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THE QUILL



HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II

1926-2022

*May flights of angels sing thee
to thy rest*



Introduction

Welcome to the sixth edition of the Quill.

As we enter a new academic year at Wadham, our student journalists have been hard at work preparing for our first copy of the year. Over the next forty five pages you will find a range of articles ranging from an interview with the new head, Mr Burgas, to the various activities our student body undertake as well as our regular reviews and opinion pieces.

Sit back and enjoy

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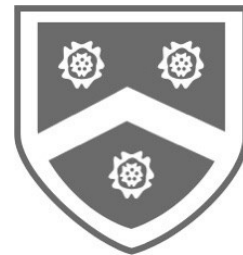
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NOTE FROM THE QUILL

All of us at the Quill were deeply saddened by the death of our late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, she dedicated 70 years of her life to serve her country and people. A couple of students came together to recognize this, their goals being to remember and commemorate the life and reign of our late sovereign, Queen Elizabeth II. In the First half of this edition, you will find articles which we have dedicated to this, from our late Majesty's Diamond and Platinum Jubilee, to becoming heir to the throne and reflecting on our late Majesty's visits across the globe.

We hope you enjoy reading these articles and our sixth edition of the Quill.

Happy reading,
THE QUILL

By Will Ford and Toby Swan



History Matters

THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE 2022



by Will Ford

As most will know this year her majesty the Queen celebrated her Platinum Jubilee on the 6th of February 2022, which marked her amazing 70-year Reign (Becoming the only British monarch to celebrate their Platinum Jubilee). This was celebrated on Thursday the 2nd, Friday the 3rd, Saturday the 4th and Sunday the 5th Of June 2022. Today were going to look at an overview of the events...

Thursday the 2nd of June

On Thursday the 2nd of June there was two main events which celebrated her majesty's Jubilee, which was the Trooping of the colour and Platinum jubilee beacons being lit. The colour was trooped by the 1st Battalion, Irish guards and more than 1200 officers and soldiers from the household division. They put on a display of military pageantry on Horse Guards Parade, together with hundreds of Army musicians and around 240 horses, and during which a royal gun salute was fired. There was also a surprise appearance from the Queen and an astonishing fly past, which contained...



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1 x Wildcat (British Army), 3 x Apache (British Army)
1 x Wildcat (Royal Marines, Royal Navy), 3 x Merlin (Royal Navy)
3 x Puma
3 x Chinook
1 x Lancaster, 2 x Spitfire, 2 Hurricane (Battle of Britain Memorial Flight)
1 x Phenom, 4 x Texan
3 x Hercules (C-130J)
1 x Atlas (A400M)
1 x Globemaster (C-17)
1 x Poseidon MRA1
1 x Rivet Joint
1 x Voyager, 2 x Lightning (F-35B), 2 x Typhoon
1 x Voyager, 4 x Lightning (F-35B)
4 x Hawk T2
15 x Typhoon
9 x Hawk T1 (Red Arrows)



The tradition of the Lighting of the Beacons was continued which is a long tradition of celebrating Royal Jubilees, Weddings and Coronations.

Friday the 3rd of June

A Service of Thanksgiving for The Queen's reign was held at St Paul's Cathedral. Great Paul, the largest church bell in the country, was rung for the Service. It was made in 1882, but fell silent in the 1970s due to a broken mechanism. It was restored in 2021 and had been rung on 8 occasions since, but this was the 1st royal occasion it was rung.



Saturday the 4th of June

On Saturday the 4th of June the Derby at Epsom Downs was held, and although planned to attend, her majesty Was unable to due to health issues but reportedly watched from Windsor.

The BBC's Platinum Party at the palace (which I myself was lucky enough to attend) saw famous faces from the world of entertainment brought together to perform for a night of musical tributes to celebrate the Jubilee. 22,000 people attended the event including 10,000 members of the public and 5,000 key workers.

**Sunday the 5th of June**

Over 60k people registered to host Big Jubilee Lunches on the Platinum celebration weekend, with events ranging from world record attempts for the longest street party to back garden BBQ's and everything in between. Over ten million people across the UK joined the celebrations to share friendship, food and fun at Big Jubilee Lunches. People across the world also joined in with over 600 international Big Jubilee Lunches held throughout the Commonwealth and beyond - from Canada to Brazil, New Zealand to Japan and South Africa to Switzerland.



The Rise to Power

THE RISE OF (ALMOST NOT) QUEEN ELIZABETH II

By Will Ford

One of the Most remarkable, and most famous British historical monarchs, Queen Elizabeth II, who has reigned and dedicated her life for over 70 years to the United Kingdom, is known and respected by nearly all people on planet earth. She was the oldest monarch and the longest-reigning British monarch ever. It's odd to think that she almost didn't become queen at all.



Queen Elizabeth II was born on April 21, 1926, during the reign of her grandfather, George V. At the time, she was third in line to the throne behind her uncle, Prince Edward, and her own father, Prince Albert. It was far too early to ever imagine Elizabeth succeeding the throne. This was mostly because the current successor to the throne (Prince Edward) was still young, and expected to marry and reproduce his own heir, but also that Prince Albert could also still have a son. Had that happened, his son would have taken the throne before Elizabeth, under the (since-altered) rules of succession, which placed male children before their sisters, regardless of birth order.





Princess Elizabeth was never expected to get much closer to being queen than she was when she was born. For the first 10 years of her life, it seemed that she would remain a relatively minor royal. But something unexpected happened. When King George V died in 1936, Edward VIII took the throne, but renounced it less than a year later so that he could marry Wallis Simpson (a divorced American socialite) against the advice of the British government and the Church of England. But because Edward had no children at the time, his brother Albert ascended, choosing the regnal name George VI in honour of his late father. 10-year-old Princess Elizabeth was now the heir to the throne on the understanding that her father could still produce a son who would take the throne before her. But despite the possibility, that didn't happen. George VI produced no more children and died on February 6, 1952.

At the age of 25, the princess had been standing in for her father George VI (who was suffering from Lung Cancer) on a long-planned international tour that would also reach Australia and New Zealand, accompanied by her husband of five years, Prince Philip. The couple had been enjoying a brief rest from their royal duties relaxing at a game-viewing lodge, located in the heart of Kenya, when Prince Philip broke the news to her beside a trout stream in the foothills of Mount Kenya, that her father (King George VI) had sadly passed away in his sleep at the age of just 56. The Queen's Coronation took place a year later, on 2 June 1953, in line with tradition to allow an appropriate length of time to pass after a monarch dies before holding such festivals. It was the first such event to be televised, an idea of Prince Philip's, and witnessed by the people.



Queen Elizabeth II : timeline in a changing world

Elizabeth Windsor

1926 Born in London to the great-grandson of Queen Victoria, Albert, Duke of York, and his wife Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon on April 21

1930 Birth of her sister Margaret

1936 Becomes first in line to the throne after the abdication of her uncle Edward VIII, and her father, Albert, becomes King George VI

1939 - 45

World War II

1945 Joins armed forces in the Auxiliary Territorial Service

1952

Accession

the throne on the death of her father

1947 Marries Prince Philip

1953

Coronation

1959 Tour of Canada



1979 Queen's cousin Lord Mountbatten killed in IRA attack

1981 Marriage of Charles and Diana

1997 Death of Diana

1996 Divorce of Charles and Diana

2000 Queen Mother turns 100

2011 Marriage of William and Kate

2013 Birth of great-grandson George

2015 Becomes Britain's longest-serving monarch

September 8 2022 Dies at Balmoral in Scotland aged 96

1948 Birth of Charles Nov 14

Starts 6-month world tour including Australia and NZ

1969 Charles invested as Prince of Wales

1982 Birth of grandson William

1984 Birth of grandson Harry

1992 Windsor Castle fire

2002 Margaret dies in February; Queen Mother in March

2007 Becomes Britain's oldest reigning monarch

2018 Marriage of Harry and Meghan

2021 Death of Philip

The UK

1926 First public demonstration of TV

1936 Jarrow march against poverty

1940 Dunkirk evacuation

1948 SS Empire Windrush brings first wave of immigrants from Commonwealth countries

1956 Suez crisis Anglo-French forces invade Egypt

1963 The Beatles release first LP

1971 First British soldier dies in N. Ireland's "Troubles"

1983 3 million+ unemployed

1984 IRA bomb the Conservative party conference, kill 5

1993 EEC becomes the EU

1998 Good Friday agreement in Northern Ireland

2005 52 killed in London suicide attacks

2012 London Olympics

2021 UK leaves the EU

1928 Discovery of penicillin

1938 PM Neville Chamberlain declares "Peace for our time"

1944 D-Day Normandy landings

Founding of the National Health Service

1966 Aberfan disaster in Wales leaves 116 children dead

1973 UK joins the EEC

1982 Britain goes to war with Argentina

1988 270 die in Lockerbie in bombing of PanAm 103

1994 Channel tunnel opening

2003 Britain joins invasion of Iraq

2001 Britain joins invasion of Afghanistan

2016 Referendum to leave the EU

2020 Coronavirus pandemic

2022 England women's football team wins European Championship

Break up of an Empire

Years of independence from Britain

1947 India Pakistan

1960 Cyprus Nigeria

1962 Jamaica Uganda

1970 Tonga Fiji

1980 Zimbabwe

1984 Brunei

1997 Hong Kong



Manchester, July 8, 2021
by Scott Heppell

(Not every country listed)

The World

1927 World population reaches 2 billion

1936 - 39 Spanish Civil War

1939 German invasion of Poland

1945 Atomic bombing of Japan

1953 Death of Stalin

1962 Cuban missile crisis

1963 JFK assassinated

1969 Moon landing

1972 55,000 Asians expelled from Uganda

1976 Death of Mao

1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan

1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster

1989 Fall of the Berlin Wall

1994 Nelson Mandela becomes president of South Africa

1926 French artist Claude Monet dies aged 86

1929 Wall street crash triggers the US Great Depression

1937 Japanese troops reach Beijing, Nanjing, Shanghai

1941 Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour

1950 - 1953 Korean War

1955 Rosa Parks in Alabama arrested for sitting in white section of bus

1957 Soviet Union launches first satellite Sputnik 1

1966-76 Cultural Revolution in China

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History Matters

THE QUEENS DIAMOND

JUBILEE

By Will Ford

The year 2012 marked Her Majesty the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The only other Diamond jubilee celebration for any of Queen Elizabeth's predecessors was in 1897, for the 60th anniversary of the accession of Queen Victoria. Following tradition of her Majesty's Gold and Silver Jubilee, it was widely celebrated throughout most of the commonwealth nations.

