

Newsletter July 2023

### Respect



### **Celebrating our new King**

We had a great time celebrating the coronation of King Charles III with many exciting festivities in school. We had a KS3 Spelling Bee, won overall by Eddie in Year 9, although competitors in other year groups put up a valiant fight.







Year 7 students helped to plant a commemorative peace garden to celebrate the King's love of horticulture, there was a celebratory menu in the canteen, a design your own crown competition, a food bank collection and the highest achievement point winners took away their own specially minted coin!





#### **Ambition**

## **Mentor opportunities**

50 pupils in year 10 are being supported by a professional mentor to help them to plan for their futures. In collaboration with Brightside, the year 10 pupils were able to choose a mentor who best suited them who would then support them with their career choices and how to plan for their futures. The scheme is runs on an app system, and below are some Year 10 pupils getting to grips with how it works. What an opportunity!





## **Aspire Programme**

Year 10 students were also fortunate to meet with Catherine from Freemen's Community and Partnership to discuss bursaries for 6th form. We are so proud of this fantastic partnership.



### **Ambition**

### Read Like a Star

This half term has seen the launch of the TVLA #ReadLikeAStar programme, an exciting and innovative way to support our young people in their reading adventure. Pupils in all years can log in to their Readingwise account and complete at least 20 minutes of tasks to earn tokens. Tokens are then translated into some amazing prizes for our young people. The top 5 Readingwise winners receive a golden ticket which allows them to collect a prize and also have the chance to have hot chocolate and cakes with Miss Roberts. The end of term top prize is a Samsung Galaxy Tablet!



#### **Teamwork**



An extremely talented group of Year 7 & 8 girls competed in a dance competition and came second! Amazing achievement!

A selection of our Y9 boys placed 3rd in the Under 14's Rossendale Table Tennis competition. Well Done

### **Sporting Success**





Amazing work by the under 15's TVLA football team who played against Whitworth showing great resilience and teamwork.



Our very own , Abbie Bingham in year 10 playing for Lancashire County Cricket

### **Ambition**



We were so proud of all our students who were nominated for awards at the Star Awards. The celebration showed off the brilliant achievements of students across our Star schools. Two of our wonderful Year 9 students wowed the audience at the Star Awards with their musical performance. It was amazing to see such wonderful performances from our TVLA students.

### **Ambition**



Year 11

What a brilliant effort from our year 11 students, pushing hard to achieve their goals. They have gone above and beyond this year by attending additional revision sessions over the holidays, after school and also attending masterclasses on the mornings of their exams! Well done to you all. We are proud of all you have achieved during your time with us.



	Subject	Time	Staff	Room	Knowledge Focus			
Monday 29 May	Mathematics	9.30am-1.30pm	Dr C Njoku (Platinum - Higher)	Room 6	Mathematics Paper 2 (Calculator)			
			Mrs B Krauza (Star - Foundation)	Arts Theatre				
Tuesday 30 May	English	9.30am-1.30pm	Miss A Vali (Platinum)	Room 1	English Language, Paper 1: Section A & B			
			Mrs V Sabuda (Star)	Room 2				
			Mrs S Fowler (non-Star/Plat)	Arts Theatre				
Wednesday 31 May	Science	9.30am-12.00pm	Mrs N Crum (Foundation)	Arts Theatre	Biology Paper 2			
	**Mathematics	9.30am-12.00pm	Mr P Johnson	Room 6	Mathematics Paper 2 (Calculator)			
	History		Mrs S Ashworth	Room 30	History Paper 2			
	Geography	12.00pm-2.00pm	Mrs S Barlow	Room 31	Geography Paper 2			
Thursday 1 June	**YEAR 11 REWARD**							
Friday 2 June	French	10.00am-12.00pm	Mrs H Fowler	Room 2	Writing focus			

## **Teamwork**

## **Extra Curricular Clubs and Activities**

All students are invited to join our fantastic clubs. We have a range of activities for all interests. Clubs start at 3:10pm. Please speak to staff if you have any questions or if you would like to come and try something new.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Art	WOW club	Year 10/11 Art Club		Year 10/11 Art Club	
Music	Just Dance	Band Practice		Choir Practice	
Science	Science club KS3 KS4 revision club			1	
PE	Year 11 OCR Sports Studies Table Tennis Club Year 8 Football Year 9 Football	Trampolining Club Girls Football Badminton Club		Year 7, 8 & 9 Netball Club Year 7 Football Year 10 Football	Staff vs Year 11 Football
Library	Library club	掛體		Library club	
Newsletter		TVLA Newsletter	と問題		
DT				Resistant Materials STAR Bakers	3
IT		Coding Club			
Learning Support	Homework/ Lego C <mark>lu</mark> b Chess Club		N. E.	Homework/ Lego Club	
Maths		Maths Clinic KS4		Maths Club KS3	
English		Film club KS3		Poetry club Year 11 exam revision	
Humanities					History Club
Well-being				Student Well- being group	

#### **Rossendale Colour Run**

Our students had an amazing time at the Rossendale Colour run. There was a fantastic atmosphere and great fun was had by all involved. Just look at those smiling faces!







