



Royal Wootton Bassett Academy Sixth Form Weekly Newsletter #108

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Good luck to the Year 12 students who are currently in Bannau Brycheiniog (the Brecon Beacons) completing their Gold expedition training. Mrs Vaughan and Mr Williams will be joining the group afterschool with additional 'dry' provisions!



Enjoy the May bank holiday, a reminder the school is closed on **Monday 1st May** – May Day and Closed to all but Yr 11 and Yr 13 students on **Tuesday 2nd May** due to ongoing industrial action.





Thank you to the RWBA Student Parliament led by the Sixth Form ministers for organising the whole school bake sale today.

The final total is being counted as we speak.....

Proceeds are going to:



On another note Yr 12 student Aaron got to his target of £300 for having his head shaved over the Easter holidays. Well done!!



CANCER
RESEARCH
UK



The results from a recent MS forms survey highlighted that we have a huge number of students who are volunteers.

We would love to know what you do and how long you have been volunteering.

Please click on the link below to let us know.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=spD4XJRqLOWMKZ9zZbaL_oGAwuo5xWOpKuKkg8x6NPEJURUIHQTU5QzhSNDA3UFNJVVdTMU5TUVFPRS4u





Congratulations to all of you who have recently passed your driving test. Remember to park on the school site you need to log your vehicle details with Mrs Stubbs. Please complete the link below.

Remember to always drive safely.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=spD4XJRqLOWMKZ9zZb_aLoJ-3rXLIA2RCItaq6edlutpUQzRTNFBMBEsxMVBVBUUszNERNNVJEN0ICTC4u

Safe Driving Tips



Don't drive if you feel tired, lightheaded or stressed. And always wear your seatbelt.



Remove distractions in the vehicle. The use of devices, conversations with passengers and eating can all divert a driver's attention.



Increase the awareness of your surroundings by frequently checking mirrors, particularly while changing lanes.



Verify you are driving at the correct speed limit. Keep a safe distance from the car ahead of you to allow time to brake safely.



Exercise caution when emergency vehicles approach. They have the right of way. Watch for flashing lights and listen for sirens.



Are you passionate about the DofE and ensuring equal opportunities for young people from all backgrounds?

Would you like to share your positive DofE experiences to inspire more young people to get involved?

Do you want to be given a platform to speak out on issues that impact you and your generation?

If the answer is yes, why not apply to be a **DofE UK Youth Ambassador**?

We believe in youth without limits – bringing communities together, sharing skills and creating opportunities. We're here to empower young people; to support them as they overcome obstacles and build confidence and resilience. If you would like to go further with your DofE and help to shape our future, join our 2023 – 2024 UK Youth Ambassador Programme.

Apply Here:

<https://www.dofe.org/youth-ambassadors-application/>





RWBA SIXTH FORM SPIRIT WEEK

MONDAY: BANK HOLIDAY

TUESDAY: BRING SOMETHING BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST LETTER OF YOUR NAME
also... bake sale and karaoke

WEDNESDAY: WEAR LOUNGEWEAR

also... rounders tournament

THURSDAY: DRESS AS YOUR DREAM JOBS (NOW OR AS A CHILD) AND FUTURE ASPIRATIONS
also... uno championship

FRIDAY: DRESS AS EVERYTHING, EVERYWHERE ALL AT ONCE
(whatever you want!)

Year 13 Spirit week –

**Tuesday 9th May
– Friday 12th May.**

All members of the Sixth Form community are requested to get involved in making memories and celebrating the end of formal education for Year 13.

Friday Fancy dress is for Yr 13 students and Tutors only!!!

Details on the after school activities will be coming out next week.



RWBA SIXTH FORM

**GREAT
BRITISH BAKE
SALE**

all cakes 50p!

