

November Newsletter





Executive Head Update

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

We enjoyed welcoming so many families into school last week for our parent/teacher consultations. If you were not able to make it or would like to meet with teachers or senior leaders regarding your child at any time, please contact the school to arrange an appointment.

The building works to extend the café and build a new state of the art medical room are progressing very well. Currently completion is expected after Christmas - we will keep you informed of our grand unveiling. Many thanks to all pupils for their patience and positive attitudes during this time - we all miss Mrs Rowe's delicious hot lunches!

Speaking of Christmas, please take time to note down our diary dates during the festive period. Our Christmas Crafts and Buffet will be on Monday 18th December starting from 11am. The Christmas Enterprise Fair is Friday 15th December from 10:30 - 12:30.

We look forward to welcoming families into school and celebrating together.

Miss Goodaire







Walk in the park! Students enjoyed their walk in the park with our Pet Therapy dogs.



Christmas Fair Please send any donations raffle prizes, bric-a-brac or old uniform to school by Monday 11th December. Many Thanks



Our Year 11s attended a careers event at Bishop Burton.



Date For Your Diary

- ☐ White Rose Football Tournament: Friday 24th November
- □ Christmas Jumper/Non-Uniform: Friday 8th December (chocolate bar donation for the chocolate stall at the Christmas Fair)
- ☐ Enterprise Christmas Fair Friday 15th December 10:30 - 12:30pm
- ☐ Family Christmas Buffet: Monday 18th
 December 11am Christmas Crafts, 11:4512:45 Christmas Buffet
- ☐ End of Term: Friday 22nd December at 1pm
- ☐ Return to school Tuesday 9th January 2024



Beats Bus
We welcomed back our
friends at the Beats
Bus who helped us
write anti-racism
poetry to celebrate
Black History Month

PE KITS

Pupils who have PE on a Monday or Thursday may wear PE kits to school that day. If you are not sure, please contact the school.

Result of parent/carer survey

1. The school curriculum engages my child in learning.

More Details





2. The school curriculum is broad and balanced

More Details

•	Strongly agree	3
•	Agree	7
•	Disagree	0
•	Strongly disagree	1



3. I know where to access curriculum information on the school website.

More Details

•	Strongly agree	3
•	Agree	8
•	Disagree	0
•	Strongly disagree	0



4. I know how to help my child with learning at home.

More Details

	Strongly agree	5
•	Agree	6
•	Disagree	2
•	Strongly disagree	0

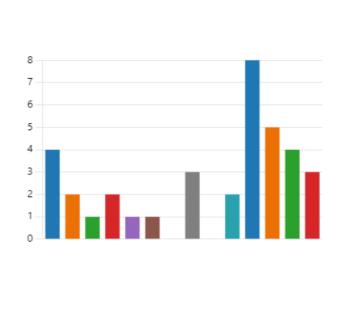


5. What curriculum subjects would you particularly like to know more about?

THOIC Details				
	Mathematics	4		
	English	2		
	Reading	1		
	Science	2		
	History	1		
	Geography	1		
	Religious Education	0		
	Technology	3		
	Music	0		
	Art	2		
	GCSE options	8		
•	Careers	5		
	Mental Health and Wellbeing	4		

More Details

PSHE



Thank you for your responses - we have started to address these.

We have recently purchased Sparx Maths - a homework based online programme which will soon be launched. This will allow our students to complete work at home, complete extra revision; plus it includes videos to explain how to solve each problem.

In order to improve communication regarding the curriculum and subjects that are taught - we have started to update the website with all the Long Term Plans for all the subjects taught throughout the year. We hope this will give you some more insight into the subjects we teach and the content.

For the Spring Parent/Carer consultation - you will have the opportunity to speak to our specialist teachers as well as the class Tutors.

Any further ideas or requests please email claire.goodaire@vennacademy.org

Mock dates for Year 11

Monday 27th November - GCSE English Lang

Tuesday 28th November - GCSE Maths

Wednesday 29th November - GCSE Biology

Thursday 30th November - GCSE Statistics



From Monday 27th
November, we would like to invite the students to bring in their own water bottle, to drink throughout the day. If you would like the school to provide a water bottle we will also be handing these out on Monday for those students who don't have one. Please can you only fill the water bottle with water or flavoured water and please also add a name.







Thank you to everyone who donated to Children In Need, we managed to raise £133.





Please remind your child of the lunchtime clubs

Mon - School Council

Tues - LGBTQ+ Club (all welcome)

Wed - Reading Club

Thurs - Crochet Club

Fri - Gaming/Computer Club

We are also keen to have ideas for more clubs so please let us know if your child would like to see a new club featuring in the week. Reading - The Sullivan Centre value the importance of reading daily as part of your child's education. Please join us on this journey as part of your daily routine at home. Beyond the joy of shared stories, reading together enhances communication, fosters a love of learning, and strengthens the parent/carer bond. Together let's cultivate a love of reading that will last a lifetime! Please let school know if your child is not bringing a book home.



School Improvement Targets 2023-24

To ensure teaching confirms learners engage actively and deeply with their learning, embed skills and transfer knowledge across the curriculum

Teaching of reading plugs the 'gap' - is sequential; developing learners' fluency, comprehension, confidence and enjoyment in reading.

To ensure attitudes to learning are positive, students know how to study effectively and are resilient to setbacks.

Embed the new careers curriculum and relate this to working life ensuring work experience opportunities

Through SMSC and PSHE, which is embedded throughout the curriculum, we provide learners with meaningful opportunities to gain the skills necessary for future learning and to become well rounded, active, respectful citizens who contribute positively to society.

Continue the development of best practice in curriculum leadership, to ensure positive impact on the quality of the curriculum and learning.

To embed and sustain the promotion of mental health and wellbeing of staff