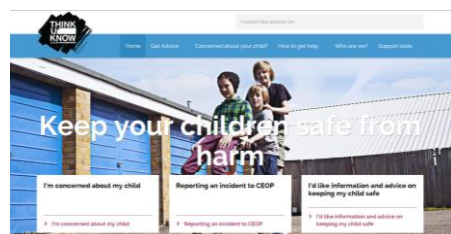




# NEWSLETTER

**SCHOOL IS CLOSED NEXT WEEK FOR THE HALF TERM BREAK AND ON MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY FOR STAFF TRAINING. PUPILS RETURN ON TUESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY AT THE USUAL TIME WHEN IT WILL BE WEEK 2.**



## ONLINE SAFETY NEWS FOR PARENTS

**THINK U KNOW** is an excellent website for pupils and parents alike; it has particularly helpful links to online and social media safety. Please click on the graphic to be automatically redirected to the parents/carers page.

## Attendance

7Y	99.0%
8O	99.3%
9R	98.0%
10RO	99.0%
11O	100 %

## Chapel News

Here is hoping that you all have a wonderful half term holiday and come back raring to go again! "Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all its sons away..." as the hymn goes; and I am not sure about you, but how can we be only a term and a half away from summer? With that in mind, why not make a non-new year resolution to not waste a second of precious time ever. You know the sort of stuff that draws you in and before you realise you have just joined in an argument, a 'joke', 'banter', distraction, 'put down', 'back chat'. You name it, the sort of stuff that causes grief or 'beef' that does not do anyone any good, not even in the short term. Nobody would expect you to float around in a state of blissful mindfulness for every second of every day, indeed some may be rather alarmed if you did...but just take a moment to think about how you would feel in another person's shoes. Often that is all that it takes. You will be helped in this task through our Acts of Worship when you return. The Gospel story tells us about The Transfiguration of Jesus. Three disciples literally see Jesus in a completely new light, with Moses and Elijah deferring to Jesus. If 'phones had been invented then, good old Peter would have been babbling on about arranging a selfie...for the disciples were amazed, baffled and then terrified as God's voice thundered around them: "This is my Son, the beloved, listen to Him!" Well you would be, wouldn't you? Falling to the ground in fear, the moment passes and they find themselves once more alone with Jesus. You will also see a famous picture by Raphael that depicts this scene at the

top of the painting – it does take place on a mountaintop, where Jesus has gone to pray. Below, 'on the plain' the story immediately following where a man brings his epileptic son to Jesus for healing. We hear that the man has already approached the disciples for help, but they have been unable to do so. Jesus tells them later in private that it was because of their lack of faith. Jesus, of course, heals the boy immediately. The people on the plain are all taken up in the drama of the moment, oblivious to the glory above them all. You could say that this depicts Christianity! We cannot spend our whole lives on the mountaintop, nor only on the plain. We have to have a balance between the two; the glimpses of glory to nurture and guide us through the everyday. Be careful that you don't miss out on the glorious glimpses because you are so caught up in the daily gossip and grind!

*Rev Ali S. J. Healy*

## Library News

### HARRY POTTER QUIZ

The Harry Potter quiz was a great success with all the tables filled plus a teachers' team for the pupils to go up against! The quiz was based on the Goblet of Fire book, and some of the questions were a little bit tricky. But despite that, we had some very good results. It is amazing how much our pupils know about Harry Potter and his friends! The winning pupils were Grace and Holly 7P and Rachel 7O, who gave the teachers a run for their money! It was a very close thing, but our resident Harry Potter fans in the shape of Miss Murphy, Mr

Week 2	ACTS OF WORSHIP			SPORT	PERFORMING ARTS
	Main Hall	Dining Hall	Westminster		
Mon					
Tue	Year 9 & 10	Year 8	Year 12 & 13		Year 11 Music Revision in Room 612 (Lunchtime)
Wed	Year 11, 12 & 13	Year 7	10Y		Music Club in Room 102 (After School)
Thu	Year 7 & 8	Year 9	Year 11		School Choir in Room 612 (Before School) GCSE Dance Revision in Room 101 (Lunchtime)
Fri	Year 9 & 10	11O	11R		





