



DEVIZES SCHOOL NEWS



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SCHOOL**
A SPORTS COLLEGE

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WORLD BOOK DAY



Pupils are able to use their £1 World Book Day token to order 'Cover to Cover' books from the schools' Learning Resources Centre.

Prices start at £2. More details via tutor groups.

Orders and payment need to be with Mrs Lee in the LRC by **Tuesday 8th March.**



Solution to last issue's puzzle below:

5	7	1	3	6	4	9	2	8
4	2	8	5	7	9	3	6	1
3	6	9	2	8	1	7	4	5
1	4	5	9	2	7	6	8	3
2	8	7	4	3	6	1	5	9
9	3	6	1	5	8	4	7	2
8	9	4	6	1	5	2	3	7
6	5	2	7	9	3	8	1	4
7	1	3	8	4	2	5	9	6

SPANISH ABLE PUPILS

On Wednesday 23rd February, 30 pupils took part in a Spanish version of 'Blind Date', 'Cita a Ciegas'.

We had characters such as Gandalf, Hugh Hefner and a Columbian film star. Exotic destinations included Bognot Regis and the valleys of Merthyr Tydfil.

Overall, it was a challenging yet very enjoyable experience and we shall all be attending the wedding of one of our lucky couples this summer!

**Emma Jenkins,
Christopher Truscott
Nicholas Rose**
Year 11

This week's puzzle:

3					6	8	
2	4	9			1		
		7	6	1	3	2	
8	9	5	4				
6		3	9			2	
				7	8	9	4
	5	8	9	4	6		
		1			2	8	5
9	3						7

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Dates for your diary.....

MARCH

- 9th Year 11 Photographs
Governors' Meeting
6.30p.m.
- 10th Trip to Belgium
(10th - 12th)
- 24th Last Day of Term 4
- Easter Holiday
25th March - 8th April

APRIL

- 11th First Day of Term 5
- 14th Year 7 Parents' Evening

Un feuilleton français!

At the end of last term 25 pupils from years 9, 10 and 11 took part in the French Able Pupil session. We spent the morning working on our very own French soap opera, based in a hospital in Paris. The first half of the session was reading through, rehearsing and performing a script written by Mrs Spencer and Mrs Auty. The second half we split into groups to write our own scenes for the second episode. It was an action packed episode, with wives and girlfriends of doctors meeting for the first time, fights in the waiting room, food poisoning of the President and his Prime Minister and most serious of all a dangerous orange swamp spider on the loose! Everyone performed very well with special mention for the dramatic talents of Alice, Fiona, Beth, Chris and Tom. Photos from the day are on the French Intranet pages already and the final edit of the 2 episodes will be there shortly. Have a look!



UK INTERMEDIATE MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE 2005

The results were as follows:
(year group in brackets)

Gold Certificates

Kieran Lomax (9)

Jaime Cowdry (9)

Silver Certificates

Andrea Rutt (10)

Vianne Britten (10)

Chloe Scott (10)

Bronze Certificates

Matthew Jones (10)

Daniel Lock (10)

Amy Banks (10)

Alan Callow (10)

Jamie Holmes (10)

William Proctor (10)

Charlotte Keen (10)

Ian Dixon (10)

Philippa Goodall (10)

Thomas Mercer (10)

Eleanor Musgrove (10)

Hannah Butcher (9)

Henry Davies (9)

Jack Case (9)

Kieran Lomax was the "best in school"

Both **Kieran Lomax** and **Jaime Cowdry** progress to the next stage of the competition called the "Kangaroo - Grey". This places them in the top 1,000 students in their year group.

'POETRY LIVE'

Before the end of last term, a group of Year 11 and a few Year 10 students, including myself, travelled to Bath for this year's 'Poetry Live'.

The event is organised for GCSE students to help increase their knowledge of the poems from the Anthology.

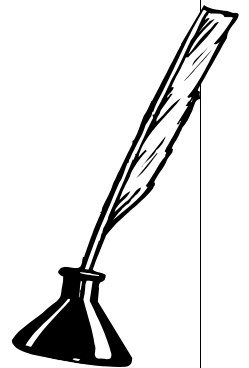
We listened to poets, such as

Simon Armitage, Carol Ann Duffey, John Agard and Grace Nicholes, reading their poems and explaining the meanings. We also received exam tips from an examiner.

One poet who was a highlight was John Cooper, a punk poet who wasn't a poet I've studied, but who made everyone laugh with his random, fast-paced poems.

I'd recommend this trip to next year's Year 11 pupils, because it gives you a clearer understanding of the poetry, which is an advantage when our GCSE's come around but it was also an interesting day too.

**Lauren Ward -
11MJT**



GOVERNORS' ANNUAL REPORT TO PARENTS

The report was issued last week, inviting parents to indicate, by reply slip, whether they wished to attend the meeting. As insufficient response was received, the meeting has now been cancelled.

Mrs A Taylor
Chair of Governors

AMNESTY FOR ANY BORROWED PE KIT



If you have any borrowed PE kit at home we would like it back!

Including T. Shirts, tracksuits, football shirts, hockey shirts, rugby shirts, shorts.

This will allow us to help others or provide kit in the future.
Please hand in to Studio 2 or your PE Teacher.
No questions asked!

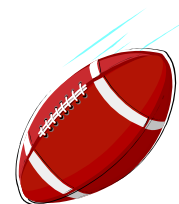
PE STAFF

CONGRATULATIONS!



games.

To **Luke Flower** who has been
selected for the
Wiltshire County U14
Rugby Squad.
Good Luck for the forthcoming



Mr Hammond

SCUBA DIVING

Another Scuba Diving Taster Session coming up:

THURSDAY 17TH MARCH - 3.30—4.30P.M. - £14 ONLY

If you are interested, pick up a form from the Exams Office.

Scuba Diving Taster Session

On 3rd February, a small group of us were given a taste of the underwater world of scuba diving in the unlikely location of Devizes Leisure Centre pool! We were given a safety briefing first by our instructor Keith and were loaded up with breathing equipment such as an oxygen tank, goggles and fins. We spent the rest of the session underwater circling the pool, somersaulting and standing on our heads! It was very much enjoyed by all and we hope to follow it up in the future. A big thank you to the PE Department and our instructor for giving us the opportunity to participate

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