

Principal's Blog

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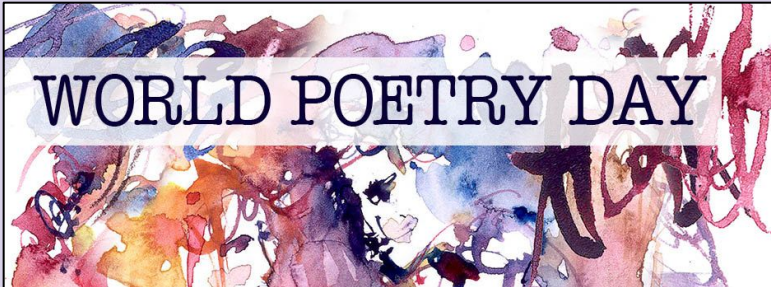
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WORLD POETRY DAY - TUESDAY 21ST MARCH

During the day Key Stage 3 students will be exploring the beauty and power of poetic language. In particular, students will be exploring how poets use language to convey important messages.



During English lessons, students will be reading Joseph Coelho's poem 'If All the World were Paper' to discuss how the poet conveys their feelings about relationships and friendships. Students will be given the opportunity to share their own interpretations of the poem and to also think about how the poem makes them feel. In addition, students will take part in creative tasks to show how they respond to the messages and emotions in the poem.

During period 5, all KS3 students will read the poem 'Dreams' by Langston Hughes. Students will be given time to explore the importance of dreams, ambitions and aspirations. As well as exploring the importance of dreams, students will be encouraged to appreciate the importance of poetry.

Poetry helps us understand the world and also gives us new views of the world. Poetry is so powerful because it allows people to express how they feel and can even inspire people to think differently.

Students will be encouraged to take part in the World Poetry Day competitions.

- Can they produce a piece of artwork that is inspired by one of the poems we have studied?
 - Can they write their own poem to express how they feel about their family or friends?
 - Can they write about someone who has inspired them?
- There will be prizes for the best entries!

FINALS - RUGBY REMINDER

Yorkshire Rugby Cup Finals will be held at Featherstone Rovers Ground on Thursday 30th March. Entry is cash only £3 adults and £1 for children

- Yr7 Outwood Academy Freeston v Archbishop Sentamu (Hull) 4pm Kick Off
- Yr9 Outwood Academy Freeston v Ryburn Valley High School (Calderdale) 6pm Kick Off

OFQUAL 2023 STUDENT GUIDE TO EXAMS

Ofqual has published its [2023 Student Guide](#) on this year's approach to exams. This explains the arrangements for assessments and exams in student-friendly language.

HAPPY HEALTHY HOLIDAYS

Wakefield Council are excited to announce that the booking website for the Easter Happy Healthy Holidays provision is live. This is to enable families to book activities running between the 3rd to 14th April 2023.

There are lots of activities on offer including dance, arts and crafts, day trips, sports activities, cooking, food and nutrition activities and much more!

Please use the information on this website to find out more information and whether your child is eligible: <https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/happy-healthy-holidays>



NCS - YEAR 11

This week Year 11 students have not only finished their mock exams but also had an exciting assembly from NCS.



The NCS programme offers young people, aged 15-17, a once in a lifetime opportunity to do something meaningful, as well as a chance to develop skills and take on new challenges that will set them up for adult life. See the letter on our website [here](#) or read more at wearencs.com

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