

Cockshut Hill School
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Principal's Message

This week has been full of energy, enrichment and ambition across all year groups. Our learners have taken part in a wide variety of opportunities designed to inspire, challenge and broaden their understanding of the world.

The Importance of Attendance

I would like to remind parents and carers of the vital importance of regular school attendance. Taking children out of school for unauthorised holidays during term time, or having ongoing patterns of persistent absence, may result in legal intervention from the local authority. This can include the issuing of penalty notices. So far this academic year, penalty notices issued to parents and carers of Cockshut Hill pupils have totalled over **£11,000**.

There is also much to celebrate. **Almost 30% of our learners have achieved 100% attendance this term, and Year 8 attendance has improved week on week since returning from the February half term.**

Please continue to support your child by ensuring they attend school every day so they do not miss valuable learning and continue to make strong progress.

Here's my recap of last week's events:

Year 7 STEM Assembly

We began the week with an exciting interactive STEM assembly for our Year 7 learners. Through hands-on demonstrations and real-world examples, learners were introduced to new scientific concepts in an engaging and memorable way. Their enthusiasm was fantastic to see, and it set a positive tone for the week ahead.

Student Leadership Team: Celebrating Their Impact

On Tuesday, our Student Leadership Team delivered an excellent presentation to SLT showcasing the wide-ranging impact of their six committees. Their work this year has been truly impressive — raising over £1000 for charity, leading assemblies, representing the school at internal and external events, and driving significant initiatives including the 16 Days of Activism and our International Women's Day activities. Their leadership, maturity and commitment continue to strengthen our school community, and I could not be more proud of the example they set.



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International Women's Day at CHS

Across the last two weeks, we have marked International Women's Day with assemblies, a quiz exploring inspirational women throughout history, and thoughtful celebrations led by our Student Leadership Team.

Our learners also created thank-you cards for our female colleagues, recognising their impact and contribution to school life. Alongside this, pupils and staff made pledges to support women and girls, challenge inequality, and champion fairness.

It has been inspiring to see how wholeheartedly our community embraced this important theme.

Assemblies: Sleep and Wellbeing

Last week, my assemblies have centred on the importance of sleep and its impact on memory, mood, concentration and brain health. We discussed how poor sleep can affect learning, emotional wellbeing and focus, and learners engaged thoughtfully in considering small adjustments that might improve their routines.

Altruism with Mr O'Malley

Mr O'Malley has also been speaking to learners about altruism — what it means to be genuinely kind and selfless, and why this is such a beautiful quality to nurture. His message encouraged learners to consider how small acts of kindness can strengthen relationships, build character and contribute to a positive school culture.

Recognising Young Carers: Mr Stevens' Assembly Focus

Also last week, Mr Stevens delivered a powerful and important part of our assembly programme focused on the work of young carers. He highlighted the responsibilities many young carers hold, the challenges they navigate, and the incredible strength and compassion they show every day.

Learners gained a deeper understanding of the vital role these young people play within their families and the wider community, and the importance of showing empathy, respect and support towards them.



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Year 10 Progress Evening & Revision Event - Tuesday 14th April

Bookings for the Year 10 Progress Evening opened this Monday. The event will take place on Tuesday 14th April and will provide an important opportunity for parents and carers to meet with their child's teachers, discuss their progress, and collect the full set of revision guides for all subjects. We strongly encourage all families to attend so we can work together to support children as they continue their GCSE journey.

Eid Mubarak

As we approach this special celebration, I would like to send my warmest wishes to all our learners, families and colleagues who will be marking Eid. Eid Mubarak to you and your loved ones. We hope this time brings peace, joy, togetherness and blessings. Thank you for the spirit of compassion and generosity you bring to our school community during this meaningful time.

