MOVIE RELEASE 17TH NOVEMBER 2017  
THEME OF ANTI-BULLYING AMBASSADORS

AUGUST PULLMAN IS NOT AN ORDINARY TEN-YEAR-OLD KID. SURE, HE'S A HUGE STAR WARS FAN, HE LOVES HIS DOG, AND HE'S GOT A PRETTY GOOD SENSE OF HUMOUR. BUT AUGUST WAS BORN WITH A CRANIOFACIAL ABNORMALITY, A GENETIC DEFECT THAT CAUSED HIS FACIAL FEATURES TO BE SEVERELY DEFORMED. HIS LIFE HAS NEVER BEEN "NORMAL." DESPITE HIS DIFFERENCES, AUGUST AND HIS PARENTS DECIDE TO TRANSITION HIM FROM HOME SCHOOL TO PRIVATE SCHOOL NOW THAT HE'S ENTERING FIFTH GRADE. IT'S THE START OF MIDDLE SCHOOL, THEY REASON, SO EVERYONE WILL BE NEW. BUT AUGUST HAS TO DEAL WITH SO MUCH MORE THAN JUST BEING NEW. WILL HE MAKE FRIENDS? WILL HE DECIDE TO STAY AT THE SCHOOL? AND CAN THE PEOPLE AROUND HIM LEARN TO SEE PAST HIS APPEARANCE?

THIS BRILLIANT, SENSITIVE STORY, NARRATED NOT ONLY BY AUGUST, BUT ALSO BY HIS OLDER SISTER, HIS CLASSMATES, AND OTHER KIDS IN HIS LIFE, TAKES AN INSIGHTFUL LOOK AT HOW ONE PERSON'S DIFFERENCES CAN AFFECT THE LIVES OF SO MANY OTHERS.

ROSS MARTIN, YEAR 8 WINNER OF "WHO WROTE SHERLOCK HOLMES" QUICK FIRE Q&A COMPETITION. MORE Q&A QUESTIONS ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE DURING LIBRARIES WEEK!

CONGRATULATIONS TO SOME OF OUR YEAR 8 PUPILS WHO RECEIVED THEIR CERTIFICATES FOR TAKING PART IN THE THE SUMMER READING INITIATIVE.

## LITERACY FOCUS FOR SEPTEMBER: READING FOR INFORMATION

THIS IS THE SKILL OF EXTRACTING RELEVANT INFORMATION FROM A VARIETY OF SOURCES AND ALSO PRODUCING WRITTEN SUMMARIES USING YOUR OWN WORDS.

YOU CAN DEVELOP THIS SKILL IN EVERY SUBJECT AND AT HOME! HAVE YOU COMPLETED THIS MONTH'S LITERACY CHALLENGE YET? THESE STUDENTS BELOW HAVE ALL BEEN READING FOR INFORMATION AND HAVE BEEN AWARDED WITH A LITERACY ACHIEVEMENT POINT FOR THEIR EXCELLENT WORK! LOOK OUT FOR OUR MONTHLY LITERACY FOCUS AROUND THE COLLEGE AND ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA POSTINGS.



# Numeracy Corner



## JUNIOR (YEAR 8 - 10)

### FOUR PEOPLE TRAVEL PUZZLE

FOUR PEOPLE ARE TRAVELING TO DIFFERENT PLACES ON DIFFERENT TYPES OF TRANSPORT.

THEIR NAMES ARE: RACHEL, JOHN, MR. JONES AND CINDY.

THEY EITHER WENT ON TRAIN, CAR, PLANE OR SHIP.

- \* MR. JONES HATES FLYING
- \* CINDY HAS TO RENT HER VEHICLE
- \* JOHN GETS SEASICK

WHICH TRANSPORT DID EACH PERSON TRAVEL BY?



## SENIOR (YEAR 11 - 12)

### HOW OLD IS GRANNY?



TOM ASKED HIS GRANNY HOW OLD SHE WAS. RATHER THAN GIVING HIM A STRAIGHT ANSWER, SHE REPLIED:

"I HAVE 6 CHILDREN, AND THERE ARE 4 YEARS BETWEEN EACH ONE AND THE NEXT. I HAD MY FIRST CHILD (YOUR UNCLE PETER) WHEN I WAS 19. NOW THE YOUNGEST ONE (YOUR AUNTIE JANE) IS 19 HERSELF. THAT'S ALL I'M TELLING YOU!"

HOW OLD IS TOM'S GRANNY?

