



Let it Snow!

As if to welcome the arrival of our reindeer and Christmas tree, the snow fell on Thursday morning and we made the most of being Winter White!



Children in Need!

Year 11 I'm a Gregg Student Get me out of Here!

Year 11 students were put to the test in a series of trials for the infamous 'I'm a Gregg Student, Get Me Out Of Here'.



Each tutor group was pitted against each other, but with a twist... by paying an extra donation, 'Tutor Group Traitors' could swap with each other so that the afternoon could be enjoyed with friends!

Activities were created by Mr Bartlett and Mrs Gibbs, ably assisted by teaching and site staff.

The 'Coffin Creeper' was arguably the most hilarious of the day, with students invited to brave a trial inside a box in a darkened room. Claustrophobics were excused!

Messy tasks included 'Creepy Crypt', where students were blindfolded



and led to a series of sealed boxes containing various substances to be identified, using only one hand!



The final trial of the day was the Bush Tucker Challenge, a series of devious eating tests, pitting one member of each tutor group against the others - the fastest eater winning the points. Some of the delicious treats on offer included chocolate covered pickled onions, haggis and a particularly tasty boiled egg and fruit cocktail..... yum yum!



By the end of the day, students were tired, soaking wet (from an earlier water trial) and elated with their individual and group performances.



Lots of fun was had by all!

Mr Lerego

The rest of the school had just as much fun raising money by taking part in their tutor groups in a Just



Dance activity, pass the ball without dropping it, testing their strength on the inflatable gladiator and getting wobble whilst navigating giant balance inflatable.

We raised over £1,600 with money still coming in.

Thank you to all of your continued support with our charity events.

Scientists of the Month

Congratulations to Year 10 student Will R and Year 9 student Elsie J who are our Scientists of the Month.

They are both new students to the school and have shown an excellent work ethic and enthusiasm. Well done both.



Sports News

Elite Sport - ISA London West Swimming Finals



A number of our Elite Sports swimmers competed at the ISA London West Swimming Finals recently, hosted at Surrey Sports Park.

They had a fantastic day of races with lots of top 3 finishing places in the heats and finals!

The provisional results awarded individual medals to:

India N-J (Y7) - two silver
Lois B (Y9) - one silver

Kimberley S (Y7) - two bronze
Lottie P-L (Y8) - two bronze
Lucia E (Y8) - two bronze

Well done to all who took part.

Girls Football

Over the past two weeks our U15 girls football team have had some very tough ISFA U15 Cup matches.



They played an extremely competitive match against Millfield School last week resulting in an excellent goal scored by Ella NS in extra time, ensuring the final score was a 1-0 win to us.

This week, in very cold, wet and windy conditions, they beat Bedales school away - managing to win by an amazing 6-0.



Player of the match, as voted by our formidable girls, was Jana SA who played a half in goal, followed by a half in central midfield!

Other standout players were the captain Lexie P, Mia S-C and Izabelle E.

Well done girls!

Year 7/8 Girls Football



On Wednesday the Year 7/8 girls football team came up against tough opponents at Woodlands Community College.

It was a tight contest between two teams preparing for their fixtures in the spring term and we narrowly lost 2-0. There was some brilliant performances from our team as we pushed for a goal in cold conditions. Sophie G was our player of the game closely followed by Tam L, Bethany R and Libby NS but all the girls made us proud.

There'll be more training and fixtures next term!

Year 9 Netball

The Year 9 netball team competed in a Southampton schools netball tournament last week and had some great results, including a 5-0 win against Deer Park, a 6-0 win against St Anne's and a 7-0 win against USH. Very impressive girls - well done!



Junior Rugby

On Monday 14 Key Stage 3 students went to Portsmouth RFC for a Hampshire schools junior rugby tournament.



After a tough morning, we were seeded to play in the afternoon session where we won three games and drew one.

This was a fantastic result, especially bearing in mind a number of our boys were playing competitive rugby for the first time! Stand out performances were given by Angus P with ten tries, Dan R and Charlie G.

