



**The Queen Elizabeth
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following on from the Languages speaking examinations last week, Year 11 have been hard at work ready for the formal start of the GCSE season on Monday. Booster revision sessions have been full to the brim at the end of the day and students have been working hard in the library using the whiteboard to do team revision. This cohort have faced a set of unprecedented challenges in the past two years and yet there is a great positivity at the moment. When I speak to students on the playground and in corridors they tell me that they are ready and just want to get the examination season started now. I truly admire their courage and tenacity as they exemplify [#We Can and We Will](#) each day. I am sure our whole community will join me in wishing our Year 11 the best of luck in their forthcoming examinations.

Years 7 – 10 have their minds firmly fixed on their future next Thursday as they will be attending a “Your Future” Careers Roadshow. One aspect of Mr Webb’s exciting Curriculum 21 Careers programme is that he is firmly focused on raising aspirations and knowledge about Careers for our students in Year 7 and Year 8 in addition to the array of opportunities which students experience further into their school life at TQEA. A recent addition has been Careers interviews for Year 8 in order for them to become to explore their ideas about their future and to understand what they need to achieve in order to unlock the doors to those potential jobs.

Our reading strategy has been developing well over the past two years and is really having an impact on the academic progress of TQEA students. The two strands of our strategy are “Reading for Pleasure” and “Reading for Purpose”. For early readers we have used phonics work, regular buddy reading and our Bedrock vocabulary and grammar builder to accelerate progress. All students at TQEA have a reading book, read in Prep once per week and take part in DEAR (Drop Everything and Read). A crucial aspect of our work has been to sequence a reading programme in all of our subject areas and to ensure challenging texts are at the heart of our lessons. The impact of this work has been phenomenal with students on average making a years’ worth of progress, measuring their reading ages, in less than 6 months. Research indicates the dramatic effect reading and literacy has on academic outcomes and we are excited that this important strategy, led by Mr Armishaw, is really benefitting our students.

Finally, the Queen’s Baton Relay route for the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham this summer was announced this week with Atherstone being named as a participating town in July! TQEA has been involved in planning around this celebration, so watch this space for some exciting news about an event we will be hosting at TQEA as we join the national celebrations!



Wishing you a pleasant weekend.

Mr N Harding

Principal [Twitter:- @TQEA_Principal](#)

Principal Awards



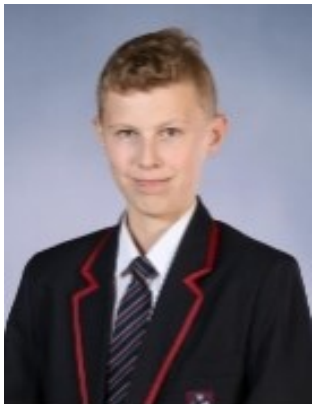
Huge effort, great progress, very kind, never puts a foot wrong. Quiet and unassuming.