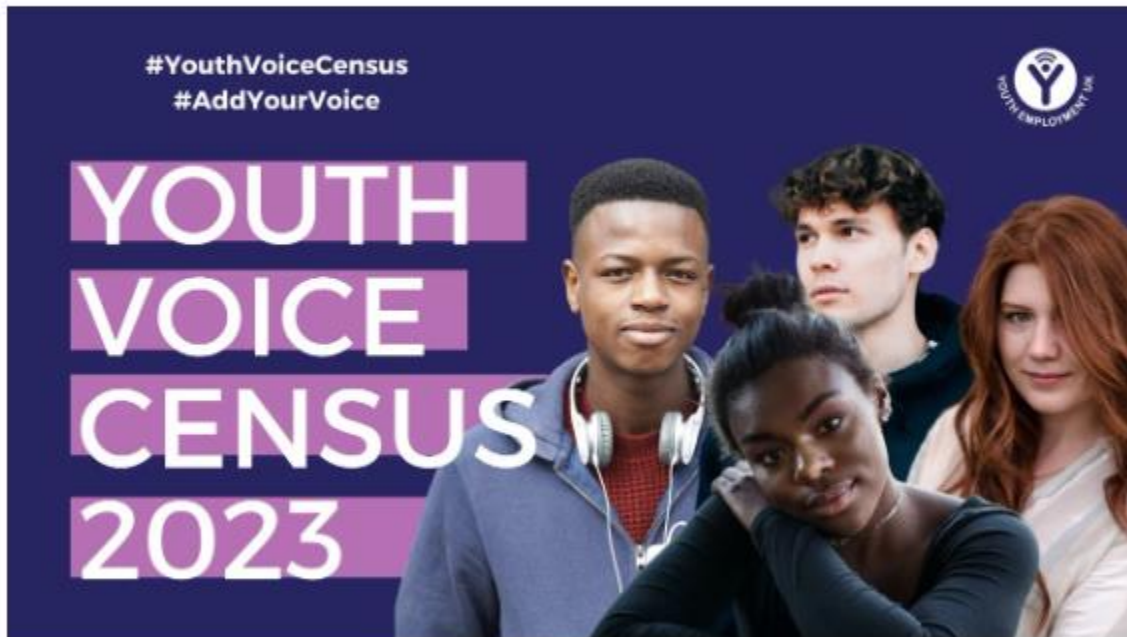
**All donations go
towards sixth
form charity,
Action Aid.**

**TUESDAY
9TH MAY
2023**

CASH ONLY!!



Youth Employment UK careers and skills resources



Share the UK's **biggest youth survey** with your young people

Youth Employment UK is the leading youth organisation dedicated to tackling youth unemployment in the UK. They bring together young people, employers and policy in an innovative way that creates real impact.

Explore the world of work with experiences that could help you shape your future!

<https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/careers-advice-help/choices/work-experience-guides-and-courses/>

#YouthVoiceCensus
#AddYourVoice



YOUTH VOICE CENSUS 2023



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Join 1000s taking part in the biggest annual
youth survey in the UK!

Have your say on studying, training, getting
work experience and where you live.

Ends 5th June.

youthemployment.org.uk/youth-voice-census



Click the link to see the opportunities available to you to gain valuable work experience.

<https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/careers-advice-help/opportunities-for-young-people-work-skills-life/create-your-future-opportunities/>

McDonald's Work Experience Programme

<https://www.mcdonalds.com/gb/en-gb/teachers/work-experience.html>

**McDonald's Virtual
Work Experience Workbook**



Discover Youth Friendly Employers

Ixion Training



Are you a school leaver or looking for your next career steps? Ixion training helps you kickstart your career and CV

ATAC Apprenticeships



Get into life sciences careers after school!

Capita Apprenticeship Scheme

Discover
better with our
Apprenticeship
Scheme

Capita



Discover better with apprenticeships that offer salaries and real-life training, with 6 career flavours to choose from.

DHSC Early Careers



Department
of Health &
Social Care

Yes, you CAN do meaningful government work as a young person without a degree - with graduate schemes and 11 work areas!

Working in local government



Local government touches everyone's lives every day

Prezzo Restaurant Careers



Prezzo offers so many early careers, from cooking great food and giving great customer service to managing like a boss!

<https://www.youthemployment.org.uk/careers-advice-help/opportunities-for-young-people-work-skills-life/create-your-future-opportunities/>

Click on the link to take you directly to the Youth Employment UK Website.