Well done to all the boys who took part!

Year 7 Boys Football

Last Thursday our Year 7 footballers took part in a tournament run by sports leaders from Woodlands Community College. This was a great opportunity for some competitive football for our Year 7s.



Well done to Charlie G for playing on with a broken toe and to super Jacob S playing in goal despite usually being an attacker!

Key Stage 3 Swimming Lessons

In order to make changing easier, and to maximise pool time, students in Years 7, 8 and 9

will be allowed to wear their PE kit into school on days that they have swimming lessons.

Students will be told in advance when it is their turn for swimming lessons. This will commence from Monday 25th November 2024.

PlayerLayer Discount

Parents! PlayerLayer are holding a SALE from Friday 22nd November until midnight on 2nd December for The Gregg School.

Please use the following discount code to use at checkout for 25% off:

TGSWS25

Thank you

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Dive into family fun at The Lagoon inside The Quays Swimming and Diving Complex with an exclusive 20% discount on your entry.

Whether you're racing down our thrilling water slides, enjoying the eight exciting water features, or catching some waves on the flume, there's something for everyone!

Don't miss out—book your entry today and enjoy the perfect day of swimming and fun at The Lagoon following the link: <https://activenation.org.uk/venues/the-quays-swimming-diving-complex/the-lagoon/>



Eastleigh Football Club

Click on the link below to obtain 50% off Eastleigh Football Club's first team game tomorrow! Good luck to our local team.

Link to book: <https://bit.ly/48ZN0CC>

Student News

Fareham Nomads Swimming Club Championships

Sunday 10th November, saw the final session of the Fareham Nomads Club Championships, which has resulted in some fantastic performances and personal bests across four galas from The Gregg School students, Ella NS (Year 10), Noah H (Year 9), Lucia E (Year 8) and Charles DT (Year 8).



Ella swam in 7 races, winning 3 silvers and 4 bronze medals and achieving 2 PBs. Her highlights included 50m fly in 36.46 secs and 50m back in 40.07 secs.

Noah also swam in 7 races, achieving PBs in all races, winning 4 golds and 3 silver medals. His highlights included gold in 100m free with a new time of 1.06.84 (15.73 secs faster than his entry time) and 50m free with a new time of 29.69 (1.78 secs faster than his entry time).



Charles swam in 14 events, won multiple medals, achieving personal bests in almost all races and is delighted to have been invited into the Hampshire County Development Programme based on his 200m IM result.



Lucia swam 11 races and got 9 golds and 2 silver. Highlights include gold for 50m fly with a new time of 36.54 (1.5 sec PB) and 100m free with a new time of 1.10.84 (1.8 sec PB).

Phenomenal performances! Well done to all the students who took part.

The club welcomes new members so please get in touch if interested to know more! <https://uk.gomotionapp.com/team/reczzfn/page/home>

Southampton Rowing Club

Year 9 student Henry H, who rows for Southampton Rowing Club, was recently selected to attend a Regional Performance Day at Eton Dorney Rowing Centre, representing the Hants and Dorset Rowing Association.



During a full day on the water, he was coached by Team GB Olympic medalist Matt Aldridge, amongst other national coaches, who put him through his paces. Excellent rowing Henry!

Dancing



Congratulations to Year 7 student Luca I who has competed in the Ballroom and Latin World Championships in Holland where Luca became World Champion in both his

categories and also danced in a higher age group and made the world final in both categories.

He achieved:

- World Under 12 Ballroom Champion
- World Under 12 Latin Champion
- World under 14 Ballroom 4th place
- World Under 14 Latin 6th Place

Amazing results Luca!

Singing with G4!



Year 8 student Charlie I, alongside his drama group PQA, was lucky enough to perform with G4 for their Christmas Show in the beautiful setting of Christchurch Church.

They didn't have many rehearsals before the big night but Charlie had a blast singing with them and after the show they got the chance to meet G4 who said that PQA were amazing and how well they had done.



