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W/C 18th March 2024

WEEKLY BULLETIN



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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your families are well

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank those 6 parents and carers that took up the offer to join me last week in the pilot of our first 'Principal's Surgery'. It was great to meet them and have the opportunity to discuss what is working well at CHS and how we may make things even better! It was such a success that we are going repeat this event for every half term going forward. We have also decided to extend the times of each meeting from 10 minutes to 15. The event sold out very quickly, so please do look out for the next event if this is something you would like to be part of. We are looking at Thursday 16th May from 3.15pm - 5pm.

This week you will be receiving a lot of information from us, our usual end of term letter from me, our Termly Newsletter and our Summit Round Up. So not much from me in this bulletin this week except for a couple of quick points I'd really appreciate your support on for next term.

Uniform – please support your child to attend school in PERFECT uniform every day. Along with yourselves, we have very high expectations of your children, and it starts with how they look. SO as they return after the break they must have shirts where they can do the top button up and tuck them in. Coats only and not sweatshirts, hoodies or jumpers. Even in hotter weather they must be seen with their blazer every day. Skirts must be knee length and trousers must meet the children's socks.

Attendance – please encourage your child to be in school every day. Attendance to school is the single biggest factor in children achieving their academic potential. Our term dates are on our website (including 2024/25) so please book any holidays outside of term dates.

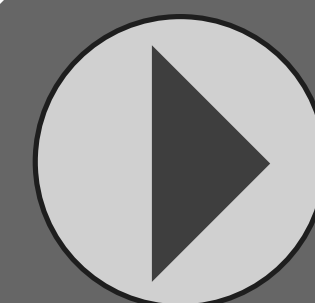
I wish you and your families a great Easter holiday!

Happy Easter to those celebrating Easter and Ramadan Mubarak to those following this festival too.

I hope you all have a great week.



Kind regards
Jason Bridges



UNICEF: Article of the Month

We are a Gold Rights Respecting School and our learners are central to all we do.

Article 14 – Freedom of thought, belief and religion.

Every child has the right to think and believe what they choose and also to practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents to guide their child as they grow up.

We have chosen this article because the cultural diversity of our school is what makes us so special. Easter is a very significant month for our Christian students and we, as a school, alter aspects of our school to try and accommodate their needs.



House Stars of the Week

 Alder Esther Giles

 Maple Yvie Barr

 Oak Anaya Noor

 Yew Salome Awoniyi

DATES FOR THE DIARY



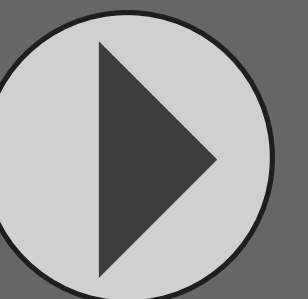
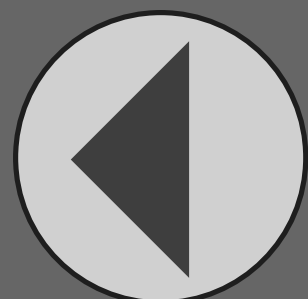
- Friday 22nd March – Community Ifthar
- Tuesday 30th April – Year 10 Progress Evening
- Thursday 9th May – Start of GCSE Exams
- 3rd – 7th June – Year 10 Work Experience Week
- 3rd – 7th June – Residential Visit to Ogwen Trust
- Tuesday 4th June – Year 9 Options Evening
- Tuesday 11th June – Year 7 Progress Evening
- Friday 5th July – School closed for INSET day
- Monday 8th July – Year 10 Sixth Form Taster Day
- Thursday 18th July – Year 10 Cultural Capital Theatre Visit

Principal's Commendation

Alex Brevitt, Yvie Barr, Samiyyah Burne, Caitlyn Travers, Esther Giles and Krishna Karira

For representing the school so well in last week's 'Rock and Pop Gala' at South & City College Digbeth. Their performances were fantastic!

