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Our Year 7 learners enjoyed an unforgettable trip to Beaudesert in Cannock Chase last week. Offered completely free of charge, this experience gave learners the chance to take part in activities such as climbing, go-karts, archery, and even tomahawk throwing—all designed to build teamwork, resilience, and communication in a fun and supportive setting.

The impact was best summed up by the learners themselves:

"Climbing taught me to never give up." – Yusuf

"I've learnt new skills such as climbing which showed me I can be resilient." – Ibrahim

"I loved the tomahawks, I've never tried it before, it was such good fun!" – Sydney

Last weekend, our learners enjoyed an excellent PGL sports trip, taking part in both football and netball tournaments. The boys' football team showed fantastic commitment and teamwork throughout their matches, representing Cockshut Hill with pride. Our girls' netball teams also shone—being crowned Team of the Tournament and winning the Sportsmanship Award for Year 8, as well as the Year 9 team reaching the semi final! Both our footballers and netballers demonstrated determination, resilience and great sportsmanship across the weekend. We are proud of all of them!

At Cockshut Hill, we are proud to provide opportunities like these that broaden horizons and build confidence.

We were also delighted to welcome so many parents and carers to our Year 11 revision event last week. The turnout was fantastic, and it was great to see such strong support for our learners. Families received a wide range of revision resources to help prepare for exams, along with valuable tips from myself, Miss Thomas (Curriculum Lead – English), Miss Block (Curriculum Lead – Mathematics), and Miss Johnson (Achievement Leader – Year 11). Thank you to everyone who attended—we hope you found it helpful.

Finally, a reminder about parking: we have received several concerns from local residents regarding congestion before and after school. We are working closely with Birmingham City Council Highways, but ask all parents and carers to park considerately, avoid blocking driveways, and never put children's safety at risk through illegal parking. Your cooperation helps keep our community safe and respectful.



MR J. CLARKE

Personal Development

Year 7 Beaudesert Trip

This week, all learners in Year 7 attended Beaudesert Outdoor Activity Centre for their first Cultural Capital visit at Cockshut Hill. All learners showed strong resilience to try new activities, reach new heights, and get to know their new peers.



Personal Development

Free, Confidential Support – Anytime, Anywhere

A new mental health text service is now available for people of all ages across Birmingham and Solihull. The service is free, confidential, and available 24/7 – offering support at the touch of a button.

Text 'Space' to 85258 to connect with a trained mental health professional.

Whether you're feeling anxious, stressed, low, or overwhelmed, help is just a text away. This service is especially helpful for those who may find it difficult to talk on the phone or in person.

Launched in partnership between Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust and Shout, the UK's first 24/7 text messaging support service, this initiative aims to make mental health support more accessible to everyone.

In addition to immediate support, texters can be signposted to local services such as:

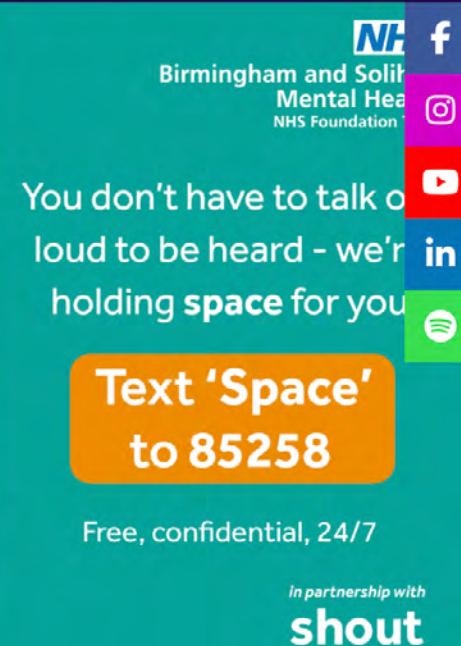
- Talking Therapies
- Crisis Cafés
- NHS 111 Option 2



This new digital service offers a safe space to talk and is a valuable resource for anyone seeking early help or waiting for further support.