Part of the planned events celebrating Her Diamond jubilee was a tour across the UK with the Duke of Edinburgh and other members of the royal family toured the rest of the commonwealth as her representatives. Numerous events were held throughout the year and the commonwealth, culminating in a Jubilee pageant held in London. The Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee trust was set up as a charitable foundation with a mission to leave a lasting legacy across the Commonwealth.



During the royal tour, the Queen paid visits to Crewkerne, Yeovil and Sherborne. Thousands across all three destinations took to the streets of each town to rejoice the arrival of her majesty. Her first stop was Sherborne on May 1st where she was greeted with heavy downpours. Crowds were thrilled when she stepped off the Royal train just before 10:00 AM. Just over an hour after they arrived, Her Majesty and the Duke of Edinburgh set off again on the Royal train bound for Salisbury.



The following morning, her Majesty returned to Somerset to visit Yeovil and Crewkerne. She arrived at Yeovil Pen Mill, before being driven down to Ninesprings where great crowds lined the main road through town. As her Majesty left the park, yet more crowds awaited her in West Coker and East Chinnock as the car slowed to pass through the two villages (they were said to be two of the smallest communities on her tour).

In Crewkerne, the town centre's streets were closed for the historic arrival of the Queen, as crowds packed Market Square and lined the approaches. Here, the Queen and Duke were guests at the town hall where more of the best from South Somerset was on display. They completed their visit travelling by car to Maiden Beech Academy, where a helicopter waited to fly them to Exeter to continue their tour.



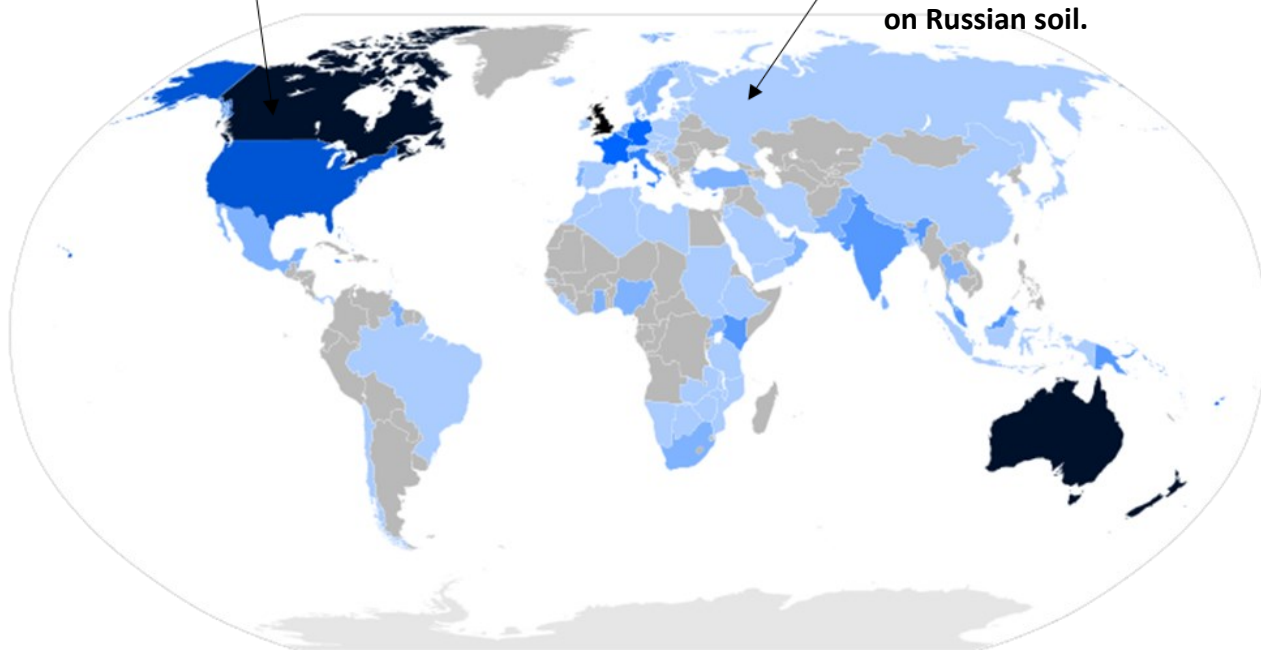
Queen Elizabeth II Overseas Trips

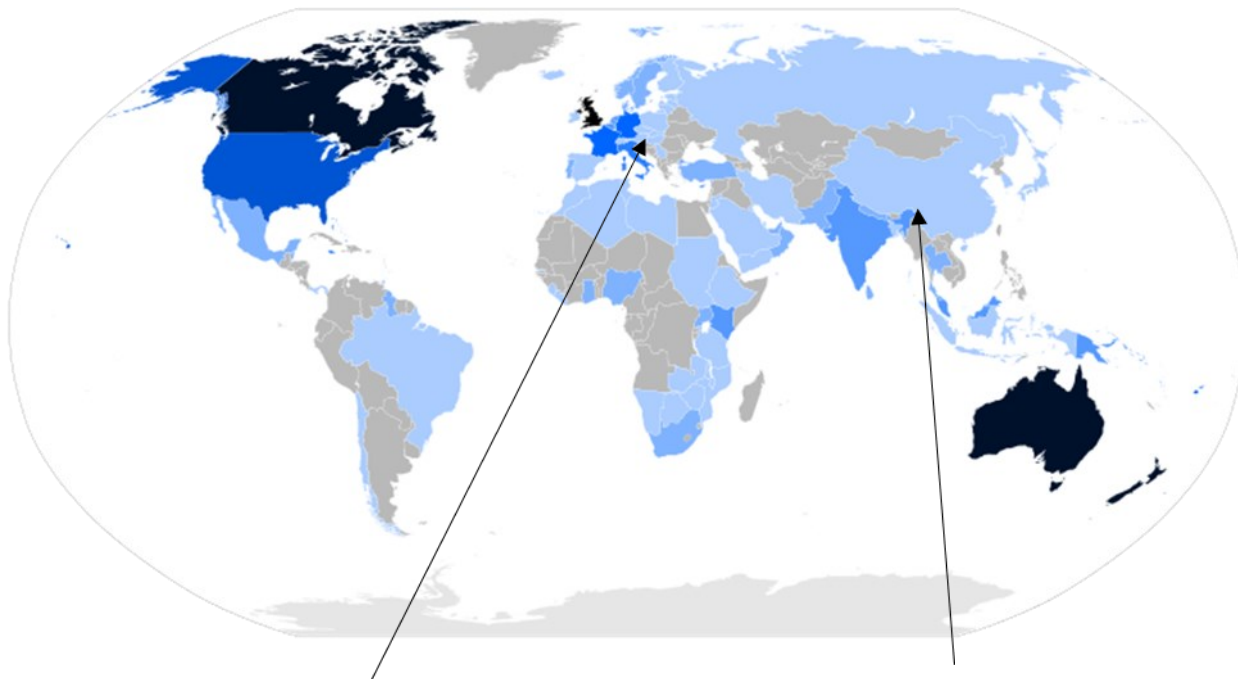
By Toby Swan

Unsurprisingly, as the head of state, the Queen visited Canada many times in her lifetime, more times than she visited any other countries – a grand total of 27 royal tours. Her late Majesty **referred to Canada as “home”** and during final visit said, “This nation has dedicated itself to being a caring home for its own, a sanctuary for others and an example to the world,” However the vice President said that he would like to see the end of the monarchy in Canada after the late Queens reign.

Perhaps one of the most important foreign trips of the Queens reign was her 4 day visit to Russia in 1994. The killing of Nicholas II (an old Russian emperor) and his family in 1918 had prevented any royal trips to Russia and the Soviet Union. It was important because it was just after the collapse of the Soviet Union and was regarded as a sign the Russia was “on the road to democracy” as Boris Yeltsin said. **It**

was the first and still the only visit by a reigning British monarch on Russian soil.





Another significant state-visit of our late Queen was her visits to both West Berlin and West Germany during the post-WW2 and cold war state, while formally controlled by the Western Allies and a showcase of the Western Wealth. However, it was completely surrounded by Soviet controlled East Germany and East Berlin, apart from narrow rail and highway corridors, and **the Queen visited in 1965, one of the most important years of the cold war** in Vietnam and Berlin, with the Berlin wall having been built just 4 years prior.

The Queen became the first British Monarch to visit China in 1986. The significance of this was that it signified a strengthening of the 2 countries relations, especially as a year after the visit, **Britain was due to grant Hong Kong's sovereignty to China**. This was the only time the Queen ever visited

Map Key

Overseas trips made by Elizabeth II.

United Kingdom
10 visits or more
9 visits
8 visits
7 visits
6 visits
5 visits
4 visits
3 visits
2 visits
1 visit



News

On Sunday, October 16th Casey Young jumped 15,000 ft to raise funds for the Cerebral Palsy Football Team he plays for.

Casey was first inspired to skydive by his Grandad, who was in the RAF and completed more than 40 jumps during his service across the globe.

Casey said: "The main reason I wanted to complete this skydive was not only to raise funds for the Cerebral Palsy Football Team but also to raise awareness of Cerebral Palsy."

"I would also like to say a massive thank you to everyone who donated it really means a lot to me and the team."

"All the money raised will go directly to my club as the team has been invited to a CP festival in Copenhagen in August 2023."

If you want to support Caseys fundraising efforts please following this link.

