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for students, by students

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Help us protect our environment. Recycle this paper, make it something new!

The Counselling Service

The school offers a school time counselling service to all students. It is provided by our counsellor, Debra. It gives you a chance to talk or open up about what bothers you with someone who is not connected with family, friends or school.

She won't tell you what to do but will help you make your own decisions. Sometimes it is good to be able to talk to someone, you may feel anxious and down but not know why. Even if you're not sure whether counselling can help, come and try anyway!

Whatever you discuss with Debra is confidential, unless she believes that you or someone else is being or is at risk of being harmed.

Y7s also have the advantage of Wellbeing Champions being assigned to their form, if you are Y7 you can request help from them with anything from locker keys to getting lost. They wear Yellow and Blue ties.

To book an appointment or change an appointment, email Debra at:

ehelp@buxton.derbyshire.sch.uk

(this can only be used during term time)

Or go and see her in B6

World Book Day Writing Competition

Winning Story

By: Astrid Holiday – Y9

Time is of the essence

As I held his warm, soft hand I could feel his heart beat through it, slowly... I had held this man's hand throughout my whole life. I loved him for holding my hand back. No matter how I was feeling he guided me with his hand. One step per day holding this man's hand. He was the most precious person in my heart, my Lorenzo , my enzo. Holding his hand like this reminded me of the first time we had met...

I was 20 years old. I was running for some reason I can't remember now why I was but I guess it was fate. I was running through the streets, streets I've known since I was just 5 years old. The same old bakery with Mrs Sotheran, the same old bookshop with Mr Holiday even the same old school with Mrs Wicks. I was running through my childhood, little did I know it would be the last time I ran through it. It's funny how time is like that, it passes you by. As I was running through the street I was crossing a road when suddenly I saw some bright lights ahead of me, heading towards me. I knew I should've been more careful, my mother had always warned me. I thought the lights were going to end me but then suddenly a warm, soft hand grabbed me and pulled me from the light. My heart was already thumping by this point but then it shattered as I turned to see him. He had ocean blue eyes , wavy brunette hair and a smile that could light up the whole world. My eyes locked his. Love at first sight may not exist to some of you but it existed within us. From then on I knew I had met my soulmate, my other half, my Lorenzo . He brought out a different side in me , not necessarily better but definitely not worse. I loved this guy from the moment I met him and I knew I would love him until my last moment. We had a great life with each other after that. Two beautiful kids , 8 grandkids. We were so happy. I never knew how much time meant to us. I never knew how much it would mean when one of our timers ran out. I couldn't imagine it... but it was happening.

I was holding his hand in a hospital bed... his warm, soft hand. All I could think of was my sweet young Lorenzo. He had grown so much. We had grown together. I loved my life and that was because of him, I will never not be grateful for that. We had spent so much time together people often asked if I had ever gotten sick of him and honestly , I wish there was more time for us to share but we all know that's not how life works. All our timers will run out eventually but it's what we choose to do with our timer that makes a mark that can never run out. I was thinking so much about how we met and time that I hadn't even realised that his soft, warm hand had gone cold and I could no longer feel his heartbeat...

The Origins Of Chocolate

By: Erin Chipp & Poppy Mellor -Y7

Who Invented Chocolate And When?

Chocolate's 4,000-year history began in Mesoamerica (present day Mexico). The Olmec drank the chocolate and used it in rituals to pray to their gods. Hundreds of years later, the Mayans praised chocolate as the drink of the gods.

How Did Chocolate End Up In The UK?

Chocolate was first introduced to Britain by Spanish merchants who came to trade with Queen Elizabeth I.

Britain's Favourite Chocolate Bars:

- Dairy Milk
- Galaxy
- Flake
- Twirl
- Wispa
- Kitkat
- Snickers
- Crunchie
- Twix

The Climate Action Group

By: Evelyn Throssel - Y7

The Climate Action Group meet every Wednesday to discuss and take action on saving the planet. Here is what we've been up to recently and stuff we'd like you to know about; We've implemented use of reusable plastic cups in both dining rooms, made and placed more recycling stations in classrooms all over the school, saved yet more plastic bottles with our water bottle refill machines, planted 8 trees at the back of A Block and attended a wild weeks event at the pump room.

