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SPONNE NEWS

The official newsletter of Sponne School



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Dear Parents and Carers

A warm welcome to our final Sponne newsletter for this academic year. It seems amazing that the year has come and gone and that our children are a year older and about to finish another school year. As a teacher it seems like time has flown since September and I am sure that you as parents, can appreciate these sentiments whether your son/daughter is completing their first or indeed their last year at Sponne.

When I reflect back on another great year at Sponne there are countless events and moments that deserve a mention, many of which have been written about in previous editions. However, I do want to say that all of these have involved students performing to very high levels, contributing to our school and local community or simply getting on with the job of learning with a positive attitude and approach. I do specifically want to congratulate the staff and cast members who have worked so hard to perform 'Les Misérables' during the past few days; absolutely stunning, well done to you all. All that we do here at Sponne is aimed to inspire a love of learning and I want to thank all parents/carers for your unceasing support in this endeavour.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my staff for all their efforts whether they teach or support in the classroom, work in the offices or around the site. The intensity and pressure in schools has been significantly higher since the pandemic but the staff at Sponne are always willing to go the extra mile in support of students or of each other and their dedication should not be taken for granted. Inevitably we have some staff retiring or moving on to new jobs and I'd like to thank them in particular for all they have done and wish them the best of luck in the future. This year we say goodbye to Mrs Farrell, Mr Maybury, Mrs Cameron-Wyatt, Mrs Fox, Miss McGonagle, Ms Bagniuk, Mr Norman and myself! However, I am pleased to report that we will be fully staffed from September when several new staff will be joining us; more details about these in the first Newsletter after the Summer holidays from the new Headteacher, Mr Graham Forbes.

We look forward to the results weeks in August and another excellent set of results at GCSE and A-Level. A reminder that A-Level results day is Thursday 15 th August and GCSE results day is Thursday 22 nd August. As in previous years the school will be open and many staff present to congratulate, support and advise students.

Can I thank you once again for your continued support and wish you a very pleasant summer holiday. The school welcomes Year 7 and 12 back on Wednesday 4 th September and the rest of the school on Thursday 5 th September 2024.

Kind regards

Iain Massey

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Iain Massey'.

Headteacher

Parking outside of school

Please park considerately and legally outside of school. We have had a few incidents recently where our neighbours' driveways have been blocked and issues with cars being parked too close to the pedestrian crossing. You **MUST NOT** park on the crossing or in the area covered by the zig-zag lines.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Music News

Birmingham Symphony Hall Performances

Congratulations to members of Sponne Brass Band, Sponne Jazz Orchestra and Sponnaissance who performed in the Birmingham Symphony Hall main stage, Jennifer Blackwell Performance Space and CBSO centre on Friday 5th July as part of the National Festival of Music for Youth. It was an amazing achievement to get three groups from one school selected for this national event. Several of our talented musicians were also involved with different County groups. Congratulations to all on some wonderful performances.



Les Misérables

Huge congratulations to the 60 cast members on three outstanding performances of the epic musical, Les Misérables! What an achievement! The feedback from the audience members has been phenomenal. All the staff are so proud of each and every student - well done. The performances followed 10 months of rehearsing four hours each week, culminating in a weekend of technical and dress rehearsals when all the lighting, radio microphones and orchestra came together for the first time. The professionalism of the cast during this final weekend of rehearsals was outstanding.

This has been an exceptionally expensive musical to stage (the licensing company takes 16% of the box office takings and the hire of the vocal scores and orchestral music alone costs over £2500, not to mention the additional costs of hiring 24 radio microphones, digital lighting, additional staging etc!). Having seen the show, if any audience members would like to donate to our production fund in order that we can continue to offer similar experiences to students in the future, this would be very much appreciated. This can be done either by scopay (under optional trips and events listed as Donations Les Mis Production) or by donating through the PFA account: Account Name: The Sponne School Parents' And Friends' Association

Sort Code: 30-99-50

Account: 26632460

During the summer holiday we will be working on a video recording of the show. We hope to be able to have a cast reunion in the Autumn term so that we can do a showing of the performance in the hall and make the recording available to others.

Once again, huge congratulations to all involved.



