

Ashmole Academy

TAKE THE LEAD

WORKSHOP

YEAR 10 GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIPS

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Our amazing catering team will be serving a homemade beef pie on Monday!

#### Take The Lead Workshop 2 - Build Your Team

DAY 14.3

This week saw our year 12 students complete the second of three workshops as part of the prestigious Old Vic Theatre employability programme.

In this session students had to work as a team to come up with and pitch the next Old Vic production. Students came up with their own Theatre Company name and then explored aspects of production such as budgeting, promotion and artistic vision. We were then joined by Ella. Ella works as for the Old Vic and is part of the programming team.

Not only were the students show ideas impressive, but their presentational skills in particular were commended by Ella. We look forward to the third and final workshop which will be taking place externally at the Royal Bank of Canada Headquarters. - Mr Tozzi

#### Year 10 Geography Field Trips - Epping

Last week on Tuesday 1st March and Wednesday 2nd of March, for the first time since 2020 the Geography department were able to take year 10 on their GCSE rivers trip to Epping Forest! Students had a very busy day navigating the mud (there was so much mud!) and collecting measurements to determine how the river changes as we go downstream, and how this impacts flood risk.

Our students worked exceptionally hard and we were really proud of their endeavour and cooperation! - Ms Vaughan

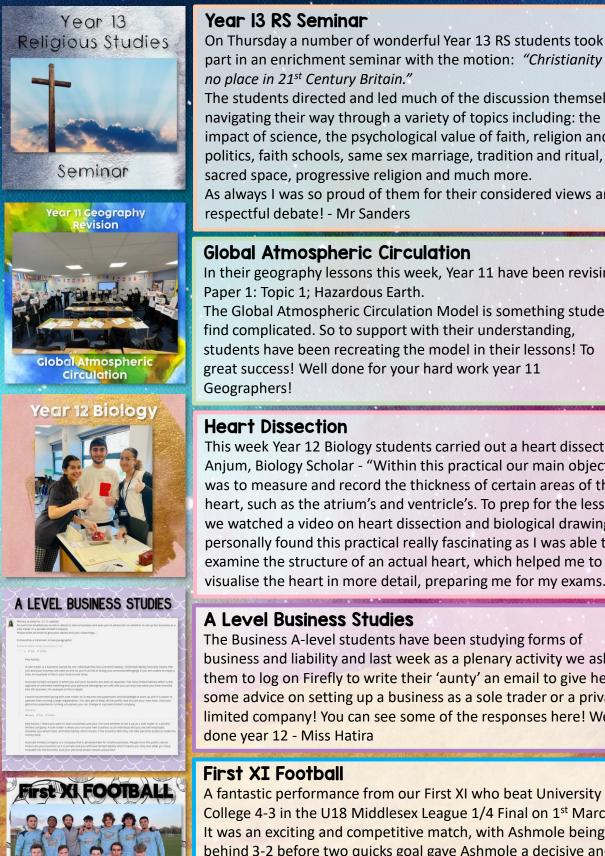
#### **Charity News**

We have just received our final total for Children in Need, when we were sent our charity fundraising certificate this week! £1292.27 - well done and thank you to all who contributed! Next up with our charity drive we have a non uniform day next Friday (18th March) students will be able to donate £2 to this excellent cause via Parent Pay in advance or cash on day! – Mrs Brown

CHILDREN IN NEED



FUNDRAISING CERTIFICATE



**J18 Middlesex League** 

### part in an enrichment seminar with the motion: "Christianity has no place in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Britain."

The students directed and led much of the discussion themselves, navigating their way through a variety of topics including: the impact of science, the psychological value of faith, religion and politics, faith schools, same sex marriage, tradition and ritual, sacred space, progressive religion and much more.

As always I was so proud of them for their considered views and respectful debate! - Mr Sanders

## **Global Atmospheric Circulation**

In their geography lessons this week, Year 11 have been revising Paper 1: Topic 1; Hazardous Earth.

The Global Atmospheric Circulation Model is something students find complicated. So to support with their understanding, students have been recreating the model in their lessons! To great success! Well done for your hard work year 11 Geographers!

# **Heart Dissection**

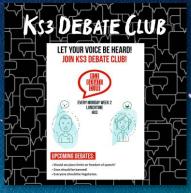
This week Year 12 Biology students carried out a heart dissection. Anjum, Biology Scholar - "Within this practical our main objective was to measure and record the thickness of certain areas of the heart, such as the atrium's and ventricle's. To prep for the lesson, we watched a video on heart dissection and biological drawings. I personally found this practical really fascinating as I was able to examine the structure of an actual heart, which helped me to visualise the heart in more detail, preparing me for my exams."

