



**Replace one item of school uniform with something yellow!**

Donate via **ParentPay**  
live from Monday

M&S | **YOUNGMINDS**

It is World Mental Health Day on Tuesday 10th October. You will be allowed to replace one item of school uniform with something yellow, this might be a pair of trainers/trousers/jumper/t-shirt. You will be able to make your donation via ParentPay next week. This will go to YoungMinds so they can continue to support young people and their families.

YoungMinds are the UK's leading charity fighting for children and young people's mental health. And they want to see a world where no young person feels alone with their mental health, and all young people get the mental health support they need, when they need it, no matter what. [Visit their website here.](#)



**VOLUNTEERING THANK YOU AND FUTURE OPPORTUNITY!**

**Ellie Patamia - Head of Barnard House**

Brackley Library had another successful summer running the Summer Reading Challenge. The library would love to thank the incredible team of volunteers, many of them from Magdalen College School. They all worked so hard to sign up the participants, give out their stickers and award them with certificates when finishing the challenge. You are all superstars!

Brackley Library had six SRC volunteers during the summer. 493 pupils from the local primary schools in Brackley and surrounding villages signed up for the Summer Reading Challenge 2023, with 321 pupils completed the six-book challenge.

Volunteering in the Library is a great way to improve your confidence, aid communication skills, help others and have fun. If you would like to enquire about volunteering, please email or speak to us in person:

[brackley.libraryplus@westnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:brackley.libraryplus@westnorthants.gov.uk)

Thank you to all student and staff who took part in helping us update the school photos last week. You all did a brilliant job! - Mrs Reynolds



HOUSE	POSITIVE POINTS
Barnard	5142
Beaumont	4781
Colling	3528
De Quincey	4605
Godwin	4204
Holdgate	4382
Lovell	4976
Waynflete	5289
Wodhams	4688

Waynflete are currently ahead with positive points. Keep working hard and having those positive interactions!



Magdalen Waynflete Scholarship is an opportunity given to the top 15 highest academically achieving students in year 12. This scholarship gives our students the opportunity to produce an academic research project with the guidance of an external university tutor gives students unparalleled insight into the nature of the subjects that they pursue and prepares them for university study this is why our brightest students are invited to take part in the Magdalen Scholarship programme with our sister school in Oxford.

This exceptional opportunity is available only to our sixth form and has proven to give our students a competitive edge when making university or job applications.

This years cohort achieved an impressive set of results with 3 good passes, 8 merits and an unprecedented 4 Distinctions. Grace's project with the Bioscience faculty "Should UK be using Pre-Implantation Genetic testing in the case of polygenic disorder?" and Freddie's project with English faculty "How can the effects of Shakespeare's late "romance" plays better understood by comparison with Early Modern entertainment?" was awarded a prestigious President Award and Grace and Freddie were invited to MCS Oxford to attend the celebratory dinner.



### D OF E BRONZE QUALIFYING EXPEDITION

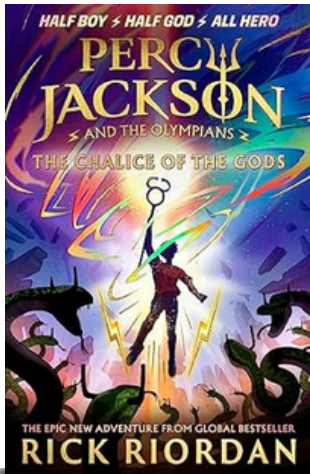
Congratulations to the students who completed their Bronze Qualify Expedition at Youlbury Scout Camp south west of Oxford last weekend. Enjoying the sunshine and lovely River Thames on Sunday before trudging through the drizzle to finish on Monday.

They were all brilliant, if you see them around say well done and they can tell you their own version of events!

