

# Spring Newsletter



## Term Dates 2023 - 2024

### Easter Term

**Easter Break**  
28 March 2024

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15 April 2024

**Bank Holiday**  
06 May 2024

### Summer Term

**Half Term**  
24 May 2024

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03 June 2024

**Last Day of School**  
18 July 2024



## Introduction

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am extremely excited and looking forward to becoming the new Headteacher of Philips High School in September 2024. I am committed to working in partnership with yourselves and know that by working together every child can enjoy school, have the opportunity to thrive and achieve their best.

My main priority will be to ensure that all children, with high expectations, achieve excellence in their academic, creative, personal and physical development. I expect my staff to teach high quality lessons and support our children with the best pastoral care we can offer.

I believe that being successful at Philips High School, will give every child the skills and attributes they need to succeed in whatever they choose when they leave us at the end of Year 11. Our Core values of Success, Together, Aspire and Respect (STAR) should continue to inspire each and every one of us to be the best version of ourselves.

### Academisation

We have now officially applied to become part of the Oak Learning Partnership Academy Trust and hope that we will be able to soon access the support, collaboration and CPD which they can offer to us as a member of the Trust. We are hoping that we officially join Oak in September 2024.



PHILIPS HIGH SCHOOL

SUCCESS, TOGETHER, ASPIRE, RESPECT

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## Attendance

We continue to focus on Improving attendance in school and holidays will not be authorised. Please ensure your child's attendance is at least 96%.

## School Website

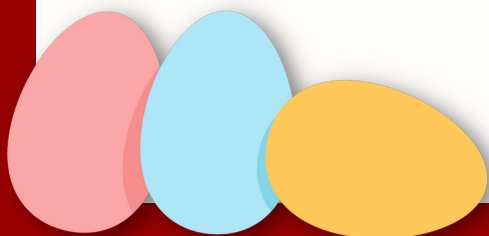
Please do not forget to visit the school website for regular updates and everything that is going on at Philips. You can also follow us on X (formerly Twitter).

You will see throughout this Newsletter the many exciting and wonderful opportunities and trips our students have had the good fortune to take part in. You will see details of up and coming trips, events and achievements of our many STAR pupils.

I am sure you will join me in wishing our Year 11 pupils every success in their forthcoming examinations.

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter.

Mr C Hibbert  
HEADTEACHER DESIGNATE





# Headteacher's Congratulations & Star Awards





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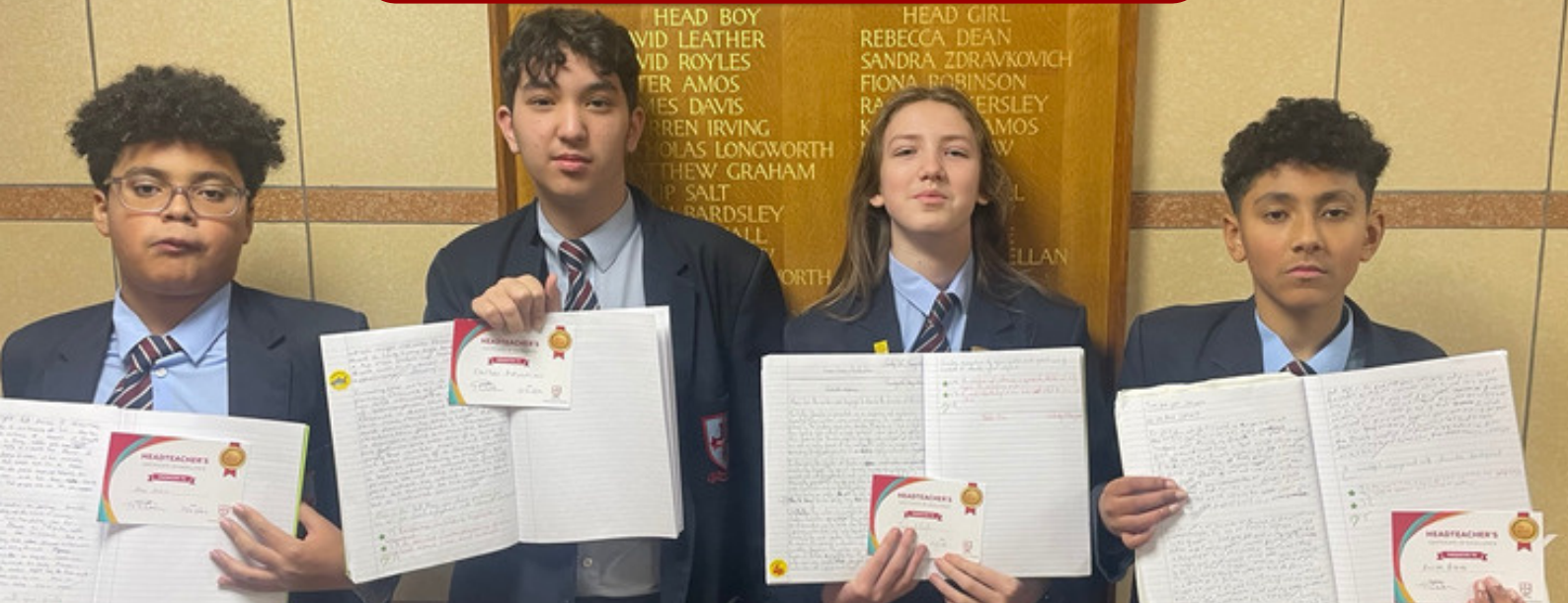
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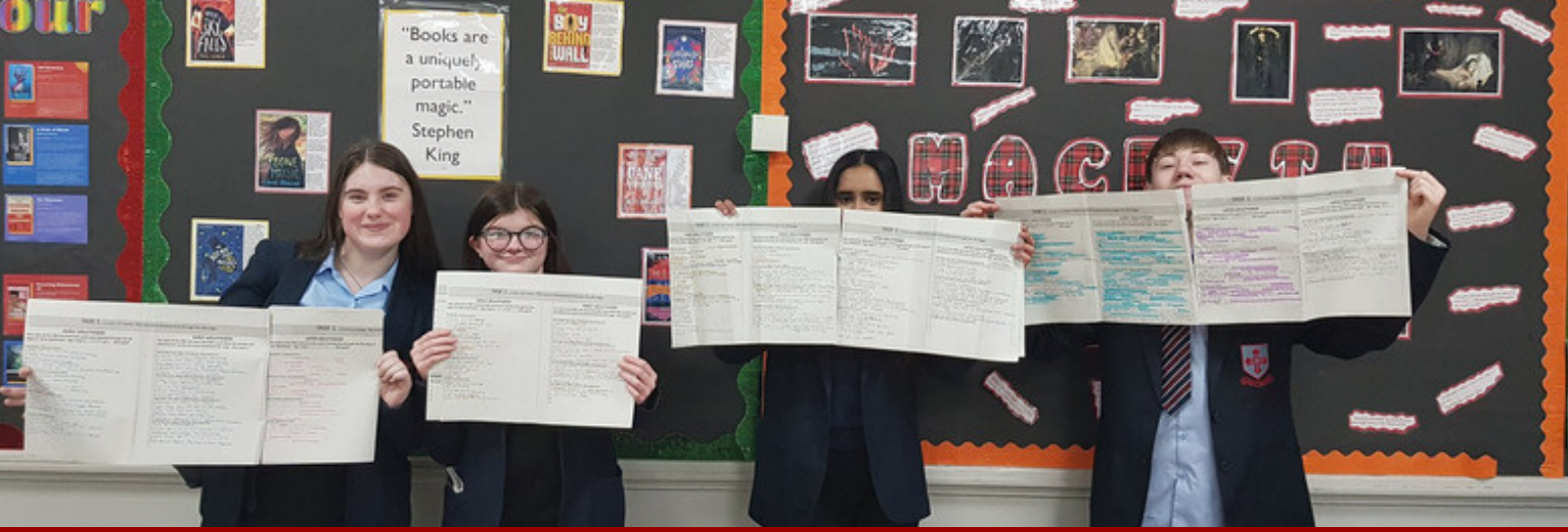
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You're  
a  
STAR!