## A Level Business Studies

The Business A-level students have been studying forms of business and liability and last week as a plenary activity we asked them to log on Firefly to write their 'aunty' an email to give her some advice on setting up a business as a sole trader or a private limited company! You can see some of the responses here! Well done year 12 - Miss Hatira

# First XI Football

A fantastic performance from our First XI who beat University College 4-3 in the U18 Middlesex League 1/4 Final on 1<sup>st</sup> March. It was an exciting and competitive match, with Ashmole being behind 3-2 before two quicks goal gave Ashmole a decisive and winning lead. Ashmole goalscorers were Matheusz R. (2), Stef C. and a superb individual goal from Denis A. Thank you to our hosts for their fantastic hospitality and we look forward to playing St. Thomas More in the Semi Finals. - Mr Scott



## STRATEGY GAMES CLU





HISTORY SOCIETY



## KS3 Debate Club!

We have another brand new club starting for ks3... debate club! This club is being led by Jake in year 12, one of our star debaters from the ESU debating team! We look forward to seeing our KS3 students there!

#### Strategy Games Club!

New Club Alert! 'Strategy Games Club' began last Friday with Mr Costello!

Come along to challenge your friends and peers in the best board, dice and cards strategy games!

Open to all students in y10 to y13

#### **History Society**

In History Society this week, Miss Clements delighted us with a small lecture entitled Blind Faith, looking at the act of worshipping relics in Early Modern Europe. The topic was really interesting, finding out about the different beliefs the people of Europe had over the centuries, either disproven or simply having no evidence towards. For example the bones of a girl found in a cave were thought to be able to heal a town of the Black Death. The girl was worshipped as a saint, even when the bones later proved to be those of a goat. We discussed that even though this was blind faith, this is what religion is based around, the coming together of people in common beliefs allowing a society to function. I believe there is an overall message to all of this, or a parable (if you will), if you are religious or not, you cannot deny the power that religion holds and its importance throughout history. Joe Newton – Year 12

#### MedSoc - Admissions Process

Last Wednesday the Medsoc community invited Ashmole alumni Sherryn Man, a second year medical student at Nottingham University, to discuss the admissions process and life as a student. She offered a unique insight into what to expect and how to prepare from personal experiences. By advising the group on how to look at your personal strengths in deciding on a university, the extremely intimidating goal seemed far more attainable. The talk provided a reminder of what the collective had to look forward to in continuing with higher education in science and learning its real world applications in the medical field. We are all very grateful to Sherryn for giving up her time to come in and speak to us about her experiences, as we all took a lot away from it." -Rose S, Year 12.



#### Art & Design

This is just a snapshot of some of the amazing work created in the 10 hour Art Mock Exam last half term! How impressive! Well done to all of our talented students!





#### APFA Quiz Tickets £5

(Available on parent pay)

- Bar (cash or card accepted)
- Light snacks on tables
- Raffle
- Prizes for winning team
- Teams approx. 6-8 peopl

Coming as a 2 or 4? no problems we can make teams on the night

#### **Sponsors board!**

If you or a local small business would like to support the quiz night, you can by either donating a raffle prize or for £10 you could sponsor one of the 6 quiz rounds or the table quiz sheet. If so contact us on n14apfa@gmail.com

#### Careers update

Firstly, we have an exciting apprenticeship opportunity (see the photo!) Secondly Ellie M, year 13 and Naima M in year 7 are the two top students using Unifrog Personal Development and Careers platform - now all students in the school have access to it! Students are using it to complete MOOCs, research their Post 16 and 18 pathways, enrich their wider reading, complete psychometric tests, apply for apprenticeships - the list goes on! Well Done to all students who are using it - it will be of great benefit! There will be more of a focus on Unifrog during upcoming Careers Week...

