

# Newsflash

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# Droylsden Academy is a good school

IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

# A Storm is coming!

In Geography, students learnt how tropical storms are created by stepping outside and becoming a living, breathing typhoon!



Starting as individual thunderstorms, students then moved together to coalesce as small cyclonic systems before all joining together to form a full-blown cyclone rotating around **Lora Petrova** who was the 'eye of the storm'!



The students acting as 'shear winds' were unable to break up the cyclone and couldn't prevent the storm reaching Category 5 before making landfall just outside Mr Jackson's classroom!

## Year 8 Football

Congratulations to the Year 8 B Team who came runners-up in a tournament held at St Damian's last week. The tournament, involving 8 schools, was a great opportunity for Year 8 squad players to represent the Academy and they did not disappoint! The team topped their group following a 1-0 victory over St Damian's, thanks to a goal from **Harlow Robinson-Green**, a 2-0 victory over Copley, with a goal from **Woody Darbyshire** and an own goal, and a 0-0 draw with Alder Community High School. Unfortunately, the team went on to lose the final 1-0 in a very tight game against Laurus Ryecroft. Well done to everyone involved, you played some great football and did the Academy proud!

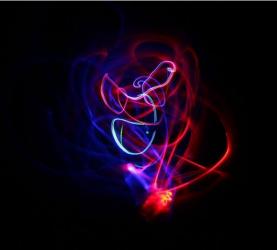
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# Photography

The Year 10 GCSE Photography Group have been learning about long exposure shots and have explored the technique of light painting for the first time, inspired by some of the original light painters including Picasso, John Hesketh and Gjon Mii.

Thank you to **Demi-Leigh Bellis** for submitting this edit from her Portfolio in which she has experimented with 'hot and cool' colours!



# **Food and Nutrition**

This week, Year 10 have been making structures with sugar! Next week, they hope to make a lifesize model of the Eifell Tower!



# **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Mr Connolly who has been appointed as House Leader for Saxon House.



# **Saxon House**

Our House Motto Is "**Together we make a great** team".

New head of Saxon house is Mr Connolly

#### Aims

Increase extra-curricular participation across the Academy. Allow for more opportunities for cultural capital e.g., school trips

More opportunities for charity work across the academy Ensuring students have the ability to perform and achieve all four character pillars.

# Our chicks are hatching!

We have welcomed four new members into the Droylsden Academy family so far this week as the eggs in our hatchery start to hatch out! As you would expect, there has been a lot of interest in our furry, but soon to be feathered, friends and everyone is keen to watch their progress as they start their lives at our school! We will be naming them soon so watch this space.....



Great learning through politeness, honesty and hard work

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to **Cody Phythian** from Year 7, **Sophie Dean** from Year 8, **Jaaziah Cowan** from Year 10 and **Fatima Kareme** from Year 11 who have all been nominated as Student of the Week.



Cody has been nominated by the Science Department for his excellent contribution when the group covered the topic on 'Food Chains'. His responses and explanations during the feedback session showed a clear understanding of the work covered and helped other members of the class in their understanding too. Well done Cody!

Sophie has been nominated by the Maths Department as she is working really hard and making good progress. Sophie will always ask for help if she needs it and is never afraid to tackle the more difficult questions, even if it means making a mistake. Sophie has also worked hard on Sparx, always completing her homework and XP Boost, which has placed towards the top of the Class Leader Board. Well done Sophie, your hard work, resilience and positive attitude are paying off and you really deserve to do well.

Jaaziah has been nominated by the English Department as he has worked exceptionally well on his GCSE English Course. Jaaziah consistently produces work to a very high standard that shows a deep and thoughtful understanding and analysis of texts that we have studied. Keep up the hard work Jaaziah!

Fatima has been nominated by the Maths Department as she is working very hard, both in the classroom and at home, in preparation for her forthcoming GCSE examinations. Fatima is not afraid to ask questions in class to clarify her understanding and her determination to succeed is evident in her improved scores in the practice exam papers she has taken. Fatima is also a strong team member and often explains concepts to her peers, which proves she has strong mathematical knowledge. Keep up the hard work Fatima and the very best of luck with your exams!

Congratulations also go to **Dexter Adams** from Year 7, **Priscilla Joel** from Year 9 and **Callum Foster** from Year 10 who have all been nominated as Humanitarians of the Week by the Humanities Department.



Dexter has been nominated by the Geography Department for completing an excellent extended piece of written work; Priscilla has been nominated by the History Department for producing an excellent essay on the dropping of the first atomic bomb, which referenced extensive evidence from a range of sources; and Callum has been nominated by the RE Department for his contribution to lessons as a great Philosopher who is keen to share his views and understanding with the group. Well done and thank you Dexter, Priscilla and Callum!