## SCHOOL BANK

Bank of Ireland



WE HOPE THE SCHOOL BANK WILL RE-OPEN AFTER THE HALLOWEEN BREAK. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN, PLEASE COLLECT AN APPLICATION FORM AND LETTER FROM MISS BAIRD (ROOM 39) SO YOUR BANK ACCOUNT IS SET UP AND READY FOR THE OPENING DAY. PUPILS WILL ALSO NEED TO ENCLOSE A COPY OF THEIR PASSPORT, BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR MEDICAL CARD.

# Gifted Gallery

## ARTIST OF THE MONTH

**KS3**

**ERIN MCSHANE 9ED IS AWARDED ARTIST OF THE MONTH FOR HER CLEVER USE OF ATMOSPHERIC COLOUR AND TONE. SHE HAS MANAGED TO CAPTURE THE SUBTLE CHANGES OF LIGHT AND SHADE DURING THE CHANGING OF THE SEASONS IN THIS VERY INFORMATIVE MIND MAP. WELL DONE, ERIN.**

*Mrs E. Mc Keown*



**KS4**

**NICKI BROWNE 11GL HAS BEEN AWARDED A PLACE IN THE GIFTED GALLERY FOR SEPTEMBER 2017. AN ENTHUSIASTIC START TO THE GCSE COURSE HAS RESULTED IN HER PRODUCING SOME VERY COMPETENT ANALYTICAL DRAWINGS. I AM VERY IMPRESSED WITH HER PASSIONATE RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER'S TASK.**

*Mrs E. McKeown*



**ART CLUB IS ON EVERY TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL FROM 3:20 - 4:20. ALL NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**



The "earth" without "art" is just "eh."

# Gifted and Talented

## ULSTER AND IRISH MX2 SEMI EXPERT



**CAILUM MEARA'S HARD WORK AND DETERMINATION PAID OFF LAST WEEKEND WHEN HE WAS CROWNED ULSTER AND IRISH MX2 SEMI EXPERT. CAILUM HAS TO FIT HIS TRAINING AROUND STUDYING FOR 3 A LEVELS: SPORT STUDIES, ICT AND CREATIVE MEDIA. CONGRATULATIONS, CAILUM, FROM EVERYONE AT NEW-BRIDGE! CAILUM IS PICTURED WITH SPONSOR JIM MCAULEY, AND PROUD PARENTS BREDA AND CYRIL, AND FAMILY MEMBERS.**

## BANBRIDGE CÚCHULAINNS



**THE LORD MAYOR OF ARMAGH, BANBRIDGE AND CRAIGAVON, MR GARETH WILSON, HOSTED A RECEPTION FOR THE TEAM, TEACHERS, ULSTER GAA AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE IN RECOGNITION OF THE PLAYERS FROM BANBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL, ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE AND NEW-BRIDGE INTEGRATED COLLEGE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE ALL BRITISH GAA CHAMPIONSHIPS AS PART OF THE CROSS COMMUNITY TEAM, BANBRIDGE CÚCHULAINNS TEAM. THE RECEPTION WAS HELD IN THE BANBRIDGE CIVIC BUILDING ON TUESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER AT 1PM.**

# Music News

## BUSKFEST

CONGRATULATIONS TO LAUREN WRIGHT, YEAR 12, ON WINNING 1ST PRIZE IN THE UNDER 16 WARRENPOINT BUSKFEST CLASS IN AUGUST. AS WELL AS TAKING THIS PRESTIGIOUS TITLE, LAUREN WAS ALSO AWARDED WITH £200 FOR HER OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE!



## WELCOME

WE WELCOME MISS ROBYN KEEGAN, OUR NEW VOCAL TUTOR, TO THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT. ROBYN WILL BE TEACHING A FULL DAY EVERY TUESDAY.



## WANT TO GET INVOLVED...?

### COLLEGE CHOIR

TUESDAYS 3.20 - 4.20PM  
ALL WELCOME!



### CHAMBER CHOIR

THURSDAYS 3.20-4.20PM



**"Autumn Breezer"**  
Fund raiser

  
 Wednesday 25 October 7pm  
 Admission £3

Come along and support our talented singers, dancers & musicians!






# Other News

STUDENTS FROM 10CF INVESTIGATING THE FRAGILE DUNE ECOSYSTEM AT MURLOUGH DUNES, COASTAL PROTECTION STRUCTURES IN NEWCASTLE, AND VISITING THE SOURCE OF THE SHIMNA RIVER AT OTT MOUNTAIN, NEAR SPELGA DAM.



