



13 June 2025

NEWS & VIEWS

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Executive Headteacher: Mr Jamie Foster



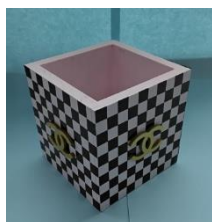
Headteacher's Comment:

This week I would like to highlight the outstanding work of our Year 10 GCSE pupils in the Design & Technology department. The pupils have been creating storage boxes and learning about existing designers and design companies as part of their exploration into why a designer would take inspiration from previous professionals. Coupled with computer aided design and manufacturing skills the pupils have produced innovative ways to adapt and decorate their storage boxes. Below, you will find images of some of the boxes, along with photos of some of the pupils (on the right).

Our staff 'Making a Difference' this week goes to Jo Millar from the support team. Jo has been working two roles recently to ensure the smooth running of the school. Thank you Mrs Millar for your hard work and dedication.

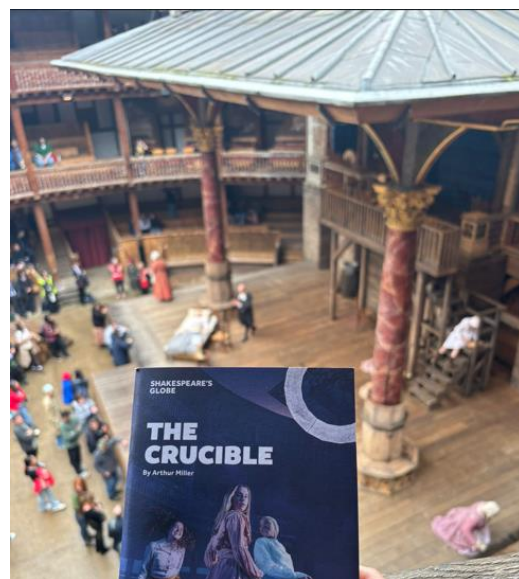


Finally, a reminder that *National Thank a Teacher Day* is on the 18 June. If you or your child would like to 'Thank a Teacher' and give them a well-deserved boost, please complete [this](#) Microsoft form and I will ensure your message reaches them.



Year 10 Crucible Trip

On Thursday 5 June, we were fortunate to be able to take our Year 10 GCSE exam groups to watch a live performance of their exam text, *The Crucible*, at the Globe Theatre in London. It is a play centered around the Salem witch trials with hysteria, lies and manipulation at the center of the story. It is not often performed so we were lucky to be able to get tickets in order for the pupils to see the play which they have studied since January being performed live. This will help to support their understanding of the play and enable to consider their own ideas when writing from the point of view of an actor, director and designer. Even though the weather was not on our side, the pupils' positivity was not dampened and they exhibited brilliant behaviour and engagement when watching the play in the unique setting of the open air theatre. **Miss Barnes** – *Head of Drama*



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Royal Albert Hall Trip

Last Wednesday, pupils in the Music department went on an evening trip to see the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in the Royal Albert Hall, with Mr Peacock and Miss Cox. This was a fantastic opportunity for Music pupils of all year group to see a live orchestra. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed Worlds of Fantasy, a particular favourite being 'Legends Never Die' from League of Legends. My personal highlight was when one of the Year 7's said to me 'they did not like it', but 'they loved it!' I am looking forward to taking another group of musicians to the Royal Albert Hall next year.

Miss Askew - Music



Year 7 Boys' Cricket Team

Well done to the Year 7 boys Cricket team on a fantastic win this week against Shenfield High School in the Mid Essex League. The team put in a brilliant all-round performance, showing great skill with both bat and ball. They went on to play in the Tier 3 Essex County Tournament, winning 6 games in total to become T3 CTC Champions! Well done boys.



Dates for the Diary

- 16.06.2025 – Brentwood School More Able Trip
- Year 6 OPP Building commences
- 18.06.2025 – Year 7 Trip, *The Artful Dodger*
- SENCO Forum 18:00 South Hall
- 19.06.2025 – Sixth Form UCL Computing Conference
- Year 7 Oliver Twist Film Night 15:15 – 17:30
- Hadestown – Sixth Film Trip
- 20.06.2025 – Year 7 Trip, *The Artful Dodger*
- Year 6 Extra Induction Day

Word of the Week
Week 33 vivid



adjective: Producing strong, clear images in the mind.
Sentence: It was such a vivid dream.

For PE fixtures please follow twitter @STMartinsSchPE for further PE updates



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EVERYONE LOVES A FRIDAY NIGHT

At Basildon Sporting Village



Time:
3.45PM - 6PM

Age Range:
12 - 15 Year Olds

Activities:

- Dance
- Football
- Gym Sessions*
- Sports Hall activities which may include:
 - Badminton
 - Basketball
 - Table Tennis

Cost:
£2.50

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*Juniors must complete an in-person Gym induction before attending these sessions.

**Wednesday
9 July
16:30 to 18:30**



**Art & DT
Exhibition**

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