**Take a small step  
towards a goal that  
really matters  
to you**

**ACTION FOR HAPPINESS**

**DOWNLOAD** Download the Action for Happiness Optimistic October calendar for more positive inspiration and activities.



## BOOK CORNER RECOMMENDATION



Hello, dear readers, and welcome to the very first edition of this little segment!

As it's World Mental Health Day on Tuesday next week, I thought it would be a good idea to introduce a book series that addresses mental health awareness and is suitable for readers of all ages. That series is "Percy Jackson and the Olympians" by Rick Riordan.

This book series follows the journey of Percy Jackson, a young demigod in a world with the Greek gods in the 21st century who must prevent the Titans, led by Kronos, from destroying the world. If you are interested in Greek mythology, this book series makes the Greek myths and legends easy to digest!

It delves into the theme of identity and the journey of self-discovery to who you truly are. The author of the book writes about characters who have mental health issues, such as ADHD and dyslexia. The way that it is written shows the realistic side of mental health but also how it is not a burden to bear. For me personally, this book series is one of the best I have ever read that talks about mental health and also provides a realistic perspective on it, in a fantasy genre.

You can find copies of Percy Jackson books in the school library and the local Brackley Library. They are popular so keep your eyes peeled!

That is all for this week. Keep an eye out for the next edition where I will be talking about new book releases and perhaps even book recommendations from the Head Team! But for now, have a great rest of the week.

**Nicole, Head of De Quincey House**

27TH JANUARY -  
10TH MARCH  
**2024**

THE  
**IRONSTONE**  
ART PRIZE

**ENTER NOW**

## ENTER THE IRONSTONE ART PRIZE 2024

The Ironstone Art Prize showcases the best recent work by artists from this region. Artwork in any medium or mixed media, including paintings, photography, sculpture, ceramics, digital art, glass, textiles and metalwork, will be considered.

A panel of independent judges with professional art backgrounds select work for the exhibition as well as deciding the winners of the Ironstone Art Prize and the Ironstone Under 21s Prize. The winners will be announced at the private view. All artists with work featured in the exhibition will receive invitations to the private view.

Prize money of up to £1,000! **Submit your entries by 12th Oct 2023!**

## SILVERSTONE MUSEUM - GIRLS GO FREE!

GIRLS GO FREE THIS OCTOBER! In a bid to inspire girls and young women to consider careers within the motorsport industry, we're offering FREE museum admission to all girls aged 18 years and under throughout October.

Interested in a career in motor sports? It's worth a visit! [More information here.](#)





**CAREERS INFORMATION  
WITH UPCOMING DATES**

**FAO Y10,11,12,13**

Future career in finance / banking? Gain an insight through a virtual work experience placement: **Deadline 19th October**  
[Virtual Work Experience tool](#) | [Barclays LifeSkills](#)

[www.springpod.com](http://www.springpod.com) is a careers website that provides information and support and careers guidance. It provides links to providers of work experience placements, real world and virtual. They offer a university [subject spotlight](#) – if you want to find out more about a subject at uni [visit here](#).  
Career in medicine? – [quick presentation with key info!](#)

**FAO Y12**

The Sutton Trust offers two year 'Pathways to ..' careers such as law, engineering, medicine, and banking that run alongside A levels. Including work experience placements, uni taster sessions, skill workshops. Application deadline is **13th November**, and is competitive. They prioritise students from disadvantaged backgrounds, in receipt of free school meals, or who are the first of their family to go to uni (more details on website). However, I would encourage all year 12s to look at the website and apply.

<https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/>

**FAO ALL STUDENTS**

Careers Webinars are [available here](#) between now and Christmas, that include interview advice, how to write a cover letter, how to write a CV etc.

**YEAR 9  
COOKERY  
MASTER CLASSES**

**Thursday's 3:20 - 4:30pm**

**See Mrs Tims in T2**

**for more information**



Friends of MCS are delighted to invite students to the Year 7 Social Evening on **Friday 13th October, 6-8pm in Waynflete Hall.**

This is your chance to meet new people and have an evening of fun, food, and dancing. Tickets cost £8 which includes a meal from Direct Pizza. Tickets are available on ParentPay. Sign up deadline is **Tuesday, 10th October, 3pm.**

If you have any queries, please get in touch with Mrs Whiting or Miss Berrington directly. Once tickets are bought please fill in your food choice and important information Form - Found in parent emails.

