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# NEWS

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Dear parents and carers,

It's been a busy week, with our students returning after the half term engaged and ready to learn. Their enthusiasm and dedication has been witnessed this week, especially in years 7, 8, 9 and 10 who prepared questions to ask at the Careers Fair we have held on site today.

We are thrilled to have welcomed up to 40 external visitors who generously shared their time and own experiences with our students. We welcomed employees from EON, Jaguar Land Rover, Seven Trent Water along with many universities; Warwick University, Keele University, Coventry University and more. This is the fourth year we have held a careers fair for our students, it allows our students to gain insights and understand the significance of attending each lesson as they work towards their future during their seven-year journey at Stoke Park School.

On Monday our year 13 students will be sitting their mock exams, it is important they use the weekend to revise, and rest.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Rock  
Headteacher



# The Stoke Park Experience: Careers and Pathways Fair 2024

GOALS

On Friday 23rd February we hosted our fourth consecutive Careers and Pathways Fair as part of our Stoke Park Experience.

Its purpose was to enable students to learn from, and have interactions with a range of P16 and P18 providers and industry professionals.

There were representatives from a number of organisations including: Warwick University, The Department for Transport, West Midlands Police, Amazing Apprenticeships, Royal Navy, JCB Skills Training, Newcastle University, JLR, Network Rail, EON, NHS, MGTS, Lloyds, The Fire Service, Warwickshire Institute of Sport and E-sport and Warwickshire Garage and Transport Group.

Students had the opportunity to develop their interpersonal skills, were able to obtain pathway information, network with future education providers and employers and receive impartial careers advice.

This is the fourth Careers Fair some of our older students have attended at Stoke Park and is one of the many opportunities we offer in order to encourage our students to be the best they can be both during their time at Stoke Park and beyond in their professional lives.

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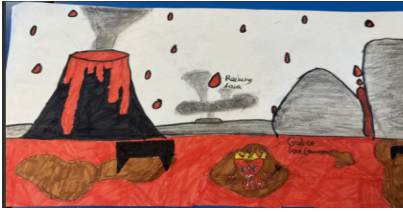
ACHIEVE



# YEAR 7: THE ORATOR

In The Bridge this week, students have been delving into planning their own inter-form charity events that we are going to be working on as a year team to raise money for their chosen cause. Students are very keen and excited to build the culture, care and character in The Bridge for these events.

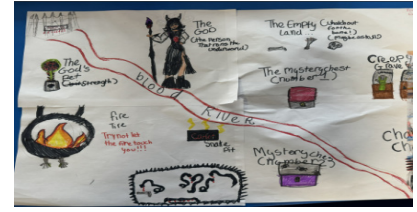
In Classics lessons this week, students have been creating their own Underworlds and creating descriptions of their underworld linking to their studies of Ancient Rome. There have been such lovely creations of underworlds!



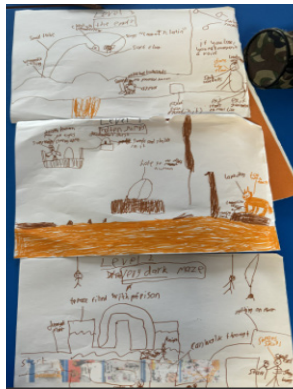
**Maia W**



**Lauren H, Ayana K, Tannisha C**



**Ruby D**



**Thomas B**



**Erin M**

We have had some lovely student helpers this week, supporting with building our ethos in The Bridge through creating our displays around; The Orator, Achievement, The Stoke Park Experience and Attendance. The ethos and culture in The Bridge is so lovely!

Next week, students will be having the chance to reflect on their student leadership and Stoke Park Experience in The Bridge and really delve into how far they've grown as a person since September.

We have had some wonderful sporting achievements this week too!

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# YEAR 8: THE PHILOSOPHER

It has been wonderful to see our Philosophers returning to school this week. So many have been prepped and ready with their attitude and behaviour for learning impeccable.

This week sees the launch of the Gateways attendance rewards. We will be creating a weekly raffle for students who have 100% attendance. Each week a student is present 100% they will be entered into a prize draw. They will then go into a draw at the end of the half term where one person will win a prize! In addition, tutor groups will be rewarded each Friday for the best overall attendance of the week. We hope that lots of our students rise to this challenge.

On Friday all year 8 students had the opportunity to attend the Stoke Park Careers Fair. It was a fantastic opportunity for our students. During their time at the careers fair they were able to find out more about their careers sectors of interest and speak to industry professionals. They used their time wisely in this weeks PSHE writing their questions in preparation In PSHE, students have been writing their questions in preparation for the event. We hope that our students make the most of this event and demonstrate PRIDE at all times.

# YEAR 9: THE REVOLUTIONARY

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Year 9 have made a fantastic start to this half-term! Thank you to all parents who have encouraged students to be on time to school, in perfect uniform and full Stoke Park 5. Students should also have a reading book as part of their equipment that we should see being changed often as students read through their book and replace it for a new one. Stoke Park School's library has a fantastic offer of books for students to borrow and develop their love of reading. This half-term we will be celebrating World Book Day. On the day, students will spend time with their tutor to promote the culture of learning we have here. We hope students are looking forward to this!

