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Editor's Letter

Sophie Harrison

Hello all,

This week has been as busy as ever, particularly after coming back having had three days off due to snowy conditions.

The results from the New Year's Resolution Haikus Competition came out earlier this week. Mrs Allan said "there were so many funny and inspiring Haikus... well done everyone who entered the competition – you will all get house points for participation". Congratulations to Rayyan Mahama, who was awarded 1st place, Sam Wray (2nd place), Weronika Winiarska (3rd place) and Evie McDougall (4th place).

Snow day competitions are still ongoing, so make sure to get involved with them in order to earn points for your house. There's still time to enter some of the snow day competitions, including: snowmen creations, snow angels and best moments. You can tweet or email your pictures to your house leaders and be in with a chance of being awarded many house points. There will also be some prizes for a few lucky selected winners.

Enjoy the issue.

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Sports News

Thomas Carpenter



Bradley Wiggins In Question

The 8 time gold medallist and first British rider to win The Tour De France, Sir Bradley Wiggins, has come under fire recently. An investigation was conducted and it is rumoured that it could show that the world renowned cyclist may have possibly used performing-enhancing drugs to win the 99th Tour de France in 2012.

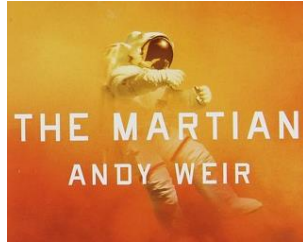
Despite denying this statement, it was proved that in 2011 before another one of France's great races, Wiggins received a so-called "Jiffy Bag", containing medicine which helped him with his asthma. However, the drug which helped him with his condition, which he had claimed he had used since he was a child, was proven to have enhanced the performance of his cycling.

To this day we still do not know if the Tour de France investigation is true, however keep an eye out for the news if you want to know more.



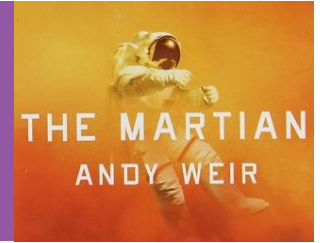
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Book of the Week

Matthew Godfrey



The Martian

This week's book of the week is 'The Martian'. Another one of Andy Weir's books is 'Artemis', but this book is about another topic: a stranded astronaut trying to survive on the planet Mars.

The book is set in 2035, where the Ares 3 mission is evacuated because of an incoming sandstorm.

Mark Watney is believed to be dead and is forced to try and live on the abandoned mission centre.

Without contact with those on Earth, Mark begins to face problems, such as running out of food, so he soon has to grow his own potatoes.

After NASA's satellites pick up activity at the base, they begin to devise a plan to rescue him.

A film version of the book was released in 2015 with Matt Damon starring as Mark. The film follows a similar story based on the book and is really enjoyable, with many positive reviews.



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House News

Daniella Taylor

House Competitions

This module there are a large variety of house competitions to get involved in.

Make sure you try one out if you want to earn extra points for your house.

The house events on offer include:

- Design a House Symbol (Due: 16th March) - design a symbol to represent all four houses. (No Harry Potter theme please!)
- House good egg (weekly) - your enrichment team will choose someone each week who they feel is an enthusiastic member of their house and has really got involved with ongoing house events.
- Library Competition: Story of new life or rebirth (Due: 21st March)
- Technology Competition: Hot cross scones (Due: 22nd March)
- Year 9: Priory Impossible coming soon!
- Mystery Staff event coming soon!



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Animal of the Week

Josh Lavin

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K is For... Kakapo

The Kakapo is the heaviest species of parrot in the world, with an average weight of between 2 and 4kg! It is also very large, around 60cm tall.

The Kakapo (Latin name: *Strigops Habroptilus*) is a murky green colour, helping itself camouflage.



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Year 7 News

Elena Newbrook

Year Seven Upcoming Exams

In this upcoming week, Year Sevens are going to have their mid-year exams. Reminders have gone out through lots of different sources, such as Monday's assembly. Year Sevens should have got their exam timetable from their form tutor. For extra reminders, here is the timetable.