**Take time to reflect  
on what you have  
accomplished  
recently**



**ACTION FOR HAPPINESS**

# Did you know that using your Library is good for the planet?

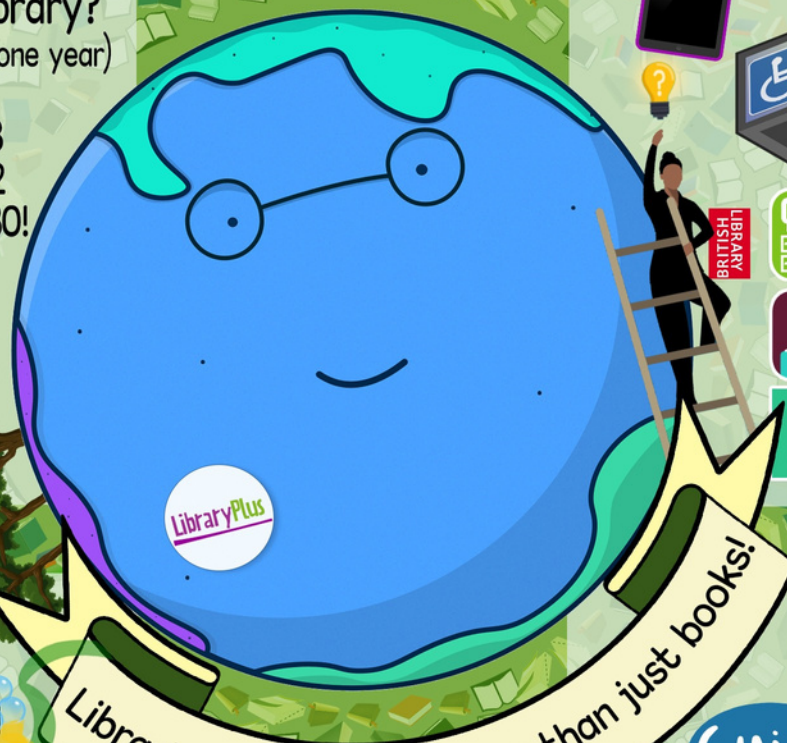
...and your wallet!

Libraries have been around for hundreds of years! Borrowing and sharing books is one of the earliest ways to reduce waste and reuse materials

What could you save by borrowing from your library?  
(Children's Paperback books for one year)

- 1  a week - £415.48
  - 4  a week - £1661.92
  - 10  a week - £4154.80!
- \*Based on average book prices 2023

Joining the library is completely free!



## Digital, Business & Technology



## Children's Activities & Learning



Go Green at the library this Libraries Week!

## Social, Learning & Wellbeing



02-08  
Oct 2023



South Northants  
Youth Engagement

# HALLOWEEN

## DISCO



£2  
ENTRY

**DISCO BY BERNIE TILLER**  
**SPECTRA DISCOTHEQUES**  
**FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2023**  
**7:30PM - 9PM**

