



On Thursday 26th April, Year 11 were given the opportunity to watch a performance of Dr Jekyll and Hyde, which is one of the exam texts in their forthcoming English Literature exams.

The performance was enjoyed by all and was followed by a Q&A session where pupils were given the opportunity to ask questions about the text and the performance itself.

Ms Samra, English teacher



Pupils found the performance very useful and helped them understand the text in more detail in readiness for their imminent exam.



Dates for your diary:

- Saturday 16 & 26th May BBC Music event
- Thursday and Friday 3rd- 4th May Art and French speaking GCSE exams
- Tuesday 8th, Wednesday 9th May - Spanish speaking GCSE exams



HOUSE UPDATES



Lunchtime competitions last week allowed Eagles to stay in the lead, but with a very narrow gap between them and second placed Griffin. The Key Stage 4 FIFA battles this week are crucial. The competitors are:

Eagle – Jasdip Gheent and Fabio Da Silva

Lynx – Amir Benaissa and Ellis Thomas

Griffin – Zanda Griffiths and Satkavan Chatha

Phoenix – Luiz Hysa and Mohammed Jamal

House updates

Eagles hanging on

Total

Eagle 4510

Griffin 4420

Phoenix 4015

Lynx 3845

In this newsletter we want to celebrate.....

Year 11 students who have been attending extra revision sessions in the mornings, after school and during holidays. Their attitude and efforts are the first, vital step on the road to success.

Spotlight on the French GCSE speaking exam



We spoke to two year 11 students; Shannon and Reya, for some insight on what this week's French speaking exams are like.

Pupils have been preparing for this 24 minute exam since Year 10. There are a range of topics to choose from and pupils are given help to prepare for the speaking test, but not given specific questions in advance.

Over the past two weeks, pupils have been given the opportunity to have a mock speaking and listening exam after school with French teachers. This has helped them familiarise themselves with what to expect in the real exam.

The exam begins with preparation time of 12 minutes. During this time, pupils are given a photo-card to annotate, a role play and three bullet points to answer. They also need to devise their own question.

We still have a few vacancies for examinations invigilators to join our team for the summer.

Hours are flexible and training will be given.

Please see the school website for further details and to apply

After that, the interview with their teacher begins; which also lasts 12 minutes. This is where they get the chance to use the ideas they have already prepared, although they are not allowed to take sheets (see below for examples) in with them.

We are full of admiration for the hard work and commitment of these year 11s and wish them well.