Taylor & Francis Early Careers



Our international publishing company believes in doing things differently. You could be just what we need!

Bauer Media Careers



Just like our iconic radio and magazine brands, we're a mix of people from different backgrounds who come together to help inform, entertain and inspire our communities.

Red Carnation Hotels



Have fun at work with internships, degree apprenticeships and management schemes when you join Red Carnation Hotels.

The British Library



Work experience, internships and apprenticeships with The British Library open up a WORLD of possibilities.

ABP Foods



Apprenticeships, graduate schemes and an AMAZING early careers academy in the world of sustainable food

Haven



Joining Haven is more than just a job. Our early careers are a breath of fresh air!



As always there are so many opportunities for all students to engage in the Super Curricular or benefit from the diverse and extensive work experience opportunities.

<https://www.speakersforschools.org/>



Use the Bank Holiday wisely.
Invest in your future and get inspired!!!

HEAD START: STUDENT LIFE WEBINARS



Head Start Student Life Webinars 2 - 11 May From 5pm

We'd like to invite your students to join our **Head Start Series**. These are virtual student life webinars which introduce students to the key teams at Swansea.

Sessions available include:

- Accommodation at Swansea University
- All About Clearing
- Student Services: Supporting You
- Your Future: Careers Support at the University
- Studying With a Year in Industry or Year Abroad

Register here:

https://www.swansea.ac.uk/study/webinar-series/head-start-student-life/?utm_source=sprintprojectcentral&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ugstro2023&utm_content=headstart_button

Whilst Year 12 were at home yesterday did anyone watch Graduate Careers Live!
If not find the link below. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8zjsKdVlyEc>

This was a great introduction to thinking about life, careers choices and opportunities. **It is well worth a watch!!**



UCAS



We would like to invite all Year 12 parents to our **future pathways** evening on **Wednesday 10th May 6 – 7pm in the Sixth Form Lecture Theatre.**

We will lead parents through the process of applying to university or apprenticeships, discuss what is expected from students throughout the process, publish the timescales and specific support offered at RWBA.

We look forward to seeing you.



BOOK SWAP BOOKCASE



Coming soon
to the 1st floor
landing!

Studies have shown that reading for pleasure is an effective way to **manage stress** by increasing enjoyment and relaxation.

It's good for your **brain and cognitive development**.

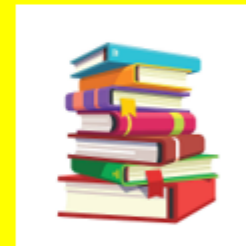
Recreational reading also can have benefits for your **concentration, vocabulary, reading and writing skills and improving working memory**.

SO NOT ONLY IS AN ENJOYABLE PASSTIME, IT WILL HELP WITH YOUR FOCUS FOR YOUR STUDIES.



Do you have books you have read at home that you don't want or would be willing to donate to the Book Swap Bookcase?