AGE  
11-15

BRACKLEY LEISURE CENTRE  
PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED!  
GLOW STICKS FOR SALE



BRACKLEY

# LEISURE CENTRE



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Council



# FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTH CLUB

FRIDAYS  
7:30PM-9PM

BRACKLEY

**LEISURE CENTRE**



## AUTUMN TERM PROGRAMME

22ND SEPT	GAMES NIGHT / RUGBY TBC
29TH SEPT	ARCHERY - NAYC GAMES
6TH OCT	SPAGHETTI & MARSHMALLOW / FOOTBALL
13TH OCT	WELLBEING / BADMINTON
20TH OCT	SMOOTHIE MAKING / FOOTBALL
3RD NOV	<b>HALLOWEEN DISCO</b>
10TH NOV	GLOW ART TECHNIQUE / BASKETBALL
17TH NOV	CHILDREN IN NEED - QUIZ NIGHT & BINGO
24TH NOV	TWISTER/ BADMINTON
1ST DEC	CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR CARE HOME RESIDENTS
8TH DEC	CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES INCLUDING ICING SKILLS AND CRACKER MAKING
15TH DEC	<b>CHRISTMAS PARTY - KARAOKE AND PARTY GAMES</b>

AGE 11-15

£2 ENTRY

YOU MUST BOOK VIA  
EVENT BRITE

\*The above is subject to change - Final activities will be posted to our Facebook page\*

For More Info

[admin@youth-engagement.co.uk](mailto:admin@youth-engagement.co.uk)





# Enrichment activities – Autumn Term 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Library → <u>4pm</u> JH	Library → <u>4pm</u> JH Homework club – LS1 – KA	Library → <u>4pm</u> JH Homework club – LS1 – KA	Library → <u>4pm</u> JH Homework club – LS1 – KA	Library → <u>3:30pm</u> JH
<p><b>Details of Food Tech ‘Master Classes’ to follow</b></p> <p><b>Science Club starting after Half Term</b></p> <p><b>If a club is cancelled at the last minute, students should go to Homework club in LS1, or to the library, unless they can get home safely</b></p>	<p>Orchestra / Band Practice ♪ W1 – LNS ♪</p> <p>‘Beauty &amp; the Beast’ 🗨️ W2 &amp; Drama studio – SLJ &amp; NDN</p> <p>Y7-9 Coding club <u>Lunchtime</u> – F6 MCP <b>(20 students only!)</b></p> <p>Y9-11 Netball Wodhams - HLT</p> <p>Y7-10 Rugby St John’s – AWJ &amp; NVK</p> <p>📝 Creative Writing E1 - MCB → <u>4pm</u> <u>WK B Only</u></p> <p>Yrs. 10, 11 &amp; 12 Boys Football Astro - JOW</p> <p><b>Clubs are for ALL students, unless specified.</b></p>	<p>Book Club Library -MCB → <u>4pm</u> <u>WK A Only</u></p> <p>Choir Practice 🗨️ W1- LNS &amp; NDN</p> <p>Girls Football (all Years) Astro – ZRP &amp; JES</p> <p>Yrs. 7, 8 &amp; 9 Boys’ Football St John’s field - JAW</p> <p>Y10 DofE Training St John’s - MD</p> <p>Sixth Form Debating Club K6 – ANB (Date TBC)</p> <p>Tabletop Role-playing Club F9 – RTM (starting 4<sup>th</sup> Oct)</p>	<p>Y7-9 Tabletop Games Club 3 – ALI <u>Lunchtime</u></p> <p>Badminton Sp Hall – CHR <u>Wk A</u> SMT <u>Wk B</u></p> <p>LGBTQIA+ Club W5 – CHR <u>Wk B Only</u></p> <p>Gardening club T4 - GAG</p> <p>♪ ROCK-SCHOOL ♪ W1 – MJC &amp; LNS</p> <p>‘Beauty &amp; the Beast’ 🗨️ W2 &amp; Drama studio – SLJ</p> <p>Girls’ Hockey (all Years) Astro – ZRP &amp; MIH</p> <p>Sixth Form Philosophy Club S1 – DMG</p> <p>Y9 Cookery Club T2 – WT BLH <b>(20 students only!)</b></p>	<p>Y7&amp;8 Netball Wodhams - MFW</p> <p>Yarn Engineering - not just Knitting! F9 – MPP</p> <p>Y10 &amp;Y11 Dungeon &amp; Dragons D18 - JIB</p> <p><b>299 students in clubs this week!</b></p>