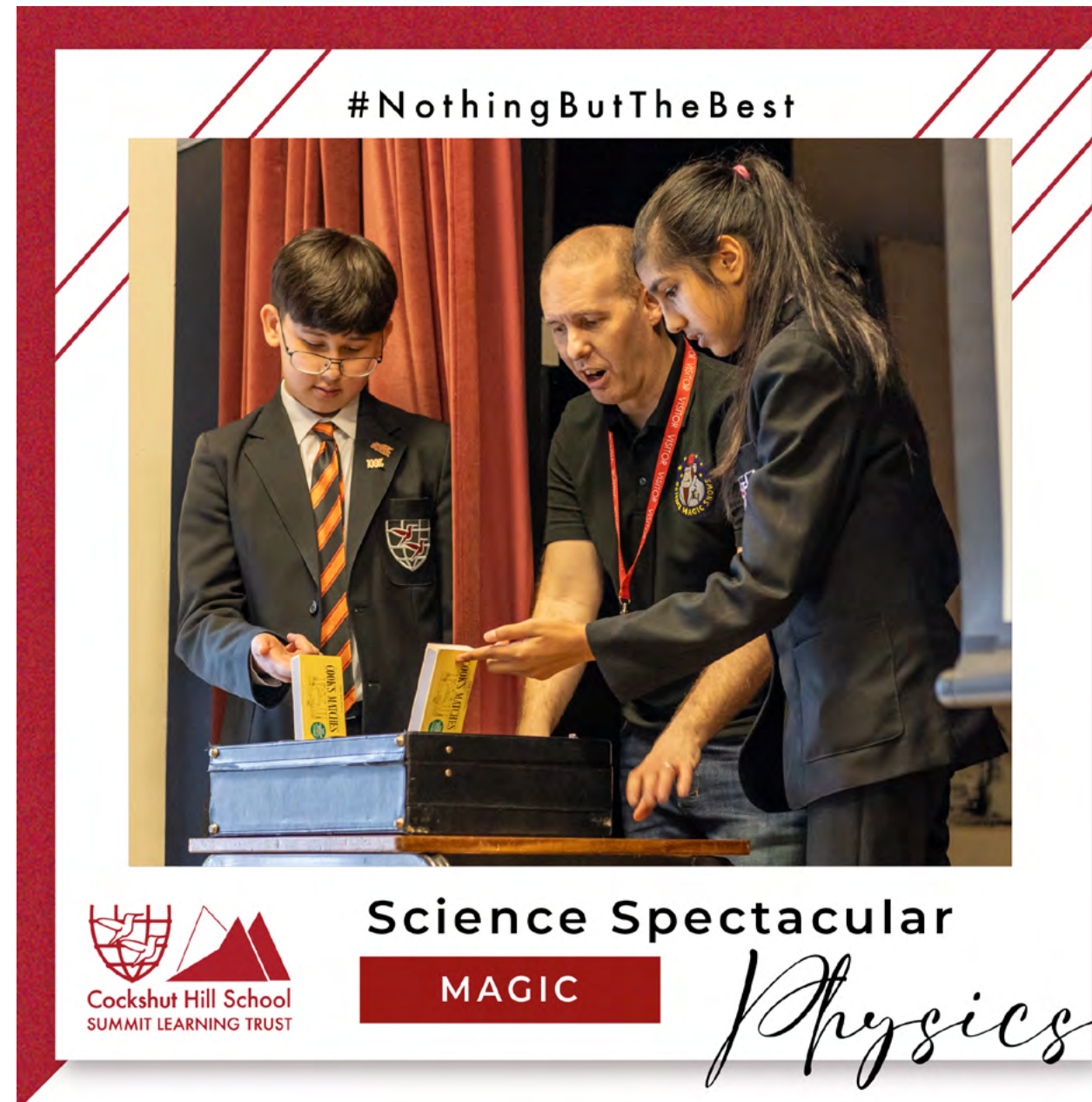
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What if? Science Show

Magic circle member and Institute of Physics fellow, Dr Matt Pritchard, put on a magic/science show where students learnt about forces and centre of mass, mirrors and visual illusions and energy transfer.

