

# Priory Press

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# Editor's Letter

Catherine Booth

Hello all,

This week we have many exciting trips and talks taking place. Students in KS4 and above will be attending the Oxbridge Conference on Friday in order to understand more about the courses on offer at these top educational establishments. As well as this, Year 9 are going to Lincoln University to understand more about the options of education they can take in the future while students in the sixth form are travelling to Leicester University to learn about Media Studies. Those interested in CCF have been given the opportunity to take part in a trial weekend so that they can have a taste of the beneficial activities on offer.

As well as this, students from the music department invited their family and friends to a music concert, which took place on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. We hope they all enjoyed the experience and relished the opportunity to display their talents!

Have a great week!

Enjoy the articles,

Catherine 😊



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# Film of the Week

James Ghest



## 'Tomb Raider'

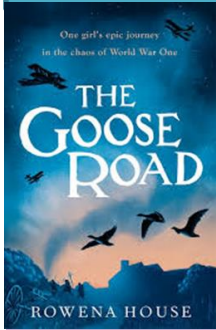
'Tomb Raider' is a 2018 reboot to the Tomb Raider film franchise from 2001, which is itself based off the video game franchise of the same name which started in 1996. The franchise follows British Archaeologist Lara Croft, who is notable for being one of the first female protagonists in a video game, as she travels the world in search of various special artefacts.

In this film in the franchise, Croft is portrayed by Alicia Vikander, with Dominic West, Walton Goggins, Daniel Wu, and Kristin Scott Thomas in supporting roles. The film is directed by Roar Uthaug with a screenplay by Geneva Robertson-Dworet and Alastair Siddons, from a story by Evan Daugherty and Robertson-Dworet. Tomb Raider was released on March 14<sup>th</sup> to mixed reviews from critics, with a 46 out of 100 on Metacritic, and a B on CinemaScore. People have praised Vikander's acting as the main character as well as the action, but many have criticised the plot of the film. It stands at a 50% approval rate on Rotten Tomatoes, which may seem bad, but it is in fact the highest rated live-action film based on a video game on the site. Video game movies are notoriously awful, such as 'Assassin's Creed' from last year with just 18%, and 2010's 'Tekken' with an astonishing 0%.



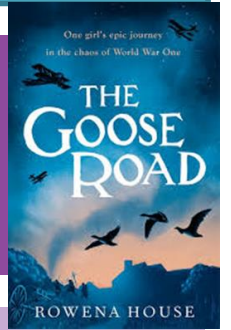
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# Book of the Week

Cameron Lintin



## The Goose Road

While the soldiers are fighting on the Front, Angelique has her own battle to win...

In 1916, when news arrives of her father's death on a faraway battlefield, 14-year old Angelique Lacroix makes herself a promise that she will keep the family farm running until her brother returns from the war. But she doesn't realize that to keep her promise she will have to embark on a long and arduous journey across France, accompanied by a flock of magnificent Toulouse geese.

The book is selling for £7.99 on Amazon. It is also 'The Book of the Week' in the library.

Image from Walker Books



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# Sports News

Ariana Gopee



## Lincoln City: going to Wembley to go for the Checkatrade Trophy!

After a marvellous win over Chelsea in the semi-finals, Lincoln City are now through to the Checkatrade Cup Finals; also known as the Checkatrade Trophy! This final will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> April at 3:00pm- in Wembley!

They're playing against Shrewsbury Town at Wembley Stadium and the team are incredibly excited as it is their first time playing here- a crucial game for them.

This particular trophy has brought some incredible landmarks in recent years and supporters are keen to watch their teams battle it out on the field to bring home the cup.

Who will be victorious? Lincoln City or Shrewsbury Town?

May the best team win!



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# School News

Josh Lavin

## CCF, Oxbridge & Citizenship Day

### CCF

Those in CCF are going away for 4 days (Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>) to stay in a camp and try to train for the tough road ahead in the Combined Cadet Force and work very hard to earn the respect of their officers. The brave students, as new recruits are about to start to their CCF journey and the BTEC Level 2 in Teamwork and Personal Development qualification. This will include numerous exercises and activities including their initial Easter Camp. It sounds very tough so we have to commend those taking part.