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# SAFEGUARDING SCHOOL RULES

## Appointments

Please try to make appointments out of school hours. If this is unavoidable then please ensure pupils are aware of what time they need to meet you at the school office.

Staff will not interrupt lessons to collect pupils for Appointments.

## Years 7-9

All pupils must be collected from reception by a parent / carer or responsible adult aged over 18 years. A letter or appointment card to be handed in at reception when signing out.

## Years 10 & 11

Pupils are allowed to make their own way to appointments if they have a letter of authorisation from a parent / carer or a phone call has been received by office staff (letters must be handed in to the Attendance Office and either copied or kept as confirmation evidence).

## Unwell Pupils

Head of Year must authorise pupils to go home (unless medical emergency).

All pupils to be collected from reception by a parent / carer or responsible adult over 18 years. Depending on the nature of illness some pupils are allowed to be sent home via taxi if the parent / carer requests – Head of Year must authorise this.

## Contact Details

Please ensure all contact information is kept up to date, in particular mobile telephone numbers and email addresses. You can check the details held by school through the parent app.



# USEFUL CONTACTS



**BARDOC (out of hours service) – Please contact 111**

**Emergency Housing – 0161 253 5537**  
(In an emergency after 5pm 0161 2536606)

**Care and Support Service (CASS) 0161 253 6666**

**Fairfield Hospital – 0161 624 0420**

**Healthy Minds (Adults) – 0161 253 5258**

**Health Young Minds (Young people) – 0161 716 1100**

**Metrolink enquiries – <https://tfgm.com/public-transport/tram/contact>**

**Travel Line <https://www.traveline.info> or 0871 200 2233**

**NSPCC – 0808 800 5000**

**Greater Manchester Police – 0161 872 5050 or 101**

**Rape Crisis Line GM – 0161 273 4500 / 0808 802 9999**

**Mind.org.uk – Mental Health/Self-harm support –  
0300 123 3393**

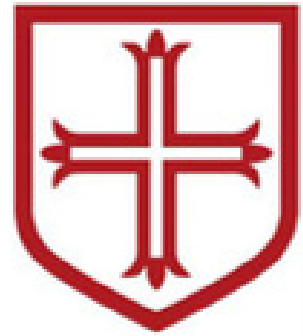
**Shelter Manchester –**  
Free housing emergency helpline 0808 800 4444  
(Available Mon–Fri 8am–8pm, Weekend and Bank Holidays  
9am–5pm )

**Streetwise @ Early Break – 0161 723 3880**

**Admissions (Bury LA) – 0161 253 5670**



# APPS & WEBSITES



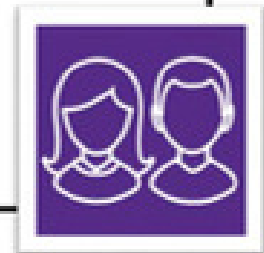
## Information for Parents:

### SIMS PARENT APP

Use SIMS Parent to view your child's attendance, timetable, conduct information and latest school reports.