## HAGRID VISITS NEW-BRIDGE

THIS IS THE BABY HEDGEHOG FOUND ON THE LOWER SITE BY MRS CORDNER'S ROOM. THE HEDGEHOG WAS CAREFULLY HANDLED BY MOLLY TAYLOR-MAGORAN 14MV AND RELOCATED TO THE COLLEGE LOWER SITE BOUNDARY.



MOLLY NAMED HIM HAGRID AND IT SEEMS HE FOUND HIS WAY BACK HOME. HEDGEHOGS ARE REGULAR VISITORS TO NEW-BRIDGE.

HERE HE IS, RESTING IN A SPACE NO LARGER THAN THE PALM OF HER HAND! ADORABLE!

## SUPPORTING THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

NEW-BRIDGE INTEGRATED COLLEGE STUDENT, ELAINE KEEGAN, WAS ONE OF A GROUP OF 250 YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ACROSS NORTHERN IRELAND TO BE AWARDED WITH A CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY THE PRIME MINISTER AFTER GRADUATING FROM THE NI NATIONAL CITIZEN SERVICE (NI NCS) THIS SUMMER, A YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME IN WHICH THEY WORKED IN GROUPS TO CREATE A SOCIAL ACTION PROJECT TO BENEFIT THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. THE GRADUATION CEREMONY, WHICH TOOK PLACE AT CRUMLIN ROAD GAOL, WAS HELD TO COMMEND THE GROUP FOR GIVING UP THEIR SCHOOL HOLIDAY TO SPEND FOUR WEEKS ON THE NI NCS PROGRAMME. ON THE PROGRAMME, THEY SPENT TIME LIVING AWAY FROM HOME, TOOK PART IN OUTWARD BOUND ACTIVITIES AND LEARNT KEY SKILLS FOR WORK AND LIFE.

AS PART OF THE LAST PHASE OF THE PROGRAMME, THE TEENAGERS DEVELOPED THEIR OWN SOCIAL ACTION PROJECTS AROUND AN ISSUE THEY WERE PASSIONATE ABOUT IN THEIR LOCAL AREA. THE ARMAGH TEAM DECIDED THAT THEY WANTED TO PROMOTE A POSITIVE STEPS TO MENTAL WELL BEING, HAVING AGREED THAT THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH ACCESSIBLE INFORMATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE LOCALLY. THEY DID THIS VIA A CREATIVE MURAL ART PROJECT AND ARE IN TALKS WITH LOCAL COUNCIL AND ORGANISATIONS TO HAVE THEIR WORK DISPLAYED IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS.

IN ADDITION, ELAINE DID AN INTENSE ONE WEEK ADVANCED COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE IN DKIT (DUNDALK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY) AND LEARNT HOW TO PROGRAMME A 'RASPBERRY PI' CREATING A WEATHER STATION. BUSY SUMMER! WELL DONE, ELAINE!



# Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

## ANTI-BULLYING AMBASSADORS REGIONAL TRAINING EVENT AT NEW-BRIDGE INTEGRATED COLLEGE

New-Bridge Integrated College was proud to host the Diana Award Anti-Bullying Ambassadors regional training event on Tuesday 19th September 2017.

Mrs Anderson welcomed the Diana Award facilitators, pupils and staff from the visiting schools and guest, Mr David Simpson, MP, who has promoted the Diana Award Ambassador training programme over the years. Mrs Anderson said, "It is an honour to be asked to host this event for a second year running, and we welcome this great opportunity to promote good relationships and share our good practice with other schools."

Up to 150 young people schools received training and shared top tips on how to prevent bullying in their schools and communities. The training day brought together young people from primary and secondary schools, of all ages and abilities from across the region to be trained as Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. The young people worked together to creatively explore and understand the issue of bullying. They networked with other young people, exchanged ideas and shared good practice. They gained practical ideas and received top tips on how to identify and address different forms of bullying. Another important lesson the pupils received was how to distinguish bullying from conflict. Ultimately, these Ambassadors left with an action plan aimed at helping them to prevent bullying and ensure everyone feels safe and happy in their school.

Speaking from New-Bridge, David Simpson MP said, "I am once again delighted to be here to support New-Bridge as they continue with their Anti-Bullying Campaign. Through the years, I have watched the school develop a fantastic model with young people acting as ambassadors. Their passion has paid great dividends and I was delighted to see it rewarded when they proudly won the prestigious Diana Award. I want to pay tribute to the staff and pupils for this excellent work and I look forward to hearing of their continued success."