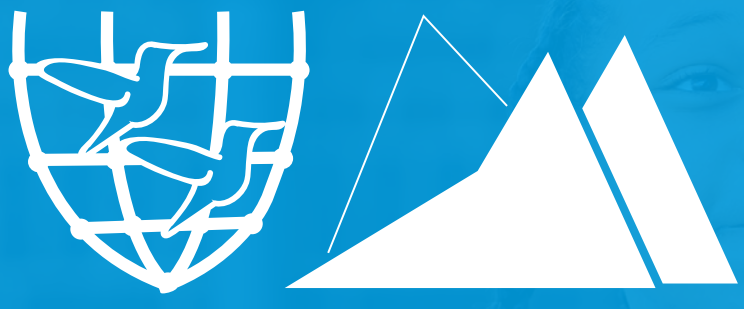
Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mr J Clarke – Principal



EID *Mubarak*

May the blessings of Allah fill your life with joy,
happiness and success. Eid Mubarak



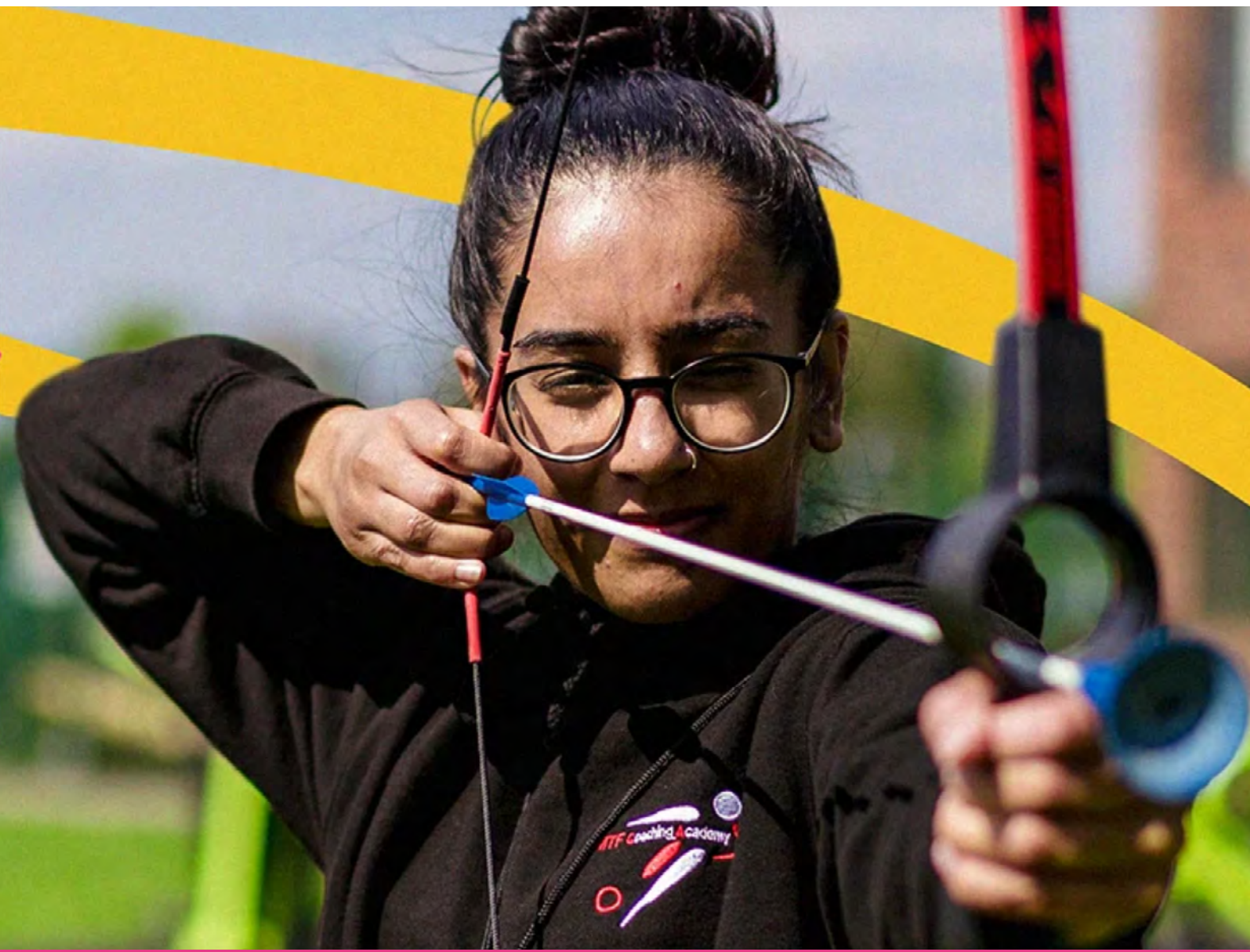
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Easter Activities

WELCOME TO BRING IT ON BRUM!