## **City of London Freemen's**

During the week long summer school initiative at City of London Freemen's, pupils from our school took advantage of the enrichment programme and participated in the annual Prize Giving Day. The Aspire Programme

supports pupils to secure places at prestigious boarding schools.





### **One Last Hurrah**

Following on from our brilliant Prom we had one last hurrah with our Y11 pupils to celebrate their time at TVLA. They enjoyed a fabulous day out at Blackpool Pleasure Beach. We look forward to welcoming year 11 and seeing their smiling faces on results' day (Thurs 24 August).



## **Terrific Technology**



Year 7 technology students have finished off their handmade note holders. Great work, guys - Some excellent results!





## Player of the Year

Gracie Millard, has been awarded Club player of the year for football. Well done to our own future STAR player.



### **Microclimate**

Year 7 have been out on the school grounds collecting microclimate data. This is part of National fieldwork fortnight project.



# **Work Experience**

Year 10 had a successful week on work experience where they worked hard to expand and deepen their knowledge, explore career opportunities and their networks.







## **Sports Day**

What a show! Well done to all of our students for taking part in Sports Day. There were some outstanding performances and it was great to see our students giving it their all and having so much fun.





## **Pride of Rossendale Awards**

On the 16th June we attended the Pride of Rossendale Awards and what a fantastic evening it was! Congratulations to everybody who was nominated and to those who won, we were blessed to be among some of the true heroes of Rossendale. TVLA coming away as runners up in 'The Supportive School of the Year' award.





# ReadingWise

Staff and pupils Drop Everything And Read each week. With the lovely weather, we thought we should take advantage and enjoy our reading in the sun.

Year 10 are our 'most improved' year group on progress made on ReadingWise, well done!

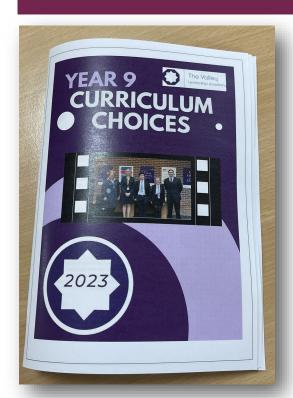


#### **Beacon School - Holocaust Education**

We are delighted to have become a part of #BeaconSchool2324 cohort family. TVLA is now a Beacon School for the Centre of Holocaust Education. We are delighted to offer support to a network of schools in making Holocaust Education a priority.



## **Options Evening**



It's an exciting time for our Year 9 students as they prepare to move up to Year 10. It was Wonderful to invite our pupils and parents to Options' Evening as they map out the next phase of their education, another step closer to their chosen career pathways.





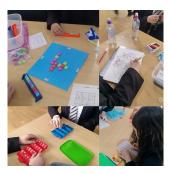


### **Careers**

A privilege to be hosted by our Star Academies Vice Chair and IN4 Group CEO, Mo Isap, who gave our pupils a truly inspirational talk on careers in cyber security, computer science, and the wider technology industry. We are excited to apply to be a Cyber First School.



### Wellbeing



We have continued to develop our wellbeing support in school, following the success of our dedicated wellbeing space. We have introduced boardgames during lunchtimes to encourage students to develop their friendships.





### **Parental Involvement**

A reminder that we are looking for new members of our PTFA. We would love to hear from you if you would like to support the school with community events, parent/carer social events, charity events and sporting events. Our parents/carers have so much to offer to enrich the school. Please get in touch if you would like to be part of our PTFA, or if you have any ideas for events or fundraising.

Contact: Beth Gallagher, Business Manager

beth.gallagher@thevalley.staracademies.org

### Parent Pay

Last September we introduced ParentPay to enable you to make all payments to school online and remove the need for your child to bring cash into school.

There is no longer the facility to bring cash in for school dinners. Please contact Mrs Gallagher on beth.gallagher@thevalley.staracademies.org if you would like support in setting up ParentPay.

#### **Class Charts**

If you would like live updates on your child's positive achievement points or negative behaviour points being awarded during the day, then please log into Class Charts.

Please contact school if you need details of how to login to this system. If you require any further information please contact your child's Head of Year.

### **School Uniform**

A polite reminder of uniform expectations:

- Blazer and jumper must both be worn
- Shirt and tie must be fastened to the top
- No trainer socks. Ankle socks, knee length socks or tights can be worn
- Skirt length must be appropriate for school or pupils may wear school trousers
- No false eyelashes or false nails
- One pair of earring studs only, no facial piercings
- Shoes, not trainers

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you are finding it difficult to source or fund any of the uniform items.