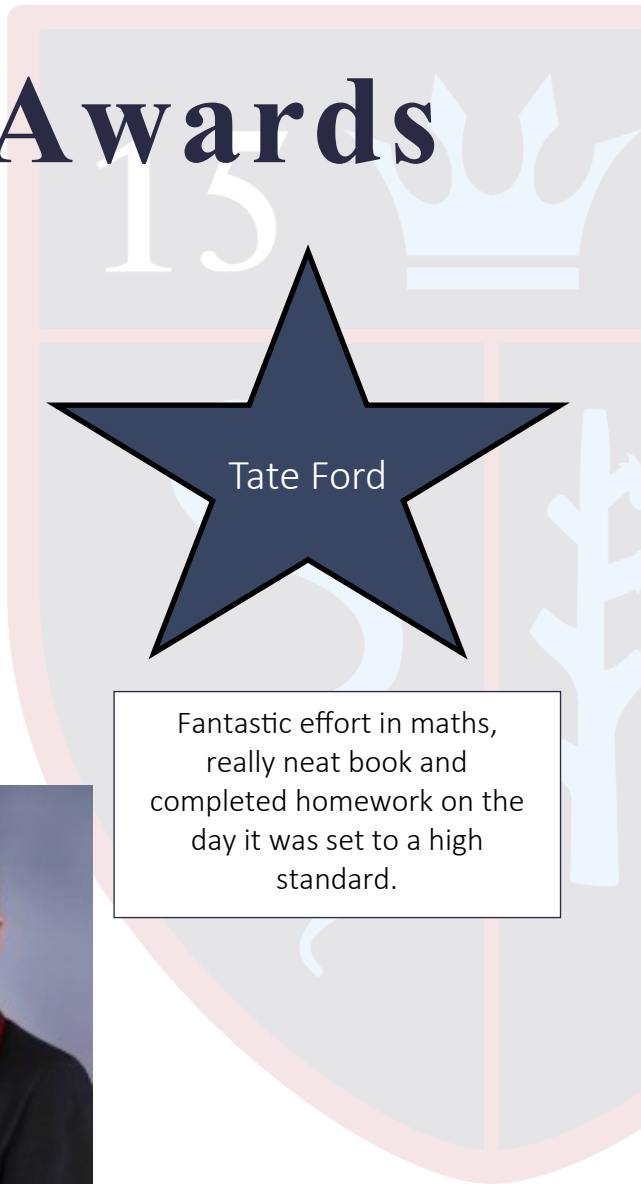
Incredible effort, outstanding attitude and resilience in his keyboard work.



Outstanding endeavour in History, leading to an amazing result in recent assessment.



Showing great independence and commitment to his History revision.



Celebration of Achievement

Top 3 Tutor Group

02/05 -08/05

11LD—297 points
7GXB—271 points
9RZC—265 points

Top 3 Tutor Group

Year to date

Year 7NMT – 9989 points
Year 7RRC – 9319 points
Year 8SJ – 9156 points

Top Year 7 Students

02/05 – 08/05

Nicola Kastelik—7RRC 21 points
Christopher—John Boss—7GXB 20 points
Darcie Kellegher—7GXB 19 points
Liam Donovan—7GXB 17 points
Annabelle Evans—7GXB 17 points

Top Year 8 Students

02/05 – 08/05

Connor Fulleylove – 8SJ 21 points
Theo McLeod – 8JRW 21 points
Scarlett Neal – 8GXJ 20points
Kian Douglas—8SJ 17 points
Brooke Jones—8DJD 17 points

Top Year 9 Students

02/05 – 08/05

Imogen Jenkinson – 9RZC 23 points
Gracie Hughes – 9RZC 21 points
Millie Bilson – 9RM 19 points
Freya Douglas – 9RM 15 points
Harlee Douglas – 9RZC 15 points

Top Year 10 Students

02/05 – 08/05

Emily Horton—10ECT 19 points
Rebekah Jones—10RJG 17 points
Thomas Cope—10VK 15 points
Adam Ratcliffe—10ECT 13 points

Top Year 11 Students

02/05 – 08/05

Ethan Frost—11LD 25 points
Dylan Fowler—11 LD 21 points
Jude Fryer-Crowe—11LD 18 points
Shaun Shemmans—11LD 17 points



KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!!

Head of Year

Special Recognition

Congratulations Year 7 for working hard to improve our positive achievement points! Here are the top students from their tutor groups during the last week.