Looking for affordable ways to keep the kids active during the school holidays? Our funded holiday clubs across Birmingham offer safe, fun and enriching experiences for children and young people aged 4–16 — at no cost to you!

[BOOK NOW](#)



BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

Give your child an Easter filled with exciting activities, new friends and healthy meals – all completely FREE!

HOW TO BOOK

Get your unique **BIOB/HAF code** from your child's school (please contact your school office if you haven't received your code)

Visit www.bringitonbrum.co.uk to browse activities and book your spaces.

Follow our [How To Book Guide](#) to complete your booking.

Eligibility Your child qualifies if they are:

Aged 4–16 years old

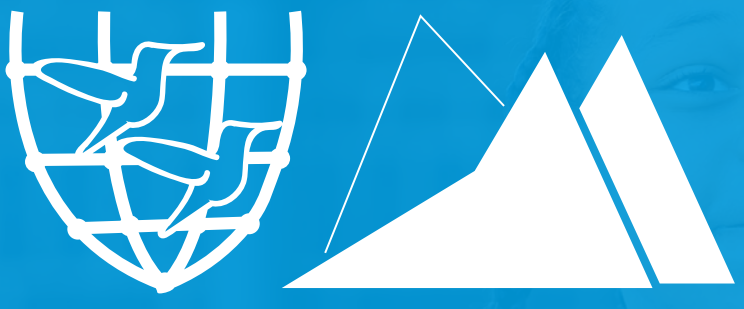
Eligible for benefits-related free school meals
Children meeting both criteria can access funded spaces during spring, summer, and winter holidays.

Not eligible? Many clubs offer paid places so every child can join the fun.

Please check availability when booking.



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Discounted Tickets

Search for events here...

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Join us for the final three games of Birmingham Moseley's 2025/26 season, using the QR code to take advantage of our school discount!

U17s get in free but any parents / guardians / carers / staff can enter for just £5!

Head to www.moseleyrugby.co.uk tickets section, choose your game, select adult ticket and apply discount code SP5 to secure your tickets.












The discount applies to the following three games:

- Saturday 14th March (3pm) Birmingham Moseley v Sedgley Park
- Saturday 11th April (4pm) Birmingham Moseley v Leeds
- Saturday 25th April (3pm) Birmingham Moseley v Bishop's Stortford



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Lunch Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1					
Option one	Classic Beef bolognese with garlic bread 	Mexican Beef chilli with 50/50 rice or soft taco  	Roast of The Day with roast potatoes & gravy 	Green Thai chicken curry with 50/50 rice 	Fish fingers or salmon fishcake with chips
Option two	Autumn vegetable risotto with garlic bread 	Mexican vegetable rice	Cajun sweet potato tart with roast potatoes & gravy 	Sticky soy & honey noodles	Loaded hound dog with chips
On the side..	Vegetables of The Day	Vegetables of The Day	Vegetables of The Day	Vegetables of The Day	Garden Peas Baked Beans
Dessert of the day	Home Bakes & Cookies	Home Bakes & Cookies  	Plum & vanilla crumble With custard 	Home Bakes & Cookies 	Home Bakes & Cookies

Personal Development



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SCHOOLS



GOLD – RIGHTS RESPECTING

Article of the Month

Article 29 (goals of education)

Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures and the environment.

We have chosen this article as it supports the school motto of 'Nothing But the Best' as everyone at CHS believes they can aspire to anything they wish to be and the staff will work to deliver a curriculum that supports aspirations.

