



The Pleckgate Weekly

Jujitsu success for Husain!

Congratulations to Husain in Year 9, who recently took part in the Southend International Jujitsu Course and Competition, competing against participants from France, the USA, Belgium and across the UK.

Husain, a green belt, demonstrated exceptional skill, determination and creativity throughout the event.

Competitors were challenged to create and perform their own routines using techniques they had learned in Jujitsu, showcasing both their technical ability and originality.

Adding to the challenge, Husain turned 14 on the day of the competition, meaning he moved into a new age category and competed against participants aged 14-17. Despite this, he achieved an incredible result, winning two silver medals.

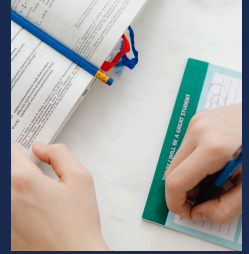
Reflecting on the experience, Husain said: "It was such a diverse competition with different categories. I am so proud of my achievements."



Year 11 GCSE exams continue

As the GCSE examination season continues, we would like to wish all of our Year 11 pupils the very best of luck with their upcoming exams.

Pupils have worked incredibly hard throughout their time at Pleckgate and are now entering the final stages of their examinations.



Upcoming examinations include:

8 June – Biology and Further Maths

9 June – Spanish Listening and Spanish Reading

10 June – Maths Paper 3 and Design Technology

11 June – Geography

12 June – Chemistry, Portuguese Writing, Statistics and Hospitality & Catering

This is a crucial period for our Year 11 pupils, and we encourage them to maintain positive routines, get plenty of rest and continue to seek support from their teachers where needed.

Celebrating our Stars of the Week

We are proud to celebrate the following pupils as our Stars of the Week:

Year 7: Aaminah, Haider, Aisha

Year 8: Reyhan, Mohammed Adyaan, Inaaya

Year 9: Mahnoor, Muskan, Darakhshan

Year 10: Zaara, Zara, Ameerah



Staff Spotlight: Finance Assistant

Mrs Eccles is an integral member of the Pleckgate team, working behind the scenes to ensure the smooth running of many aspects of school life.

As our Finance Assistant, she works closely with parents to support them with payments through the ParentPay app and is often on hand to answer any queries they may have.

No two days are ever the same in the Finance Office. Mrs Eccles manages school finances, including orders, invoicing and payments, supports staff with budget queries, helps organise educational visits and transport, assists with school events and even contributes to site improvements and room design projects.



When asked what she enjoys most about working at Pleckgate, Mrs Eccles highlighted the flexibility of school holidays and, most importantly, the opportunity to help and support colleagues, parents and pupils every day.

Mrs Eccles' top budgeting tip for pupils is to keep track of all monthly outgoings and tick them off as they leave your account so you can see exactly how much money you have left to spend.

STEM Club gets creative with robotics

Our STEM Club pupils have been busy working on an exciting robotics project, combining creativity, engineering and problem-solving skills to bring their ideas to life.

The challenge was to design and create a robot based on a creative concept. Many pupils chose to build simple sketching robots capable of drawing shapes using sensors, microcontrollers and servo motors. Others took a different approach, stretching the definition of a robot to create helpful and friendly machines.

Throughout the project, pupils demonstrated excellent teamwork, resilience and innovation as they developed and refined their designs.



Well done to all of our STEM Club members for producing such fantastic ideas and creative designs. We look forward to seeing what they invent next!

Key dates this term

Anti-Bullying Ambassador Training
Wednesday 10 June

A Taste of Pleckgate Event
Thursday 11 June

Houses of Parliament Trip
Friday 12 June

Year 10 trip to Mahlam
Monday 15 June to Friday 19 June

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