<https://www.sims-parent.co.uk/>

Please contact school to request your invite code.



### SATCHEL ONE

Use Satchel One to view/track your child's homework

Any issues, please email: [MHW@philipshigh.co.uk](mailto:MHW@philipshigh.co.uk)

<https://www.satchelone.com/login>



### SCHOOL CLOUD

Currently our all parents evening are virtual events. This website allows you to book appointments and attend the evening online.

<https://philips.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>



### SCHOOL MEALS

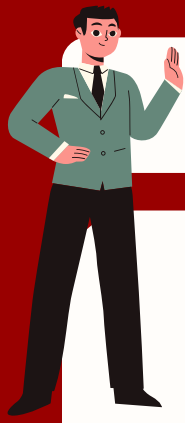
To pay for your child's meals online please request their 13-digit reference number from school and follow the link below:

<https://www.bury.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-meals/pay-for-school-meals>

To check your eligibility for Free School Meals follow the link below:

<https://www.bury.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>





# Attendance

## Attendance Guidelines

The Local Authority attendance guidelines advise that any attendance below 96% is considered poor and below 90% is considered as persistent absence. Poor attendance can have a detrimental effect on your child's progress at school. As a school, we closely monitor attendance.

It is important that pupils arrive at registration and lessons on time. If pupils are late they will receive a late mark on the register, a strike on their Star card and a Detention.

If attendance falls below 92% medical evidence will be required.

It is also very important to inform us if your child is unable to attend school on each day of absence.

Thank you for your support.

Attendance % for a year		Days absent	Hours of lessons missed
100%	Excellent	0	0
99%	Very Good	2	10
97-98%	Good	6	30
96%	Satisfactory	8	40
<b>Below 96% is poor attendance – this could affect examination grades.</b>			
95%	Poor	9	45
90%		19	95
85%		29	145
80%		38	190



[attendance@philipshigh.co.uk](mailto:attendance@philipshigh.co.uk)

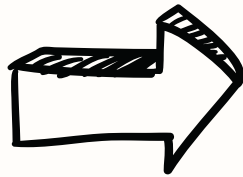
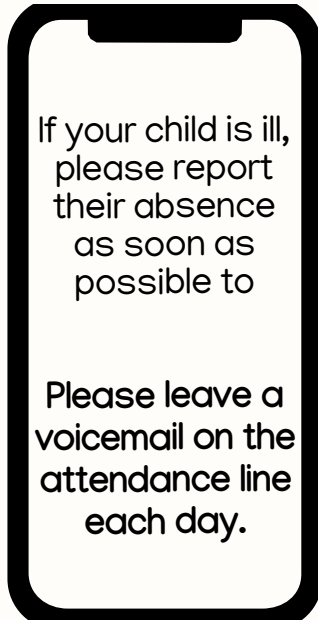


Leave a voicemail on  
0161 3512200, Option 1

# Attendance



## Reporting an absence



Send an email to [attendance@philipshigh.co.uk](mailto:attendance@philipshigh.co.uk)

or



Leave a voicemail on 0161 351 2200, Option 1

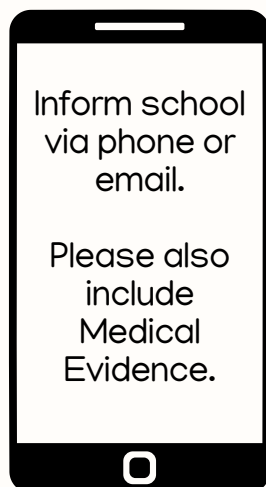
## Reporting a Medical Appointment

Medical or Dental appointments should be made, whenever possible, outside of school hours.

If appointments are unavoidable during school hours. We request that the appointment does not affect registration so pupils can still get a present mark for both morning and afternoon registration.



**At least 24** hours' notice of any medical appointments.



Please make sure your child is aware of what time they are being collected.

Pupils are responsible for making sure that they are at Reception ready to be collected and sign out.

Office staff will not always be available to interrupt lessons to collect pupils.



[attendance@philipshigh.co.uk](mailto:attendance@philipshigh.co.uk)



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# PLACE 2 BE

## Place 2 Be Counselling and Mental Health Support

Pupils use Place 2 Be for lots of reasons. The most common ones are anxiety, struggling to focus, low self-esteem, mood swings and trouble with their family. Pupils can book a Place 2 Talk session to talk about problems and worries, or weekly counselling is available every weekday apart from Wednesday.

You can access this support in the following ways:

- Philips High Website ([www.philipshigh.co.uk](http://www.philipshigh.co.uk), Select "Pastoral Care" and then Select "Place2Be Booking" on the right hand side.
- Letter boxes around school
- Ask a member of staff
- Click the "Place2Be" Icon on you School Desktop Area



### External Agencies who can support you

Take a look at the Support Services available on the Philips High website under the heading "Pastoral Care", and you will find useful services relating to Mental Health Support, Bereavement, Sexual Health, Substance Abuse, LGBTW+, Eating Disorders, Early Help for Families, Bullying, Online Safety, Black and Minority Ethnic groups, Reporting terrorism, Domestic Violence:



If you or someone else is in immediate danger, then please contact 999 (101 – Police Non-Emergency, However you can also report online).