New 24/7 mental health text service for Birmingham and Solihull

Feeling
worried?
Alone?



JOIN SUMMIT ARMY CADETS

Open to new cadets: Summit Learners only

Prade Times: Monday, Thursday: 1930-2130

Location: At Fox Hollies Leisure Centre

Contact Mrs Turton for more information.



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**RIGHTS
RESPECTING
SCHOOLS**

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GOLD – RIGHTS RESPECTING

Article of the Month: 28 – The Right to Education

Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free and different forms of secondary education must be available to every child.

We have chosen this article as receiving an education is valuable for our future aspirations. It helps us to develop skills as well as understanding the world we live in and understanding ourselves better as individuals.



UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 21st October: Year 7 Settling in Event

Friday 24th October: Half Term School closes at 3pm (4pm Y11)

Monday 3rd November: School returns



**Compass
Birmingham**
Mental Health Support Teams



Mental health support for children, young people, and their families



*up to 25 years old for care leavers with special education needs or disability

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Literacy

Love to Read

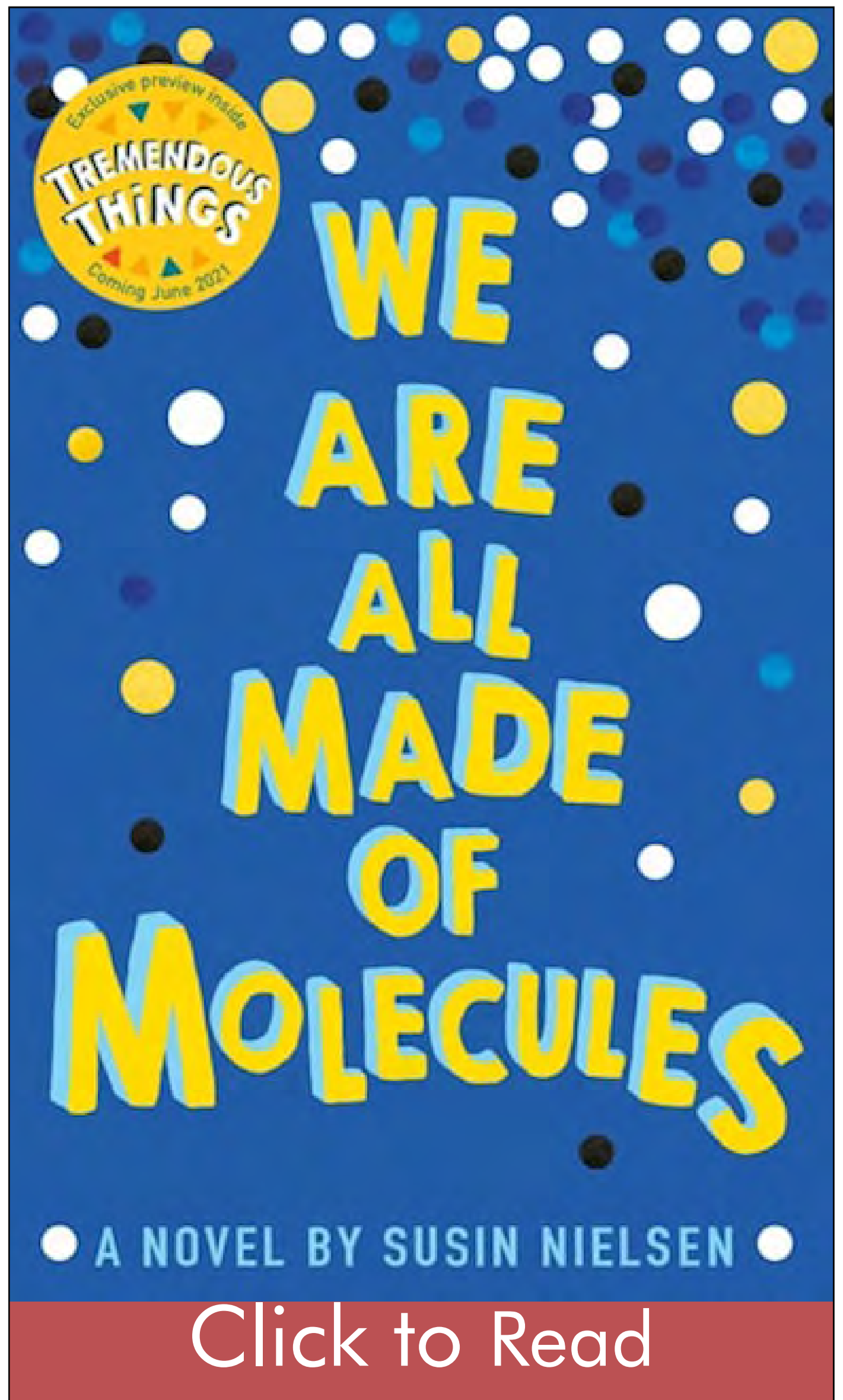
DIGITAL BOOK OF THE WEEK

We Are All Made of Molecules
by Susin Nielsen

Thirteen-year-old Stewart is academically brilliant but socially clueless.

Fourteen-year-old Ashley is the undisputed “It” girl in her class, but her grades stink.

Their worlds are about to collide when Stewart and his dad move in with Ashley and her mom. Stewart is trying to be 89.9 percent happy about it, but Ashley is 110 percent horrified. She already has to hide the real reason her dad moved out; “Spewart” could further threaten her position at the top of the social ladder.