Ways to improve our school:

By: Evelyn Needham & Evelyn Throssel - Y7

These are small things that I think could improve general life in school:

- Turn off unused radiators or ones that are not currently in use, embark says this is a priority.
- Play announcements on speakers.
- Motivational guests.
- Outside of classroom activities
- Add more food options (vegan, vegetarian etc.)
- Less heating in A block (turn off radiators).
- Bring back lunch passes for clubs.
- Supply teachers telling you, their name.
- More non-uniform days

Nvidia Super Series

By: Luke Adkins - Y10

What's this? A big tech company making a decision that benefits all their customers? You wouldn't be surprised that its not Apple, Its NVidia. They released their super line of graphics cards on the 8th of January. Instead of releasing their new products for more money. They dropped the price of their standard cards and made the super line into the old prices of the standard cards. This isn't what we're used to. Immediate high demand for the cards has contributed to a lack of availability. In short, this is a great move from NVidia, but we cannot reap the rewards yet.

Slovenian Buddies

By: Finlay Jones – Y9

During this half term for two days our school welcomed a group of Slovenian students for a chance to see what it was like at an English school. The students were buddied up with students from our school and went along to lessons. They also visited Solomons Temple and Pooles Cavern. Along with the activities organized by our school the teachers from Slovenia taught everyone about Slovenia and their town, it was great! The Slovenian teachers and students all had a fantastic time and enjoyed our school very much. To keep up to date with potential opportunities to buddy with foreign students speak to Mrs Ashworth.

Why we should be taught about other playwrights:

Shakespeare's work is amazing and the reputation it has acquired is well-earned. However, is Shakespeare stealing the spotlight from other playwrights of perhaps more disadvantaged backgrounds? We think that his plays are predictable – all about love and death with the same plot but different characters and places.

World Book Day:

By: Willow Jones & Chloe Hu

On 7th of March, it was World Book Day. To celebrate, BCS held some workshops. One was with Mr. Hope (who you may know from around school). He showed us his amazing illustrations that he has done for a lot of books. He has everything from Harry Potter to his own book. The people selected to participate looked at a range of books to find character descriptions which they then drew without looking at the actual illustrations. There was also Phill from The Babbling Vagabonds who showed the participants how to unlock their inner creativity with some story telling activities. We hope to have an even better world book day next year!

Vodafone-Three Merger

By: Luke Adkins – Y10

The competition watchdog has warned that a proposed merger between the mobile data companies, Vodafone and Three could cause an increase in price and a decrease in quality. The competition watchdogs purpose is to stop things like this from happening, so the merger is unlikely. They operate on separate networks so a merger could lead to an increase in network availability. There was a similar merger between EE and BT last year that was let through so this isn't a totally unprecedented idea. I think it unlikely that the merger will be allowed, this is because there are fears of a monopoly in the mobile data market.

BCS-PTA PRESENTS

COLOUR RUN!

LIMITED SPACES
BOOK NOW!

17 MAY 24
4-7PM

Y7/8 @ 4pm Y9/10/11 @ 5pm
Y12/13 (& staff/parents) @ 6pm

£7.50 per child / £10 per adult /
£55 team ticket (6 adults)

PLEASE BOOK YOUR PLACE(S) USING PARENTPAY

REFRESHMENTS

register by Mister Hope

By: Heath Koontz-Carboden - Y7

Written and Illustrated by Heath Koontz-Carboden

POM POM Police



EP. 4

Easter is coming up folks, time for an Easter themed Easter ep!

Now!

Chief - just so you know I ate your easter bunny and FYI it is terrible!

That's probably because it's dog chocolate.

hahaha

Wait, hey! Why are you eating my chocolate anyway!?

Dog chocolate?

pukes

bars

Oh, yeah dog chocolate.

Ooh, chocolate.

Don't mind if I do.

pukes

bars

Why the s--- do we have dog chocolate in our office?

I don't know, ask chies!

Yeah chies, f--- up!

I have no idea.

Oh, come on!

Who put the dog chocolate in the office?!

I ate it because I thought it was normal!

Seriously?

uh

G---, there's dog choco-late in the office!