Other 24/7 Free Helplines are available for young people such as Samaritans on 116 123 and Childline on 0800 111 along with the Place2be Crisis Text Service (Text CONNECT to 85258) for confidential support.

For non emergency NHS advice call 111.



# MY VOICE MATTERS

Place2Be's  
CHILDREN'S  
MENTAL HEALTH  
WEEK

## 10 WAYS TO LOOK AFTER YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

Here are some brilliant tips from young people just like you on how you can look after your mental health.



- 1 Don't keep it all to yourself and spend too much time in your own head. This can sometimes make it keep piling up, and make you feel worse.
- 2 Talk to someone you trust and feel comfortable with – a teacher, parent, sibling, cousin, friend... if you can't think of anyone and need to talk, try talking to someone like Shout by texting SHOUT to 85258 for free.
- 3 Write your thoughts and feelings down.
- 4 Keep in contact with people, don't isolate yourself.
- 5 Don't dismiss your feelings because you think they aren't valid. Everything you feel is valid and important to you.
- 6 Focus on the good parts of your life and doing what you love, rather than the negative.
- 7 If you feel like harming yourself then tell someone you trust and distract yourself in the meanwhile.
- 8 Do something you enjoy to help you relax and have a break – watch a film, play a game, watch your favourite YouTuber, listen to music.
- 9 Be your own best friend because at the end of the day, you're stuck with you – so look after yourself!
- 10 Remember that you're not alone, even if it sometimes feels like you are.

\*With thanks to students at Stewards Academy and Ark Globe Academy

### ASK FOR HELP

Let your family, friends, and teachers know if you are struggling so that they can support you.

If you're feeling overwhelmed and need to talk:

- Text P2B to 85258 for free to speak to Shout
- Call 0800 1111 to speak to Childline, or visit
- [childline.org.uk](https://www.childline.org.uk) for their free online chat
- Visit [place2be.org.uk/help](https://www.place2be.org.uk/help) for more advice



# MOBILE PHONE POLICY

## Philips High School Mobile Phone Policy:

- Pupils seen with mobile phones/headphones in the school building (inc all classrooms/corridors/canteen/pupil entrance) between 08:00 – 16:45 will have them confiscated.
- Pupils are only permitted to use phones during break and lunch outside the school building (playground/field/astro turf).
- If mobile phone / headphones are confiscated, pupils can collect them on the same day at 3:30 from the School Office.
- 3rd time offenders, the phone/headphones will be kept in the school office safe until parent/carer comes to collect, if continues, sanctions will escalate.

### Please Note:

- Repeat offenders will be referred to Senior Leadership Team.
- Philips High School does not accept responsibility / liability for loss, damage or theft of mobile phones or similar online/electronic devices.

# PARKING AROUND PHILIPS HIGH SCHOOL

Parking on school grounds is for staff only. All visitors should park off site in a safe manner, being courteous to our neighbours. Please remember that the school is located in a residential area and it is an offence to wilfully obstruct the highway and parking across driveways is not acceptable.

In order to safeguard our pupils at the start and end of a school day please note the following;

- No vehicle access to the Art Block for deliveries between 8am –9am.
- No vehicle movements between 8:15 – 9:05, 10:50 – 11:15, 12:45 – 13:45 and 14:45 – 15:05
- Movement of traffic is prohibited around the school grounds.
- Parking on site is for staff only and we ask you park off-site.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.



# OFFICE NEWS

## Appointments

Please understand that only parents/carers with a pre-booked appointment can be guaranteed to see or speak to a member staff.

Unfortunately, although we will try our best to accommodate. There will be occasions where no member of staff will be available

## Contact details



It is important that all contact details are up to date in case of emergencies. If you wish to update your contact details, please follow this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/GJmcQj3Qz8>

Alternatively if you login to the SIMS Parent App or [www.sims-parent.co.uk](http://www.sims-parent.co.uk) you can check the contact details we already have and make any amendments.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

A huge congratulations to one of our Teaching Assistants, Miss Nasir, for completing her apprenticeship!

Her hard work has paid off and she has achieved her Level 3 Teaching Assistant Diploma and has been taken on as a permanent member of staff.



# OFFICE NEWS

## PUPIL BELONGINGS

Please note, any pupil belongings that are dropped off at Reception, will be the pupil's responsibility to collect at Break or Lunch.

If the item is not collected by the end of the day, the Reception Staff may be able to deliver it to the pupil.

## STATIONARY PRICE LIST

Ties (Years 7 – 10)	£6.50
Ties (Year 11)	£7.50
Black Pen	20p
Red Pen	20p
Pencil	20p
30cm Ruler	20p
15cm Ruler	20p
Protractor	20p
Eraser	15p
Pencil Sharpner	20p
Compass	£2.00
Glue Stick	80p
Highlighter	50p
Filled Pencil Case	£2.00
Calculator	£12.00
Geometry Set	£3.00
Planner	£3.00