Which is next week! CAREERS WEEK (WC 14th March): There will be a week of Careers focussed activities including, workshops, careers talks, tutor sessions and assemblies - all encouraging students to think about their exciting futures! Finally, well done to all year 10 students who have found work experience placements - some interesting placements from Accounting to vets and zoos! - Mr Gilfeather

#### **"Proper" Promotion**

We are launching a new promotion for the month of March in partnership with our grocery supplier Brook Street Foods! All Proper products (sold in the Sixth Form café) will be reduced by 5p in addition Brook Street Foods will donate 5% of the total value of sales of Proper products to the Comic Relief Appeal. – Ms Arvstrand (Contract & Catering Manager)

#### MedSoc- Competitive Debate

"During MedSoc last week, we have had several different interactive sessions, including a lively, competitive debate on the topic of whether or not 'NHS staff should be vaccinated against COVID-19'. Prior to the session we had time to research around the subject and evaluate any statements from articles, government statistics, the letter sent by Chris Whitty and collate any other research that would have been essential for the debate. This allowed us to gain important skills such as looking at a various range of sources and interpreting key data. Most importantly, it provided us the opportunity to extend our wider reading, which is crucial as part of the interviews needed to get into many medicine schools. Both sides introduced their perspectives by presenting an "opening speech" which then led onto a counter arguments and ended with a question and answer session from each side." - Anjum B, Year 12

#### Year 9 Oxford Visit

This week some of our Year 9 students visited Christ College Oxford. More about that visit will be in our next Roundup!

Ashmole Academy @AshmoleAca... 1d Thank you for having us! The students had an excellent visit!

Christ Church Access @ChC... · 2d The sun sets on another day in @ChCh\_Oxford. It was a pleasure to have hosted @AshmoleAcademy on this bright and sunny Tuesday. We hope you enjoyed your visit to Christ Church and @AshmoleanMuseum!





## World Book Day 2022

To celebrate World Book Day, students took part in a variety of online book quizzes. The most enthusiastic participants were awarded a prize and will help to organise our 2023 celebrations. Our second-hand book sale raised over £70 for the World Book Day charity and gave staff the opportunity to discuss their favourite books with students from all year groups. Thank you to all who took part and to our librarian Ms Pascual De Riquelme, who continues to foster a love of reading across the school - Ms Nelson.

For me, World Book Day was fantastic! As a library monitor I had to help out at the book swap which was an amazing opportunity to help out and provide a reason to reuse books, therefore stopping people throwing away perfectly good books that they no longer read. The library teacher, Ms Pascual, was dressed up as the Egyptian goddess 'Seshat', goddess of wisdom, knowledge, writing and also books, which is very fitting! World Book Day brought an overall joyful buzz to the air. Teachers dressing up, the book sale and the fun of it all! Some teachers dressed up as Snow White, Egyptian goddesses, Rainbows and many more, all bringing a feeling of joy to the whole school.

Leah R - 7S1

Ashmole Academy's World Book Day was a great success for lots of students including me. Also, as a library monitor, I was helping with the 'Lucky Book Dip' but also bought books from the book sale, each being 50p (a great price!) and all the money went to charity. We were also very happy for Sixth Formers to help. I think that World Book Day is a great way to get people to read and celebrate books. Many activities took place in Form time, such as 'Guessing the Teacher Behind the Book', and even some teachers dressed up. Everyone took part. Zerina D – 7S1



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DAY

3 MARCH 2022

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# Winners

NAME	FORM	NUMBER OF PRIZES
Antonia B	9N2	7
Finley S	8S1	3
Sotiria C	10M1	1
Marley L	8N2	2
Zuriel A	• 9N1	2
Eloise M	8V1	2
Saxon L	8S1	1
Romaisa Z	9N1	1
Velislava K	10N1	1
Ruby C	7V1	2
Ted B	7V1	1
Ren Q	7V1	1
Ivan T	7S1	1

WORLD BOOK DAY® 3 MARCH 2022

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This year for world book day, we operated a student-ran book sale in Ashmole's library. With the help of various Year 12 and 13 students, we managed to raise a considerable amount of money by selling a range of genres and authors for only 50p a piece! It was heart warming, seeing how excited the year groups were to spend their money on books with some children buying more than six books at once. Only a few books remained by the end of lunch time with the majority going home with students that day! – Eleanor O 13COR







Our amazing FemSoc students helped to put together our thoughts for the day and assemblies to celebrate International Women's day this year. The theme was 'Break the Bias'. All year groups had an assembly on what gender bias was, and what we can do as individual's to challenge this. During our form sessions, we discussed gender bias in medicine, the arts, technology and employment. Our students considered why the gender bias existed, and how important it is as a society to break this in order to provide all women with equitable opportunities. Thank you to Edie, Ella, Joe, Nyah and Maia for assisting with Assemblies. Thank you to Nicola, Jameela, Ella, Charlize, Alicia and Tara for helping create our thought provoking slides for form time – Miss Cork