FROM THE DIANA AWARD



Mrs Wright, Diana Award Anti Bullying Ambassador Co-ordinator for New-Bridge, said: "We are delighted to be part of the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Programme and proud to host the training event in New-Bridge Integrated College which will enable schools extend their effective anti-bullying programmes. We welcomed pupils from St. Josephs Grammar, Banbridge Academy, Friends School Lisburn, St. Josephs P.S, Victoria P.S, Killylea P.S and Glencraig P.S. These pupils of different ages and contrasting backgrounds came together to learn how to celebrate difference and promote respect. They left motivated and encouraged to return to their schools and start an effective anti-bullying campaign."

The Diana Award Anti-Bullying Campaign, a part of The Diana Award, run the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors programme, a nationwide peer led initiative with over 21,000 trained Anti-Bullying Ambassadors in over 2,500 schools across the UK, Ireland, Channel Islands and United Emirates.

Alex Holmes, Head of Anti-Bullying Campaign for The Diana Award says: "As a former victim of bullying, I know how isolated and unhappy a young person can feel when they are being targeted and I am passionate about helping these people. The Anti-Bullying Ambassadors programme gives young people the confidence to stand together against bullies and support one another. We give Ambassadors the skills and tools to successfully spread the message - bullying will not be tolerated. In supporting young people throughout their time at school but also as they empower young people with resilience skills which I have no doubt will last for life."



The Diana Award was established in 1999 in memory of Diana, Princess of Wales, as a legacy to her belief in the power of young people to change the world.

**"I WANT TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE STAFF AND PUPILS FOR THIS EXCELLENT WORK AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING OF THEIR CONTINUED SUCCESS."**

- David Simpson MP



# Something to look forward to...

## BREAKING NEWS!

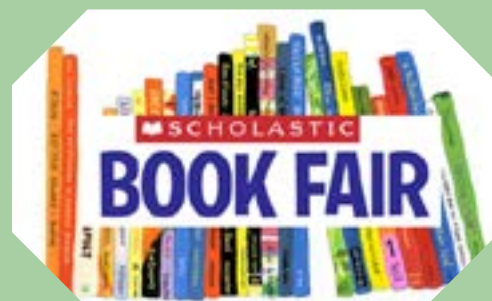
**THE BUDDING JOURNALISTS AT NEW-BRIDGE INTEGRATED COLLEGE HAVE JUST WON A CARSON PRIZE FROM THE INTEGRATED EDUCATION FUND. THE STUDENTS' BROADCAST, REPORTING ON THE BENEFITS OF INTEGRATED EDUCATION, WAS PART OF THE BBC SCHOOL NEWS REPORT PROJECT AND HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED AS A WINNER IN THE KS3 CATEGORY. THE SCHOOL WILL RECEIVE A CHEQUE OF £250 AT THIS YEAR'S CARSON AWARDS SHOWCASE EVENT WHICH WILL BE HELD IN THE AFTERNOON OF THURSDAY OCTOBER 19TH AT THE COLLEGE. WELL DONE TO ALL THE STUDENTS INVOLVED! THE NEWS REPORT AND PHOTOS OF THE PROJECT CAN BE VIEWED ON THE COLLEGE WEBSITE OR BY FOLLOWING THIS LINK:**

**[HTTP://WWW.NEWBRIDGEINTEGRATED.ORG/BBC-SCHOOL-NEWS-REPORT/](http://www.newbridgeintegrated.org/bbc-school-news-report/)**



## BOOK FAIR

**OUR SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR RETURNS ON WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER FOR ONE WEEK ONLY! THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO BUY BOOKS AND ALSO RAISE MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY!**



FROM THE DIANA AWARD

## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

**ANTI-BULLYING WEEK IS SOON APPROACHING...WATCH THIS SPACE TO SEE OUR NEW ANTI-BULLYING AMBASSADORS FOR THIS YEAR, AND FOR ALL THE EXCITING EVENTS THAT WILL BE TAKING PLACE THAT WEEK!**

## MEDIA CLUB

**MEDIA CLUB IS BACK UP AND RUNNING AGAIN FROM THURSDAY 12TH OCTOBER. ALL PUPILS FROM YEAR 9-12 WELCOME! A BRILLIANT OPPORTUNITY TO WATCH OLD AND CURRENT FILMS, MEET NEW FRIENDS AND LEARN HOW TO WRITE FILM REVIEWS. THIS IS ALSO AN EXCELLENT WAY TO DEVELOP LITEACY SKILLS AT THE SAME TIME AS HAVING SOME FUN!**

**MEDIA CLUB IS ON EVERY THURSDAY FROM 3:20 - 4:20.**

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING, YOU MUST COLLECT A CONSENT FORM FROM MISS MC CANN.**

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