# BURY HOLIDAY

## Activities & Food Programme



For children and young people aged 5 to 16 who get free school meals

# EASTER 2024

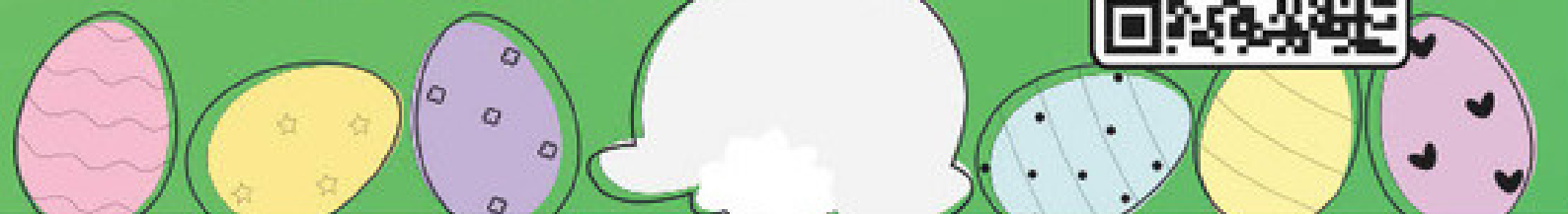
Enjoy activities, healthy meals and more



### HEALTHY, HAPPY HOLIDAYS

- Be active
- Try new activities
- Make new friends
- Stay safe
- Tasty meals provided

SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO FIND ACTIVITIES





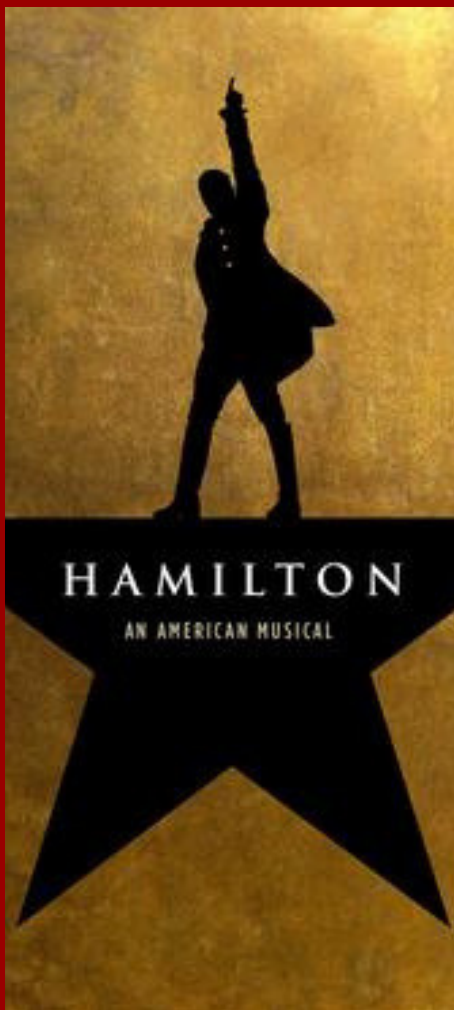
# DANCE NEWS



We were lucky enough to welcome Simeon Beckett, (current cast of UK Hamilton) into Philips High School to host a dance workshop. Our performing arts pupils learnt choreography to 'My Shot' from the award-winning stage show that has quite literally taken the world by storm. The pupils really enjoyed the experience and invaluable dance and performance skills learnt on the day from Simeon. During the Q&A, many pupils shared how influenced they were from the workshop and their aspirations to follow in Simeon's steps and be on stage one day too! Miss. Schofield (teacher of BTEC Dance) and Mrs. Evans (teacher of BTEC Drama) even dusted off their dancing shoes and got involved!

Thank you to everyone involved for making it happen!

Miss. Schofield





# EQUALITY NEWS



We are very happy to announce that Philips High School has been awarded **The Rainbow Flag Award** from the Proud Trust! After submitting evidence for each of the six categories, we have been given the award to reflect the fact that we are an LGBT+ inclusive school.

## **Skilled Teacher:**

Staff, including Senior Leadership Teams and non-teaching staff, can recognise and consistently challenge and report LGBTphobia, and are confidently using positive and appropriate language around LGBT+ identities.

## **Supportive Governors and Parents:**

Governors and parents understand the need to combat LGBTphobia through positive education and representation, and know where to go for information, and if needed, support.

## **Effective Policies:**

Effective policies are in place to address LGBTphobia and positively support whole organisation LGBT+ inclusion.

## **Inclusive Curriculum:**

LGBT+ people and identities are positively represented across all areas of the curriculum. This includes in lessons and activities that are LGBT+ inclusive, as well as those that are LGBT+ specific.

## **Pastoral Support:**

Children and young people wishing to explore/express their gender and/or sexuality feel supported to do so. Skilled staff from within the organisation support them, including through signposting and referrals to appropriate local youth work services.

## **Pupil Voice:**

Student-led initiatives are valued and supported to create an LGBT+ inclusive and positive environment.

Staff and pupils feel very proud of this achievement and look forward to continuing our equality work that continues to make Philips a fully inclusive school.



PROUDLY ACHIEVED



January 2024

# CADETS

Spring Term has seen the Cadets developing their Fieldcraft Skills in preparation for the weekend in April. The recruits have been introduced to First Aid, continued to develop their Weapons Training and completed Signals and Cyber Courses.

## Cyber and Signals Weekend

During the weekend, the Cadets completed a CyberFirst Adventurers Course and Signals Training on the Personal Role Radio (PRR). The Adventure Course has been written by the National Cyber Security Centre and provides an insight into the world of cyber and how common threats can be managed. The course introduces various elements including looking at cyber security, data mining, cryptography and networking

One skill that is vital whatever you do in life is the ability to communicate clearly, confidently and effectively, and that is the heart of Signals Training in the Army Cadets. The cadets learned how to set up and operate the Personal Role Radio and establish communications, understand the advantages and disadvantages of the communications systems. The cadets will be putting it into practice on the Fieldcraft weekend in April.