7 BXM —Kaden Wright

7GXB—Charlie Stevenson

7NEH —Grace Williams

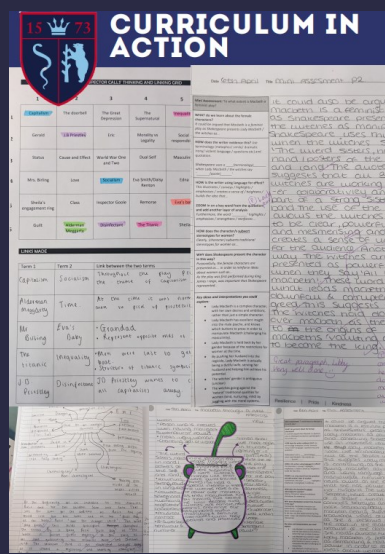
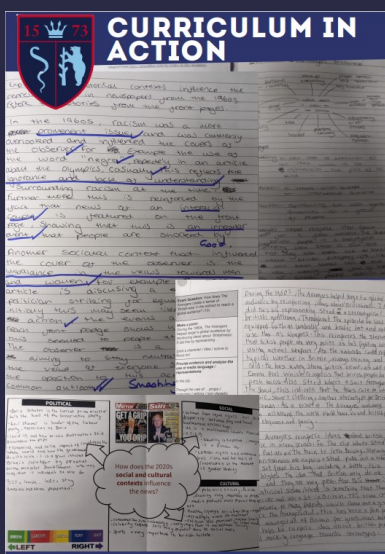
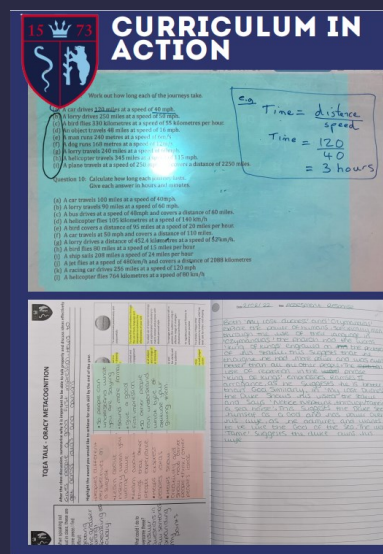
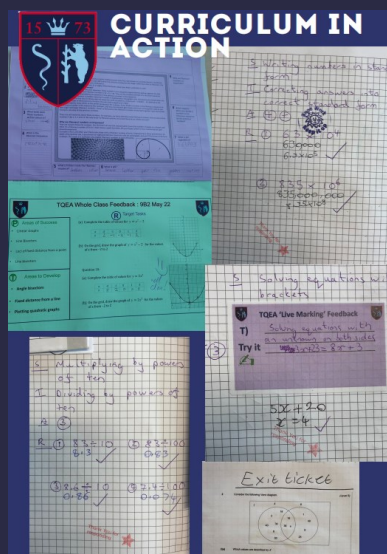
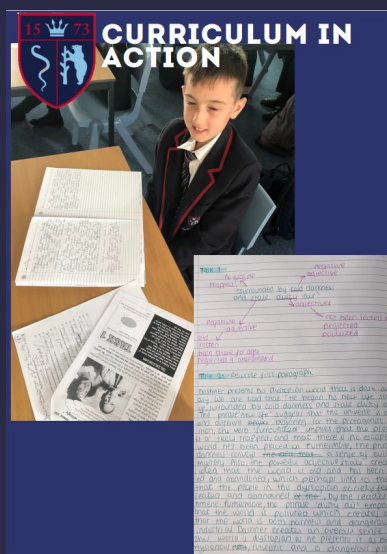
7NMT —Jack Croshaw

7RRC — Chloe Wright



Curriculum in Action

Some more showcasing of consistency across the curriculum in today's Curriculum in Action



Page 1: A very proud student in Year 8 caught doing some extended writing in History; an example of a student response to feedback in English.

Page 2: A highlight on Maths - WCFS and an example of guided reading; live marking examples generating student responses and an exit ticket.

Page 3: Literacy - questions in Maths requiring students to read; a metacognitive response to student's oracy.

Page 4: Laura Craig has shared a whole range of examples, from beautiful work, extended writing, structure strips...

Page 5: A thinking hard grid (building on Monday's CPD) and marking of a structure strip.

Mindfulness Colouring



Mindfulness colouring group is happening every Thursday at lunch time—this is great for supporting student mental health.



Year 10

Masterclass

The Year 10 Masterclass this term is all about Baking. This Thursday they made Brandy Snaps.



