

# NEWSLETTER



12<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Resilience Honesty

Respect Responsibility

Aim High Team Spirit

Student  
of the Week



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## Student Of The Week

7LA	M.Brown	9LQ	M.Donnelly
7SA	B.Scales	10L	R.Bowen
7CB	L.Mercer	10RH	H.Winstanley
8MS	S.Hankin	11GG	L.Evans
8AC	L.Paton	11RS	M.Cole
8CL	F.Brinkley	11SC	J.Hallwood
9JO	T.Nadarajah		
9RF	J.Spruce/D.James/L.Albertina		



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## Ashley Action!

**Happy New Year!** We extend a warm welcome back to all our students and staff following the Christmas holidays. It's wonderful to have everyone back in the classrooms, energised and ready for learning. We are excited for the year ahead and wish every member of our community a rewarding and successful 2026!

**Air Fryer Essentials** Students used air fryers last term to whip up crispy chicken goujons and quesadillas, focusing on both speed and safety. After assembling their wraps, they used digital food probes to verify that the internal temperature had reached 75°C, ensuring every meal was cooked to perfection. It was a great session combining modern kitchen tech with vital food hygiene skills.

**Staying Safe Online: Jenny's Story** Students in 7CB explored the importance of digital safety through the cautionary tale of "Jenny's Story." The class discussed the hidden dangers of the internet, focusing on a scenario where "Jenny" chatted with a stranger she believed was a girl her own age. Students learned how easily individuals can pretend to be someone they are not to ask personal questions and gain trust. This vital session empowered our Year 7s to use the internet positively while remaining vigilant about protecting their personal information.

**Savory Success in the Kitchen** Before the Christmas holidays, Jamie and Liam impressed everyone by making authentic, handmade samosas for their Home Cooking Skills assessment. The pair showed great skill in mastering the tricky folding technique and balancing traditional spices for a perfectly seasoned filling. Their golden-brown results were a highlight of the session, showcasing both their technical progress and their passion for international flavors. Well done to both students on a delicious achievement!

**Helping Birds Survive the Winter** As part of their gardening coursework, our students have been helping local wildlife stay well-fed this winter. The class made natural bird feeders by coating pine cones in butter and rolling them in birdseed. These handmade treats provide the high energy and fat birds need to stay warm and healthy during the freezing weather. It was a great way for students to learn about nature and play a part in keeping our local birds healthy and active!

**Construction Update** Excited students gathered at the safety perimeter before the holidays to witness a milestone in the school's extension, watching with fascination as concrete mixers poured the foundations that will support our new classrooms.



## Skills Builder Challenge – Listening

Listen carefully as someone tells you a short story or reads one out loud. Now, try to put the events of the story in the correct order, or retell the story in your own words.



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