# GCSE COUNTDOWN

Year 11, we would like to wish you all the very best for your GCSE examinations. We hope that they have started well and that, with continued hard work and thorough preparation and revision, you will have met and exceeded your target grades when you open your results envelope in August.



The timetable below shows the revision sessions that will be running during the half term holiday. Please ensure that you attend the sessions for those subjects that you take.

	Morning	Afternoon
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Geography 9.30 – 12.00	
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> May		
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	History 9.30 – 12.00	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Design Technology 9.30 – 12.00	

#### **UPDATE FROM THE CATERING TEAM**

## And next week we will be serving...

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meat	Chilli Con Carne &	Beef Lasagne,	Roast Dinner	Spaghetti	Fish Finger Butty
Option	Rice	Veg or Salad		Bolognaise	& Chips
Vegetarian	Quorn Spaghetti	Mac 'N' Cheese	Veggie Roast	Cheese & Onion	Veggie Burger,
Option	Bolognaise		Dinner	Pie and Mash	Chips & Beans
Lighter Bites	Jacket Potato &	Jacket Potato &	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato &	Jacket Potato &
	Filling	Filling	& Filling	Filling	Filling



We also have a 'Grab & Go' Menu. The Menu for next week is:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Fish Fingers on a	Giant Hotdog	A large slice of Pizza	Spicy Beef in a	Pepperoni &
Bun			Wrap	Cheese Quesadilla

Finally, we also have a Menu for the meals we serve from the Pod. The Menu for next week is:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken, Rice &	BBQ Pasta Bake	Chilli Beef Pin	Mac & Cheese	Fried Chicken, Chips
Curry Sauce		Wheel & Salad		& Corn

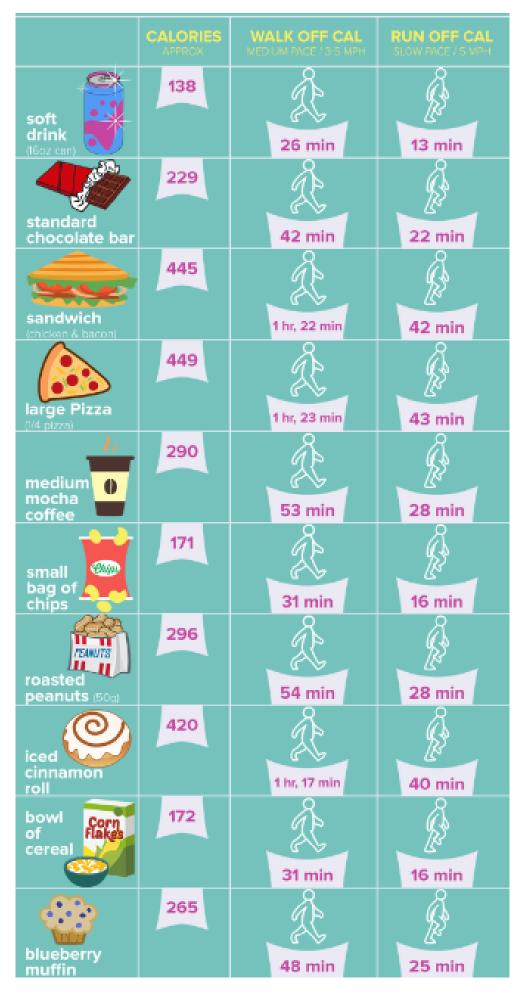
## 'Foodie Facts'!



Each week, the Catering Team will be giving us a few 'Foodie Facts' so that we know a little more about what we eat and understand the importance of a balanced and healthy diet.

Over the last couple of weeks, we have looked at the energy, or the number of calories or kilojoules, that we need in a day. We also know that any calories that are left over at the end of the day are turned into fat and stored for another day.

This week we will have a look at how quickly you can use up or 'burn' the energy in different portions of food by walking or running. If you look at the table below you can see that you would need to walk for 1 hour and 23 minutes, or run for 43 minutes, to use up the 449 calories of energy in a quarter of a large Pizza! How long would you have to walk or run for if you ate all of a large Pizza?

