



Newsletter

26th April 2021

Dance Photography Project



Over a year ago some of our students took part in a Dance Photography Project, where they worked with professional photographer and choreographer Mark Anderson from InfuseDANCE and Clare Wood, a dance teacher from Dancefest (a community dance company based in Worcester). The project was to mark Dancefest's 30th anniversary by working with dance groups, schools and community groups to use dance and photography to reimagine buildings and spaces in Worcester.

Unfortunately, Covid-19 prevented the project from being realised, and our students were unable to complete the off-site part of the project where the final images were to be created. However, over Easter 'Reimagine', a large-scale outdoor photography trail, was finally able to go ahead, and the images were set up around Worcester City Centre. Some excellent photos were taken around the school site during our rehearsals, four of which appear as part of the project. Many of you will have seen them over the Easter holidays and I hope you agree that they are absolutely first class. We congratulate all students involved in the project.

The exhibition continues until 14th May. For more information about the trail and to download a map of the images please go to Dancefest.co.uk

The Karen Moore Award for Creative Writing

The Karen Moore Award for Creative writing, sponsored by the Droitwich Arts Network, is now in its third year. Already nearly forty students from across the year groups have entered a piece of creative writing with the title 'The Beautiful Game.' The competition remains open until 28th May, with the winner receiving a lovely trophy that they keep for a year and a £100 cash prize kindly donated by the Droitwich Arts Network.

Each entry will be read by former deputy head of the High School, Mrs Karen Moore, who instigated the competition and Mrs Helen Karakashian, representing DAN. They will choose the top two entries that will be forwarded to Anna Fern, a former student of the High School who is now working as a commissioning editor for ITV in London. The winner will be announced shortly after the half term holiday. Entries should be emailed to Mr Izod. Get writing and good luck!

Support for Fund Raising by Leisure Centre Staff

Reece, Dan, Seb and Daniel work at the Leisure Centre and were among the staff who were kind enough to help us out with the Lateral Flow Testing in March. They are taking on the longest golf day challenge for MacMillan Cancer support on the 21st June at Gaudet Luce Golf Club. They will be playing a total of 4 rounds of golf in one day. All proceeds will go to MacMillan Cancer Support. They have already raised £500 from friends and family and are now reaching out to the rest of the community to help charities and fundraisers that have been hit very hard by COVID-19.

Their sponsor page is: <https://longestdaygolf.macmillan.org.uk/Team/riversfitness>

Sixth Form

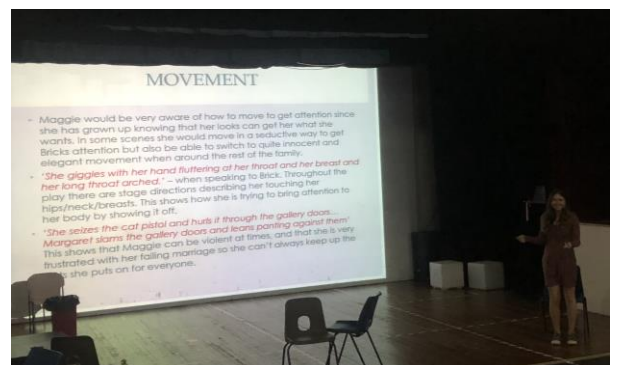


Mr Drew and Mr Jones congratulate **Harvey Newman, Will Parkes and Callum Boyce** on the successful completion of their Pre-GCE Literacy and Numeracy skills tests. Harvey, Will and Callum have been working extremely hard

on their Pre-GCE enrichment course and passing these assessments is testament to their dedication and enthusiasm.

Carrie Walton in Year 12 is to be congratulated for writing a highly impressive essay comparing poems by Emily Bronte and Emily Dickinson. Her ideas and writing style are both of the highest order.

Year 13 Theatre Studies students have all created and presented some excellent revision resources on characters in their exam text 'Cat on a Hot Tin Roof'. The students spoke with knowledge, confidence and creativity, enabling each other to learn from their own interpretations and analysis.





Year 10

Mrs Lycett congratulates all of 10T5 Religious Studies for a promising start to the new term and the new unit. Everyone has contributed well to the discussion and worked with great concentration. The students are **Sam Ballard**, **Logan Clark**, **Cobie Guest**, **Dominic Harrison-Taylor**, **Luke Morris**, **Cyrus Patterson**, **Ellie-May Preston**, **Molly-Ann Webb**

Grace Kasch, **Felix Cross**, **Freddie Lane**, **Sophie Brown**, **Callum Hey**, **Lydia Amphlett**, **Poppy Gidley** are commended for their progress and positive attitude in Maths since returning after Easter.

Harry Pugh supported another student in Maths, helpfully providing clear and effective explanations.

10R3 English have made an excellent start to their new text, Blood Brothers. Special mentions to **Millie Rowe** for great reading of Mrs Johnstone's part and to **Kelsey Rooke** for pushing herself to contribute much more in class.

Year 9

9LC & 9RC have made an excellent start to the term in Maths. Both classes have been worked exceptionally hard on Averages and Range, Mrs Rees-Boughton has been particularly impressed by **Will Matthews**, **Kayleigh Jones**, **Holly Bourne**, **Alisha Amphlett**, **Ellie Dawson** and **Molly Still** from 9LC.

Year 8

8RC have been very impressive in their English lessons this week - in particular **Thomas Smith** who has shown a huge improvement in his work on poetry.

Mrs Lloyd Davies commends 8RD German for their hard work and resilience with some tricky work this week.