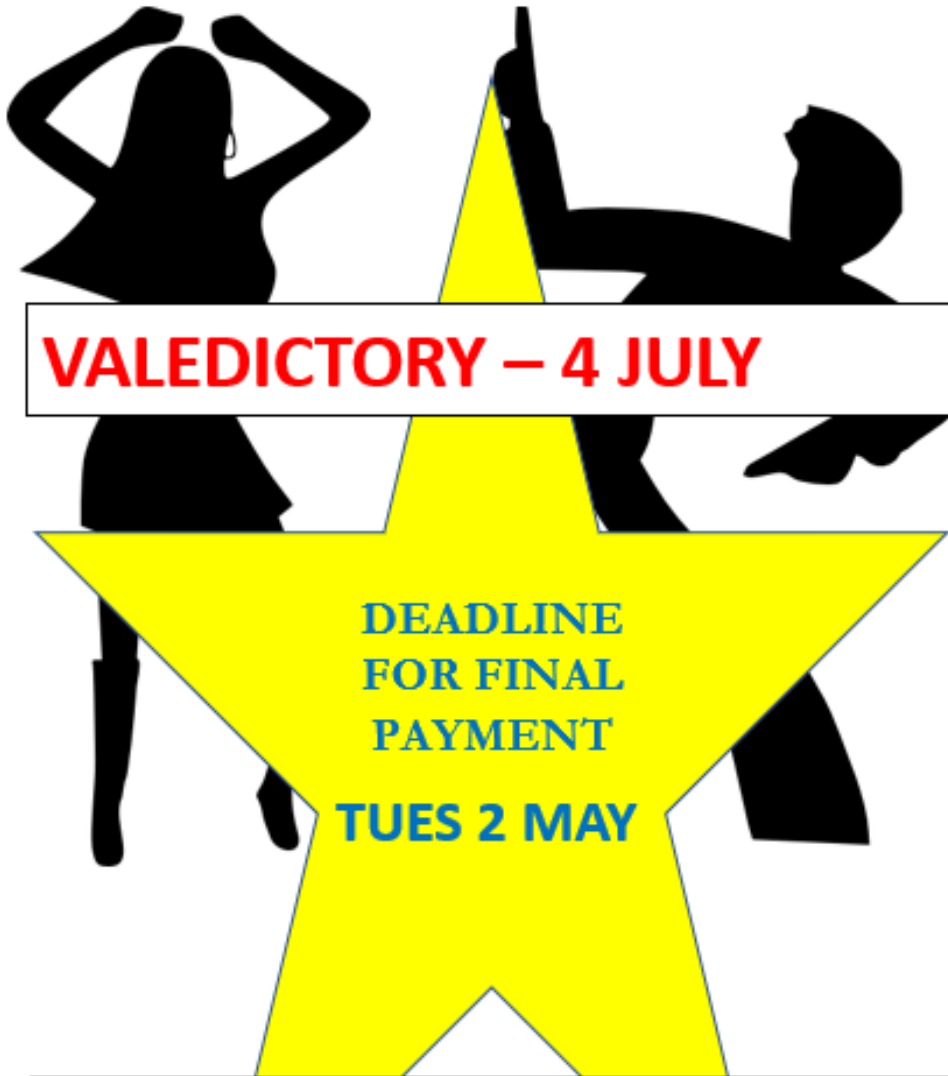
If yes, why not bring them into school and place them on the Book Swap Bookcase for others to borrow and use.



Any books for leisure reading would be most welcome from staff and students

BRING A BOOK, TAKE A BOOK WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON.

THANK YOU



VALEDICTORY – 4 JULY

**DEADLINE
FOR FINAL
PAYMENT
TUES 2 MAY**

**66 DAYS TO GO AND
COUNTING DOWN**



One-Pot Garlic Chicken

Why not try this easy one-pot dish for the coming bank holiday.

It only takes 10 minutes to prepare and 30 minutes to cook and will of course save on the washing up!

Serve with Rice and Green Beans or some homemade bread - ENJOY!

Ingredients

4 medium chicken breast – skin removed and sliced crosswise into thick strips
75g plain flour
2 tablespoons of olive or rapeseed oil
50g of unsalted butter
10-15 small garlic cloves, or to your taste
250ml of hot chicken stock (can use a stock cube to make this)
100 ml of double cream
30g Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese, finely grated
Small bunch of flat-leaf parsley, finely chopped (optional)
Cooked rice and steamed green beans to serve (optional)

STEP 1: Tip the chicken into a shallow bowl and sprinkle over the flour. Season well. Heat the oil in a large frying pan over a medium-high heat and fry the chicken, shaking off any excess flour first, for 1-2 mins until lightly golden all over. (You may need to do this in batches.)

STEP 2: Reduce the heat to medium and add the butter. Peel as many garlic cloves as you prefer, and drop these into the pan. Cook for 5 mins until the garlic has turned lightly golden, stirring to keep the chicken from burning.

STEP 3: Pour in the stock and simmer for 10 mins until the garlic is tender. Add the cream and cheese and simmer for a further 5 mins until the sauce thickens slightly. Taste for seasoning and adjust as needed. Scatter with the chopped parsley, if using, and serve hot with rice and green beans, if you like.