



The Queen Elizabeth
Academy



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“We Can and We Will”



Head of Academy Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great week in the academy this week.

On Monday, our **Year 10 GCSE Art and RE** students enjoyed an inspiring visit to Coventry Cathedral. The trip provided a valuable hands-on experience, helping students deepen their understanding of the curriculum and explore their subjects in a real-world context. A huge thank you to Mrs Bennett and Mrs Patel for organising this enriching opportunity and for sharing the wonderful photographs featured in this newsletter.

Today marked the deadline for our **ATT Christmas Card** competition, and we are thrilled with the incredible entries received! The designs showcase the amazing artistic talent across our academy. All entries have now been submitted to our Central Team, and we eagerly await

the results. Once we know the ATT winners, we will announce our TQEA winners whose designs will be transformed into Christmas cards to share with members of our local community.

Attendance is an important part of student success and belonging. Being present every day helps students feel connected to our academy community and ensures they can achieve their full potential across all areas of learning. This week, we continued with **FOMO (Fear of Missing Out) Friday**, an exciting incentive encouraging students to maintain 100% attendance Monday to Friday. Those who achieved this are invited to a lunchtime celebration in the Main Hall, featuring a disco, karaoke, and refreshments—a fantastic way to reward commitment! Alongside this, we also set smaller, personalised attendance targets for individual students, helping everyone work towards their own goals. It's wonderful to see so many students embracing these opportunities and celebrating their success.

At TQEA, we value the importance of learning at all times. The vast majority of our students are exceptional – attending school on time, going to all their lessons, and demonstrating outstanding behaviour for learning. However, we have noticed a small number of students arriving late to lessons or, in some cases, missing them altogether. Please can we ask for your support in reinforcing the importance of punctuality and attending every lesson. Students are expected to be in the academy by **8:40am**, ready for learning to begin at **8:45am**. All students must attend their lessons and arrive on time. If these expectations are not met, it may result in time in our Inclusion Room and parental meetings. We are always here to support and help remove barriers, but we are clear in our expectations: when students are in school, they must be in their lessons.

Thank you as always for your support.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.



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Attendance Information





Attendance Matters



Attendance remains a very high priority for us as a community. If students are not in the academy, we are not able to help to support them or teach them the knowledge and skills they need to succeed. It is vital that all children are in the academy every day. It is vital all students attend their lessons on time.

Week Commencing: Monday 24th November Weeks Attendance: 89.3%

Top 10 Tutors of the week:

8RJG

11MW

7RSA

7CMO

11NMT

8SK

7SJ

7LXC

10LD

9TMA

Prioritising Attendance: Every Day Counts!

20 Day Attendance Challenge



We are thrilled to launch our exciting new initiative: **The Christmas 20-Day Attendance Challenge!** We know that consistent attendance is vital for your child's learning and progress. To celebrate and reward the commitment shown by our pupils and families, we have been running a special, focused challenge with **fantastic Christmas prizes** up for grabs. The challenge officially began on **Monday, November 17th**, and runs for 20 consecutive school days, concluding on **Friday, December 12th**.

The goal is simple: pupils must achieve **100% attendance** for this entire 20-day period. Every student who successfully meets this goal will automatically earn multiple raffle tickets, gaining an entry into our highly anticipated Grand Prize Draw, which will take place on December 12th.