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Emmett, Miss Walker and Mr White had just a little more knowledge this time, much to Miss Murphy's relief. She would not have been very happy if she had lost again! The team that came in second place was the Year 9 team made up of Kayleigh 9B, Rueben 9Y, Alexandra 9P and Sophie 9O, and in third place was our team of Year 10 and 11 pupils: James 10Y, Tia 11B, Aliyah 10Y, Mine 10O, who were joined by Alex 7G. The winner of the prize draws for the quiz were: Julia 7G who won a brand new copy of the Goblet of Fire, and Alfred 11B, who won a chocolate orange, which he shared with his team mates. Well done to all our winners and everyone who took part and had so much fun. It was lovely to have pupils from KS3 and KS4 taking part. Let's hope our next quiz is as much fun and is as well attended!

## THE TRIWIZARD CHALLENGE

We had 15 entries for the Triwizard challenge and as the name suggests this was a little bit tricky too! Of the 12 correct entries received (after a few corrections!), the winners are Damola 7Y (Book); Kanmi 8Y and Kellan 10G (Chocolate bars). Congratulations to our winners and well done to everyone who took part and made the week a lot of fun!

Blind Date with a Book is going well. I hope that you all have an opportunity to fall in love with a good book this Valentine's Day and Happy Reading for the half term! Don't forget you can still borrow blind date books when we return after half term, whilst stocks last!

## WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day will be with us soon after we return to school with lots more activities and events taking place. Look out for news of the very first Trinity School Book festival and Share A Million Stories. If you want to get a head start and find out what the World Book Day books will be this year, and find lots of other activities, you can visit the WBD website

<https://www.worldbookday.com/>

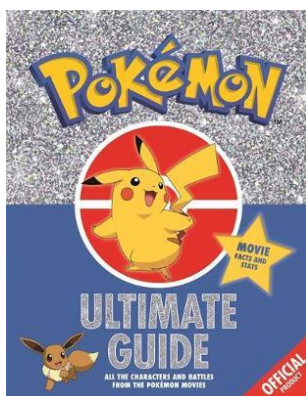
## HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

Don't forget the Bexley Bookbuzz festival this half term starting this Saturday and finishing on the 29th February. There are lots of activities for children and adults, many of them free. For more information check out the Bexley website or see the full programme of events here:

<https://arena.yourlondonlibrary.net/documents/85499/9126510/Book+Buzz+2020.pdf/91d19e7d-c25d-48ea-b2de-410b0ec73be2>

## WATERSTONES POKEMON SWAP MEET

Are you a massive Pokémon fan? Would you like to go to an event where you can meet lots of other likeminded people and swap your unwanted cards for the one that might make your collection complete? If so, why not visit Waterstones at Bluewater on Monday 17th February 11:00 - 12:00. This is a free event and there is no need to book. Trade your cards, build your decks and be the first to catch them all!



## WRITING COMPETITIONS

Children aged 5 to 13 years are invited to take part in the Leeds Castle BIG Story Writing Challenge by writing an original, fictional story of no more than 900 words. Get creative with this year's theme of 'One Golden Day'. Put on your royal thinking crowns and use this golden theme to inspire you to write about anything at all, with a unique title – the more imaginative the better! Your story could be set in the past, present or future and can include anything or anyone fictional or real! This year's theme is inspired by an event that took place 500 years ago in 1520 when Henry VIII stayed at Leeds Castle with 5,000 of his courtiers. He was on his way to meet the King of France for a massive jamboree that has since become known as 'The Field of the Cloth of Gold'. The 20 talented finalists will be invited to the Grand Awards Ceremony on 29th May 2020, hosted by Clare Balding in the Castle.

## DEADLINE FOR ENTRY: 6TH MARCH 2020 AT

11.59PM [Further Information & Online Entry](https://www.leeds-castle.com/What%E2%80%99s+On/Family+%26+Children/Leeds+Castle%27s+BIG+Story+Writing+Challenge/)  
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LEEDS CASTLE'S  
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## 500 WORDS IS BACK FOR 2020!