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# YEAR 10: THE INVENTOR

It has been a purposeful first week back for our inventors who have been engaging in a range of activities that demonstrate the Stoke Park Experience. This half-term our inventors are going to be using some of their tutor sessions to reflect on their progress throughout their time at Stoke Park School during their seven-year journey. This will help our students to acknowledge their strengths and focus on key areas of personal development. In addition, our students will be voting this week for a charity that they would like to raise money for as a year group. As a way of embodying our four cornerstones; care, community, competition and character- each tutor group will be deciding how they can collectively and individually raise money for our chosen charity, and we look forward to hearing all of their creative ideas!

Our students have also been excelling in their work with Warwick University. A group of our students have been chosen to work with the university on a weekly basis to support and excel in their learning. It is a brilliant opportunity for our students to gain experience of working with university professionals and develop their knowledge.

We would like to thank all parents/carers for ensuring that our students arrive at school fully equipped with their Stoke Park 5 and in the correct uniform.

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# YEAR 11: THE ARCHITECT

Students have been preparing in lessons and at home for their final set of mock exams that begin in a weeks time before the real exams in the summer. It is essential that all students are revising for their exams and if you require any support on how best to support your child please get in touch with the year team.

We can confirm that Prom will be held on Friday 5th July with more details to follow in a letter that will be sent out very soon so that arrangements can be made. We look forward to this event as a celebration of this year groups achievements and time at Stoke Park School. Invitations have been sent out in waves depending on students qualifying to receive their invite due to their attendance, punctuality, conduct and attainment. Students have been reminded that Prom invitations will be rescinded at any time if students fall short of our high expectations regarding the above criteria.

Parents/carers must avoid booking holidays until the end of June 2024. The awarding bodies have designated Wednesday 26 June 2024 as the 'contingency day' for examinations. The designation of 'contingency days' within the common examination timetable is in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations in the United Kingdom. It is part of the awarding bodies' standard contingency planning for examinations. Centres must therefore remind candidates that they must remain available until Wednesday 26 June 2024 should an awarding body need to invoke its contingency plan. If you have any questions regarding this please do not hesitate to get in touch with the year team.

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# SUMMER 2023 EXAM CERTIFICATES

Summer 2023 exam certificates are now available for collection. Can you please contact the school reception on: 02476450215 to arrange collection. Upon collection you must bring a form of ID with you: Passport, provisional driving licence, a proof of address letter, college ID card, or debit card.



## Badminton - Stoke Park win to go top of the Coventry Schools' League



Stoke Park travelled to Coundon Court to play their league match against the hosts as well as Meadow Park.

The KS4 team consisting of Nihal R (11), Sam L (10), Matt L (9) and Rohaan (9) won both their matches comfortably, performing extremely well in the singles with some close-fought wins and worked well together to breeze through their doubles matches. The KS3 team consisting of Harry (8), Samuel O (8), Hasif (7) and Matyias (7) won both their matches as well with some great Badminton being played especially from our debutant Harry who impressed at seed 1 in his first game. These

results take Stoke Park to top of the league at the halfway point of fixtures. We look forward to the next game and congratulations to all of the lads involved. Mr Hall

## Warwickshire Indoor Cricket League



This week the U13 and U15 boys cricket teams have completed their group stage games in the Warwickshire indoor cricket league. The U15 team put the disappointment of a narrow defeat to Nicholas Chamberlaine behind them by comprehensively beating John Henry Newman Catholic College (on 22/02/24) by 6 wickets. The strong performance was built upon the foundations of excellent fielding and disciplined bowling. The standout performer was Mirwahid. D who displayed sublime skill in being able to swing bowl, taking 3 wickets as well as contributing with a steady batting performance. Mr. Glover

## BOOK OF THE WEEK

Anthony Horowitz's Alex Rider is an incredibly popular book series with boys. So, what happens when you've read all 13 books in the series, and need another series to sink your teeth into? Young Bond is up to the challenge, written by Charlie Higson and following the adventures of James Bond, before he became the world-famous spy we all know him as. Silverfin- the first of the series- is a fantastic starting point for lovers of Alex Rider or the action genre.

Young Bond: SilverFin is the first explosive book in Charlie Higson's bestselling Young Bond series. Before the name became a legend. Before the boy became a man. Meet Bond. James Bond. There's something in the water at Loch Silverfin. Something deadly. Something that must be kept secret...

It's James Bond's first day at Eton, and he's already met his first enemy. This is the start of an adventure that will take him from the school playing fields to the remote shores of Loch Silverfin and a terrifying discovery that threatens to unleash a new breed of warfare.

'Good, gritty and funny . . . Very clever, Bond, very clever indeed' Daily Mail

'a page-turning adventure that will get the hairs standing up on the back of your neck' Sunday Express

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