### Oxbridge

The sixth form students going to Oxford or Cambridge University are going to all meet at our school. The Priory LSST have been chosen to host this event and are going to inform a bunch of sixth form students from the general Lincolnshire area to find out the lectures they will go to.

### Citizenship Day

The Citizenship Day or, Awareness Day, is going to take place on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of March in which the whole school will have different lessons to what they normally have. On each of your form notice boards you will find which lessons you will be in.



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# Oliver! Interview

Josh Lavin

## Miss Danby & Miss Kane Interviewed About School Show, OLIVER!

The newest of the LSST Productions, 'Oliver' was a 'hit' amongst those who like musicals.

I interviewed two of the staff members who watched it, Miss Danby & Miss Kane. These two English teachers were surprised when they watched the musical to find how amazing it actually was.

Being me, I thought it be best to interview them based on there experiences there. When asked the question, 'Was it good?', both Miss Danby & Miss Kane replied with a simple yet positive set of answers. Miss Danby said "It was fantastic" and that she was "Surprised at it", whereas Miss Kane replied with a more humorous comment, saying that she was "Still singing the songs!"

The second question delivered was 'What were your thoughts on the acting', the both gave a reassuring comment 'They were all great' but there were specific names and characters, such as the lead role Oliver, magnificently played by Hugh Patten, who's singing was apparently incredible, and Alyssa Brock, who was Widow Corney had done brilliantly, performing in every aspect.

There were other equally as brilliant names that I cannot fit in, for example Dodger was a great actor, the orchestra was outstanding especially with Viola Wong, the lead violinist. Surprisingly to some, the drummer was non other that Miss Cameron; as described by Miss Danby 'A woman of many talents'! Tom Valentine, Fagin, was said to be 'the best actor'.

Though it was not just the main characters who were commended by the two English teachers, the extras were said to be brilliant and gave the play a much more satisfying atmosphere.

The best song was apparently 'Consider Yourself'. The cast weren't the only ones putting all of their time and effort to construct this epic play, there were a few more people involved with the making of it; Mrs Wilkinson, Mr Craven on the fabulous acting and Mr Billinger on terrific music. Miss Kane and Miss Danby said that the 'Can't wait for next year's play' and that they will also review next year's production.



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# Riddle of the Week

Matthew Godfrey



**What occurs once in every minute, twice in every moment, yet never in a thousand years?**

The letter 'M'

**Why can't a man living in the USA be buried in Canada?**

Because you wouldn't bury a living man!

**How many months have 28 days?**

All of them, some just have more.



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# Rock Challenge

Elena Newbrook



## Rock Challenge

Recently some of the very enthusiastic dancers in this school joined together, led by Alyssa Brock, Jess Rose and Courtney Delaney, performed very well and managed to make a win for the Priory. The skills involved with this just made it look even better. The students showed great resilience, passion and courage.

The Northern Final is on the 29<sup>th</sup> June in Grimsby...so the practice is back on.

Also a massive thanks to those staff and students helping out for this exciting event. Well Done!



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# Technology News

Alastair Niclair

## WhatsApp Co-Founder Wants To Delete Facebook

WhatsApp co-founder Brian Acton says it is time to move on from Facebook after he tweeted "It is time. #deletefacebook." He has been encouraging others to join the movement and it does seem to be rising in popularity. He also said that we moved on from MySpace and now it's time to move on from Facebook. It was also suggested that deleting Facebook would mean deleting Instagram. It may also be to do with the small number of young people using the network.



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# History This Week

Alastair Niclair

**1982**

**Argentinian scrap metal merchants land on South Georgia, Falkland Islands, and raised the Argentine flag.**

**2003**

**'Operation Iraqi Freedom', the invasion of Iraq by US and British forces, began with airstrikes.**

**1933**

**The German Reichstag passed the Enabling Act, allowing Adolf Hitler to rule by decree as a dictator.**

**BBC History On This Day Site: [bbc.in/2qgarl7](http://bbc.in/2qgarl7)**



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# Animal of the week

Thomas Carpenter

## O is for...

### Olm

This weeks animal is the amphibious Olm that likes to hide at the bottom of caves, eat worms and swim at a speed of 5 mph which is quite fast for an animal that only grows 2.5cm - 30cm. However this small little sea creature has a huge lifetime ranging from 10-50 years which is long time considering that it only swims around at the bottom of caves. It is only found in Italy, Croatia and Slovenia but only in the darkness of underwater caves (so they are quite hard to run into.)