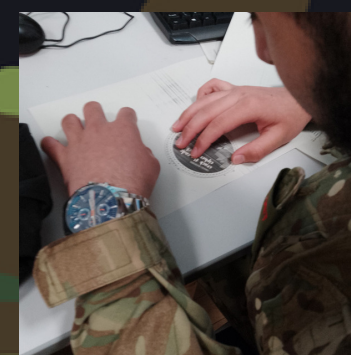
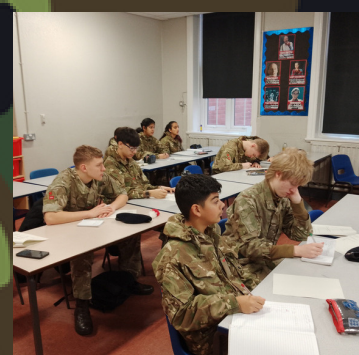
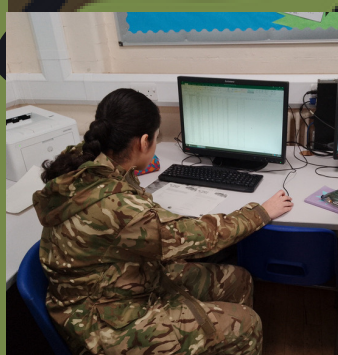
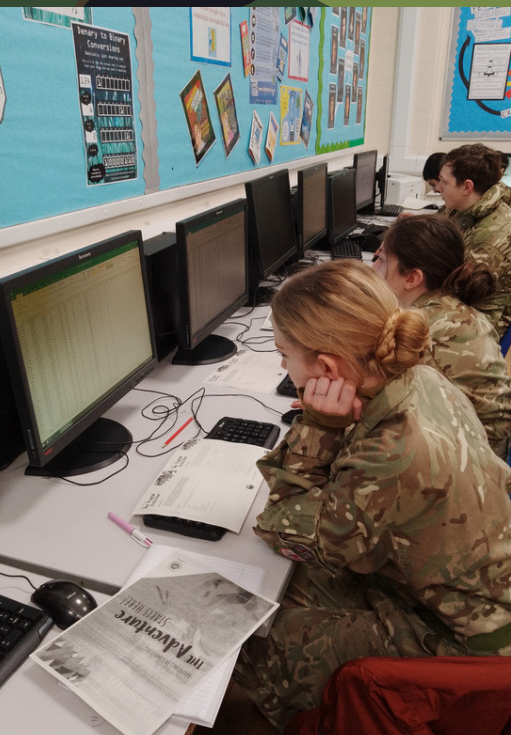
# CADETS

## Weapons Training

The recruits who are nearing the end of their basic training, have been training on the Scorpion Air Rifle and Cadet GP Rifle. Before they can use them on the range or on exercise, they will go through an intensive training assessment. These assessments are completed every 6 months to ensure that their Cadet Skills are refreshed and ready for use on the ranges.

On Saturday 27th January the Cadets did some Air Rifle training at Philips High School. The Cadets did very well and all recruits passed.

Sophie, Y8



# LIBRARY NEWS



## Introduction

Hello! I'm Miss Khan, and I am the new Librarian at Philips High School. I am looking forward to working to promote the library and reading.

I would like to continue running the clubs that were running, including Chess Club on a Tuesday after school. I am also starting a Creative Writing Club – hopefully to create a collection of creative writing towards Summer. If you are interested, this will be on a Wednesday after school.

There are also other activities available in the library.

Jigsaws, chess, and mindfulness colouring are activities that are always available in the library. The laptops and computers can be used for completing homework. There is a large selection of books too – manga, graphic novels, fiction, classics, non-fiction, and young adult.



**Blind Date with a Book –  
14th February**



Students were invited to come and pick a book from the selection that had been wrapped up in brown paper with only clues for genres and topics on the front. Students who brought back the 'Rate Your Date' slip were entered into a raffle to win a £10 book voucher. This was a popular event, with 40 books being borrowed.







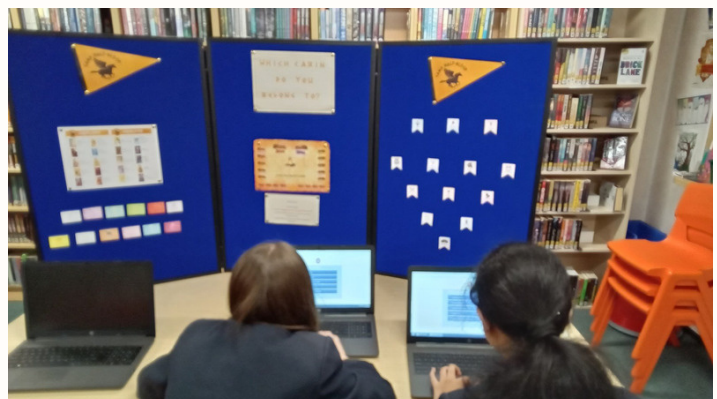
WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**  
7 MARCH 2024

## World Book Day 2024

The library celebrated World Book Day throughout the week beginning 4th March, with World Book Day officially being on the 7th March. Events included the official 'Design A Book Token' competition from World Book Day, as well as our own competition for designing 'Book Bunting'.

A prize was awarded for the most impressive design. We also ran a Readathon event, where students were given the chance to participate and help raise money for the Read for Good charity.

After school on the 7th March, the library hosted a Percy Jackson themed event. Students could make Camp Half-Blood necklaces, practice prophecy solving, and take part in the 'Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief' quiz.