UPCOMING DATES

27th March – School closes for Easter Holiday

13th April – Learners Return to school

14th April – Year 10 Progress Evening

29th April – Year 7 and 8 Maths Challenge Event

5th May – Year 8 Progress Evening

18th May – Year 10 Work Experience

2nd June – Year 9 Options Event



ChildLine

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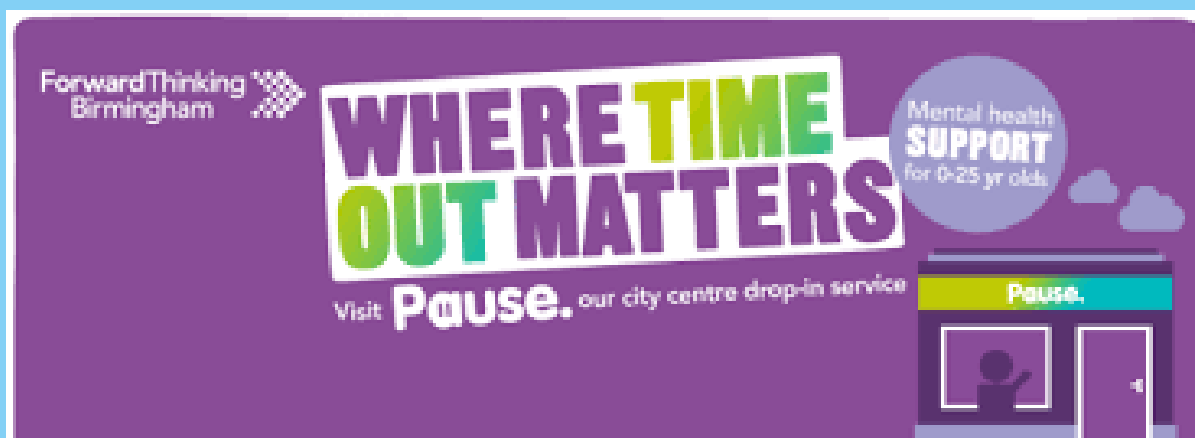


Mental health support for children, young people, and their families



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

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Literacy

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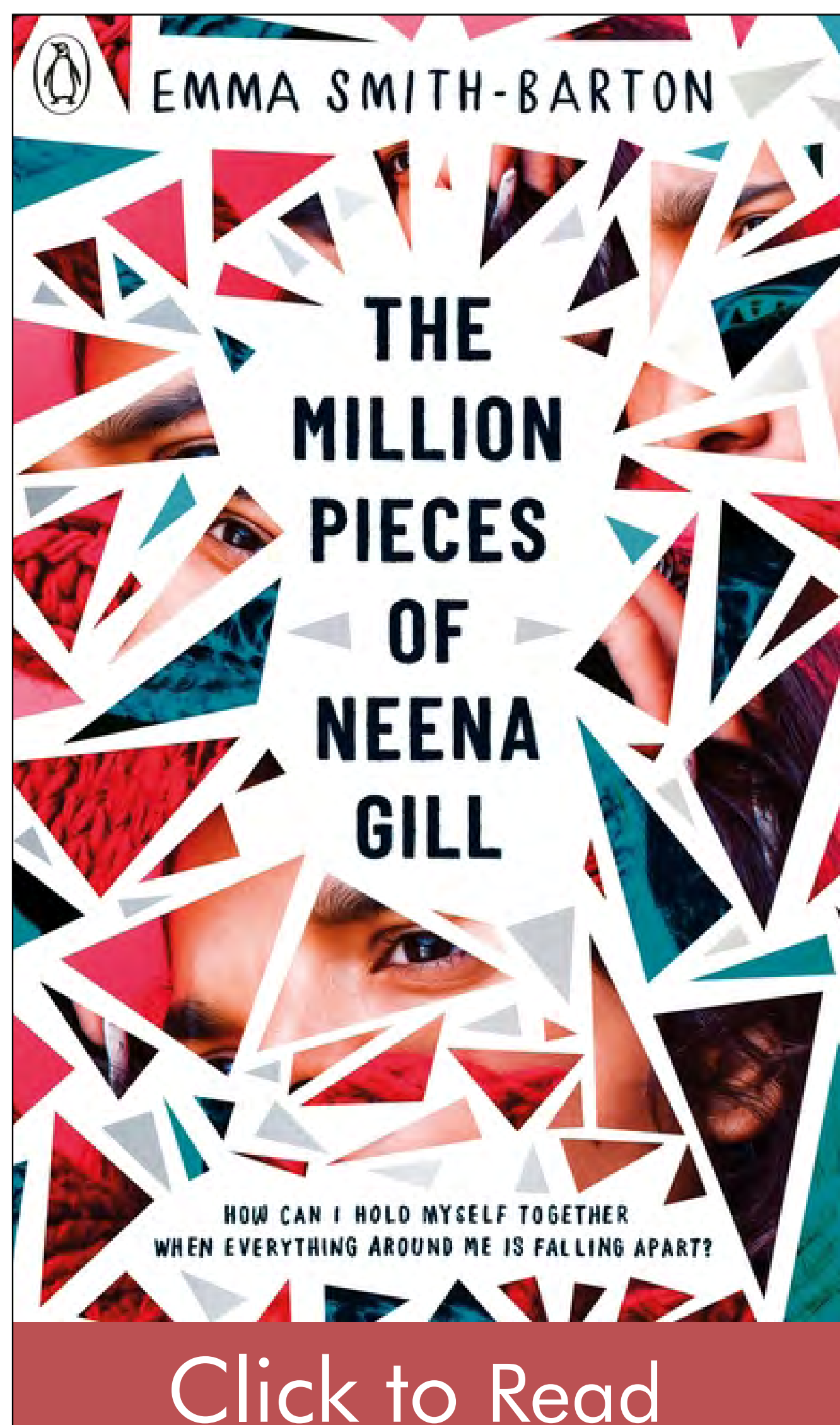
DIGITAL BOOK OF THE WEEK