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# Local News

Sophie Harrison



## First picture of the pilot who survived the tragic Red Arrows crash released

Flight Lieutenant David Stark miraculously survived the tragic air crash in North Wales in which an RAF engineer sadly died.

Stark was reportedly seen landing safely a short distance from where the aircraft crashed after ejecting from the Hawk jet. He joined the Red Arrows in 2005 and earlier told Lincolnshire Live, "It will be an incredible challenge but I can't wait to earn the honour of wearing the red flying suit with everything that it represents."

The MOD has confirmed that the pilot is now receiving medical care.

Investigators have begun to look into the circumstances of the air crash at RAF Valley training base on Anglesey. One witness described the movement of the jet as being "like a fireball".

Simon Barrasford, Chief Inspector at North Wales Police, said, "Sadly I can confirm that one of the two personnel has died whilst his colleague is now being treated in hospital. Our thoughts are with both men's families at this very difficult time."



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# Science News

Dr Craig



## Early Cretaceous Bird Fossil Sheds New Light on Avian Evolution

The 127-million-year-old fossil is a chick from a group of prehistoric birds called *Enantiornithes*. The specimen consists of a nearly complete skeleton; the feet, most of its hands, and the tip of the tail are the only missing parts. It measures less than 2 inches (5 cm) and would have weighed just 10 g when it was alive. It is amongst the smallest known Mesozoic avian fossils ever discovered. What makes this fossil so important and unique is the fact it died not long after its birth. This is a critical stage in a bird's skeletal formation. That means this bird's extremely short life has given palaeontologists a rare chance to analyse the species' bone structure and development.

"Studying and analysing ossification — the process of bone development — can explain a lot about a young bird's life," said University of Manchester researcher Dr. Fabien Knoll and colleagues. "It can help us understand everything from whether it could fly or if it needed to stay with its parents after hatching or could survive on its own." "The evolutionary diversification of birds has resulted in a wide range of hatchling developmental strategies and important differences in their growth rates. By analysing bone development we can look at a whole host of evolutionary traits," Dr. Knoll said

SOURCE: <http://www.sci-news.com/paleontology/enantiornithe-bird-fossil-05785.html>

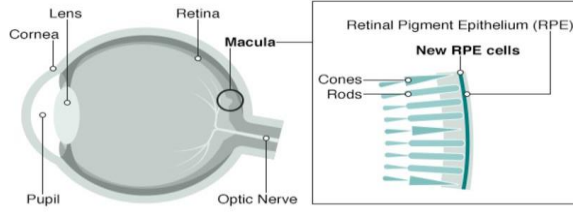


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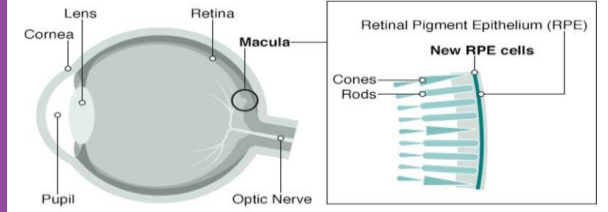
How stem cells may cure blindness



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## Macular degeneration: 'I've been given my sight back'

Doctors have taken a major step towards curing the most common form of blindness in the UK - age-related macular degeneration. Douglas Waters, 86, could not see out of his right eye, but "I can now read the newspaper" with it, he says. He was one of two patients given pioneering stem cell therapy at [Moorfields Eye Hospital in London](http://www.moorfields-hospital.com).

The macula is made up of rods and cones that sense light and behind those are a layer of nourishing cells called the retinal pigment epithelium. When this support layer fails, it causes macular degeneration and blindness. Doctors have devised a way of building a new retinal pigment epithelium and surgically implanting it into the eye.

A similar procedure, or the use of gene therapy may be useful to cure colour blindness in the future.

SOURCE: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-43458365>



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