Year 7 and 8 groups participated and discovered new moments of wonder in Science.



Rock & Pop Gala

On Wednesday evening, the school band performed at the S4E Rock & Pop Gala at South & City College along with five other Birmingham schools.

The band played Smoke on the Water by Deep Purple, Jealous Guy written by John Lennon and Another Brick in the Wall by Pink Floyd. We are very proud of each and every one of them and the performance they gave on that stage. Their performance and introductions were so polished and they really raised their game for the evening and represented our school and our trust family so brilliantly.



Crest Discovery Awards

Year 8 have completed a CREST discovery award by looking at the spread of infection and how to reduce transmission. They designed and built a water dispensing device as part of a project to bring potable water to Kenya.

This project was sponsored by the British Science association in collaboration with the Melinda and Bill Gates foundation and the UN program of Sustainable development Goals.

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School Event Advertisements

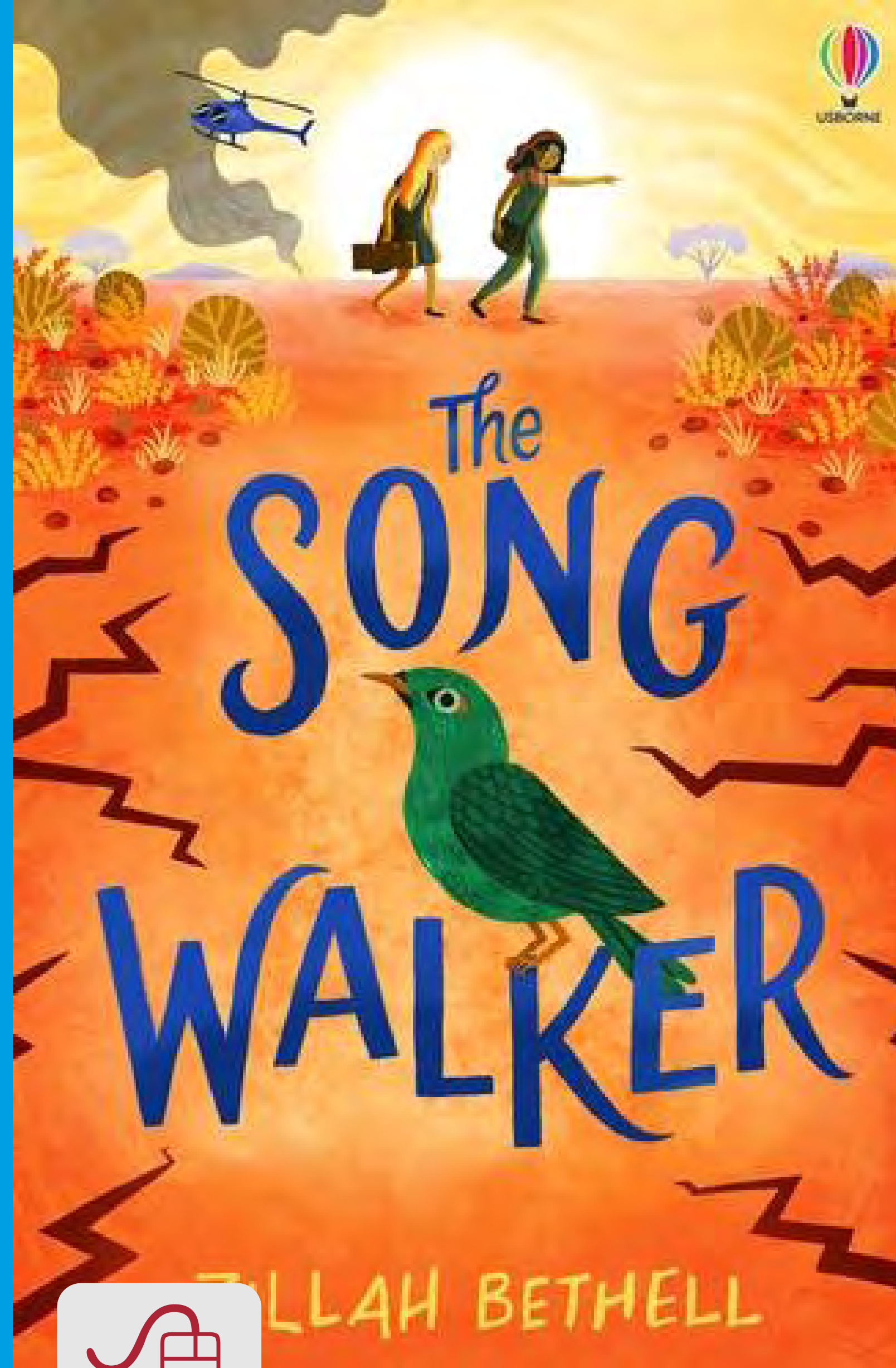
Literacy

LITERACY TIP

Reading can come with health benefits. Research has shown that reading can alleviate stress and improve memory and concentration. Making reading part of your bedtime routine can help with sleep, too.

LITERACY STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Zara Zai – Year 11



DIGITAL BOOK OF THE WEEK

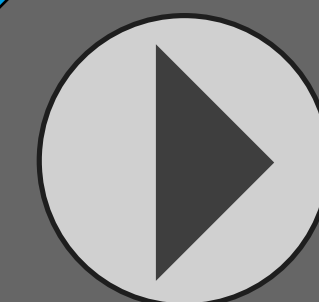
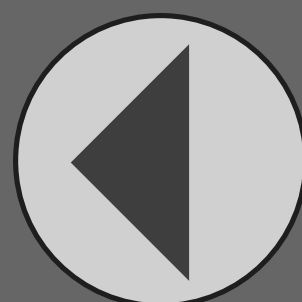
The Song Walker
by Zillah Bethell

When a young girl wakes up in the middle of the desert, she has no idea who she is. She's wearing one shoe, a silky black dress, and she's carrying a strange, heavy case.

