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# Principal's Message

The second week of the summer term was a busy and very positive one at Cockshut Hill School, with new initiatives taking shape and a wide range of opportunities for our learners both in and beyond the classroom.

## Attendance: New Initiatives in Action

Last week saw the introduction of our Full House Friday attendance initiative, and it has been encouraging to see such a positive response from learners. We were delighted to showcase our first **attendance voucher winners**:

Name	Year	House	Prize
Saira Ali	7	Alder	£50 Family Meal Voucher
Rylan Mooney	10	Oak	£30 voucher
Musa Naseer	9	Yew	£30 voucher
Feyisekemi Olowookere	7	Oak	£10 voucher
Fatimah Khan	10	Maple	£10 voucher
Haramain Qasim	11	Oak	£10 voucher
Leo Jones	8	Yew	£10 voucher
Ismiyah Hussain	8	Oak	Lunch queue pass
Muhammad Zafar	9	Yew	Lunch queue pass
Kearnee Gilkes Bryan	11	Alder	Chocolate treat

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These initiatives recognise those who have demonstrated a strong commitment to attending school every day and arriving on time. We will continue to celebrate and promote strong attendance each week, as it plays a vital role in learners' success.



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## Sporting Achievement – Year 10 Football

Our Year 10 football team played a competitive fixture against Small Heath, finishing with a draw. While the result was pleasing, the real success was the teamwork, resilience and positive attitude shown by all members of the squad. The team represented Cockshut Hill School with pride, and we thank staff for their continued support.

## Creative and Performing Arts Enrichment

**Year 9 learners** continue to work every Wednesday with a professional actor, supported by Mr Willett. This exciting opportunity is helping learners to develop confidence, performance skills and creativity.

Our partnership work through the **Transformation Partnership** continues to flourish. KS3 learners are currently working with **a ballet teacher from the Royal Ballet**, a truly inspiring experience that will culminate in a stunning performance in July. We are extremely proud of the commitment and enthusiasm shown by our learners.

## Parental Engagement and Key Dates

- Our **Year 8 Progress Evening** will take place on **5 May**. Parents and carers are reminded to book appointments via the **Arbor app**. Please note that bookings will close on 4 May.
- We were also delighted to hold our first meeting with our new September 2026 cohort of **Year 7** parents last Wednesday. It was a very positive evening and an excellent opportunity to begin building strong relationships as we look ahead to welcoming new learners and families to Cockshut Hill School in September.
- A polite reminder that school will be closed on **Monday 4th May due to the Bank Holiday**

## Looking Ahead - As we continue through the summer term, our focus remains on:

- Sustaining strong attendance and punctuality
- Maintaining high expectations for learning and behaviour
- Providing enriching experiences that support both academic progress and personal development

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Mr J Clarke – Principal



# Personal Development

## Article of the Month: 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.

**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.**






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GOLD - RIGHTS RESPECTING

# Lunch Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 2</b>					
<b>Option one</b>	<b>Macaroni Cheese</b> With crunchy garlic croutons	<b>STREET FOOD</b> <b>Spicy Chicken</b> with khobez and tabbouleh salad	<b>Butchers Sausage &amp; Mash</b> with onion gravy	<b>Hot Wok chicken Noodles</b> with 50/50 rice	<b>Battered fillet of fish</b> with chips & tartare sauce
<b>Option two</b>	<b>Quorn &amp; Black bean Fajitas</b> with rice	 <b>Houmous &amp; Falafel</b> with khobez and tabbouleh salad	 <b>Veggie Sausage &amp; Mash</b> with onion gravy	 <b>Black bean Vegetables</b> with rice	<b>Greek spinach &amp; filo parcels</b> with chips
<b>On the side..</b>	Vegetables of The Day	Vegetables of The Day	Vegetables of The Day	Vegetables of The Day	Garden Peas Baked Beans
<b>Dessert of the day</b>	<b>Home Bakes &amp; Cookies</b>	<b>Home Bakes &amp; Cookies</b>	<b>Apple &amp; Cherry Oaty Crumble</b> With custard	<b>Home Bakes &amp; Cookies</b>	<b>Home Bakes &amp; Cookies</b>