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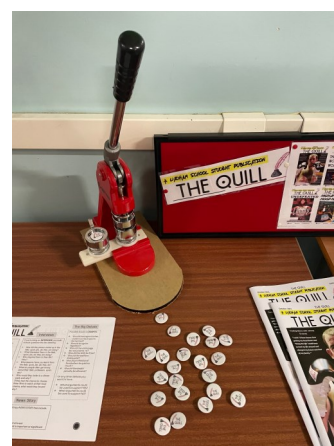
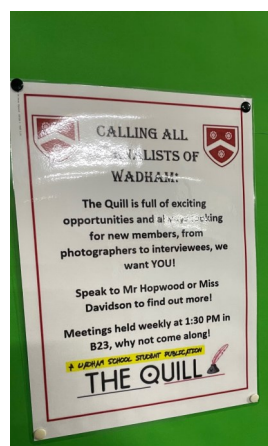
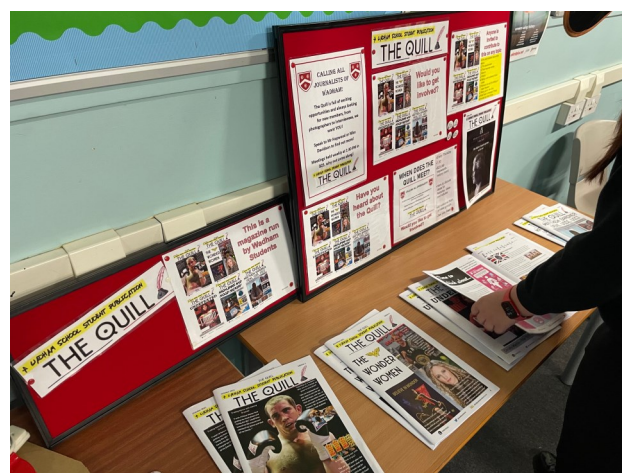


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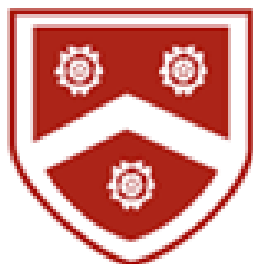
OPEN EVENING

By Will Ford

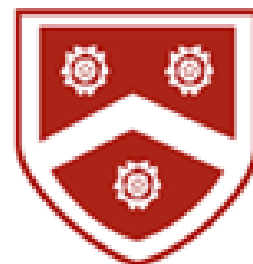
Last week during Wadham's open evening, we were lucky enough to have the chance to showcase the Quill to potential future students and parents of! Its safe to say we had quite a lot of interest of future Quillians! We thought we would share a few photos with you of how it went...



We would like to say a massive THANK YOU to Mr Hopwood for helping us organise this amazing opportunity, and the History department for letting us showcase our amazing magazine!



CALLING ALL JOURNALISTS OF WADHAM!



The Quill is full of exciting opportunities and always looking for new members, from photographers to interviewees, we want YOU!

Speak to Mr Hopwood or Miss Davidson to find out more!

Meetings held weekly at 1:30 PM in B23, why not come along!

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INTERVIEW

**LOOKING INTO THE
FUTURE WITH RICHARD
BURGAS, THE NEW
HEAD OF WADHAM
SCHOOL**

Foreword by Charlton Bowery and interview by Charlton Bowery and Sophia McKenzie

At the end of last year I had the opportunity to interview the new Headteacher, Mr Burgas. Along with Sophia, we got to grill the new Head about his background, his thoughts on Wadham and his plans for the future of the school. It was very interesting, and I hope you'll learn a few things about him. Enjoy reading.

SM: I have a question sir. Do you identify as a microwave?

Mr B: I don't think I do at this stage, but I have an open mind.

SM: Where did you come from?

Mr B: I have been teaching and working in education for about 20 years. I worked in three schools in Dorset, which is very close to where we're sitting right now, but I was right on the other side of Dorset in schools in Bournemouth. Out of the three schools I've worked in, one of them was a three tier system like Wadham was, and the other two were secondary schools. The one I've just left to join here was a small community Academy on the south coast.

CB: When did you decide you wanted to be a Headteacher and why?

Mr B: Really good question! Honestly, I don't think there was a moment where I looked in the mirror, stopped and thought I am going to be a headteacher. I became a teacher after I had done some other jobs and experienced a bit of the real world. I was so glad I took the risk of becoming a teacher because I love it. I enjoy having interactions and building relationships with students. It grew from



there. What tends to happen is that it is a little bit like an infection: you end up doing more and taking on more responsibility because you love it. I became a Deputy Head of Year in my first year of teaching, then I became a Head of House. Then I became an Assistant Head and led a large sixth form. The roles got bigger and I became involved with working with more and more students. By the time I had spent 9 years as an Assistant Head, I realised that the headteacher was training us up. He moved us around as a senior team and I hated it at first! I would start to feel confident in a role, and he would move me again. He was teaching us all aspects of headship. He then took me aside and said there was nothing more



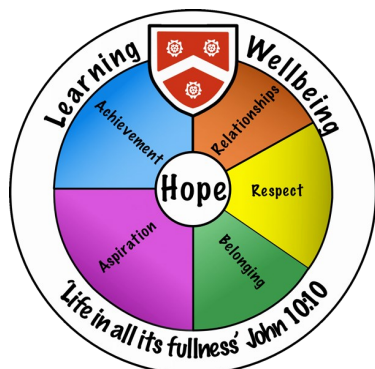
he could teach me, or offer me, and I should start looking for schools if I wanted further progression. I needed that little bit of confidence from above, and it helped me to take a risk and I was so glad I did.

SM: What is your favourite song?

Mr B: Not a fair question Sophia! It depends. If it's in the morning, it needs to be something upbeat to wake me up. So maybe 'Bad Moon Rising' by Creedence Clearwater Revival. If I'm driving home, having my me time in the car, I'll probably have something a bit more slow or calm. I'm quite a mellow person. My favourite artist is someone called Yusef who used to be called Cat Stevens. He's quite old, but you can go google him. So if you want an answer today it will be 'Oh Very Young' by Cat Stevens.

**CB: Why did you decide to come to Wadham?**

Mr B: Why Wadham? I think it's because I was excited about what has happened here, and what is still to come. I said to the student panel that you're a church school, and I've never worked in a church school before, but my family are very Christian. My wife is a church warden, she's a member of the local church council. The church and the primary school where my children went to are on the same site, and we are very much part of that community. My children are a similar age to you, so we're looking for a forever school for me, where my family can move to and we can become a part of that community. The fact that you're getting Year 7 and Year 8 and about another 30 members of staff, it means that everything is brand new. We've all experienced Covid in education, like every other headteacher and member of staff, and I'm ready for a new challenge. I read the advert and thought, this is a school that can absolutely fly and be amazing. I came and had a look at it, Mr White and Mr Chapman showed me around, and I got that sense of family and community and knew I wanted to be part of it.

**SM: What do you think you will bring to the school as Headteacher?**

Mr B: Energy! Enthusiasm and consistency. I think all schools have to have it. You can use all kinds of words to describe our values, but you can't have fairness, which I really believe in, without consistency. You have to treat people the same way, and ensure that everyone knows what the rules are. I want to create a culture where you, or any student, can feel confident and comfortable enough to come to me, or any member of staff, and speak about things that are worrying you or things you want to celebrate. That's where we got to with my last school and where I want to be with Wadham.

CB: Do you have any favourite sports?

Mr B: I'm loving the tennis at the moment! I find that when Wimbledon's on, it means it's summer and almost time for the holiday. It reminds me of my childhood and the weather always gets better when Wimbledon starts. I love rugby – I used to play it so I follow that. You can probably tell from my size! When I was at school we were lucky enough to have an American Football League so I used to flip between rugby and that.

SM: What are your hobbies?

Mr B: My hobbies? Well, this is a bit cheeky so you might not put it in – but running a school is probably my main hobby. It takes so many hours to do a proper job of it and I think most teachers will probably nod when they think of how much time it takes to put into your marking, and lesson prep and knowing your students. As a human being what do I do when I'm not doing this? I'm very hands on and practical. I find real joy in fixing things. At the moment I've got a 1986 – that sounds old – classic mini called Mildred in the garage.

SM: That's very old!

Mr B: Yes, she is. The backstory is that when my father died about 16 ago I inherited a little bit of money and I bought myself the VW campervan I wanted, and my wife who was expecting at the time, had never had a car so I bought her a classic mini that she wanted. Mildred got older, just like us, and the kids didn't fit in the mini anymore so we swapped, and she ended up driving the van. The mini broke and we put her in the garage and I'm trying to fix her. Otherwise, I'm gardening, walking, kayaking, paddle-boarding, anything outdoorsy! I love being outdoors. I do a lot of camping.



CB: My dad sold his VW camper a few years ago, which was quite sad.

Mr B: Which one did he have?

CB: A T25.

Mr B: No way! That's what I had! The only shape to have.

(Incredibly car specific bonding between Charlton and Mr B ensues while Sophia waits patiently. The conversation meanders to the following anecdote.)

Mr B: When my wife and I got married, we were already living together and had everything we needed. So when people asked us what they could give as a wedding present, we asked for Euros. We were both teachers, so we were going to enjoy 6 weeks in Italy. I said to my wife that I was reluctant to give most of our wedding present to a hotel, so why didn't we buy a campervan and pop some sleeping bags in it, and some tins of beans and drive? She said yes! So we bought our first campervan and had a great time.

CB: So, going back to school then. What are your ideas and goals for the next few years?

Mr B: The first one is to get to know you and to listen. We are going to be a brand new school, with 300 more students, a third of the teaching and support staff will also be brand new. So my goal is to sing the praises of what we are doing well, and make sure that things we aren't happy about are dealt with. I want you guys to talk to me about it. It could be the number of chips you get in the canteen or the attitude of some students! Going on a rewards trip to Thorpe Park every year – which we did at my last school. There are lots of way students can get onto that. Year one is all about helping everyone calm and settle, getting to know you and our community.



SM: What was your most and least favourite subjects at school and why?

Mr B: I had two favourites – is that ok Sophia? My first favourite was German, which is what I ended up doing at university. So I trained as a language teacher and that is what I fell back on as a teacher. My absolute passion was History.

SM: Did you like P.E.?

Mr B: Well, I kind of fell in and out of love with it to be honest. When I was in years 7, 8 and 9 probably not I hated it. I was very nervous and embarrassed student. I had to work incredibly hard to reassure myself that it was normal and ok to be scared. For that reason, I didn't like P.E., because I didn't like feeling that people would look at me and laugh, or that I would mess up. I struggled the most with maths. I always respected it, but I had to work really hard at maths.