# MATHS NEWS

Spring 1

**UKMT Maths Challenge** – second round, January  
Multiple choice problem-solving quizzes for Juniors  
(Y7–9) and Intermediates (Y10)  
40 students

**Maths and Literacy Event** – Astronomy  
363 students  
Raffle/£5 voucher winners: Y7 Toby Menzies, Y8 Richie  
Bebb, Y9 Holly Jones, Y10 Tom McLeish



**NSPCC Number Day**  
60 students

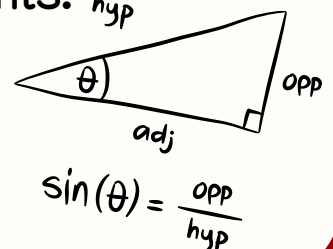
**Golden tickets**  
197 Golden tickets awarded  
Raffle/£10 voucher winners:  
Y7 Daniel Booth, Y8 Adam Skillen, Y9 Aamir Abubaker, Y10  
Hargun Barn, Y11 Namaan Mogul



**Lunch pass winners**  
For the best overall result in KAT2 results:  
Y7 Max Beckley, Y8 Anna Jiang, Y9 Vansh Kumar,  
Y10 Isaac Leung.  
For the best overall result in Y11 CPGEs: Alex Moss



**Congratulations to all of these students.  
Outstanding results!**



# MATHS NEWS

Spring 2

## Which Career?

Live webinar meeting people in different roles  
108 students



## Maths and Literacy Event – Sport

541 students  
Raffle/£5 voucher winners:  
to be announced



## Y11 Transition Course

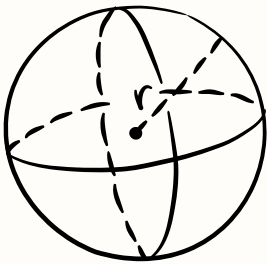
for students going on to A-level Maths

10 students are putting their GCSE Higher Tier  
knowledge to the test over 3 x 1-hour sessions  
at Holy Cross College

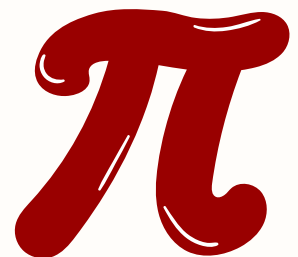


## Y10 Maths Feast at St. Patrick's RC High School

A challenge and competition to test problem-solving and teamwork skills. Eight of our talented mathematicians worked in teams of 4 over four rounds of questions, competing against teams from schools all over Greater Manchester. We are proud to announce that Philips High School were the winners of Round 2!



$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$



# MATHS NEWS

## Y10 Maths Feast at Philips High School

A second in-house live online challenge and competition to test problem-solving and teamwork skills.

32 of our talented mathematicians worked in teams of 4 over four rounds of questions. Well done to all involved!



### Golden tickets

181 Golden tickets awarded so far this half term.  
Raffle/£10 voucher winners: to be announced

AND, so far this year on SparxMaths students at Philips High School have:

Correctly answered over **821,000** questions for Independent Study. Phenomenal!

Completed 8,849 hours of personalised learning. **Outstanding!**

**441** students have already improved at their times tables this year. **Brilliant!**



Great job!



# MATHS NEWS

In the Maths Department we recognise and celebrate your achievements.

Congratulations to all students who have taken part.

Congratulations to students whose names were drawn in the year-group raffles for £10 Golden Ticket vouchers and £5 Maths & Literacy vouchers.

Find out about future events on our Enrichment Noticeboard on the upstairs corridor opposite Room F4.

Check out the MathsZone on the Philips High School website for information about events, careers involving Mathematics, for revision websites, or even just for fun.

Our activities are chosen to involve as many students as possible of all ages and abilities.

Spot our splendid Summer series of special events.

There's plenty more to come!

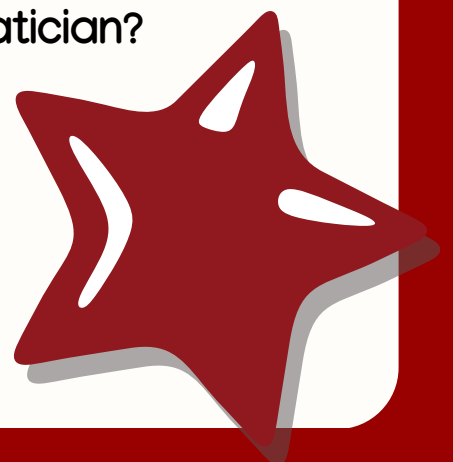
Have a go!

Will you be our next STAR mathematician?

Have a fabulous Easter holiday.

Mrs J. Rothwell

Head of Mathematics



# CULTURE WEEK

Philips held its first ever week of celebrating culture within school. Our Head Pupils organised a 'Culture Fashion Show' which allowed pupils from all year groups to show different clothing that represented their culture. All of the pupils involved worked incredibly hard to deliver the assembly to every year group over the course of the week. It was a fantastic experience! On the days that forms didn't have assembly, they learnt about the local culture of Greater Manchester. They considered our industrial heritage and the meaning behind the worker bee that we see everywhere. We also discussed our amazing contributions to sport, art and music – so much to celebrate about our local culture!

Further to this we had the wonderful Sharmista come into school to run Bollywood dance lessons. Pupils from across the year groups had a chance to take part and learn some high energy and complex dance moves! It was good to see the staff dusting off their dancing shoes and getting involved too!