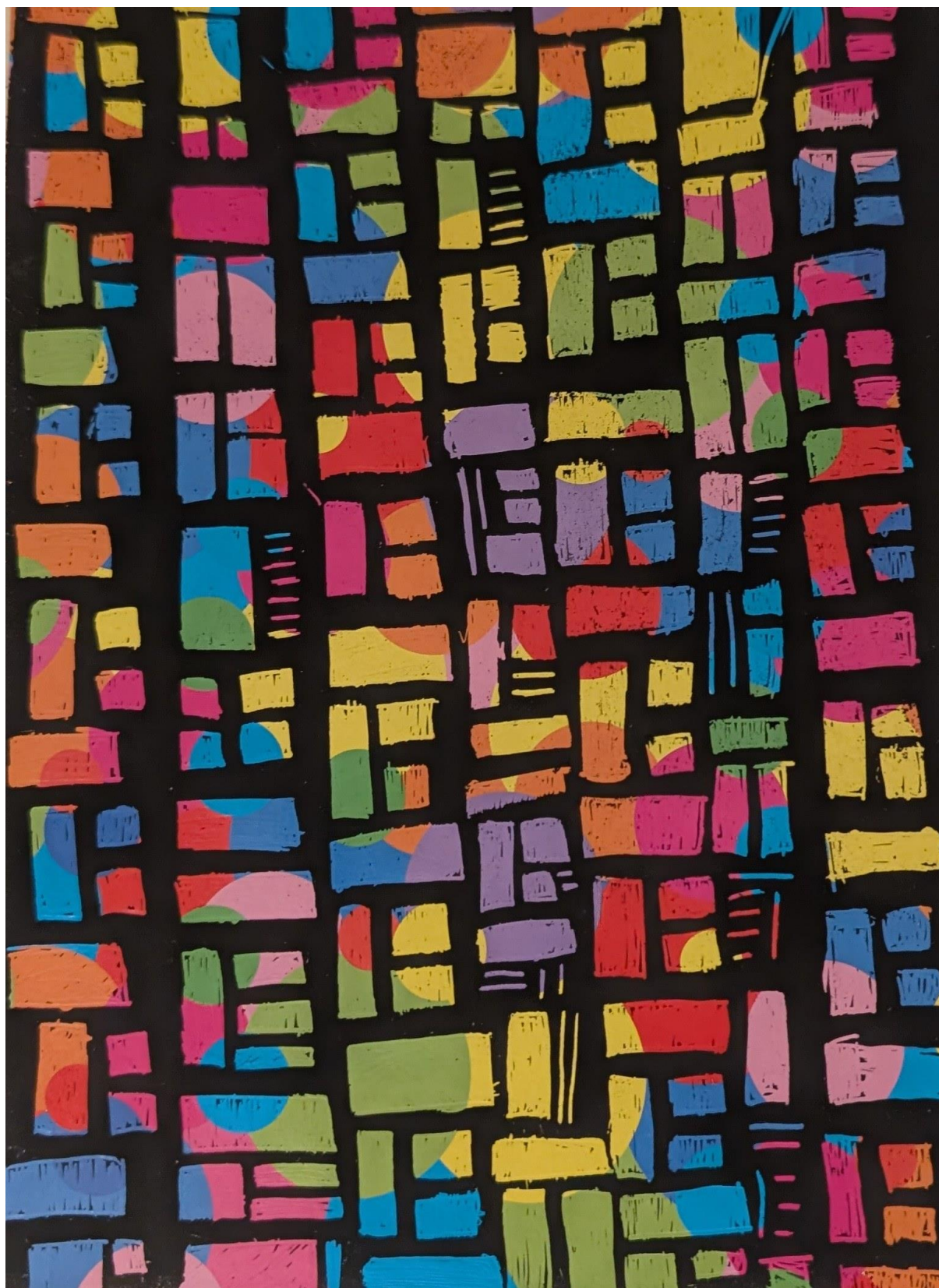
This year, the major prizes are open to **every successful qualifier** across all year groups, making the raffle incredibly exciting for everyone. We have secured five high-value, experience-based prizes: a fantastic **Family Cinema Package** for a family at **ODEON Nuneaton**; a fun **Family Bowling Voucher** package for a session at **Disco bowl Nuneaton**; a voucher for a **Family Dinner at Nandos, Tamworth**; a **£50 Amazon Voucher**; and an exciting **Family Voucher for Activities** at the **Snowdome, Tamworth**. In addition to these five Grand Prizes, there will be several secondary prizes, including book vouchers and Christmas hampers, drawn from all successful participants.

We urge all parents and guardians to ensure your child is at school, on time, every day, from November 17th to December 12th. This small effort provides them with the best opportunity to maximize their learning and win one of these wonderful prizes. Let's aim for a full house and a successful challenge!