CB: What are your opinions on phones in schools?

Mr B: I think phones in terms of what they can offer schools have more positives than negatives. I think though, that we have to have really clear views and educate everyone, not just students but our adults and parents, on how we're going to use them if we're going to let them in. I think it's unfair to say there should be a blanket ban, certainly because so many of you come in by bus. As you get older you might make plans and parents may say "It's ok to go see your friends, but text me first!". So I recognise that in the modern world, we have to live with mobiles. But unfortunately, I think that many young people misuse them, and they can be a real barrier to forming friendships, and a real barrier to learning. I think you need to have really clear rules, and really clear management of them. It comes back to fairness. If you use it the right way, it's a resource! But if you misuse it, then it can get you into trouble. And that is why it is so important to educate parents as well. Because there is always a core of parents who think it is ok to call their child during the day, and students are here to learn. We act as your parents during the day, so we have to ensure you are able to learn without distractions.



CB: I get the idea of phones, I just don't like that anyone could take a photo of you and share it.

Mr B: Yes! And I think that all schools have a lot of work to do with relationships. What we are allowed to do and say to each other, and what is appropriate. Especially where hands go. I'm not talking about sexualised behaviour, but actually that people can feel really uncomfortable with invasions of personal space. There is nothing wrong with being really clear with what our rules are and saying that's not acceptable. That allows everything to be calm and respectable.

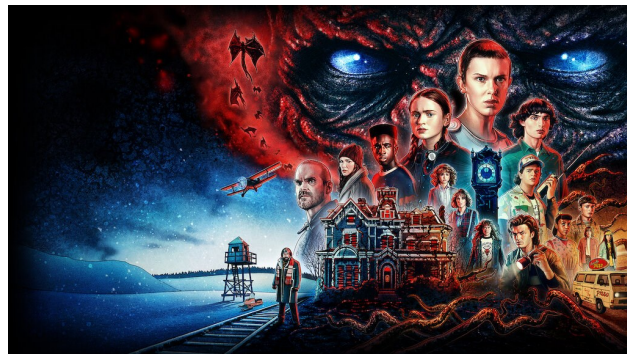
SM: What do you think about Wadham possibly becoming an academy?

Mr B: I think it's a really good question. I think it has to be considered really carefully for what Wadham needs. The government wants all schools to be an academy in the next 10 years. My honest answer is, I know at some point we're going to have to do that. But it's not anytime soon. We need to focus on our new community and know what we're about and figure out what we can achieve before we can consider this. My view is that I will be defending Wadham and making sure that when it does eventually have to happen we do get the best deal possible.



CB: Did you ever get in trouble at school or get a detention?

Mr B: Yes and yes. You can decide what you put into The Quill. I was very shy and quiet, so I recognise that some people don't like attention like I didn't. I only ever had one detention for failing to hand in a bit of English homework in Year 10. That was my only detention and I should have known better. I genuinely forgot my homework one day, and got an hour and half detention. I had to sit there and write about the holiday plans of a snail. Was I inherently naughty? No. I chose to hang around with some naughty people, but was very comfortable toeing the line.

**SM: What is your favourite television show?**

Mr B: Well I would like to point out that I watched Stranger Things way before everyone else! But at the minute it is Umbrella Academy. I'm watching it with my 15 year old daughter, who hasn't seen it before, so we're enjoying it together. I like anything that is interesting with a bit of a twist. I like SciFi and comedy.

**CB: What would you be if you weren't a teacher?**

Mr B: Are we talking I'm still a human being or can I be anything?

CB: Anything!



Mr B: Probably a cat. We've got cats, a rescue dog and some chickens. I think my cats just have it easy! They sleep for about 18 hours a day, they know where the food is, they can go in and out of the house when they want and everything is on their terms. So if there was a magic wand, I would be a cat. If I couldn't work in education I would be very sad, and I think I would have to work with people. I would be looking for a job that ticks the boxes of being different every day, keeps me in contact with people and keeps me outdoors.

CB: I've got some random questions. Have you ever been rickrolled?

Mr B: What is a rickroll?

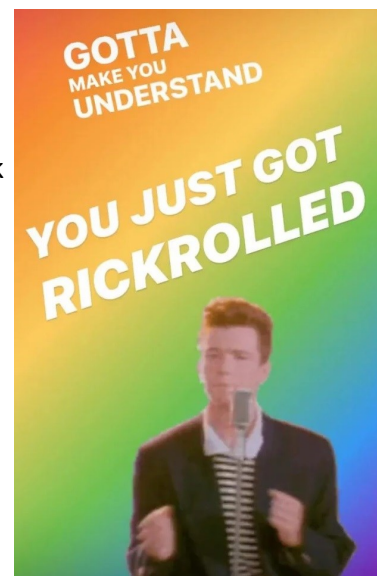
CB: When someone sends you a link and when you click on it, it's just Rick Astley singing Never Going To Give You Up!

Mr B: Then I haven't been.

SM: Have you ever been Krissed?

A thorough explanation of various TikTok trends ensued.

Mr B: I'm going to have to watch out for these links then.



**SM: When you're Headteacher, what will you change about school?
Like maybe uniform?**

Mr B: I don't know to be honest. I'm still on a fact-finding mission. All you need to know is that it will be for the betterment of your experience in the school. I'm not the kind of person to change the uniform to suits, just because I like suits, which I do by the way. If I do anything, there will be a reason behind it. I don't want to think that just because I'm new, I have to make immediate changes to put my stamp on things. I'm here to make sure that you guys get a good education and are safe.



SM: What is your opinion on uniform?

Mr B: I think it is really important. I think that more important than uniform is the idea of school identity and what it means. It matters to me that you come in looking smart because it shows me that you care about yourself. You're not doing it for me, but you're doing it for yourself. You are driving your education, believe it or not, we're just giving you the tools you need. So when I see well dressed children and adults, it means that they care about who and where they are.

CB: Have you ever watched the film A Bugs Life and did you like it?

Mr B: I have, but I think I preferred Antz. I think they're both a bit shmaltzy. I'm a big fan of the new Disney movies though. I think that Disney is going a bit darker and I like that.

SM: I liked Turning Red.

Mr B: It's good. My middle child loved that, she's going through a lot of growing pains and she really identified with it. She's in Year 7 and thinking about trying to fit in, about having friends and where she stands compared to her older sister and little brother.

CB: What are your plans for the office?

Mr B: I think it will be very similar to Mr Gardner's way of running it. The door stays open as much as possible. You're only in your office if there is a meeting or you have to be at the computer – otherwise it is just a base. What needs to happen here is that I'm out and about, talking with students.

CB: Can you keep the dog art?

Mr B: Well, it's not my painting but I can try to get a copy of it!

SM: Final question – what is your opinion on school starting early? Because I hate it!

Mr B: All of us fit into two camps: people who work best in the morning, or people who work best in the evening. The German system starts earlier and finishes earlier. They start at seven thirty and finish at half one. However, with how systems work in our country, and how families work, I think our timings are pretty much perfect.



WADHAM DOES BAKE OFF - CELEBRATING EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES



By Annabel Whitcombe

On Monday September 26th the MFL team at Wadham celebrated European Day of Languages 2022. As part of the day the department hosted 'Wadham's Great European Bake Off'.

This was open to all students, with two categories being available:

1. best authentic European bake
2. best European-themed decorated bake

On the day a number of students presented entries and we had a hard time deciding the winners of each category. In the end the winners were:



Best Decorated Bake with a European Theme:

- 1st - Elijah Brown (Year 9)
2nd - Lexi-Mae Charles/Summer Holt (Year 7) + Mollie Barrett (Year 9)
3rd - Georgina Ham (Year 8) + Leanne Lynn-Hewitt/Charlie-Jane Norris (Year 7)



Best Authentic European Bake:

- 1st - Hazel Humphries Whyte (Year 8)
2nd - Aisha Guerreiro (Year 7)
3rd - Sophia McKenzie (Year 10) + Sophie Barrett (Year 7)



I entered the European bake-off competition because I like baking. I looked at different European cake recipes and decided to make a German apple cake, Apfelkuchen. It is similar to a basic sponge recipe only decorated with thinly sliced apple.

I won 3rd prize for the best authentic bake category

Sophie Barrett



I had chosen to do this competition for fun, I did the competition with my friend summer rose holt. With the European theme I chose to do France for my cake design. I had chosen to do France because we had recently gone to Disneyland Paris for my sister Aislin's birthday.

I also found that it was a beautiful country to be in especially the Eiffel Tower. I also chose the confetti cake because I thought that it would go well with all of the bright colours of the French flag.

By Lexi-mae Charles

Why I decided to make a pineapple up-side down cake is because it's a tradition in my family as the recipe was past down from generation to generation.

Me and my nan make this cake together. This recipe means a lot to me and when I saw the opportunity to make a cake, I was so excited to make this delicious one.

By Aisha Guerreiro



I chose the theme of my European Bake Off cake to be France. France is special to me, as I have been there twice this year, once to go skiing and the second time, I passed through on the way to Belgium, to watch the Formula 1 Gran Prix. France also happens to make really good cakes and desserts!

The cake I made was a dark chocolate drip cake, made with a lemon sponge that had a blueberry jam and vanilla filling. I decorated it with blueberry macarons and dark chocolate, orange and almond Florentines on the top.

The blueberry jam was important for my French theme, as I bought it in France when I went, after my Mum had a blueberry jam beef burger. Strange, but true! I knew that macarons were a French delicacy, but my Mum warned me that she'd never actually managed to make any successfully, so I was determined to make some! And I was looking through a baking book at home and came across Florentines in the French section, so thought I'd have a go.