Other News

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This week saw the long overdue official opening of Thomas Hollick Hall. This was also a surprise event for Headteacher Mr Massey and Mrs Farrell (SENCO) who were invited to join members of the Hollick family in unveiling the signs before they retire at the end of this term. Yr 7,8,9 and 12 lined the field and gave a rousing reception to both Mr Massey and Mrs Farrell as they passed through the 'guard of honour' that led to Thomas Hollick Hall.

Inside Thomas Hollick Hall there is a plaque with a picture that Tom had drawn along with details of Tom Hollick's legacy and reads as follows:

Thomas Hollick joined Sponne School in September 2012. From the start, he made strong friendships, was very active, and had a great sense of humour. He quickly became involved in many sports clubs, particularly football and badminton, competing for the school teams.

When Thomas was in Year 8, he faced the daunting diagnosis of a brain tumour and underwent surgery, followed by both chemotherapy and radiotherapy treatments. Throughout all this, Thomas remained resilient and continued to attend school. His year group, teachers, and family supported him through some really tough times.

Thomas would keep his year group updated by talking in assemblies about his progress and treatment, inspiring everyone with his courage and determination. For a while, it seemed remission was in reach, but when Thomas was in Year 11, the cancer returned. In February 2017, Thomas learned that his cancer was terminal and he didn't have long to live. Despite this, he was incredibly brave and continued to attend school while being determined to sit his GCSEs. During this time, he also pursued several things he had dreamed about doing.



On April 25th, 2017, just weeks before his exams, Thomas sadly passed away. He had always been such an amazing, positive person with his motto – 'Dream, Believe, Achieve' – which echoes through the school. His year group channelled his fighting spirit into their exams, and when the results came in, they were the best GCSE results Sponne had ever seen.

Thomas's legacy lives on through our school motto 'Dream, Believe, Achieve', embodying his determination and fighting spirit. "Thomas Hollick Hall" is a testament to his enduring impact. Though he left this world too soon, Thomas lives on in the memories of all who knew him, inspiring us to dream bigger, believe in ourselves, and achieve beyond our limits.

Bloomsbury Lit in Colour student competition



We would like to say a huge Congratulations to Sponne students, Emily and Bella, who have been awarded the winners of the Bloomsbury Lit in Colour student competition. This is a script writing competition where Bloomsbury have said:

'The judges loved their originality and creativity and they beat off fierce competition from students at schools all across the country so they should feel very proud of their achievement.'

In particular, the judges noted:

- Clear, theatrical, concise, dramatic.
- Shows a proper connection and understanding of the medium.
- Isn't trying to recreate TV, film or what a 'play' is supposed to be.

Bloomsbury will now publish Human (Being) as a winner on the **Bloomsbury Lit in Colour website** to showcase the work of Emily and Bella and feature them in Bloomsbury's 2024 Lit in Colour Play List. Emily and Bella will also have the wonderful opportunity to perform their work at the **Pearson Lit in Colour Pioneers Student Conference** at Birmingham Rep theatre and at the launch of Bloomsbury's 2024 (Incomplete) Lit in Colour Play List in London.

In addition, they have won the school £100's worth of Bloomsbury books and a bundle of Methuen Drama plays from the **2023 (Incomplete) Lit in Colour Play List**.

We are all very incredibly proud of Emily and Bella who have bright futures ahead.

- Drama Team



Well done Year 9 Geographers!

A huge thank you to all our year 9 geographers for all their hard work on their trip to the River Tove Wetland Pocket Park! Pupils did a thorough job collecting data on the different flood management strategies as well as the river's flow rate. This will help them both with their work on flood management and help to prepare them for their fieldwork investigation in year 11.



Dragons' Den Day

On Wednesday 17th July our Business & Innovation Faculty facilitated a Dragons' Den style day for our Y7 students who had to come up with presentations/ideas for new products to 'save the planet'. Each tutor group had several groups coming up with ideas and were supported by local business 'dragons' before choosing one winner to go into the final in the afternoon.

All the ideas from the students were fantastic and whilst many were nervous they spoke confidently to their peers and the dragon's with their presentations in the afternoon. The top three forms were: 3rd Place 7CJR; 2nd Place 7KAM and the winners were 7CCM. The students in the winning group were presented with their prizes, donated by one of our dragons (Laura Laws) in the achievement assembly on Friday 19th July.