1 - Mr Martin (Deputy Principal, Attendance Lead)

Year 10 RE/Art Trip to Coventry Cathedral





2 - Mrs Bennett - Curriculum Leader for Art



3 - Mrs Patel - Curriculum Leader for RE

The RE and Art departments were delighted to take 47 Year 10 students on a joint trip to Coventry Cathedral, providing an enriching day that combined creative exploration with meaningful religious and historical learning. Students began with a guided tour of the cathedral, where they had the opportunity to experience the remarkable architecture and view the powerful artworks on display. This set the scene for a deeper understanding of the cathedral's significance, both as a place of worship and as a symbol of peace and reconciliation.

Following the tour, students took part in two subject-specific workshops. In RE, they explored the cathedral's role within the Christian faith, examining themes of forgiveness, resilience, and community. Meanwhile, the Art workshop encouraged students to respond creatively to the cathedral's unique atmosphere and its collection of modern and traditional artworks.

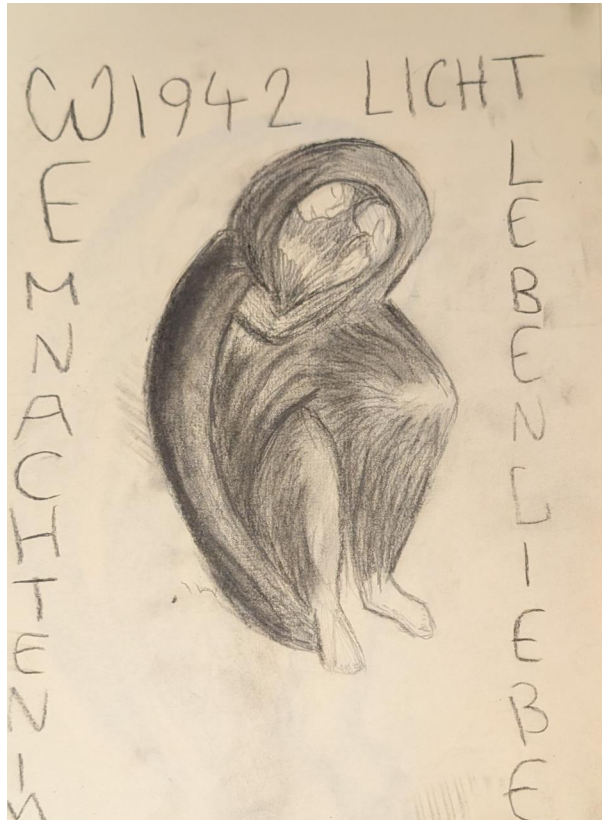
The quality of the artwork produced was exceptional. Students experimented with a range of materials and techniques, creating striking scratchboards, expressive charcoal studies and delicate acetate drawings inspired by the cathedral's stained/etched glass and sculptural forms. Their enthusiasm, experimentation and attention to detail were evident throughout.

This visit has not only deepened students' knowledge and appreciation of both subjects but will also prove invaluable as they continue their GCSE studies next year. The experiences,

insights, and practical skills gained during the trip will undoubtedly support and strengthen their upcoming coursework.

Overall, it was a highly successful day, and both departments are incredibly proud of the maturity and creativity shown by all involved.