By Elijah Brown



Delivering a smile this Christmas



By Zoë Killick

It may only be October, but some of you may have already been thinking about the 'most wonderful time of the year' - Christmas. Love, laughter, family and perhaps even some presents - the perfect recipe for a perfect festive season. There really is nothing like this special time of year. The delicious Christmas meal on your plate, a beautiful Christmas tree in your living room adorned with twinkling decorations, family and friends gathered together to celebrate, and (as much as we feel a little guilty about admitting it), everyone's favourite part - the presents. Think back to your earliest Christmas memories, when you were small. There really is nothing quite like the joy of waking up early in the morning, the realisation that "It's Christmaaassssss" running through your mind, running downstairs to your Christmas tree, or your parents' room, and... the sight of presents hits you. Stockings, bags, boxes full of them, all wrapped in colourful paper, ready to be opened and enjoyed.

But now imagine this. All of this gets taken away. There is no Christmas meal. There is no Christmas tree. There are no presents. No Xboxes, no phones, no toys, no stationery, no games - nothing. You are poor. You may not even have a family. Your life is bleak, let alone at Christmas time. It's not festive, it's not special - it's just another day of the year. This is what life is like for over 356 million children across the planet, 365 days a year, and the effects are never worse felt than at Christmas time. These children have tough lives and all face different but equally as desperate situations. They might have to work to provide for their family, not have anywhere to live, be suffering from famine, have to walk miles and miles each day to get to school, or not even have an education at all. These children need light in their lives, a spark that will bring happiness to their lives, especially at Christmas time - and that's where Operation Christmas Child comes in.

Run by Samaritan's Purse, a Christian humanitarian organisation that provides spiritual and physical aid to people in need across the world, this amazing project has been running since 1990 and aims to show God's love in a tangible, visible and impactful way. Every year, they ask churches, schools,



communities and anyone who wants to help to pack up shoeboxes full of gifts and items, including toys, games, hairbrushes, soap, notebooks, pens and more, and drop them off at one of many location points, where they will be sorted and packed up by volunteers and sent off to different countries across the globe. Ambassadors will fly out to these places and then deliver the gifts that



ordinary people just like you have put together and give them to huge communities of children, all who will receive a special shoebox full of gifts and surprises. These simple acts of love and kindness mean everything to these children. In a world that was once filled with darkness and despair, a new door has opened for them. These gifts bring them happiness, excitement, gratitude, love and just pure joy. For many of them it will be the first Christmas gift they have ever received, and as time goes on, they will never forget the magic of the day that they received their shoebox gift. But it's not just the physical gifts these children receive that will change their lives, but the spiritual gifts too. The boxes that the children receive also come with small books telling of the gospel of Jesus in their own language, and through interactive resources



that are also sent out, they will get to experience the love of God first-hand. Through this project, churches are built up, communities are brought together and children are brought up to feel loved, safe and happy. Since 1990, more than 186 million children in over 160 different countries have received a shoebox gift and experienced the power of love and goodwill.

So, you may be thinking, can I get involved in this? The answer is yes, you certainly can! You can get involved in many different ways. Firstly, you could pack up your own shoebox- all you need is to get an old one that you find lying around (medium-sized works best) and fill it up with all sorts of gifts- perhaps a doll, a small football and pump, a plush toy, a notebook, some pens- any small gifts will make a huge difference to a child. You'll then need to download and print off a label for your shoebox as well as making a small £5 donation. After dropping it off at one of many drop-off locations, you'll be good to go! You could also do this as part of a large community, either by all making a shoebox individually and then sending them off together, or by clubbing together to fill each one (for example, you could buy all of the notebooks, someone else could buy the toys etc.). But what if you don't have the time to go shopping to find everything you need to fill your shoebox with? You can now pack one online on the Samaritan's purse website! National collection week for the shoeboxes is the 14th to the 21st of November, so there's just over a month to get your shoeboxes packed up and ready.

If you'd like to get involved, this is such a great thing to do with your local community to help children and other communities across the world to experience the magic of receiving a Christmas gift, and also a great feeling of love. No matter how you choose to get involved, everyone has a part to play. We can make the world brighter for others this Christmas- every tiny light put together creates a blazing beacon of hope and compassion. You can be a part of the change. So, let's make it.

For more details on this, please visit <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> for more information.



SPORTS, SPORTS, SPORTS!!!



Is Verstappen in trouble? Will he still be a two time champion by the end of the year?

By Emily Watson

So if you're a keen f1 fan you will have definitely heard about the Most recent of the many FIA related controversies, did red bull exceed the cost cap?. Well the FIA have made their final verdict on the incident, they say, yes. Red bull did overspend by a "minor amount" of up to \$7.25 Million (5% over the allocated budget of \$145 counts as minor).

There were many rumours flying around the paddock during the two most recent races (Singapore 2/10/22 and Japan 9/10/22) of supposed breaches of the budget cap and the two suspects were red bull and Aston martin. Many questions were asked to a multitude of team principles over the course of the two weeks and whilst Red Bull's team principle denied the accusations repeatedly Toto Wolff the Mercedes team principle had said he was sure of the overspend and that red bull should get their drivers championship of 2021 taken away. Since the 2021 Abu Dhabi Grand Prix the controversy never really ended and many people still believe that that title Belonged to Lewis Hamilton, and even more so now that they've heard this news. It matters because even the smallest overspend is more money for new parts that could be the difference between a 1st place and a 2nd place. However the FIA haven't fully decided on what further steps to take as they had many options for punishments such as: a reprimand, a deduction of championship points, a fine, suspension from one or more stage of the competition, and limitation of aerodynamic or other testing. So there's some serious punishments because even a minor points reduction from the championship would most likely result in Lewis Hamilton being crowned an 8 time winner. But that's unlikely, Red Bull will most likely get a fine, which is ironic because they have enough extra money to spend, so this punishment is ironic and rather controversial.

Red Bull are still sure that their cost cap submission is 100% accurate and that they didn't overspend, in fact they were so confident that they released a statement, reading:





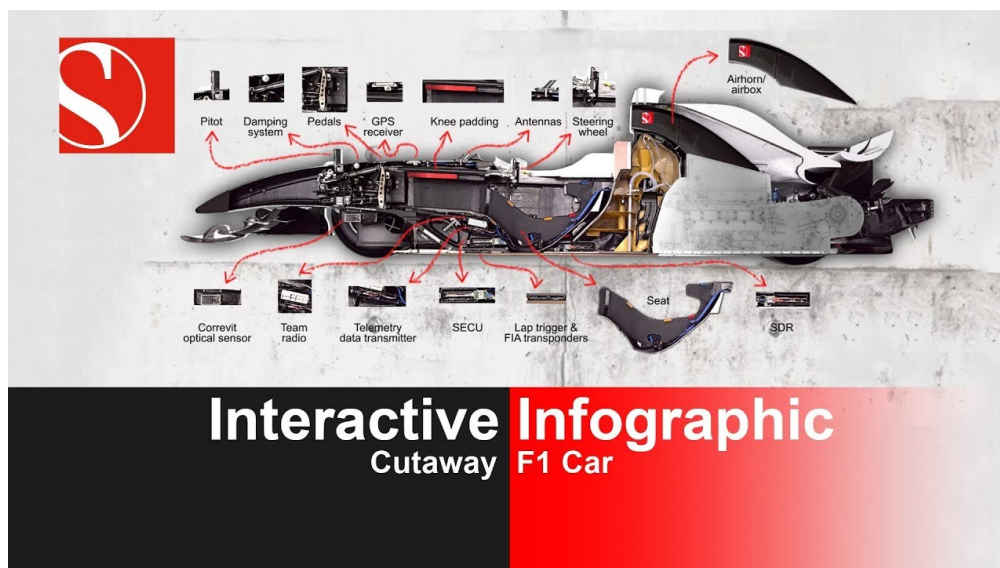
“we note the findings by the FIA of “minor overspend breaches of the financial regulations” with surprise and disappointment.

Our 2021 submission was below the cost cap limit, so we need to carefully review the FIAs findings as our belief remains that the relevant costs are under the 2021 cost cap amount.

Despite the conjecture and positioning of others, there is of course an process under the regulations with the FIA which will respectfully follow while we consider all options available to us.’

Red Bull releasing this statement and the FIAs full proceedings of the incident has caused much confusion throughout teams and drivers one such person being Mattia Binotto, the Ferrari team principle as he said that he wants the FIA to treat the situation with transparency and clarity all the way through the process and that it is critical that although this breach is classified as minor it not be treated as such, with significance. As Ferrari are Red Bull’s main rivals in 2022 Binotto has many opinions in the matter, he obviously wants a points reduction as this would benefit him and his team for the 2022 season, many people believe that Mattia and Toto are correct as he knows how much even a small amount of money can mean with performance and it’s would be unfair if he developed a car in the budget cap and it complied with all regulations and they were only beaten by somebody cheating.

So everybody involved is just waiting to see the final verdict of the FIA before making a final decision, whatever the decision made it will never please everybody so we just have to be patient and hope for the best, but its unlikely that Verstappen’s title will be taken away as it was only a minor breach.



ABBOTTS WAY WALK

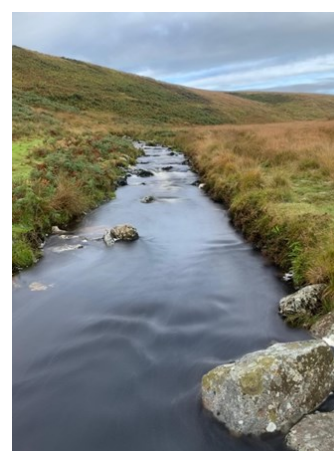
By Oli Willmott

On Sunday the 2nd of October 2022, myself, Lara D, Tess B, Rowan H and 3 other members of Phoenix Explorer Unit took part in the annual Abbots Way Walk from Buckfastleigh to Tavistock on Dartmoor in Devon. This year it was the 60th anniversary of the 23-mile challenge event.

After signing up at the start in Buckfast Abbey we set off in the rain, all dressed in all our waterproofs and headed for the first checkpoint at Cross Furzes. From here an ancient lane dropped down to the clapper bridge over a ford, which only had a trickle of water in. We then hit the open moorland with stunning views across the Avon Dam Reservoir. By the time we had got to Huntingdon Clapper bridge, it had finally stopped raining, so we took our waterproofs off and had a snack.

After this we set off again in sunshine passing the Old Red Lake China Clay Works, past the Marker Stone Cross for the Two Moors Way and across more open moorland setting our sights for Princetown along an old path called Jobber's Road. Morale was good, and we were ahead of schedule.