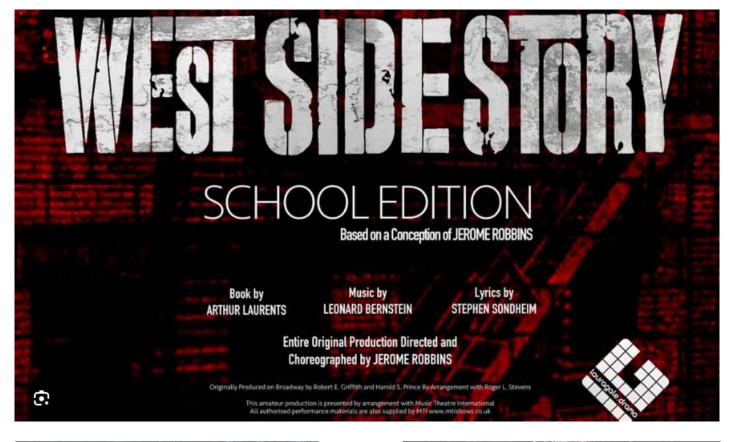


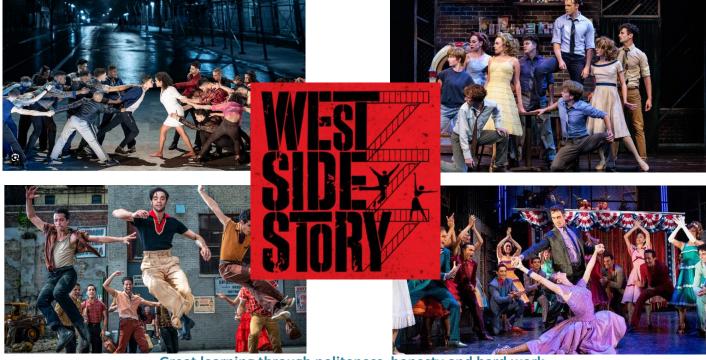
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## **The Grand Announcement!**

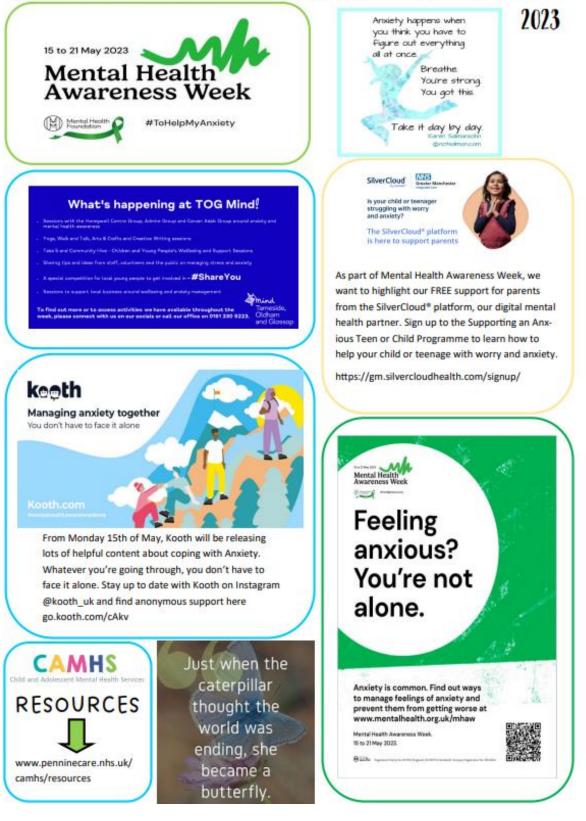
# The Academy Production for the Academic Year 2023 to 2024 will be West Side Story!

Auditions to start this week!





# SINGLE POINT OF ACCESS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK



# **Online Safety**



The Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver Expeditions will take place over the weekend of Friday 26<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May.

The Academy will break up for the May Half Term Holiday on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT A CAREER IN TEACHING?





If so, why not **'Train to Teach'** with us here at **The Tame River Teaching & Curriculum Institute** through School Direct in partnership with the everyonelearning@ Hawthorns Kingfisher , Tame River Teaching and Curriculum Institute.

We are currently recruiting for **Biology**, **Chemistry**, **Physics**, **English**, **Geography**, **History**, **Maths**, **PE** with Ebacc, Art, RE, Computer Science and MFL.

School Direct allows Trusts and schools to request training places directly, select the ITE (Initial Teacher Education) provider of teacher training they want to work with and agree the content and focus of the training, in line with national standards for teachers.

Our new Trust, Tame River Educational Trust, plays host to training and placements in very strong schools (Mossley Hollins High School, Ofsted Outstanding, and Droylsden Academy, Ofsted Good) and we are working in partnership with other schools in Tameside. Bursaries are available!

For further information please contact e.duggan@tret.org.uk https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/explore-my-options Apply here <u>https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-teacher-training Course Provider Code 2A1</u> Term Holiday on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

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# We have names!

We are delighted to announce that our four new friends are called:

Chikitika Beaky Blinder Pineapple The Good Chick Droylsden