12th March - Maths One P1

13th March - English P3

14th March - Science P1

15th March - Maths Two P3

16th March - Catch Up Day

Students need to be equipped with: a black ball point pen, calculator, ruler, rubber, pencil and any specific maths equipment. Students will leave their bags in the Lecture Theatre and proceed to the New Hall. Everyone will need all of the required equipment.



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Local News

Sophie Harrison



Prince William set to touch down at RAF Coningsby

Later this week, his Royal Highness Prince William is set to be visiting RAF Coningsby. He will visit 29 Squadron which trains new Typhoon jet pilots and refresher training for pilots returning to fly the aircraft and he will view the world class fighter jets and speak to the RAF pilots who both keep them running and fly them.

As Honorary Air Commandant at RAF Coningsby, Prince William will join local school children in the new Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) classroom. The location will be inspirational for the young people attending, Lincolnshire Live reported.

Prince William, who is patron of the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight, will be overseeing live demonstrations before the later official opening of the new Engagement Centre, which will provide the local community and visitors the opportunity to find out more about Coningsby's past and help to inspire its future.

The RAF base consists of two front line squadrons, including an Operational Training Squadron as well as a Test and Evaluation Squadron.



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Film of the Week

James Ghest

Peter Rabbit

Peter Rabbit is a 2018 live action/animated film released by Sony Pictures. It is of course based off of the classic children's stories by Beatrix Potter. The film stars the voice of James Corden as the voice of its titular hero, as well as Daisy Ridley, Margot Robbie and Elizabeth Debicki, with Domhnall Gleeson, Rose Byrne and Sam Neill in live-action roles. It is directed by Will Gluck from a screenplay by Gluck and Rob Lieber. It follows Peter and his animal friends doing battle with Mr McGregor, a man who wishes nothing more than catching Peter and his friends and stopping their mischief.

It has released to reasonable box office success, grossing just over \$100 million from a \$50 million budget, and it has received mixed reviews from critics. Many have claimed that the characters portrayed in the film fail to capture their original personalities from the stories. Some have said that the film contains far too many references to current culture which will be outdated in just a few years time, while Potter's stories have remained classics for over a century.

It has also garnered controversy from some for a scene involving Peter Rabbit throwing a raspberry in someone's mouth, causing an allergic reaction. They claim that the scene makes fun of those with allergies and encourages bullying.



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Numeracy Day

Miss Bosier

After counting the numeracy slips, the results for the Numeracy Day competition are in.

Total entries: 795

Correct entries: 399

Incorrect entries: 396

House points for correct entries:

Alexandria: 67

Avalon: 111

Sempringham: 96

Castille: 123

Winner selected at random: Evie Springer 7.1



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Science News

Dr Craig



Diabetes is actually five separate diseases, research suggests

Scientists say diabetes is five separate diseases, and treatment could be tailored to each form. Diabetes - or uncontrolled blood sugar levels - is normally split into type 1 and type 2. But researchers in Sweden and Finland think the more complicated picture they have uncovered will usher in an era of personalised medicine for diabetes. Experts said the study was a herald of the future of diabetes care but changes to treatment would not be immediate. Diabetes affects about one in 11 adults worldwide and increases the risk of heart attack, stroke, blindness, kidney failure and limb amputation.

Type 1 diabetes is a disease of the immune system, which affects around 10% of people with the condition in the UK. It errantly attacks the body's insulin factories (beta-cells) so there is not enough of the hormone to control blood sugar levels.

Type 2 diabetes is largely seen as a disease of poor lifestyle as body fat can affect the way the insulin works.

The study, by Lund University Diabetes Centre in Sweden and the Institute for Molecular Medicine Finland, looked at 14,775 patients including a detailed analysis of their blood.

The results, [published in The Lancet Diabetes and Endocrinology](#), showed the patients could be separated into five distinct clusters.

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