Duke Of Edinburgh Award Scheme - Bronze Assessed Expedition



On June 22nd and 23rd there were 57 Year 10 students participating in their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Assessed Expedition. They walked about 14km a day, carrying all their kit, including a tent, food and a stove. They cooked for themselves at the campsite, pitched up and many still had energy to participate in ball games including volleyball, cricket and football. Some students preferred the more relaxing campfire guitar session from Mr O'Grady. After the overnight camp they continued their planned route on Sunday. It was a warm weekend, so the conditions were quite tough, however at least it didn't rain.

Well done to all involved, a fantastic achievement.



Duke Of Edinburgh Award Scheme - Bronze Assessed Expedition



Rhineland, Germany

#SponneGermany24

15-19th July 2024 a contingent of 53 students, accompanied by 5 staff visited the Rhineland region of Germany. The trip offered many opportunities to practice German speaking and visit a number of German towns.

Tuesday was a visit to Bonn, including the König Natural History Museum, the city centre for shopping (Haribo shop & Mangal Doner, owned by Lukas Podolski), Boat Trip on the Rhine to Königswinter & Drachenfels Railway trip up the mountain for beautiful views, all followed by a BBQ back at the Youth Hostel.

Wednesday started with a tour of Marksburg Castle, free time in Koblenz & a Cable Car Ride to the Ehrenbreitstein fortress, with bowling the evening activity (Mr. Gercks regained his crown!)

Thursday was a busy day in Cologne; starting at the Lindt Chocolate Museum, a visit to the Love Lock Bridge and Cathedral, a trip up the KölnTriangle Viewing platform, a Tour of the NMC TV Studios in Cologne with a disco to conclude.

A fantastic time was had by all, with many great memories made.

- Mrs. Whitbread & the Rhineland '24 team











Learn a Language for Lifelong Opportunities



**Mr Doughty in his Paris 2024
volunteer uniform**

Having come out of retirement from his most recent role as a primary school teacher to join us as a part-time French teacher, Mr Doughty explains how having learnt a foreign language has opened many doors to fantastic opportunities in his career, the latest of which will see him have a very exciting summer!

Mr Doughty told us: 'I loved learning French at school and was lucky that for me I found it very easy, which I recognise is not the case for many of my students. For those students that find it hard, I encourage them to learn the basics so that they can enjoy foreign holidays with the confidence to use a little of the local language to be polite and friendly with the basics of please and thank you in any language.

However, if learning a foreign language is something that your child enjoys, please do encourage and support them to go further as it is such a great additional skill to have in so many careers. When I was at school in the 1970s, the only career opportunities for languages seemed to be a translator or a language teacher, neither of which appealed to me at the time. Fortunately, the EU Erasmus project started just in time for me to follow my interest in economics with the opportunity to spend a year at a French university gaining a French degree in economics

alongside my English one and several lifelong French friends along the way.

On graduation, I joined a large accountancy firm KPMG, and my French language skills opened up many interesting assignments most notably being the audit manager for the International Red Cross based in Geneva. As an international Non-governmental Organisation, their working language is English but the ability to communicate in each delegate's home language of French or German gives you the ability to form really positive professional relationships. It's a bit sad really that it is expected that everyone else will learn English, but if we learn at least a little of other languages our foreign colleagues are incredibly grateful and impressed!

A final career experience I'd like to share is that if your child is unsure if they want to study German or French for GCSE, I'd advise it doesn't really matter. It was the fact that I was confident working in different languages that opened the doors to a fantastic opportunity working as an Economist with the UK Overseas Development Agency in post-Soviet bloc East European countries in the 1990s.

Even back when I was choosing my university choices, people were already advising me that there was no need to learn a foreign language as 'in the future everyone will speak English'. I agree that from my experience working in international organisations the international language of business and science is English. However, the ability to speak another language gives you the insight into cultural differences between countries and the confidence to learn the basic greetings of other languages.

