

Stretch & Challenge Newsletter



We are working hard to give pupils the opportunities to be stretched and challenged in their learning by creating an ethos of ambition, aspiration and passion for learning. Much of this is being delivered in the classroom, but there are lots of extra-curricular areas where we are looking to offer pupils the chance to excel too. Below are just a few of the activities on offer in the Spring Term for your child to enjoy.

Whole School Events

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| Google Classroom Latin Club | Latin Club will be starting again in January, giving you some basics in the language and offering you the chance to learn more about Ancient Rome; see Mr Milnes or Mrs Worden for more information. Every Wednesday lunchtime in ag6 Room 1 |
| Debating Club | There are significant opportunities for students to develop valuable skills in debating and public speaking; see Mr Harper or Miss Mcfarlane for more information. Every Friday lunchtime in the Library. |
| STEM Club | STEM Club is designed to enrich and broaden the curriculum, giving pupils the chance to explore subjects like science, technology, engineering and maths in new contexts; see Miss Collins for more information. Every Tuesday lunchtime in Maths 1 |
| Music & Drama | This term has offered a fantastic opportunity for our talented students use the ag6 studio performance space and a live sound set up. Our students have really grown in confidence as they adjusted to the space – many have really missed having opportunities to perform and next term will offer them many more chances to take part. |

Department Events

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| United Kingdom Mathematics Trust | The UK Mathematics Trust was founded in 1996 and our charitable aim is to advance the education of young people in mathematics. They have many maths challenges that run every year that you can join in with either in school or from home. |
| STEM | In addition to the school's STEM club, there are many activities that pupils can do at home and the STEM Learning website has a host of inspirational ideas. |
| | Ask your child if they are challenging themselves with their reading choices? Do they use the library to search for books, poems and/ or plays by the writers that they are currently studying? One of the very best ways of stretching themselves to to read widely. |

Upcoming International Events

Sunday 5th December International Volunteer Day

A great opportunity to gain work experience and give something back to the local community.

A good place to start is the Lancashire Volunteering Partnership https://lancsvp.org.uk/