# Personal Development

## UPCOMING DATES

5th May – Year 8 Progress Evening

18th May – Year 10 Work Experience

2nd June – Year 9 Options Event



## Support Agencies



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

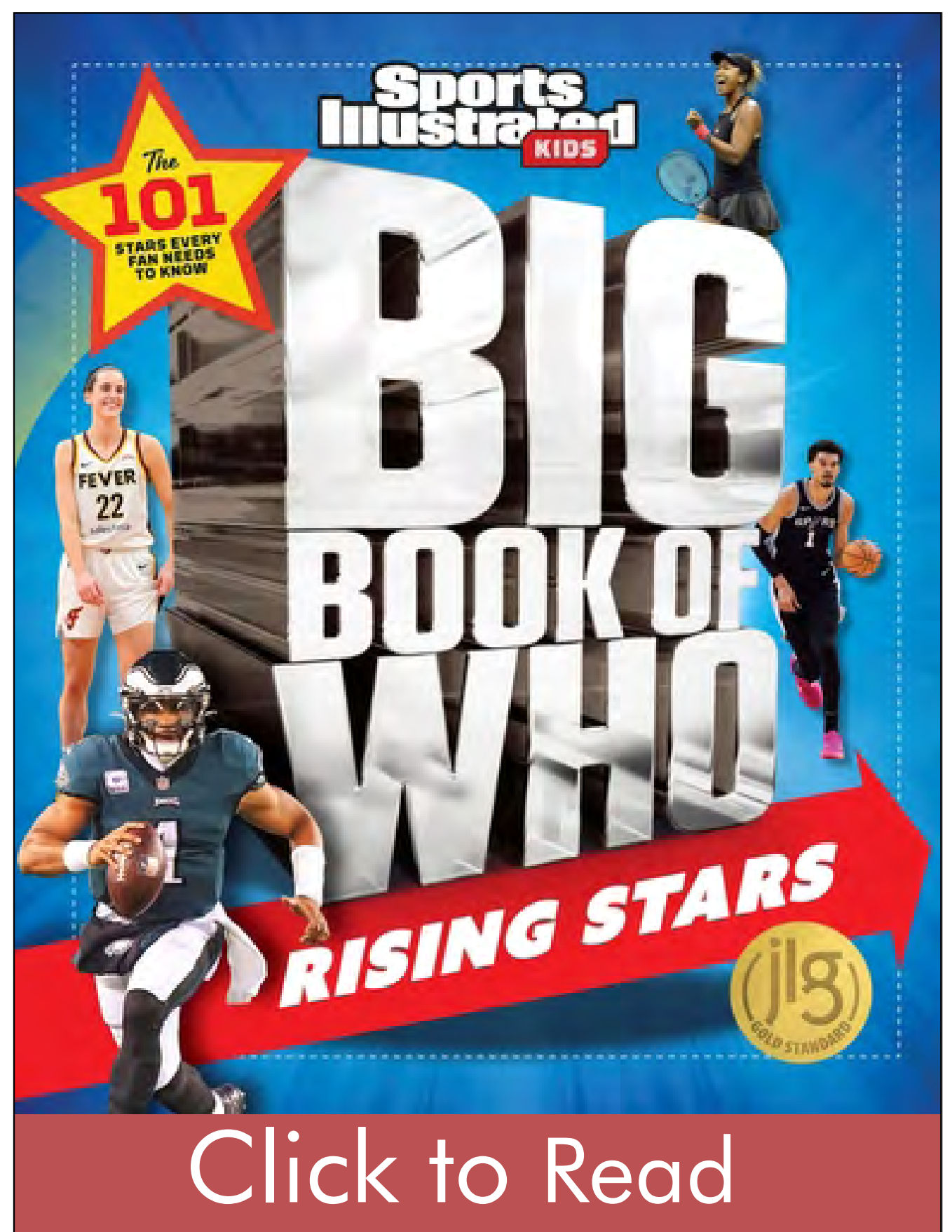
## Love to Read

## DIGITAL BOOK OF THE WEEK

### Big Book of WHO Rising Stars by Sports Illustrated Kids

Today's modern sports superstars have proven again and again that you're never too young to make a mark or change the game. With Big Book of WHO: Rising Stars, get to know the new generation of young athletes who are dominating on the gridiron, soccer pitch, ice rink, basketball court, and beyond.

Featuring the latest action photography and the most current information about top young athletes across a range of sports, this Sports Illustrated Kids reference book is written in a fun and easy-to-navigate question and answer format. Athlete profiles, facts, and stats are organized into five comprehensive categories: TrendSetters, NextGen, Phenoms, Trail Blazers, and Record Breakers.



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### Literacy Tip

There are many things you can do to develop a writing habit, to improve your writing skills in the long run. For example, running a blog, submitting reviews on forums, using email to communicate with friends and family and keeping a journal are ways you can ensure that you are writing regularly.

### Literacy Learner of the Week

Amaan Ali. Year 10



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# Learner Praise

## House Stars of the Week



## Principal's Commendation

**For excellent speeches at the Year 6 transition evening last week!**

- **Sydney Giles - Year 7 (Yew)**
- **Sakida Haider Ibrahim - Year 7 (Yew)**
- **Rukia Ibrahim - Year 7 (Yew)**
- **Ava Cole Year - 10 (Oak)**
- **Toha Nahar - Year 11 (Oak)**



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# Learner Enrichment

## MONDAY

**Library Club**

**School Band & Choir** - G64

**Debate Club** - M17

## 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

**Geoscrapbooking Club** - G47

**Library Club**

**Pride Group** - M17 Lunchtime

**Year 9 Football** - Boys Gym

**Year 10 Football** - Boys Gym

**Drama Club** - Drama studio

**Card Games Club** - G49/50

**Bollywood Dance Club** - LSH

**Book Look Club** - M14 Lunchtime

## FRIDAY

**Library Club**

**Volleyball Club** - Boys Gym

**Table Tennis** (invite only) Boys Gym

**Science Club** - W74

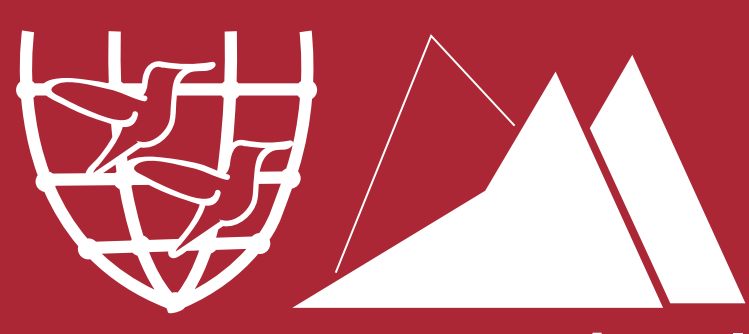
**Backstage Club** - G37

**HALF TERM 5**  
**15:00 - 16:00**

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our clubs**



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