

Spring Newsletter 2024

First and Middle Schools Gymnastics Tumbling Competition

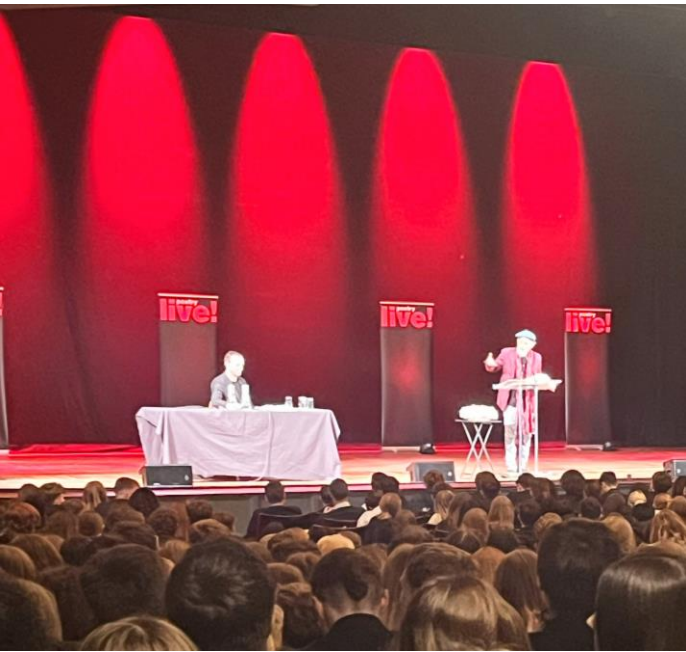
Friday 22nd March 2024



Today FUS hosted just over 200 students from local first and middle schools in a gymnastics tumbling competition. Our FUS students helped to welcome pupils to the competition, help warm them up, cheer them on and provide support and encouragement throughout the day. Some of our students helped with the more central roles of judging the competitors and also being mat officials. It was lovely to see so many local schools competing and coming together for such a large event. Well done to our 18 gymnastics sports leaders – the event could not have run without you!

Elliot Coles	Judge
Charlie Tompkins	Judge
Nate Bassiouni	Judge
Elizabeth Lord	Mat Official
Amelia Fancini	Mat Official
Finley Gilbert	School leader / manager
Charlotte Hughes	School leader / manager
Abi Middleton	School leader / manager
Evie Middleton	School leader / manager
Eloise King	School leader / manager
Hunter Eaglesham	School leader / manager
Charlotte Geary	School leader / manager
Anabel Edem	School leader / manager
Liv Warner	School leader / manager
Katy Leach	School leader / manager
Layla Williams	School leader / manager
Hannah Buss	School leader / manager
Millie Moss Holland	School leader / manager





What has been happening in English this term?

- ▶ Vouchers were rewarded Literature Bingo quest winners and our past paper submission winners
- ▶ Year 9 had the opportunity to enter BBC's Young Reporter competition
- ▶ Doughnuts were distributed to all Year 11s in their final lesson before half-term
- ▶ Year 11s went to Bournemouth Pavilion to meet famous poets at Poetry Live
- ▶ Students took part in an English Language Revision Workshop
- ▶ A GCSE Pod competition took place in the lead up to mock exams
- ▶ Our infamous Easter 'Pass with Pizza' revision evening launched





Year 12/13 English Literature Trip

On Friday, 15th March a group of year 12/13 English Literature students went to London to watch a performance of 'The Duchess of Malfi' by John Webster. The students were right next to the stage in an authentic Jacobean style theatre that was lit with over 100 candles. It was a fantastic performance of Webster's revenge tragedy and invaluable preparation for their A-level exams!



Heroes and Villains World Book Day 2024

World Book Day 's theme this year at FUS was “Heroes & Villains” , in connection to our Inter-House challenge, which celebrated reading and the heroes of our time.

For 6 weeks, our Houses have allied and divided into two teams: *Team Heroes* (Ashton House and Thornton House) and *Team Villains* (Read House and Cheetham House) to compete in a series of challenges such as quizzes, poster competitions, games and riddles, in exchange for prizes and a bounty of 500 praise points for the winners of the final mission.

From *Minions* to *Traitors*, from *Dr Who* to *Captain America*, 40 tutor groups participated in the interactive finale of our H&V Challenge, following maps around school to find clues, solving riddles, and working as a team.

In the end, *Team Villains* won and got away with the big prize. Well done to **11R/AHA** and **11C/EA** in particular for being the first groups to bring the victory to your Houses. **12A/SSP** and **11T/EE** followed very closely and made their Houses proud too. Everyone did their best and had a great time.

We also celebrated reading with *Book in a Day*. Every lesson, students watched a new episode of a series of videos where our fabulous teachers read passages from their favourite heroes in literature.

Finally, in our Reading Hub, we held a costume competition for students and staff. Additionally, everyone had the chance to borrow props, masks and costumes to take fun pictures at our photo booth, and played some interactive games, embracing the hero within.

Year 12 Emergency First Aid at Work Qualification



On Tuesday 5th March our Year 12 double and triple sports students were put through their paces by Brett, our first aid trainer and learnt a whole host of new first aid skills to add them in their Unit 4 working safely in sport unit. They studied everything from CPR, to choking, to how to use an EPI pen and defibrillator correctly. The course was very practical and the students left the course feeling confident that they could deal with an emergency if needed.

Well done to all the students involved - they learnt many new skills and should be proud of themselves!



Cooking enrichment

In one of our enrichment options students have learnt to bake bread, make pizza's and other recipes including these amazing Victoria Sponge cakes!

Congrats to Jake S who won star baker!

8-17 March

British Science Week 2024


To celebrate British science week – we held a 'protect the egg' competition.

Students worked in teams to produce a protective casing for their egg, before it was dropped from a height.

The images show some of the designs.



FUS Takes Boys Seriously - Spring Term



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AND THANK YOU
FOR LISTENING



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- ▶ We have had some fantastic experiences this term for our boys
- ▶ Ben Mercer has returned to talk to our boys about the Old Man and the Sea - our group read for this term
- ▶ Shaun Flores has visited to speak to our boys about body image and masculinity
- ▶ A group of our boys are going on a 4 day Sailing residential to experience life on the seas!
- ▶ And this is just the start - summer term will see the launch of our rowing and boxing academies, working with a local Gym about healthy fitness habits and undoubtedly the return of Ben, Shaun and Nick from this year!





Stage-Ed comes to Ferndown to work with Y10 & Y11 Drama GCSE students on their set text Blood Brothers – Jan 2024

The Government Inspector



SPLENDID PRODUCTIONS AT POOLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

DRAMA STUDENTS IN YEAR 10 & 13 WATCHED THE PLAY AND HAD AN ACTOR'S MASTERCLASS WITH SPLENDID PRODUCTIONS – MARCH 2024



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A DRAMA CLUB PERFORMANCE - 6TH FEBRUARY 2024

Planetarium Visits FUS

On the 21st and 22nd of March Y9 and Y10 spent some time from their day in the planetarium dome.

Y9 had a session on space, space travel and what is in the universe.

Y10 had a session on cells and evolution.

The sessions were thoroughly enjoyed by students!
It is always great when we get Simon from Space Odyssey in!



Food Bank

Thank you for all your help and support, 7 trollies of food was sent to Ferndown Food Bank.



The school have also donated packs of drinks