So in our English-speaking world, why I am so glad I did persevere with foreign languages? Well it started when the Olympics came to London in 2012 and I had the privilege to volunteer as a Gamesmaker and welcome the world to London. There were over 250,000 who volunteered and having a foreign language helped secure me a role looking after the delegation from the French speaking country of Madagascar. And now in 2024 I will be repeating the experience as a Dignitary's Assistant at the Paris 2024 Olympics acting as an interpreter and personal assistant to visiting Heads of State and Sports Minister.

Well Done Year 11!



We are really proud of our Year 11s who have completed their exams. Their effort and conduct was brilliant throughout the exam series.

It was fantastic to celebrate with them on Friday 24th May. Leaver's hoodies were given out, shirt signing took place just as the sun made an appearance and we were able to share lots of well wishes, thank yous and memories in our last assembly after Hannah's great opening performance!

On Friday 28th June, the weather was kind to us again as over 200 of the year group gathered together for Prom at Skylarks, Daventry. It was lovely to see our young people dressed up and ready to celebrate together! It was a really fantastic night and we hoped everyone enjoyed it. Thank you to Mr Lopes and Mrs Appleby for their work in organising.

GCSE results day is Thursday 22nd August. We hope to see students in school as they collect their results. In the meantime, we hope they have a safe and fun summer.

Mrs Jaycock

Year 12 Mock Election



On Thursday 4th July, our Y12 students took part in a mock election. Having explored the candidates standing in the South Northamptonshire constituency and used Political Compass to explore their own political views, they cast their votes at our very own polling station in the sixth form area. Through this experience, they have developed their understanding of the British values of democracy, tolerance and respect.



Year 11 into 12 Induction

What a great few days - well done to all those who attended the Sixth form induction days. It was lovely to see so many of our Year 11 students back and plenty of students from other schools too.

A very positive two days with lots of great feedback from staff and students. The weather stopped play on the outside practical team building session but a very competitive quiz took its place instead!

Good luck with your exam results and we hope to see you all in September.

Year 12 Bake Off

On Wednesday 10th July, the sixth form held the first ever official 'Year 12 Bake Off' event, organised by 2 Year 12 students to introduce an element of fun and competition to the Sponne Sixth form. The bakers got a limited recipe, a set amount of ingredients and an hour to bake. There were a lot of laughs, fun times and happy memories made. The bakes produced were... interesting!

Well done to the winners- Mabel and Ella.

Here's to the start of a Sixth Form tradition!





Sponne PE want to hear from You

pestudentachievements@sponne.org.uk



Let's Celebrate

Sponne PE know many of our students compete in a variety of sports outside of the school environment, whether that's Martial Arts, Gymnastics, Dance or Horse Riding we want to hear from our proud parents.

Please scan the below QR code to provide us with the information of your child's success, so we can share and celebrate with you.



Sports News

Y5/6 South Northants Bee Netball Tournament

On Wednesday 19th June we hosted the Y5/6 South Northants Bee Netball Tournament, umpired by our leaders, many of whom are new to umpiring and the leaders team! Well done to everyone that took part, they were all fabulous and it was such a lovely evening.

Also, thank you to David Hanson for giving us these opportunities!



KS1 Festival

A very hot but fabulous day with our KS1 Cluster Schools, Silverstone, Greens Norton, Blakesley, Towcester, Nicholas Hawksmoor and Marie Weller.

200 children took part in our KS1 festival. We had 60 leaders that were amazing with the children, leading them, coaching them, cheering them on, playing with them, encouraging them when things got tough and of course...taking them to the toilet!!

Well done everyone who took part.



Les Mis for the Reds

Close contest in Massey Testimonial at Towcester Leisure Centre

In what could be the last match of a stopstart season for Sponne staff there was certainly plenty of entertainment on offer for those few who braved the conditions at the Leisure Centre.

The early pace was set by the ever vocal Scott Cornelius



collecting the ball in the outside channel and whipping in a dangerous cross only for Charlie McDermott to narrowly miss. At the other end James Paull pulled the trigger only for Nick Catley to deny the chance with a fingertip save. Clearly neither side was willing to give an inch in this hotly contested encounter.

Despite an early setback The Headteacher's team, wearing the black and white of Newcastle, used James Paull's penetrating power to good effect and quickly established a 3-1 lead.