This was a very different experience from being in a usual show and the audience thought that they were a permanent choir!

Sailing

Last weekend Harry O (Year 9) won second place in the Weymouth Grand Prix 3 Winter Championships, in his RS Feva with Cassius D despite chilly conditions and stiff national competition.



FROGS News

Not long now until the The Gregg School and FROGS Christmas Fayre on Saturday 30th November 11am - 3pm.

It is FREE entry and parking - friends and family are all welcome!



In addition to student run stalls, we have a fabulous range of exciting small businesses to help start your Christmas shopping including:

Fudge, stocking fillers, wooden Christmas decorations, bath products and skin care, bags, paintings, prints, cards, ladies clothing, jewellery, scarves, ceramics, homemade soap, candles, home accessories The Gregg School honey and much, much more!

There will be delicious refreshments and another fabulous raffle!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Get into Medicine or Dentistry Conferences

For those Year 10 and 11 students who are interested in a career in dentistry or medicine there are some live virtual Get Into Medicine or Get Into Dentistry Conferences aimed at these year groups hosted by Medic Mentor.

They offer a comprehensive guide through the entire medical and dental application journey, allowing students to gain key insights into the university application process, connect with doctors, dentists and medical/dental students, and gain a clearer view of a future in medicine or dentistry.

Get Into Medicine:

-Saturday 23rd November from 9:30am - 3:30pm

-Sunday 24th November from 9:30am - 3:30pm

Register here: [https://airtable.com/](https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shry7MZytt3MGPjv0)

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Get Into Dentistry:

-Sunday 1st December from 9:30am - 3:30pm

Register here: [https://airtable.com/](https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shrBuiR7SBAcC19kE)

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If you are unable to attend these days there will be other opportunities throughout the year.

National Poetry Day

Thank you to all the poems that were received after National Poetry day. Given the theme of 'Counting' all the contributions were simply wonderful!

To celebrate there was a poetry party in the library at Friday lunchtime, allowing us to share poems, be inspired and enjoy a get together with Michael Rosen, Rogel McGough and Benjamin Zephaniah (albeit digitally!)

The winning poem was awarded to Sophia H (Year 7), followed up by Ava D (Year 8) and Ryan J (Year 7). Well done!

Ms King

VOICES

A young girl or boy
Has the courage to speak up
They make their voice count
Whether or not it is

A loud voice
A quiet voice
An I WILL BE HEARD voice
A low voice
A high voice

An I MAKE IT HOW I CHOOSE voice
A listened to voice
A talked over voice
An I'LL MAKE IT COUNT VOICE

Sophia H

Book Buzz Haul

There has been much excitement in the library with the arrival of the Book Buzz haul! Our annual gifting season has come early with all our Year 7s and 8s receiving their choice of book from the Book Trust.



We have a selection that appeals to each and every student, from graphic novels to non-fiction, adventure and comedy to thrillers and fantasy - what did your child receive? Please encourage them to tell you about it, read aloud from it, write a review, design a new front cover or even swap with their friends.

Did you know that reading for just 10 minutes a day can improve your child's wellbeing and boost their literacy skills at the same time? It is the same for adults too!

Literacy changes everything. It provides the tools to get the most out of life and the power to shape your own future. Well worth spending 10 minutes each day!

Let's model this to our children and see what delights can be found between the pages of a book...

Ms King

Dates to Look Out For

Monday 25th November - Tuesday 3rd
December - Year 11 Mock Exams

Saturday 30th November - FROGS Christmas
Fayre 11am - 3pm

Sunday 1st December - Santa Fun Run

Monday 2nd December - HPL Talk Caroline
Egerton 4pm

Tuesday 3rd December - Year 9 Inter Shoot the
Hoop Competition

Wednesday 4th December - Outlook Expeditions
Malawi Mapping Your Journey Talk 5:30 - 8pm

Thursday 5th December - Winter Concert -6pm

Thursday 5th - Friday 6th December Y11 3D
Design Mock Practical

Friday 6th December - Annual Flu Immunisation