After a lunch break in Princetown our target was North Hessary Tor, which was a long climb to the top. We then dropped down to the prehistoric ruins at Merrivale. It was then a steep climb up to the last leg and checkpoint before Tavistock. We then went across a massive Golf course, finally dropping down to the streets of Tavistock before heading to the finish at the college. There we received our finishers certificates, followed by a delicious hot pasty, drink and biscuits.



Time to think about...

Future Foods: What will 9.7B people be eating in 2050?

Part 1: Meat

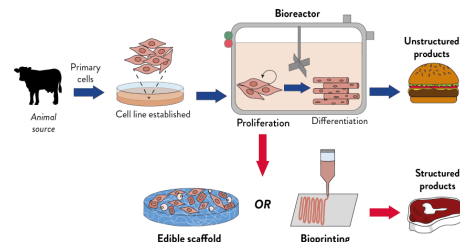
By Toby Swan

With the world's population projected to reach 8 billion by the end of 2022 and then 9.7 billion by 2050, we need to radically change our food production system to feed all these people, decrease food waste and limit greenhouse gas emissions. Currently a third of food produced globally is wasted, just 55% of the crops we grow is eaten directly by humans, and 37% of global greenhouse gas emissions comes from the food industry with 57% of that from the meat sector, so how can we make this polluting and vital industry sustainable, what can we eat?



Plant- Based Meat

You may have noticed new brands of burger creeping into the chilled aisle recently, with met that looks exactly like meat, but claims everywhere on the packaging not to be. This is most likely plant-based meat, which is made up of a variety of different parts of a variety of different parts that all come together to give the sight, smell, taste and even sizzle sound on the BBQ. In fact, in 2019 Burger King Sweden challenged customers to tell the difference between its plant based and real meat options, they created a menu item where customers would have a 50-50 chance of getting a meat burger or a plant-based one. To find out, they had to scan the burger box in Burger King's app, 44% of people guessed wrong with only 2 choices – customers couldn't tell the difference. Obviously, companies are becoming better and better at mimicking meats but why don't we just stick to the good old tried and tested steak? For starters plant-based meat is far more energy, land and water efficient, if you think about it the animals, we kill to eat have got energy from plants we have grown for them to perform everything from digesting to moving whereas plant based meat is straight from the fields, with no wasteful, water, food and land guzzling middle connection.



Cell Cultured Meat

With modern technology we can now 'grow' REAL animal meat in lab environments without harming any animal. This process works by taking real animal stem cells and growing them in a bioreactor before bonding them to form familiar meat shapes. The benefits of this include fewer foodborne illnesses, use significantly less land and water, emit fewer greenhouse gases if done in the right way and reduce agriculture-related pollution.



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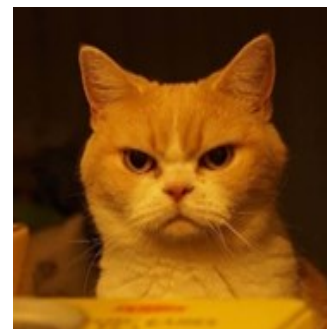
These are a few of my favourite things...

Part 1 - Cats

By Esme Hallett

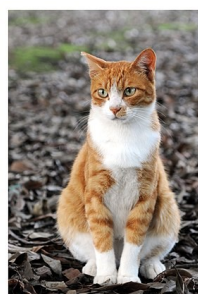
Cats. Although sometimes they look really sweet and friendly, sometimes they are not. All cats are different depending on their moods and age.

Cats aged 8 weeks-3 months usually want attention and love you playing with them, its good exercise for your cat and you should usually play with them for at least an hour a day to keep them entertained. Cats aged 3 months- 9 months need even more exercise. They need at least 3 hours a day that's why you should let your cat outside from the age 13-14 weeks if they have had all their vaccines. From about a year old you should have let you cat leave and enter the house freely, maybe by getting a cat flap so they can enter and exit your home when ever by then you should have your cat litter trained and should be able to do there business outside. From the age a year and a half to the age 6 they need at least 2 meals a day in the morning and before you go to bed and you should put down some biscuits for them to eat during the day, just for them to snack on nothing like treats for them though because to many treats a day can make your cat really ill like in the name there treats so they only get them sometimes. Ages 6-12 years they need no where near as much exercise then they did usually at this age you need to put more food down for them about 3 meals a day but usually that depends on the type of cat you have. Ages 12- death they need no where near as much exercise than what the did it is good to get them to do exercise but not to much because they might over do it and be in pain for ages. If your cat make it to the age 16 as well they will just go out for a walk to stretch their legs and get some fresh air especially on sunny days because the sun gives them vitamin d which keeps there bones strong enough to help them survive the winter because if they don't get enough it wont be good for their bones.



Many cats will attack when you rub its belly because the belly is a sensitive spot. When the belly is

exposed a potential predator can harm the vital organs such as the heart. Plus some cats are ticklish! Apart from baths and belly rubs, there are quite a lot of things that cats hate. Some of the common things that your cat is most likely going to hate are car rides, loud sounds, hair-brushing sessions, too much display of love and pampering, nail-cutting sessions when you have your doors closed and more.



When your cat sleeps in a ball its called the snail shell position they sleep like this to keep themselves warm and to protect vital organs such as the heart. The belly up position is where you can clearly see their belly and as the belly is the cats most vulnerable area which means if the sleep with their belly up it means they trust you and they feel safe in their surroundings. Cat in the box position if your cat is sleeping in a box or any other container it means they feel unsafe worried anxious about their environment (may not be true all the time sometimes depending on your cats personality it might like sleeping in boxes). The half eye open position most cats will sleep with one eye half open because cats are predators by nature and in this case their trying to stay safe or they may not feel comfortable in their environment. Paw over face position you may not see your cat do this much but its usually them telling you they don't want to be bothered or there is a source of light getting in their eyes and they are trying to block it out so there not kept up, The most rare position for you cat to sleep in is on its side it's a holy grail! Which means they feel safe and have appropriated your home.

Cats have at least 4 different moods sometimes more. All cats have a mood when they think your going to hurt them so they will hurt you even though you know your not going to do that just leave your cat alone for a bit them go back to them later. All cats have a lazy mood that's where they sometimes spend a whole day indoors usually sleeping even if they didn't get exercise that day don't force them to go outside for an hour or so because that will make them really unhappy and they will catch up on the exercise they didn't do that day the day after. all cats have a playful mood usually they want to play and you can see that if their eyes are huge and round because they are looking for something or someone to play with. And all cats have a loving mood this only happens if your cat feels safe around you when they are in this mood all they want is cuddles they will meow when you don't give them attention because, they feel like you don't want them their also when their in this mood they will lie on you even if you try to shake them off they will dig their claws into your clothes so they don't have to get off.

A reason why your cat sleeps on you is because you're their pillow just like we have something comfy for our heads. Cats also need something as well so they will usually use your stomach or chest and very rarely your leg and usually when they have their head on your leg their paw is rapped around you leg this means they are giving you a hug.

Cats are usually the most friendly when they can sense your love if they sense anger sometimes they will get angry as well, some cats will sense your anger and try to make you happy, cats are also good for our mental health because its something you can give affection to and sometimes even speak to, you may think speaking to your cat sounds silly but you may not know this but cats understand what you say so if you have a cat and have a bad day speak to your cat about your worries and concerns and what happened that day or to get something off your chest.

This is why I think cats are the best household pet you can get, and their child friendly.



Time to think about...

By Nancy Pattisson

Charity: *an organization set up to provide help and raise money for those in need*

Private school: *an independent school supported wholly by the payment of fees*

Maybe it's due to my own free and apparently far inferior education, but I fail to comprehend how a school which you pay to attend classifies as a charity.

Flicking through glossy paged prospectuses for any of the 2,600 fee paying schools in the UK you would be forgiven for thinking the students privileged enough to attend them are in need of precisely nothing; gratuitous facilities including golf courses; swimming pools and athletics arenas don't scream the impoverishment or misfortune charities usually base themselves around.

So, are these tax havens (courtesy of that confusing charitable status) also havens for the 93% of children in state education who could only dream of such resources in which to learn? Is it them the charity is supporting? In short, no. Exact figures are difficult to obtain, but it is estimated that only a little over 300 private schools share swimming pools alone with their communities, even though it is estimated that fee paying schools have more pools between them than all UK state schools combined. To put that in perspective, there are 22,407 state maintained schools and 2,600 private schools.

Indeed, the world of elite schools and extortionate fees (£46,249 per school year for the infamous Eton) is full of baffling, disproportionate statistics and statements. A 2021 survey showed that Britain's most influential people, including politicians, high court judges and sports and media stars are 5 times more likely to have attended a private school. Examples include F1 driver Lando Norris and cricketer Joe Root among many others. In fact, 2/3 of the most powerful positions are held by the alumni of fee-paying establishments (which at any given time is 6.5% of the school aged population.)

So clearly something needs to change in this cycle of the privileged becoming the powerful, but that is where the stalemate is reached. If our countries leaders continue to be spawn of the private sector there will be no change; the minority who have money

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(especially in the current climate) will always have a head start (perhaps on their school athletic track) to top positions and they won't be handicapped, because waiting at the top are people just the same. An example springs to mind of the viral video showing the former chancellor Rishi

Sunak laughing at the notion of having friends who were 'working class.'