Literacy Tip

Reread your favourite books – it’s a great way to build fluency.

Literacy Learner of the Week

Sophia Miller, Y7



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Learner Praise

House Stars of the Week



Alder House
Megan Collins



Alder House
Abdulrahman Ahmed



Alder House
Gracie-Mai Corbett



Alder House
Gabriella Rathbone

Principal's Commendation

- Toha Nahar
- Harvey Singh
- Ryan Sethna
- Salmeen Qamar
- Gracie-Mai Corbett
- Abbas Ibrahim
- Abdulrahman Ahmed
- Ava Cole
- Om Pankhania

For excellent presentations to relaunch the student leadership committees to their peers in assemblies.



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Learner Enrichment

Enrichment Opportunities

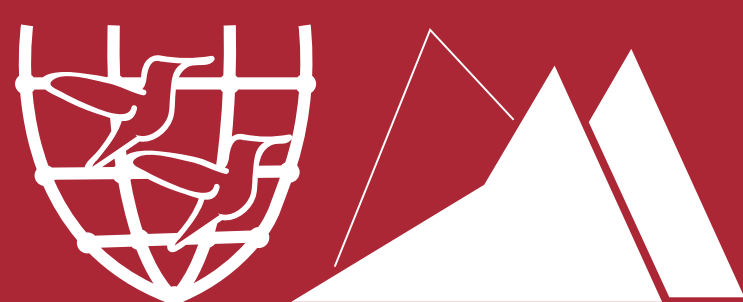
Half Term	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HT1	Library Club – after school Coding Club – CGR W84 Netball Club – EJO Netball Courts 3-4:15 School Band & Choir – Music Block Creative Writing Club-HMI-M16		Library Club – after school Dance Club – CGR M96 Table Tennis – ACR Maxstoke/Boys Gym Year 7 Football- JMI Boys Gym Year 8 Football- DHA Boys Gym Badminton Club – EJO Sports Hall	Craft Club – after school week 2 only. RTH M23 Art Club – JSK W83 DT Club – OSH G61 Library Club – after school Pride Group – M17 – lunchtime Year 9 Football- JMI Boys Gym Year 10 Football- DHA Boys Gym Drama Club – Drama studio	Library Club – after school Board Games Club – CGR W89 Volleyball Club – Mr March (Boys Gym) Table Tennis invite only - ACR Maxstoke/Boys Gym Science Club in W69

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After School
Activities
3pm - 4pm



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