



NEWS & VIEWS

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Outstanding Personal Achievement



Headteacher's Comment

Good afternoon

This week I had the pleasure of meeting Sam Sadler again in Year 9 who was sent to me by Miss Fowkes for producing an amazing final product in his design technology class. Well done Sam you are now inducted into the Headteacher's Gallery for the second time!

This week's News and Views we celebrate the remarkable Charlie McCartney in Year 8 who set up his own Autistic football team and is being recognised by world media news and England Football! Charlie has proved that if you put your mind to something; anything is possible and can be achieved. Congratulations and well done Charlie!

Finally, we share below news of last week's Year 9 curriculum evening from Mrs Corbett, Deputy Headteacher and photos of the various subject boards on display.

Have a good weekend.



Autistic FC

You may recall last year that Charlie McCartney launched his own football team for autistic children in the area and was invited to attend the new opening of the new Tesco store in Brentwood High Street receiving a donation towards Autistic FC. He was inducted in to the Headteacher's Gallery for this great achievement.



Charlie now in Year 8 has since been featured on Sky Sports News, Newsround and recently received a mention from England Football via their twitter page.

Well done Charlie what a huge achievement, we are extremely proud of you and you are a credit to this school and to the autistic community.



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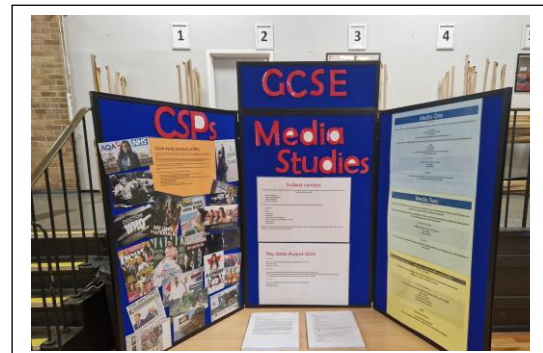
Year 9 Curriculum Evening

Last Wednesday saw a very well attended Year 9 Curriculum Evening; the atmosphere was buzzing with information sharing as both Year 9 students and parents sourced information from curriculum leaders and subject teachers to help them choose their options as they move from Key Stage 3 into Key Stage 4. The evening was split into two parts.

A talk was given by the Deputy Headteacher (Curriculum and Assessment) and the Director of Key Stage 3 outlining the options process and why the pathways provided for the students are as they are. This was followed by an opportunity for parents to speak with the curriculum and pastoral team regarding their child's choices.

This was followed up by a face to face meeting with members of the faculty leadership teams. Parents and students could speak to subject leaders about their subjects at GCSE. This was especially important for subjects which are new to students at Key Stage 4 such as Media Studies, Computer Science, Business Studies, Sociology and Health and Social Care. The feedback from parents/carers at the evening was very positive; they found the support being given at this important time in their child's life very helpful.

Please see below some examples of display boards shown at the evening for Computing, English & Media Studies and Drama.



Dates for the Diary

- 06.03.23, 07.03.23 & 08.03.23 Year 9 Enterprise Days
- 07.03.23 Year 13 EPQ Drop Down Day.
- 06.03.23 - 07.03.23 Year 12 PPE Photography
- 09.03.23 - 10.03.23 Year 12 PPE Art
- For PE fixtures please follow twitter @STMartinsSchPE or [click here](#) for further PE updates.



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