

# NEWSLETTER

20<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Resilience Honesty Respect Responsibility Aim High Team Spirit**



**Student Of The Week**

7LA	T.Parton	9LQ	M.Donnelly/M.Lawton/A.Roberts
7SA	L.Rose	10L	C.Tildsley
7CB	B.Metcalf	10RH	J.Neill
8MS	L.Stanley/A.Harris	11GG	L.Evans
8AC	L.Paton	11RS	A.Nicholls
8CL	J.Scales	11SC	H.Sheehan
9JO	K.Thomas		
9RF	L.Albertina		



## Ashley Action!



**Welcome back to school!** We hope you had a restful Easter break and are ready to settle back into your routines. There is plenty of work ahead of us this term, so let's focus and get back to our learning!

**Resilience Morning** Before the Easter holidays, students spent the morning building resilience through several focused tasks, including Hama bead making and other precision-based activities. These challenges required steady hands and patience, teaching students how to handle small mistakes without giving up. By staying calm and trying again, they practiced the mental grit needed to overcome setbacks.

**Mock interviews** Year 11 students took part in mock interviews before the holidays with local employers including Tarmac and Job Centre Plus. The students had spent some time in their lessons preparing for the interview and had spoken about the skills that they had developed such as team work skills through their D of E Award. The employers were very impressed with the students and gave them all feedback. Well done to all students who participated in this activity.

**Year 10 Uniformed Services** Students visited the local fire station to see what the job is really like. They explored the fire engines and equipment while learning about the teamwork and discipline needed to keep the community safe. It was a great way for them to see how their studies apply to a real-world career.

**Students recently spent time outdoors** making bird feeders to help support our local wildlife. By using a variety of materials and seeds, they created practical feeders designed to provide birds with a reliable food source. This activity was a great way for students to learn about nature conservation and the importance of caring for our environment

**We are so proud of our Home Cooking Skills students!** It's been wonderful seeing photos of their culinary creations from over the break. Sam served up a classic: a tasty ham and cheese omelette with fresh greens. Kyra and her brother Leon teamed up to treat their family to a beautiful Easter roast. Liam and Hayden kept the momentum going, with Liam practicing his precision chopping and Hayden perfecting his peeling skills. Seeing these practical skills being used so confidently at home is what it's all about. Keep up the great work, chefs!



## Skills Builder Challenge – Leadership

What do you think makes a good leader? Draw this person. Can you tell they are good leader from your drawing? Now think of a person you know, or have seen on the TV or a book, who is a good leader. Draw them. Do they look like your first drawing? What is it that makes this person a good leader? What qualities do they have?