She meets Tarni, who is on a mysterious quest of her own. Together, the two girls trek across the vast and ever-changing Australian Outback in search of answers. Except both are also hiding secrets...



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Enrichment Opportunities

HALF TERM 5

Half Term	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HT5	<p>Inclusion Breakfast Club – Inclusion room</p> <p>Library Club - 3pm</p> <p>Anime Club M27 ZKO (Lunch Time)</p> <p>School rock band – G64 Music Room</p> <p>Board Games and Jigsaw Club – W89</p>	<p>Inclusion Breakfast Club – Inclusion room</p> <p>Basketball – Years 8-10, Sports Hall/Gym, PC Washington (3:10-3:45)</p> <p>Pride Group – M17 (Lunchtime) LLA</p>	<p>Inclusion Breakfast Club – Inclusion room</p> <p>Library Club-3pm</p> <p>Journalling EEL</p> <p>STEM Club – W74</p> <p>Lunchtime Music Club – Music block</p> <p>Drama rehearsals – M96</p> <p>Football (boys) - Year 7 – Mr Mills - Year 8 – Mr Hargreaves</p> <p>Practical Science – Science Rooms</p> <p>Creative Writing-M16-HMI & KSI</p>	<p>Inclusion Breakfast Club – Inclusion room</p> <p>Library Club - 3pm</p> <p>Drama Rehearsals – LSH</p> <p>Urdu Y10 M27 ZKO</p> <p>Knitting Club (Week B) - Years 7-10. Mrs Kavanagh, Sensory Room by M21</p> <p>Year 10 History Support Drop-in G50</p> <p>Cooking club Mrs Burke – Y7</p> <p>Year 10 Geography Support – G47/G48</p>	<p>Inclusion Breakfast Club – Inclusion room</p> <p>Library Club- 3pm</p> <p>Lego League, Robotics & Coding Club - W84</p> <p>Lunchtime Choir – Music rooms</p> <p>Year 10 Music BTEC – 3pm – Music block</p> <p>Timetable Tennis – Maxstoke 3pm - ACR</p>

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