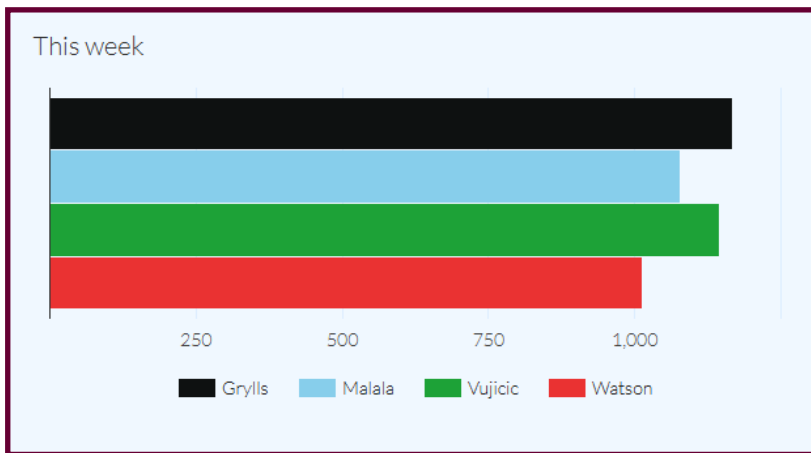


Dear Parents/Carers,

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's parent bulletin.

## House News



Another big week for Grylls who continue to chip away at the year long lead of Vujcic - let's make this a close finish!

## VE Day

Registration and worship times this week have been spent learning about VE Day and reflecting on the important lessons learned from the stories of those who were there at the time.



## Kooth Assembly

On Thursday, KS3 had a visit from Lauren from Kooth, Wellbeing Support for young people. It provides early intervention mental health support to children and young people. Kooth works with schools and professionals across over 90% of the UK. Kooth is free to access via any internet-connected tablet, computer or smartphone. There are no waiting lists or thresholds to meet and a referral from a medical professional is not needed. Your child can join Kooth anonymously simply by visiting [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com). Kooth offers young people a range and choice of support options under one digital roof. It has services that are accessible 7 days a week, 365 days a year. This includes one to one text based sessions with experienced counsellors and wellbeing practitioners run from midday to 10pm on weekdays, and from 6 -10pm at the weekend. Appointments can be booked in advance or accessed via a drop-in text-based chat. Kooth also provides a fully safeguarded and pre-moderated community with a library of peer and professional created articles; and there are discussion forums too. All content is pre-moderated and age appropriate. Kooth covers many topics on the website including relationships, LGBTQIIA+, exam stress, anxiety, eating difficulties, self harm, suicidal thoughts, body image, social media, bullying and family worries. All of these subjects affecting young peoples' mental health are presenting issues that Kooth and other mental health providers see from all age groups. Kooth is commissioned by the NHS and clinically approved for children from the age of 10, and is the only digital mental health provider to hold a BACP (British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy) accreditation across the Country. If you have any questions please let us know. If you would prefer to contact Kooth directly, please email [parents@kooth.com](mailto:parents@kooth.com).

## Anti-bullying Crew

We are delighted to announce that as part of a new way of supporting our pupils, we have introduced a "Pupil Worry Button" on the front page of our school website. Pupils can fill this in and it will be checked and actioned once a week - on a Monday. Thank you to the Anti-Bullying Crew who proposed this. We will monitor how this is used over the coming months and will give feedback to parents and pupils in July.

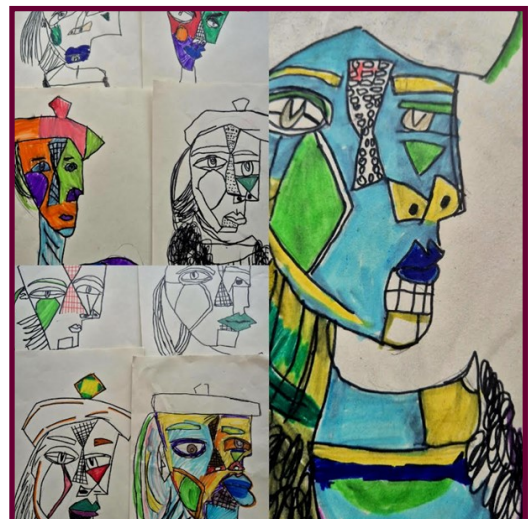
## Year 5

The Year 5 group in school this week have enjoyed a range of fun activities. Maths with Mrs Wheeler saw them having a go at garden design, and making curves from straight lines provided some great results with Mr Rangdale.

Fun with microscopes saw the students learn how to correctly use a microscope then look at the slides which caused much excitement. Chromatography with Mrs Smith produced some beautiful results and Mrs Cook showed everyone how to write a postcard for English.

In DT, Mrs Parker supported the students to design and make wooden cars which they raced against each other at the end of the week. Summer shortbread biscuit making had some very tasty results. Rounders and ball games were enjoyed in PE with Mr Osborne and Mr Sibley and the week was finished off completing artwork with popcorn and a movie with Mrs Christopher and Mrs Robertson.

A very busy but fun week.



## Year 6

Very best of luck to Year 6 next week as they complete their KeyStage 2 SATs. It is important that pupils get an early night on Sunday and the rest of the week and that they are in and on time throughout the tests.

Y6 pupils can come through to the Y6 playground between 8:20 and 8:30 Monday to Thursday next week to settle and have a small snack. Please make sure they have all their equipment, and some breakfast before arriving. Thanks for everyone's support to allow them to achieve the best they possibly can.

## Year 7

This week in English, Year 7 have been writing their formal film reviews. They have been using ambitious adjectives, developing and justifying their opinions and using non-fiction literary devices to enhance their reviews.

## Year 8

Year 8s have just started an exciting Chemistry topic where we are investigating Chemical reactions. This week we have been looking at Oxidation as the students took part in a Combustion experiment.



## Heatree

Over 100 pupils from Year 5 went on the Heatree residential trip on Dartmoor this week. They have enjoyed a fantastic week of varied activities and adventure and dry weather! Well done to everyone who took part. They return today and full details will be shared in this bulletin next Friday.

All that is left is to wish everyone a great weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone return on Monday morning.

Mr Rob Christopher and Mr Alister Barker