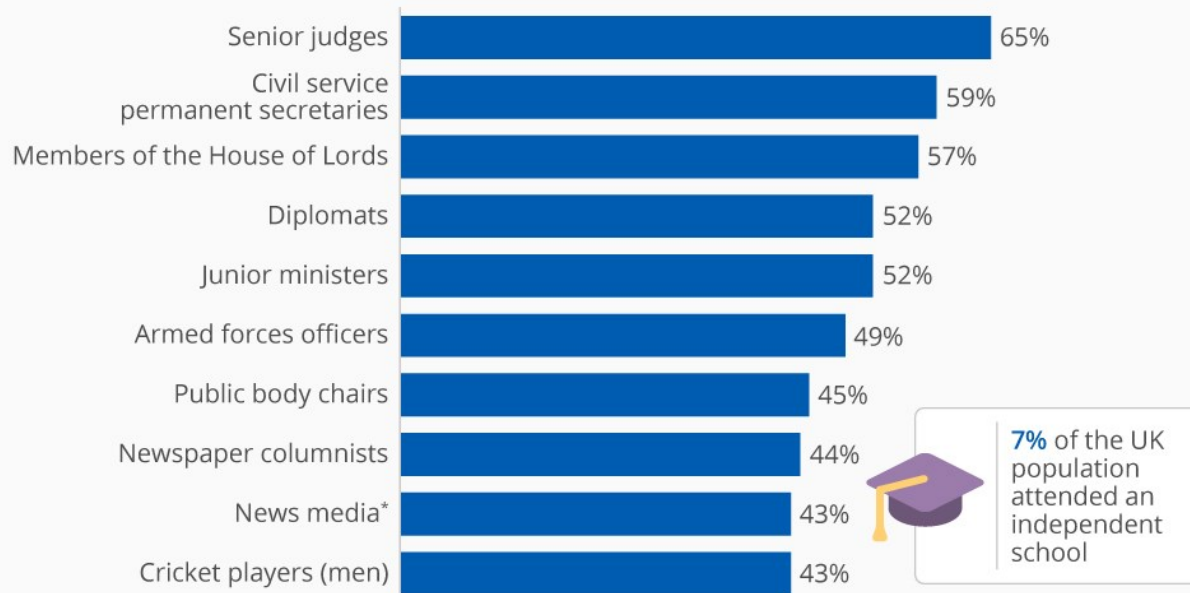


2 of the 3 last prime ministers went to Eton, a whole other world to the education and everyday lives of the majority of the country they are

representing. Bankers bonuses: tax cuts for the super-rich and a seeming disregard for the crisis of living are arguably all products of a system controlled by people whose idea of charity is a school you pay to go to; not the food banks and homeless shelters more and more people are forced to turn to because they cannot afford to feed themselves. At the start of this month, energy bills went up 54%, causing hundreds of thousands to wonder how on earth they're going to afford to stay warm this winter. Maybe the hallowed 'charities' that are Britain's private schools will be able to offer a helping hand, they certainly won't be paying tax like the mere mortals of this country.

The UK's top jobs are dominated by the privately educated

Share of people in the UK in profession/job that attended an independent school (2019)



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Environmental News

By Ruby Bryant and Zara Mapstone

What is deforestation?

Deforestation is when forested land is purposely destroyed or cut down then usually becomes a place of non-forest use.

Where does it happen?

A Lot of deforestation occurs in the tropics (e.g Indonesia, Brazil) 95% to be precise. However this doesn't mean that tropical countries are all to blame because the people who buy the products that came from the companies that cut down these trees are also contributing to deforestation.

Why does it happen?

There are multiple causes for deforestation are most notably linked to human activity. The main causes for forest station are horrible here's a few!

- * Forest fires
- * Illegal and unsustainable logging
- * Fuelwood harvesting
- * Mining
- * Climate change
- * Humans
- * Farms

When did it start?

Deforestation has been around for thousands of years but in the last few decades has there been more reliable information and is therefore only now being acknowledged.



What can we do to prevent (or at least slow) further deforestation?

- ♦ Well some countries are already working together to try and prevent further deforestation and significant progress is being made but there are some little things that can be done by anyone to help stop deforestation. Planting trees-it's an obvious one but a great one too because clearly the best way to stop cutting down trees is to start planting them.
- ♦ Raising awareness-if you aren't so keen on getting dirty by planting trees then try making people aware. A good way of doing this is through social media but there are other ways too like protests or handing out leaflets or maybe even an article in a newsletter.
- ♦ Eating less meat-agriculture is a major contributor to deforestation often because it requires so much land. So cutting down on meat is helping stop deforestation but it doesn't mean you have to take it to the extreme.
- ♦ Use less energy where possible-this is a pretty general one as it helps fight deforestation, climate change, global warming and many more



History Matters

Jack Leslie statue unveiled at Plymouth Argyle.

By Jack Anstey

Jack Leslie, a black football player born in Canning Town in London was extremely talented, so talented that he got a place in the Barking Town Academy as a teenager in 1920 and at only 19 years old he had already scored 250 goals for Barking Town and in 1921 he won the London League Premier Division for the Blues and a year later many clubs wanted to sign him teams such as: Spurs, Chelsea, West Ham, Arsenal, and other current Premier League giants in London but there was a funny reason why he signed for Plymouth Argyle. Bob Jack (the Argyle manager at the time) kept sending postcards of the beautiful Plymouth Hoe to Jack and that made his mind and finally in 1921 Argyle signed the next wonder-kid in English football. Did you know that in the years 1920-1925 he was the only Professional Black football player?



Now this is the sad part the part that ruined his career in 1925 Plymouth Argyle assistant coach recommended Jack for the reserve squad against Ireland because he was good enough so the FA looked at his stats and loved it they wanted him on the bench it was all good but one day they saw a picture of Jack and because his father was Jamaican and he was black they sent him back to Argyle where he sadly quoted 'They must of forgot I was a coloured boy' Argyle were also fined £5,000 for putting a black or 'different' player in for selection

Jack's granddaughter Lesley Hiscott said: *"The whole situation to us is like a dream, we have to keep pinching ourselves to make sure it really is happening and to actually see the statue there... at long last grandad's getting the recognition he deserved."*

Thanks to the funding from famous people such as Gary Lineker, the first black player for England Viv Anderson, Argyle legends like Mike Trebilcock and Bobby Barnes, Leslie is being recognised.

So what have the FA said about this? The FA Chair Debbie Hewitt MBE said: *"Jack Leslie is a true football legend who, through his own adversity, has positively shaped attitudes and behaviours to identify and remove discrimination from football. The FA is awarding Jack a posthumous honorary cap, to recognise his unique contribution and set of circumstances – and to right the historical wrong."*

"I had the privilege of meeting Lesley, Jack's granddaughter, at a recent international game at Wembley, where we had the opportunity to recognise the family's determination, courage and resilience to have Jack's story told and through the efforts of Lesley and her sisters Lyn and Gill, to change perceptions in football and more broadly in society."

"We have made progress in recent years to ensure that English football is more diverse and inclusive and a game for all. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to Jack and to his family for comprehensively and consistently driving positive change through football. We are pleased to support this campaign and to recognise Jack's career."



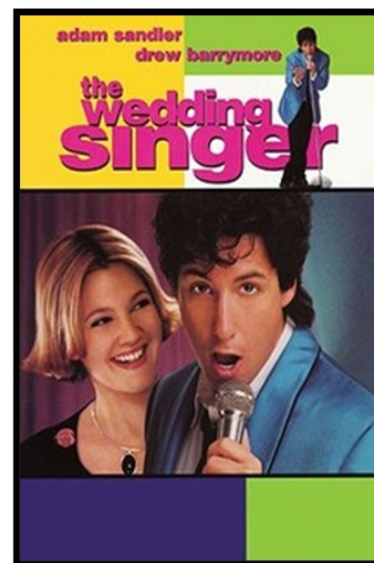
WHAT'S WORTH A WATCH?

By Edie Pattisson

The Wedding Singer



The wedding singer is a Rom-Com set in the 80s, it follows the life of a wedding singer named "Robbie Heart". In the film Robbie (Adam Sandler) is currently living in his sister's basement and is engaged to be married. When he falls out with his bride to be his best friend

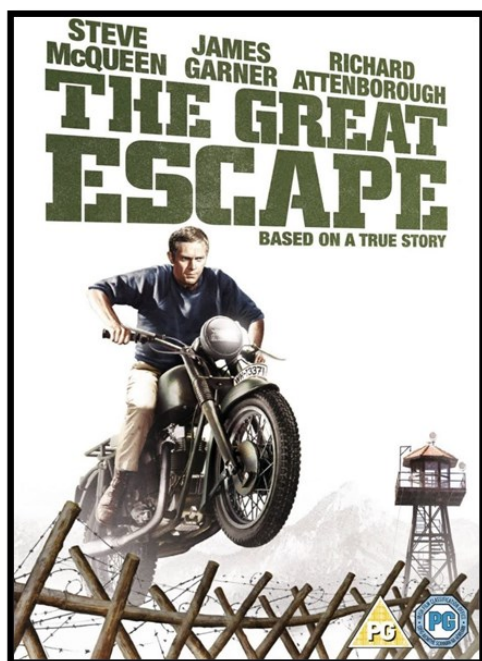


"Sammy" (Allen Covert) tries to convince him to continue working and to hook up with a new waitress called Julia (Drew Barrymore). The only problem is that Julia is also engaged to a man called Glenn Gulia (Matthew Glave). When Glenn says that he can't help with the wedding planning, Robbie said that he and Sammy would help Julia choose dresses, cakes, flowers and drivers, with the help of Julia's mum (Christina Pickles) and Robbie's band mate George (Alexis Arquette). A few days before the wedding Julia and Robbie fall out and Julia ends up travelling to Vegas for her wedding, but Robbie realises that he had fallen for Julia and he needed to save her from spending the rest of her life with Glenn.



This film is hilarious and the jokes never get old. The songs are 80s classics and You'll be singing along all the way through (Billy Idol even appears in one scene in first class on a plane). The outfits are controversial but the jokes are definitely not you'll be laughing your socks off within five minutes. The film rating is 12 but once you are able to watch it, I highly recommend it.

The Great Escape



The Great Escape (1963) is an amazing film based on true events that occurred during WW2. The story starts with a fleet of prison trucks arriving at a prisoner of war camp. the opening scene shows the prisoners trying to find a bed to sleep in and testing all the facilities. the film shows the amazing story of the extraordinarily brave and crafty men who risked their lives countless times just to get out of this horrible place named Stalag Luft III, the camp held thousands of captured Allied airmen during WW2 and was considered one of the hardest to escape from. The film stars Steve McQueen, James Garner, Richard Attenborough, James Coburn, Donald Pleasence and Charles Bronson.