We also had the Manchester United Foundation come into school and run sessions about the importance of sports culture. Small groups from each year group worked with staff to learn about the importance of inclusivity and the effects of discrimination. A really interesting and helpful session.

Perhaps the highlight of the week was our non-uniform day on Friday, when pupils and staff were encouraged to wear clothes that represented something about their identity and culture. We had clothing from around the world and that represented many aspects of culture. Pupils felt proud to talk about what their clothing meant to them. It was wonderful to see our pupils and staff showcasing our school values of RESPECT and TOGETHER.



**Foundation**





# CULTURE WEEK



# MANCHESTER MUSEUM TRIP

A group of our Year 10s spent the day finding out what it would be like to run one of Manchester's most popular tourist attractions as part of National Careers Week.



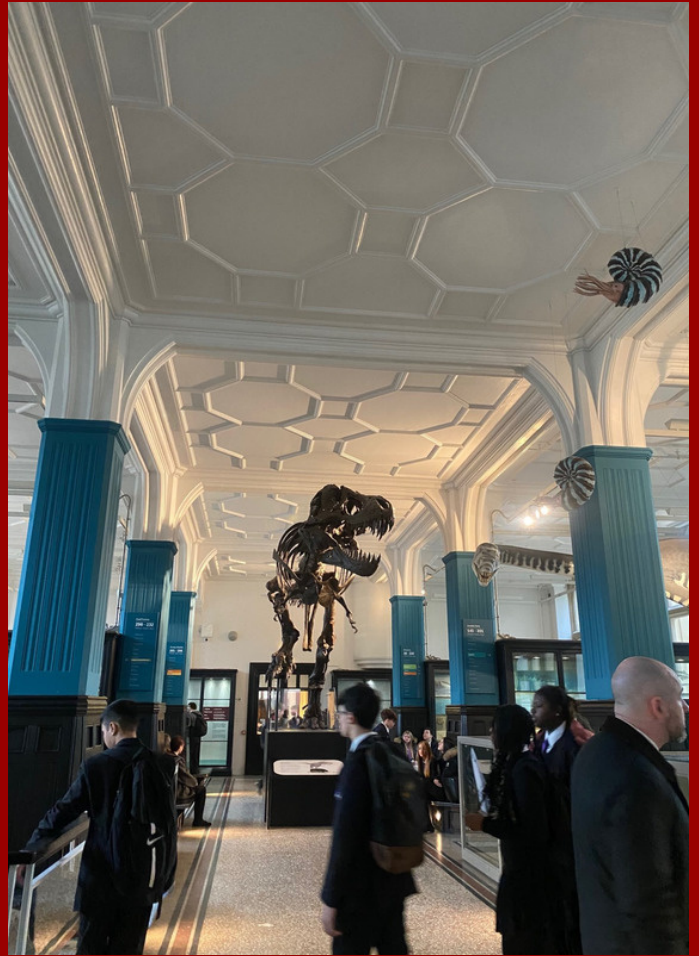
Students attended the Manchester Museum's first ever Careers Takeover Day, with the site opening for a museum careers showcase – offering the opportunity to find out more about the many jobs that are involved in running the attraction.

The group spoke with several members of staff about roles covering areas including conservation, curation, marketing and design. They were also able to fully explore the museum and exhibits whilst asking specialists about the various artifacts including: Fossils and Dinosaurs; Living Worlds and Nature's Library; the Vivarium of many critically endangered reptiles and amphibians; the Belonging Gallery; and Golden Mummies of Egypt.





# SCHOOL TRIP



# PE NEWS



## Bury Schools Cross Country Championship 2024

The Philips High School teams performed very well in the cross country championships. All pupils gaining valuable recognition in representing their school in sport and performed extremely well to sustain their effort in a gruelling long run at Heaton Park.

The course always manages to prise off one or two runner's trainers in the boggy area, luckily for us, our pupils had listened to instructions beforehand and had tied their laces in double bows! The table shows the top 10 placements by The Philips High School runners as well as their team overall finish. There were on average 100 runners and 10 schools that had taken part in this annual event.

**Y7 Girls:** **Position:**  
Eliza Gresty 7

**Y7 Boys** **Position:**  
Theo Hinchy 7  
Daniel Booth 8  
Enzo Costa 10



**Y8/9 Boys** **Position:**  
Ollie Buckley 4  
Seth Hodgson 6

**Y8/9 Girls:** **Position:**  
Merlin Hoxha 6



**Y10/11 Girls:** **Position:**  
Nancy Ellison 6

**Overall Position out of 10 Schools**

Yr 7 Girls	6th
Yr7 Boys	3rd
Yr 8/9 Girls	3rd
Yr 8/9 Boys	2nd
Yr 10/11 Girls	4th
Yr 10/11 Boys	6th



# SCHOOL TRIP



A group of Year 10 students were invited to Hazlewood High School earlier this month to take part in a Higher Education Q&A session.

The Schools Liaison and Outreach team from St Johns College at the University of Cambridge delivered a talk on Higher Education and the process of applying and studying at Oxford/Cambridge. They also took part in a critical thinking task; giving them a taster of the super-curricular thinking involved in HE study.



# Goodbye

Sadly we say goodbye to the following colleagues whom we wish all the very best for the future:

Mr Stacey – Teacher of Computing/ Head of Year 11  
Mrs MCluskie – Head of Geography (Maternity Leave)  
Mr Mahmood – Cover Supervisor

# Welcome

Ms Molly Gunn – Exams Assistant  
Adam Rhodes – Teacher of Science