A battling performance from a tenacious Tullock wrestled the control in midfield, ensuring the first half concluded with the power firmly in the hands of the team in red.

The defensive duo of Radford and Trussler had anchored the reds, connecting well down the right to set up a slew of chances for McDermott and Cornelius who might later rue some of the many opportunities that went begging. An audacious back heel from Cornelius rebounded frustratingly back off the upright as the reds sought to eliminate the early deficit.

A lightning Langman finish and a superb individual effort from Shakeshaft either side of the half time shifted the balance and put the reds in a commanding position with a 4-3 lead early in the second half. With some neat passing orchestrated through Langman, Trussler and Radford the reds looked like they might press on for a win.

The tide of the game turned when an uncharacteristically loose pass across the red back line was swooped on for an equaliser. The problems were compounded when McGrory caught a seemingly innocuous cross under his feet and fumbled the ball into his own net, gifting the upper hand, and a 5-4 lead to the Headteacher's side.

A notable shift in momentum gave the impetus to the side in the Newcastle colours and were it not for the contortions of Catley between the sticks the tie would have been finished long before the final whistle.

There remained just a goal between them and as the half wore on chances came close for both sides. DeBoo, Richardson and Hollamby asserted a midfield dominance for the Headteacher's team. Providing James Paull with the ammunition to fire home leaving the score at 6-4 and out of reach for the reds as the clock ticked down the final minutes.

The tie was finally put to bed when McGlen edged through the tiring red defensive line to set up Iain Massey who punched home a decisive left foot finish on the stroke of full time.

Isabelle Gatehouse- World Champion!



Isabelle recently competed in Apeldoorn, Netherlands in the Global Dance Open finals. She performed a solo in the semi finals where she qualified with high enough marks to be chosen to compete for England. She competed in a Senior Jazz solo section for competitors ages 17 to 29 years. There were 9 in the section and she was placed 1st for England!

Isabelle also took part in 3 workshops where she learnt routines from specialist teachers. She also took part in a parade that went through the streets of Apeldoorn with drumming bands and lots of flags. It finished with the dancers all walking to a market in the town centre with a DJ and a celebration for all the countries that came.

Well done- we are super proud of you!

English Schools' Athletic Association's Track & Field Championship Finals



Year 9 student Sonny Briggs-McKellar represented Northamptonshire at the English Schools' Athletic Association's Track & Field Championship Finals at Birmingham's Alexander Stadium last weekend. He made it through qualifying heats to the final of the 80m hurdles, finishing seventh overall.

Sonny, who is ranked within the top 10 in the UK for Under 15 boys, led out the squad in the closing parade.

Attendance

WELL DONE!

172 STUDENTS
100%
ATTENDANCE

798 STUDENTS
96%+
ATTENDANCE



FFT National
Attendance Award
2023/24

National Framework for Penalty Notices for school absence

I am taking this opportunity to write to inform you of some important changes the Government are introducing regarding school attendance and the issuing of penalty notices when children are absent from school.

A new National Framework for Penalty Notices is being introduced. The regulations will come into effect from the 19th of August 2024. The aim is to improve consistency in the use of penalty notices across England.

The national framework includes:

- A single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) for any unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period. The 10 week period may span different terms or school years. For example, 2 sessions of unauthorised absence in the summer term and a further 8 within the autumn term.
- An increase to the rate of a penalty notice from £120 to £160 if paid within 28 days and £60 to £80 if paid within 21 days. If a second penalty notice is issued to the same parent for the same child within a rolling 3 year period, the notice will be charged at the higher rate of £160 with no option for this second offence to be discharged at the lower rate of £80.
- A national limit of 2 penalty notices that can be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3 year period, so at the 3rd (or subsequent) offence(s) another tool must be considered (such as prosecution or another attendance legal interventions).

West Northamptonshire Council is in the process of consulting with schools to develop a revised local code of conduct. The document will be published on West Northamptonshire Council's website following the consultation.

We will be amending our School's Attendance Policy in line with the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, a copy can be found on our website (from September 2024).

We believe good attendance is essential to support your child in getting the most out of their education and we thank you for your continued support.

If you have any queries please contact the school.

We thank you for your continued co-operation.

