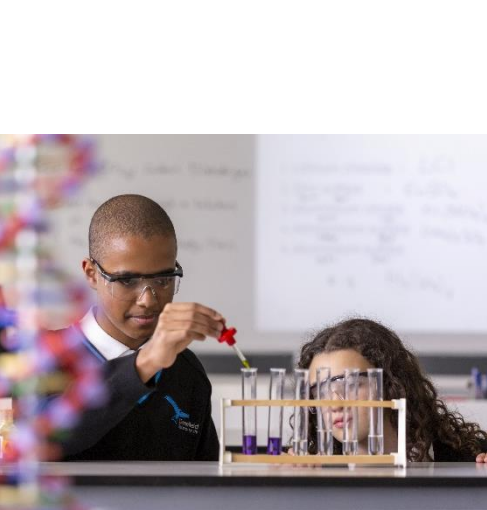


Celebrating Denefield Friday 16 June 2023





It's been a quieter week at Denefield as our older students get towards the end of their exams and other students prepare for a series of extra-curricular events either in or out of school. Next week, for example, 16 of our sports leaders will support the Westwood Farm sports day, members of our Chess Club will participate in a tournament at Blessed Hugh Farringdon school, and 14 music students will perform at the Avenue school. Good luck to all these students.

Following on from last week's assembly on the CHARACTER value of courage, focusing on Rob Burrow and Kevin Sinfield, this week Mrs Holley (assistant headteacher) focused on extraordinary resilience as well as courage. She took as her theme the amazing story of the recent plane crash in Colombia, and the four children who survived for 40 days in the jungle before being rescued. The fact that the eldest of the four was just 13 (and the youngest just one year old) makes this feat of survival all the more remarkable. Details can be found [here](#) and Mrs Holley's assembly [here](#)



Finally, after a rigorous and competitive appointments process, I am delighted to announce that the Sixth Form student leadership team next year will consist of

Frankie Bennett – Head Girl
Alex Hudspith – Head Boy
Judith Hamilton – Deputy Head Girl and Charity Ambassador
Trey Makoni – Deputy Head Boy and Culture Ambassador

One of the key foci of these students next year will be the new student council which will launch in September. Mr Peacock (Head of Sixth Form) and I very much look forward to looking forward to working with this team.

With best wishes for a pleasant weekend

Mr E Towill MA (Oxon), Headteacher

Diary dates – academic year 2022 – 2023	
Monday 15 May 2023 to Thursday 29 June 2023	GCSE and A-Level examinations
Monday 26 June 2023	INSET day
Tuesday 27 June 2023	Year 11 Prom
Monday 3 July 2023	Sixth Form summer ball
Thursday 20 July 2023	End of term for students



Swimming success

Congratulation to Evie C in Year 12 for achieving her amazing silver award for completing 50 hours of swimming, from participating in the Swim England Volunteering Programme.





The Wellbeing Hub



Coming Up in The Wellbeing Hub this Week, June 19th ...

June's Theme: Hormones

Webinar Wednesday, 21st June, 6:30pm: Sex hormones and their impact in adolescence with Dr Catherine Whitlock, Science Writer and Author.
To Register go to The Wellbeing Hub, Events page.

Why not check out The Wellbeing Hub's **Parenting Teens Course**

Lesson 2 - The Teenage Brain

Understanding the complex brain changes that occur during adolescence helps us anticipate teenage behaviour and avoid conflict. We give effective guidance in language teenagers will hear.

Extra-curricular

Please see below details of our extra-curricular activities which take place during lunch times and after school. Details can also be found [here](#) on our website.

Lunchtime		When	Room	Years
Monday				
Learn a language		12.20pm to 1.00pm	A301	All
Ukulele club		12.20pm to 1.00pm	M117	All
Tuesday				
3D printing Years 7 & 8		12.20pm to 1.00pm	M106	All
Choir		12.20pm to 1.00pm	M118	Years 8 to 13
KS3 Maths Boost		12.20pm to 1.00pm	A104	KS3
KS4 & KS5 Debate Club		12.20pm to 1.00pm	A204	KS4 & KS5
Pride Club		12.30pm to 1.00pm	A201	All
Wednesday				
Enterprise		12.20pm to 1.00pm	A304	All
Fashion		12.20pm to 1.00pm	M106	All
Thursday				
3D printing – Years 9 to 11		12.20pm to 1.00pm	M106	All
DofE drop in		12.20pm to 1.00pm	M119	Year 9, 10, 11
KS4 Maths Boost		12.20pm to 1.00pm	A104	KS4
Friday				
Chess Club		12.20pm to 1.00pm	A204	All
Feminism Club		12.20pm to 1.00pm	A201	All

After School		When	Room	Years
Monday				
Manga		3.00pm to 4.00pm	Library	All
Tuesday				
Baking		3.00pm to 4.30pm	P206	All
Books		3.00pm to 4.00pm	Library	All
Boxing		3.00pm to 4.00pm	PE	All
DT		3.00pm to 4.00pm	M106	All
Wednesday				
Warhammer		3.00pm to 4.00pm	Library	All
Thursday				
Architecture		3.00pm to 4.00pm	Art studio	All
Board games		3.00pm to 4.00pm	Library	All
CCF		3.45pm to 6.00pm	Pangbourne College	Year 10 and 11
Science Crest award		3.15pm to 4.15pm	P205	All
Friday				
Aim high		3.00pm to 4.00pm	A203	All
Greenpower		3.00pm to 4.00pm	M106	All



PE Extra-curricular

After School PE		When	Where	Years
Monday				
No PE clubs/activities				
Tuesday				
Cricket		3.15pm to 4.15pm	Field	All
Wednesday				
Athletics		3.15pm to 4.15pm	Field	All
Thursday				
Rounders		3.15pm to 4.15pm	Field	All
Friday				
No PE clubs/activities				

Year 11 Prom fundraising

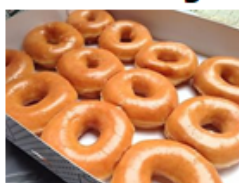
Please see below for details of a Krispy Kreme Doughnut sale raising money for our Year 11 prom. Students will need to bring their money in on the day and the sale will take place outside Student Reception.



Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale Friday 23 June 2023

**When: Lunch Time
Where: Student Reception**

**Glazed Ring Doughnuts
£1 each
Bring your money on the day!**



Max 2 Doughnuts per student only