Summer Challenge

SUMMER CHALLENGE TIME - THIS TERM WE ARE RUNNING 2 SUMMER CHALLENGES EACH CHALLENGE MEANS YOU CAN EARN LOTTERY TOKENS TO WIN ONE OF SEVERAL PRIZES:

FORTNIGHTLY – VOUCHER PRIZE DRAW (PER YEAR GROUP) IN ASSEMBLIES

MONTHLY – FREE AFTERNOON ADVENTURE ACTIVITY OUT OF SCHOOL

HALF TERMLY / END OF YEAR – MEGA PRIZE DRAW

IS ONE OF YOUR STEPS TO SUCCESS YOUR ATTENDANCE?
ARE YOU UP FOR SUMMER CHALLENGE 1?

- If your attendance increase each fortnight = 2 tokens a week for prize draw.
- If your attendance goes up / stays up over 90% = 10 tokens for prize draw. (given monthly)
- If your attendance goes up / stays up over 94% = 15 tokens for prize draw (given monthly)

The more tokens you EARN the more chances you have of winning.

IS ONE OF YOUR STEPS TO SUCCESS BEING MORE THAN
JUST GRADES? ARE YOU UP FOR SUMMER CHALLENGE 2?

- If you attend a club = 1 token a week for prize draw.
- If your fill a row of your club card up with stickers = 5 tokens for prize draw
- If your fill the whole of your club card with stickers= 15 tokens for prize draw

The more tokens you EARN the more chances you have of winning. If you attend one club why not try another. If you don't attend a club yet then give one a try.



Clubs and Activities

Summer Term

Week One

	Lunchtimes	After School
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Film Club in 1-16 KS4 Young Artists in 2-15 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports Leadership Academy - Gym Y10 & Y11 Astronomy in 2-02
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS3 Young Artists in 2-15 Coding Masters Club in 2-13 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gliders STEM G-16 Come dine with me in G-02 This ME Can...Run - PE Cricket - PE Board Games - 213
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global communications in T2 Choir G-22 iDEA award 2-13 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Musical Theatre Club in G-22 BBC Young Reporter G-15 Athletics - PE
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mindfulness Colouring G-02 KS4 Young Artists in 2-15 Stats Booster Club in 1-20 Keyboard Club in G-22 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science CREST Club - 2-16 Y10 & Y11 Food Masterclass and Intervention in G-02 Creative Writing in 1-08 Duke of Edinburgh Award in 2-12 Rounders - PE Tennis - PE

Week Two

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Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Film Club in 1-16 KS4 Young Artists in 2-15 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports Leadership Academy - Gym Y10 & Y11 Astronomy in 2-02
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Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global communications - T1 Choir G-22 iDEA award 2-13 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls Cricket on the Astro Musical Theatre Club in G-22 BBC Young Reporter - 1-08 Athletics - PE
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mindfulness Colouring G-02 Environmental Club in 2-24 Keyboard Club in G-22 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y10 & Y11 Food Masterclass and Intervention in G-02 Y8 - Y11 Sewing Bee in G-18 Drama Club in G-15 Rounders - PE Yoga - Hall Tennis - PE

Notice Board

Year 8/10 Vaccinations—Friday 20th May

Year 9/10 Vaccinations—Monday 23rd May

Year 9 Media Trip - Monday 23rd May

Year 8 Progress Evening—Wednesday 25th May at 4:30-7:30

Warwickshire County Council—Counselling

I am just contacting you today to make you aware of a grant from
Warwickshire County Council that we are in receipt of.

This grant enables us to offer a limited number of free counselling
sessions to adults who are:

Residing in Nuneaton, Bedworth or North Warwickshire, unemployed, and as a result of the pandemic struggling with anxiety, depression,
job loss
or bereavement.

Please can I ask you to let your colleagues know about this grant and
share the project with those who you feel may benefit, I have also
attached a poster to this email if you could display this within your
service.

The funding ends in September this year, therefore we would encourage
early referrals.

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Kind regards
Julie Mitchelson

Warwickshire Counselling Centre T/A Sycamore Counselling Services.

Reg Charity No: 1137623 Company No: 7223795

Tel: 024 7674 4544

If you are interested then please contact Julie on the number provided.





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