NHS School Nurse

Did you know that every school has an NHS School Nurse team? We are a team of Qualified School Nurses, Community Staff Nurses, Healthy Child Practitioners and School Nurse Assistants. We work all year-round Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays). We are happy to provide information, advice, and guidance on a range of health needs from reception to Year 13

We can be contacted:

By phone 0800 170 7055 option 4

Live Chat: <https://www.nhft.nhs.uk/0-19>

www.nhft.nhs.uk/childrenshub

Chat Health (our text-based School Nurse messaging service) for parents and young people aged 11 and over. Monday to Friday 8.30 -4.30 pm - 07507 329600

On "X" (was Twitter) SchoolNursesNHFT

You can also contact us for any school aged immunisation queries.

By phone: 0800 170 7055 option 5

Website: [Children's resources, tips and advice hub | NHFT](#)



Accelerated Reader

This year, our Y7 and Y8 students have read an amazing 60,954,018 words and passed 3,168 quizzes - a great achievement.

We would like to congratulate George Song and Rory Castle, who have impressed us with their progress this year. George has read an enormous 2,738,101 words and passed 41 quizzes and Rory has read 2,547,775 words, passing 91 quizzes. Well done, also, to our other word millionaires and top quizzers of the year - Claire Sopko, Lillie Rutter, Lily Fulford, Jorge Horak, Marcus Wong, Liam Nikel, Harry Darby, Paige Hodgkinson, Annie-May Rowe and Clayton Gilheany-Pockett.

Carnegie Medal Shadowing 2024

Students from Caroline Chisholm School and Moulton College joined students from Sponne on Friday 18th June to discuss the eight books shortlisted for this year's Carnegie Medal. This award is highly regarded by children's authors.

An enjoyable morning was had by all, with some lively discussion about the books and a close vote on the book we thought should win. Our chosen winner was *The Song Walker* by Zillah Bethell, closely followed by *Crossing the Line* by Tia Fisher. Our morning culminated in a quiz about the books, which was won by a team from Caroline Chisholm School - the first time in many years that Sponne teams were beaten!



The Carnegie Medal winner was announced on 20th June, with Joseph Coelho triumphing for his story, *The Boy Lost in the Maze*. This tale, written in verse, portrays a boy's journey into manhood, integrating Greek mythology with the story of a present-day teenager searching for his biological father. The Shadowers' Choice award was awarded to *Crossing the Line*, Tia Fisher's debut novel, also written in verse, which is based on a true story of teenagers swept up in county lines drug dealing.



Sponne Reading Revolutionaries

This is a group of students from various year groups who meet once a month. They are passionate about reading, and have been promoting it to others. This year they set a Halloween/Gothic reading challenge and promoted a book drive which donated 45 books to the Towcester Toy Bank for Christmas presents. At Easter they set a Book Bingo reading challenge. To mark the Euros they have encouraged students to enjoy reading books connected with sports. The summer reading challenge is in connection with Towcester Library and they will be encouraging students to read books of their own choice throughout the holiday, and to make use of local libraries, and the Sponne LRC.

Well done and thank you to all of them for their enthusiasm and dedication to reading!

Reading Mentoring Programme

We would like to say a huge 'thank you' to our 6th Form reading mentors and their partners as we have seen a huge increase in the number of quizzes passed since last year- over 550 passed this year! Our reading mentoring programme is a voluntary activity where students can read with a 6th Form partner to improve their reading and comprehension skills.

Our mentees of the year include Jorge Horak (41 quizzes), Marcus Wong (40 quizzes), Liam Nikel (35 quizzes), Roxanne Kerry-Smith, Evie Birch, Sophia Jelley, Zara Spencer, Bella Kendhammer, Freddie Pilgrim, Xanthia Smith and Emilia Welch. Our 6th Form mentors of the year are Ernie Draper, Eden Mandel and Sophie Clark. Well done to all of them for their enthusiasm, dedication and commitment - their hard work is evident in the progress students are making.

Accelerated Reader Competition

The results of our inter-form competition to see who could pass the most AR quizzes are in! 7AMG, 7CCM and 7CML have spent the year switching in and out of top spot but we can reveal that 7CCM are this year's winners - they won by 3 quizzes, having passed a total of 329 this year. Our top year Y8 form is 8JDG, who passed 227 quizzes. Congratulations to both and enjoy your prizes!