This film is not only good for entertainment but also for educational purposes, all the details of the escape in the film





are how it really happened, like, the way they disposed of the dirt from the tunnel and, how they covered up the noise of the tunnel being dug, where they started the tunnels (and where they ended). The only details that are not true are, there was no Americans in the camp and no planes or motorbikes were used in the escape.



In the climax of the film there is a vexing car/motorbike chase while Captain Hilts (Steve McQueen) is trying to escape by jumping the barbed wire fences on the German-Swiss border on a stolen motorcycle.

I highly recommend this film to anyone who is interested in WW2 but also if you just want to watch an absolute classic that will have you laughing, crying and sticking quotes on your wall.

“The greatest film that ever was made, and ever will be made- iconic, majestic, legendary” Nancy Patisson (sixth form)

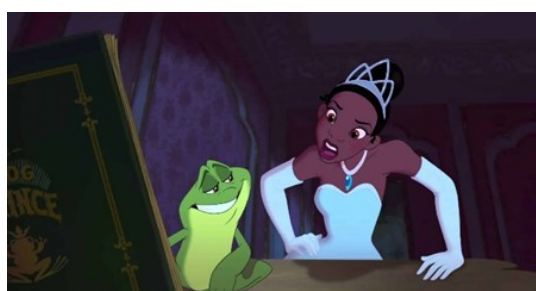
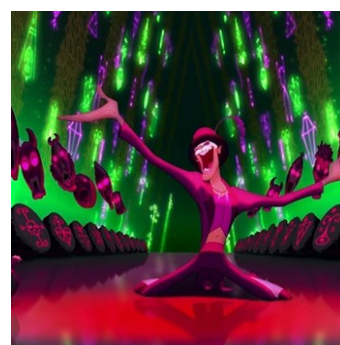


The Princess and the Frog

“The Princess and the Frog” is an amazing animated Disney musical. This film was released in 2009 and is still an absolutely heart-warming way to spend the afternoon. The film is all based around the famous story of the frog prince, but has a bit of a twist. The main character, Tiana, is voiced by Anika Noni Rose who also shows her amazing singing voice in many of the toe tapping, triumphant songs. This film has been a family favourite in my house for years and years, we all love it, and a few of the songs even make it onto our family road trip playlist. The main character, Tiana, has worked

hard all her life in two cafés in “New Orleans” (one in the day, one in the night). Tiana has always dreamed of owning her own restaurant and she’s been saving up all her life. At her childhood friend Lottie’s masquerade ball party, she meet’s Prince Naveen (who has been turned into a frog by the Voo-Doo master, the

shadow man). Naveen thinks Tiana is a Princess as she is dressed up so he forces her to kiss him so he can turn back to a prince. This backfires in a drastic way and gets the story moving down the bayou river, with a gator, named Lou, and a fire fly, named Ray. The film takes lots of twists and turns, it also has a few heart wrenching moments that will make you cry your eyes out.

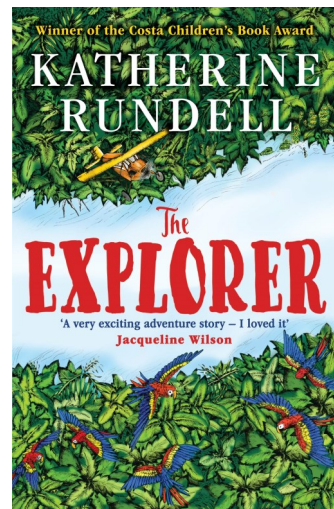


What's worth a read?

By Emily Wood

The Explorer by Katherine Rundell

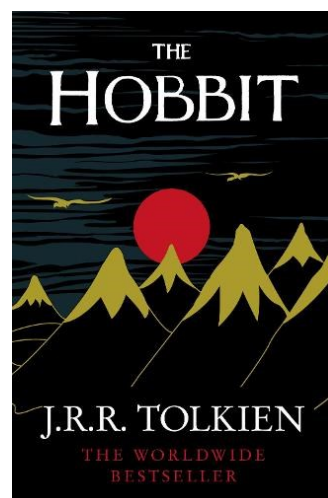
The Explorer is a story about four children called Fred, Con, Lila and Max. The four were on a plane to England from Manaus, when disaster strikes and the plane crashes. They land in The Amazon and have to learn to survive together. While trying to find a way home they meet a mysterious man, living in the jungle. So the four friends and their new acquaintance have to find a way to get home. *The Explorer* stuck out to me because I think it is a realistic example of our instincts and ability to survive in almost impossible places. It is about teamwork and never giving up, which is why I would recommend it to people. The main characters (Fred, Con, Lila and Max) are very relatable to the readers because in a way they're ordinary children, shoved unexpectedly into an adventure. Like anyone could be at anytime. The book is written by Katherine Rundell, also the author of *Rooftoppers*. Enjoying a book is the mark of a good writer, but adoring a book like *The Explorer* is the mark of prominent masterpiece.



By Lucy Wood

The Hobbit by J. R. R. Tolkien

The Hobbit Since it's very first publication in 1937, *The Hobbit* (or *There And Back Again* as it was originally titled) has enthralled it's readers within it's pages bursting with thrilling twists, mysterious characters and picturesque settings. It has been translated into over 50 languages, sold over 100 million copies worldwide and become part of a hugely popular film franchise launched in 2012. But this is not the reason millions of people all over the world have flocked to join Bilbo Baggins, and the company of dwarves, in their wild adventure. Bilbo has to face many uncomfortable situations on his journey to the Lonely Mountain to face Smaug the dragon and help get the dwarves home back from the dragon's tyrannical reign. Along the way, Bilbo and the company of dwarves are faced with trolls intent on eating them, wicked goblins and their diabolical plans, a gentle skin-changer and giant eagles (and much, much more). It is utterly mine-bending that so much could come out of one man's creativity. If I could say one thing to J. R. R. Tolkien, I would thank him for making this book that lives so close to my heart with it's lovable characters. *The Hobbit* has many twists and turns and these can all be traced back to very old representations in history. For example, when Bilbo sneaks away from the mountain to give the mythical Arkenstone to the men of Lake Town and the elves of the Woodland Realm, I believe this represents the lessons of 'peace before war' and 'so long as you believe what you're doing is right, it doesn't matter what other people think'. I would recommend this book strongly as it's representation of the difficulties in life is not always clear, but it is there. Life is difficult, and there will always be a Bill, Bert and William waiting to hold you back, but there will also always be a Gandalf who will stick by you and help you along you're road there, and back again



Maths Teasers

How many of these can you answer? Print out this page, write out your workings and present your answer to the maths department after half term for a chance to win a maths related prize

MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK!

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Can you move just TWO toothpicks and create SEVEN squares?

MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK!

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Reversing the digits

Find a four-digit number such that the number formed by reversing the digits is four times the original number.

$$ABCD \times 4 = DCBA$$

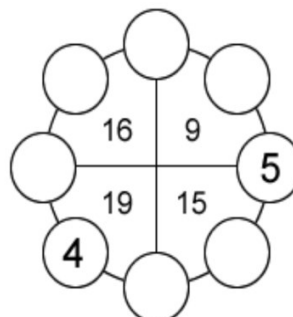
MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK!

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IF $5\ 3\ 2 = 151022$
 $9\ 2\ 4 = 183652$
 $8\ 6\ 3 = 482466$
 $5\ 4\ 5 = 202541$
THEN $9\ 5\ 5 = ?$

MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK!

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Girl Guiding

By Imogen Cremen

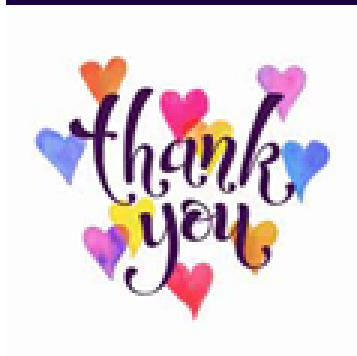
Dating back to 1909 when a group of girls arrived at a boy scout rally claiming that they wanted to be girl scouts. Robert Baden Powell (founder of the scouts) saw this as a movement for girls. He asked his sister Agnes Baden Powell to start up Girl Guides. A place where girls and young woman could feel safe and have a say in what they thought was right back in the 1900. Guiding is still going strong on today and is the largest charity in the UK for girls and young women. The movement has expanded all over the world from Australia to Canada, South Africa to New Zealand and many more. Crewkerne district have been running groups for over 100 years now. Girl Guiding was so big that even her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and her sister wanted to take part, in 1937 with their cousins and some friends they started the 1st Buckingham Palace Guides. Later she became the charity's patron 1953-2022.

There are four groups within guiding Rainbow (ages 4- 7), Brownies (ages 7- 10), Guides (ages 10- 14) and Rangers (ages 14- 18). Then girls can train to be young leaders. Being a guide, I got the chance to interview some leaders. I asked them many questions on what they liked about guiding how it has changed over the years: -

Liz a leader at the 1st Crewkerne Rangers, has been leading since she was 35 years old and her favourite badge when she was younger was the camp patrol permit this was the same as Melanie's another ranger leader who has been leading for over 25 years. As well as our Ranger leader I also interviewed guide leader Barbara who has been a leader for over 50 years and guiding since she was age 7. I also spoke to Brownie and Rainbow leader Sarah who was a brownie many years ago and rejoined as a leader 15 years ago. Her favourite badge when she was younger was the hostess badge (this is no longer around but she still uses the skills from it to teach her Brownies today) today it is the Rainbows pot of gold "as it is the end of the rainbow and some thing you can take on to Brownies". Each of these leaders say that they have seen many changes in the guiding program whether that is the uniform, the guiding law or the badges them self. With girl guiding going on for 113 years changes has been a key part of keeping the program going. For example, back in 1960 they had badges such as toy maker and swimming. Now in the program those badges don't exists but instead we have things like vlogging and camping. The uniform as changed a lot to as you can see in these pictures.

I asked the leaders if they could go back and do guiding all over again witch one would you chose. Barbara, Liz and Melanie all said they would want to do Guides again whilst Sarah said she would do Brownies again. Even if they don't share the same views there is one thing, they can all agree on, if you are a girl or know a girl aged 4 -18 then tell them about girl guiding, where you will meet other girls and young women around your age, learn about the world around you and go on awesome adventures.





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