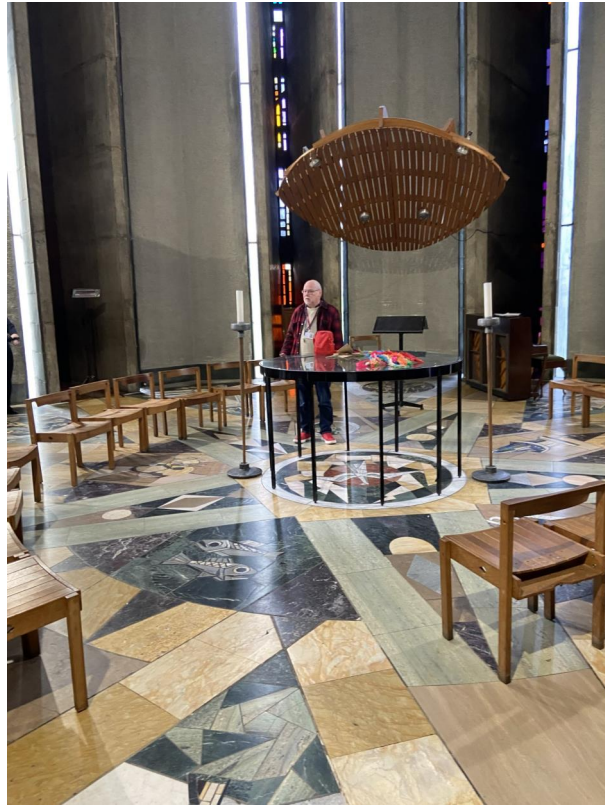












**TQEA'S
SPOTLIGHT
SHOWDOWN**

2025 Talent Competition

**Wednesday 17th December
2025 6:30pm**

See TQEA's best and brightest in a race
to win the TQEA Spotlight Trophy



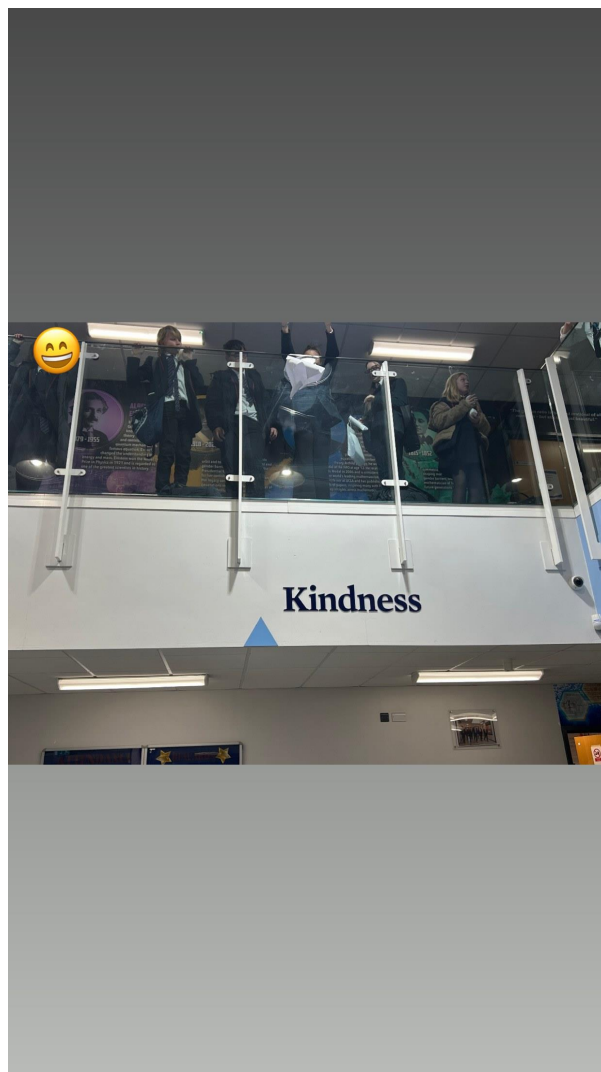
**Over £150
worth of
prizes to be
won!**

Tickets - £5
**(Cash tickets
available on the
door)**

Joyful Learning

Each week we would like to share with the ***joyful learning*** taking place in the academy and this week has been no exception. Please enjoy looking at some examples of the fantastic work your young people have produced.

Excellent work from our **Year 7 Science Club** this week, as they were able to get creative by making egg parachutes to test air resistance. Mrs Sabin and Mr Birch lead the exercise. Ingrid's attempt won with minimal damage. Mr Harding joined the event also, it was safe to say an eggscellent time was had by all.







8MAL tutor group enjoyed a well earned Pizza Party this week for achieving 100% attendance, 10 times throughout this term.

Year 10 Explore Healthy Relationships with Loudmouth Theatre Company

On Tuesday, our Year 10 students had the valuable opportunity to watch an engaging performance by Loudmouth Theatre Company. The session focused on **healthy relationships, boundaries, and respect**, reinforcing key themes from their PSHE curriculum. Through thought-provoking drama and interactive discussion, students explored how to build positive relationships and understand the importance of mutual respect and personal boundaries. This experience provided an excellent platform for students to reflect on real-life scenarios and develop skills that support their wellbeing and future relationships.