The Million Pieces of Neena Gill by Emma Smith-Barton

Neena's always been a good girl - great grades, parent-approved friends and absolutely no boyfriends. But ever since her brother Akash left her, she's been slowly falling apart - and uncovering a new version of herself who is freer, but altogether more dangerous.

As her wild behaviour spirals more and more out of control, Neena's grip on her sanity begins to weaken too. And when her parents announce not one but two life-changing bombshells, she finally reaches breaking point.

But as Neena is about to discover, when your life falls apart, only love can piece you back together.



Literacy Tip

When answering a literature essay question that asks you to use textual evidence to back up your arguments, remember that it is not enough to simply put down a quote or to describe what happened in the text. Elaborate, in detail, how the quote or event relates to the point you are trying to make.

Literacy Learner of the Week

Olivia Synott and Reyah Prasanth, 7



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Learner Praise

House Stars of the Week



Alder House
Muhammad Salar Ali Satti



Oak House
Shayan Miah



Maple House
Rabiyah Khanum



Yew House
Leo Jones

Principal's Commendation

- Clayton Young
- Amara May Iqbal
- Esther Giles
- Chandani Kaur
- William Cherry
- Abdulrahman Ahmed
- Caitlyn Travers
- Gracie-Mai Corbett
- Aiden Ngoshi
- Sujan Bhandari
- Mohammed Husnayn
- Ella Onyilimba

Sports Leaders for their excellent ambassadorship



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Learner Enrichment

MONDAY

Library Club
School Band & Choir - G64
Creative Writing Club - M12

WEDNESDAY

Library Club
Table Tennis - Boys Gym
Year 7 Football - Boys Gym
Year 8 Football - Boys Gym
Netball Club - Netball Courts
Craft Club - (Week B only) M23

THURSDAY

Geography Club - G45
Library Club
Pride Group - M77 Lunchtime
Girls Boxing Club - Fitness Suite
Year 9 Football - Boys Gym
Year 10 Football - Boys Gym
Drama Club - Drama studio
Card Games Club - G49/50
History Club - G50/49
Book Look Club - M14
Art Club - (week A only) W83

FRIDAY

Library Club
Volleyball Club - Boys Gym
Table Tennis (week A only) Boys Gym
Science Club - W69
Science Intervention - W75

HALF TERM 4
15:10 - 16:00

Join one of
our clubs

Science Intervention club: Every Friday 3-4pm in W75

- Talking careers in science
- Maths in science
- Literacy in science
- Talking further education
- More practical work
- Making science easier
- Gain higher grades

**Come
along**





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