Where will you find your inspiration for Radio 2's story-writing competition?

How to enter - All stories must be submitted via the online form on our website. Parents, guardians and teachers can register for a submitter or by following the links at the top of this page. Once an account has been created, it can be used to upload a single story or a whole school's worth of tales with our new top tool! For more information on how to enter a story into this year's competition, please visit our Submit Your Story page. Teachers and Librarians can also apply to be one of our volunteer judges by registering a JUDGE ACCOUNT. For more information on how to become a judge for this year's competition, please visit our Become A Judge page. Please read the competition rules before submitting entries, along with the competition Privacy Notice.

What are the prizes? As well attending a spectacular 500 Words Final at Buckingham Palace where superstar celebrities will read the winning stories live on the radio, six amazing illustrators: Tony Ross, Fiona Lumbers, David McKee, Sue Cheung, David Roberts, and Margaret Sturton – will each be set the task of illustrating one the winning stories. The winners in each age category will also receive:

Gold Winners - Chris Evans' height in books and 500 books for their school.

Silver Winners - HRH The Duchess of Cornwall's height in books.

Bronze Winners - Their own height in books.

There is also a brand new Prize for 2020 and it does not matter how good your story is just that

you enter one. One entrant will be selected at random to receive a fabulous book bundle and an invite to the final (for child plus a parent or guardian). They will also win 500 books for their school – so the more pupils a school has that has entered the more chances they have of winning a brand new library.

Read more about the prizes [here](#).

All entries must be received by Thursday 27th February at 8pm. This year's 500 Words Final will be broadcast live on BBC Radio 2 from Buckingham Palace, on The Zoe Ball Breakfast Show, on Friday 12th June.

Get started 500 Words is an open invitation to the wide world of imagination, so it's time to get those creative cogs turning! To help you get started, our website is packed full of helpful hints and terrific tips to bust through the writer's block. Download a learning pack from the LEARN section, where you can also find advice from our celebrity judges Frank Cottrell Boyce and Charlie Higson in the 500 Words Live Lesson. Pop over to the 500 Words Blog to discover top tips to create terrific tales written by previous winners, amazing authors and a few of the 500 Words elves.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/4n1Hg2GFCWDmCtq9Sx5kKB/500-words-2020>  
Happy Reading and Happy writing too!

## RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL: BRONZE COMMITTED

This week saw us celebrate Safer Internet Day

**Date:** 11th February

What is it? Calls upon young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers, and wider, to join together in helping to create a better internet.

Rights Link: Article 16: Right to privacy, Article 17: Access to information from the media



And we also noted Childhood Cancer Day  
**Date:** 15th February

**What is it:** A day for activities to mark International Childhood Cancer Day and show support for children and families experiencing this disease

Rights Link:

Article 24: Health & Health Services





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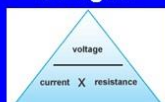
## FORMULA OF THE WEEK



### Resistance

resistance,  $R$  =  $\frac{\text{potential difference, } V \text{ (volts, V)}}{\text{current, } I \text{ (amperes, A)}}$   
(ohms,  $\Omega$ )

This equation can be put into an equation triangle:



Electrons passing through a torch bulb have to push their way through lots of vibrating atoms in the metal filament. The atoms resist the passage of electrons through the torch bulb.

## CAREER OF THE WEEK

### Next Steps



### Large Goods Vehicle Driver

Average salary – £32'760

Average working hours – 51 hours

Pathway – LGV Licence requirements include passing a medical, theory test and practical driving assessment. Apprenticeships at various levels are also available.

Role – Large Goods Vehicle (LGV) drivers (formerly HGV drivers), collect, transport and deliver goods in rigid vehicles over 7.5 tonnes, articulated lorries and lorries pulling trailers.

Find out more: <https://icould.com/stories/phil-b/>

Next Steps: Preparing students for future education and employment opportunities in the real world.