Mrs Knight - Lead of PHSE

Thursday evening saw a moment of **JOYFUL** learning, I was lucky enough to teach 1-2-1 with Ollie and Alex, practicing complex skills in readiness for **their NEA**.

Ollie deboned a whole chicken and Alex made fresh pasta-ravioli.

When it works- it works brilliantly.

Mrs Mullaney - Curriculum leader of Food Technology.





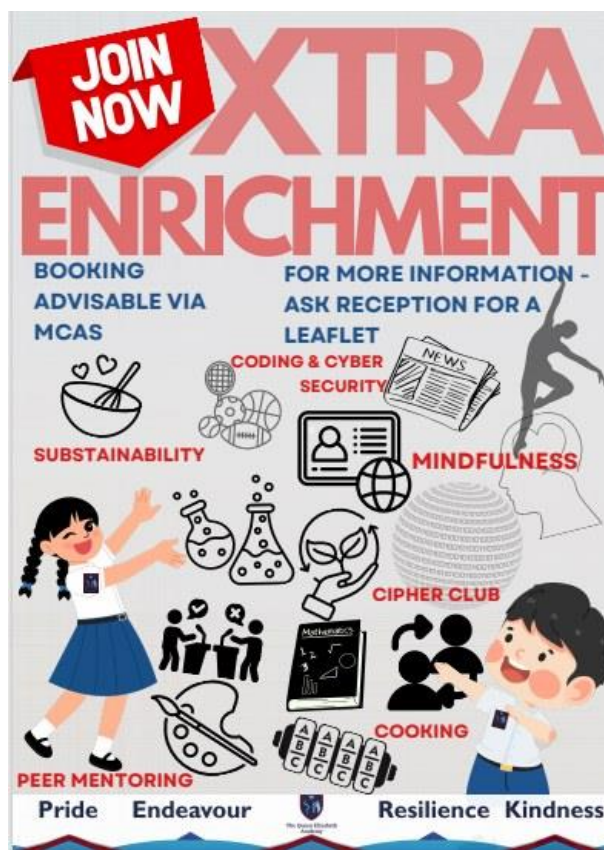




Xtra Curricular Enrichment Activities

TERM 1 GET READY FOR.....					
Time/ Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break Time Club 10.55-11.15 Only Trainees needed	Who: Yr 10 What: Football Week 1 Basketball Wk 2 Lead: Mr Webb	Who: Yr 8 What: Football Week 1 Basketball Wk 2 Lead: Mr Webb	Who: Yr 7 What: Football Week 1 Basketball Wk 2 Lead: Miss Wilson	Who: Yr 9 What: Football Week 1 Basketball Wk 2 Lead: Mr Morgan	Who: Yr 11 What: Football Week 1 Basketball Wk 2 Lead: Mr Morgan wk 1, Miss Wilson wk2
After School club 3.05-4.05 Full PE Kit needed	Who: Years- 7/8/9/10 (starts 18 th September) What: Leadership Academy- Lead: Rory	Who: All Years What: Football Lead: Mr Morgan + Mr Webb + Miss Wilson (Girls) Who: All Years What: Performing Arts Club Lead: Mr Stewart, Mrs Reynolds, Mrs Deeley	Who: Yr 9 and 10 What: DoE Bronze award (main hall) Lead: Miss Wilson and Mr Morgan	Who: Yr 10/11 Exam Groups: (PE, Drama, Music, Dance) What: Catch up/ homework support (1.01) Lead: Miss Wilson/ Mr Webb/ Mr Stewart/ Mrs Deeley	Who: All years What: Badminton/ Pickle Ball Lead: Mr Morgan/ Mr Webb

4 - Sports Clubs Timetable



5 - Further information is available from reception.

Upcoming Events



- 11th December - Year 11 Mock Results (School Day)
- 11th December - Year 11 Progress Evening
- 15th December - Flu Vaccinations (All Year Groups)
- 16th December - Year 11 Mock Interviews
- 17th December - TQEA Talent Show
- 19th December - Year 7 St Mary's Church Trip
- 19th December - Finish for Christmas
- 5th January 2026 - Teachers Training Day
- 6th January 2026 - All Year groups welcomed back.