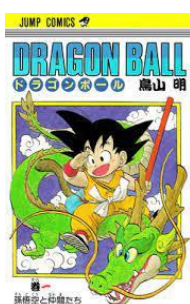


Sponne Summer Reading Challenge



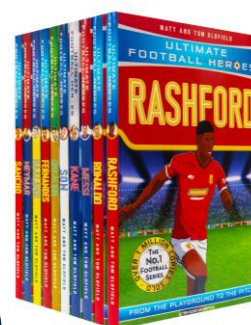
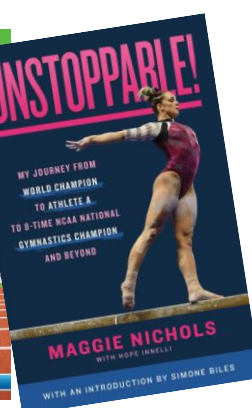
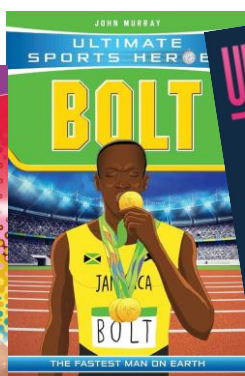
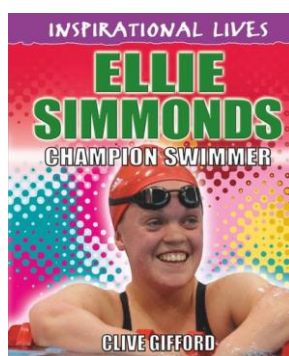
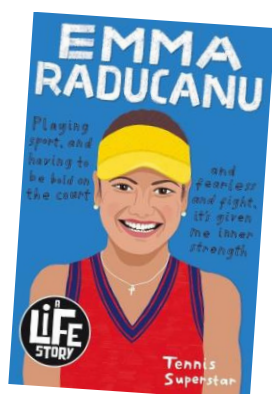
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of these yet?

Or how about getting involved in the
#bigsportingread?



Whatever you're reading,
we'd love to hear about it!



Change of Details - Go4Schools

If you need to update any of the contact/address/email/telephone information we have on record for your child, yourself or any of the other contacts we have, you can do this directly via Go4Schools.

If you log in and click the drop down arrow next to your name in the top right hand corner and select 'settings' you will be taken to the screen below.

Complete the details in the box and press send.

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Manage your account and settings to make GO 4 Schools work better for you.

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Use the form below to notify the school about changes to your telephone number, email address, etc.

Send

Advice For Parents & Carers



Here is some guidance to support you to keep your children safe in **after-school clubs, tuition and community activities**

Young People of Towcester!

Guiding Young Minds will be in Towcester
with their Youth Bus on the following dates
in the green space off Dockelwell Close/
behind the Leisure Centre
W3W ///weddings.areas.skid

from 10.30am - 12.30pm

Monday 5
Thursday 8
Thursday 15
Monday 19
Thursday 22
Thursday 29



Enjoy a range of activities including sports,
gaming and much more along with
guidance and support

Check Towcester Town Council website for updates -
<https://www.towcester-tc.gov.uk/>

   
@GYMINTERVENTION



**West
Northamptonshire
Council**

Dates For Your Diary

Summer 2024

School closes Friday 19th July 2024

Results Days

A Levels - Thursday 15th August 2024

GCSEs - Thursday 22nd August 2024

Training Days

Monday 2nd September 2024

Tuesday 3rd September 2024

School Opens

Year 7 & 12 only - Induction Day

Wednesday 4th September 2024

All Years

Thursday 5th September 2024

School photos Year 7, 9, 12 Individual & Year 7 Tutor Groups

Thursday 12th September 2024

Year 6 Open Evening

Thursday 19th September 2024

School closes at 2.05pm - busses leave 2.15pm

Open evening 4 - 7pm

School Closes

Thursday 24th October 2024

Training Day

Friday 25th October 2024

Half Term

28th October - 3rd November 2024

Please see our website for a full list of events and term dates.

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