Aaah grrr Aaah
eee
I
grows chair

We know!

OK

News just in
There is dog chocolate in the PPP office, and we don't know why!

BREAKING NEWS BROADCAST

complete silence

Aaah! aaah
cee grrr oo weee

The end
until
episode 5!

Find out why there's dog chocolate in the next episode on PPP

Puzzles

Sudoku

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	9		7					6
	5		6	8				
	2						3	
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5					9		8	
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	1	2						

Buxton Related Anagrams:

- 1) Nboxut
- 2) Parruh Lilh
- 3) Afrfilide
- 4) Abberug
- 5) Eloops Arnevc
- 6) Abcorr Rossc
- 7) Hochwarts
- 8) Veod Lesoh
- 9) Alwhey Dergib
- 10) Aloinvip Agnesdr

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Answers

Sudoku

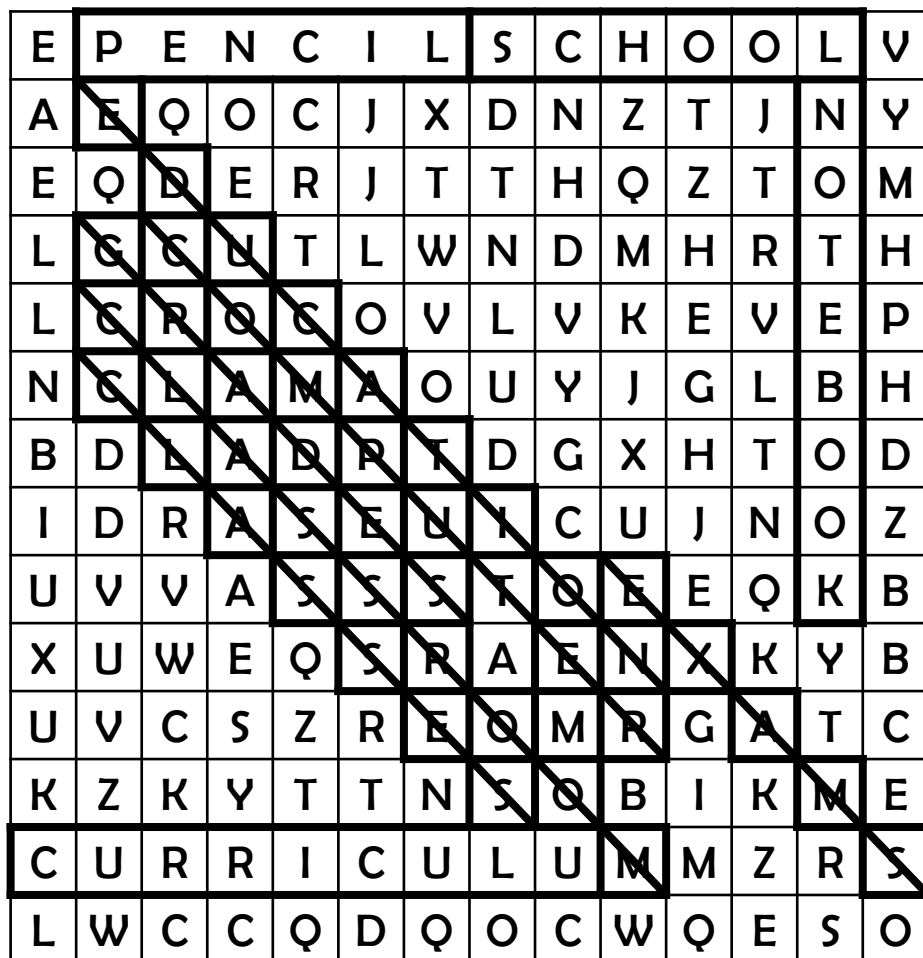
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1	4	9	3	8	6	2	5	7
8	5	7	1	4	2	6	3	9

School Related Anagrams:

- 1) School
- 2) Classroom
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- 4) Pencil
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- 6) Exams
- 7) Curriculum
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You could join us as a regular writer, adding content to all our editions, or you could join us on a freelance basis. Writing in just one or a few of our editions.

If you would like to come along to our meetings we meet:
In D29 at 12:30 on a Thursday Lunchtime

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