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Student Newsletter

Friday 23rd October 2026



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NATIONAL GCSE IMPROVEMENT AWARD

Abbot Beyne School

TOP 5%

for year-on-year Attainment 8 improvement

among all eligible state-funded mainstream secondary schools in England

2026 provisional GCSE results

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NATIONAL GCSE CONTEXTUAL IMPROVEMENT AWARD

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among schools with over 30% disadvantaged pupils in the 2026 KS4 cohort

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National School Attendance Award

2025/26 Academic Year



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Top 10% Most Improved FFT Secondary Schools in England

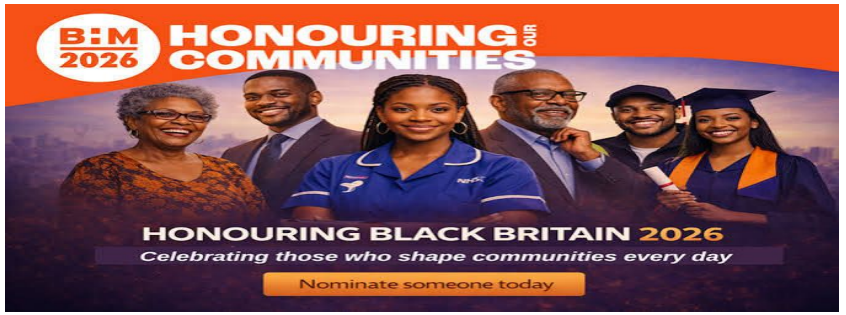
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Key Stage 3 Update



Top Positive Points: 12th - 18th October

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
1st Lennox G	1st Michelle M	1st Cian S
2nd Jack B	2nd = Ella Rose H Paige H	2nd = Scarlett B Maciej M
3rd = Isaballe E Matilda K Evie R Beatrix W	3rd = RJ T Eva W	3rd = Fatimah A Ismaeel A Mohammed Al Yehor K Luna W



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Attendance Matters



Attend school regularly, attend school punctually, attend school prepared!

Every Day Counts

Regular school attendance is key to success. Every day in school gives students the opportunity to learn, make progress, build friendships and develop skills for the future. Missing lessons can make it harder to keep up, so we encourage all students and families to make attendance a priority. If there are any barriers to attending school, please speak to us so we can work together to help. **Every day matters, every lesson counts.**

Key Stage 4 Update

Year 11 Assessment Week – Well Done

A huge well done to our Year 11 students for the way they approached their assessment week.

We have been incredibly proud to see the resilience, respect and determination shown by our students throughout the week. They have worked hard, stayed focused and demonstrated a positive attitude towards their learning.

Assessment week is an important opportunity to recognise strengths, identify areas for improvement and prepare for the challenges ahead. The maturity and commitment shown by our Year 11s have been fantastic to see.

Keep up the hard work, Year 11 – every step counts towards your success!.

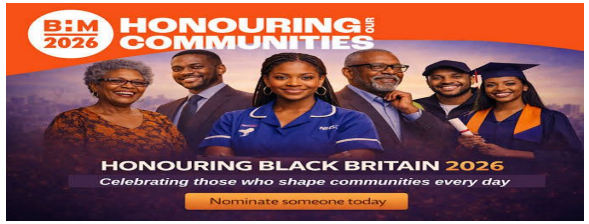


Year 10
A Fantastic Start in Linnell!

We are delighted with how well our Year 10 students have settled into Linnell!

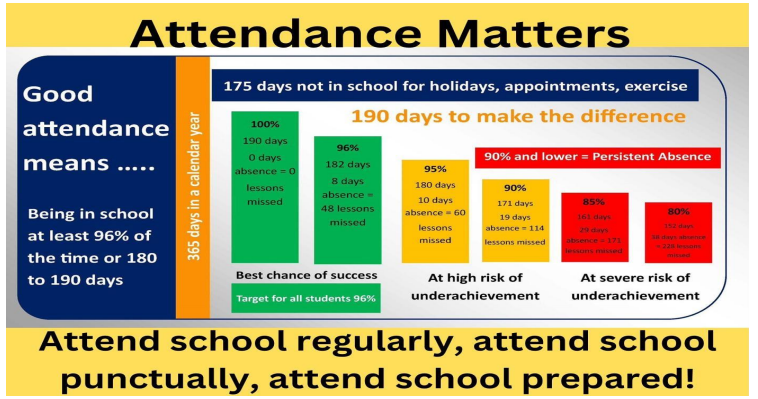
They have made a positive start, showing great maturity, responsibility and respect in their approach to school life. It has been wonderful to see them embracing their learning, making the most of their opportunities and setting a positive example for others.

Well done, Year 10. Keep up the fantastic work – we are proud of the way you are rising to the challenge and taking responsibility for your success.



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Social Studies

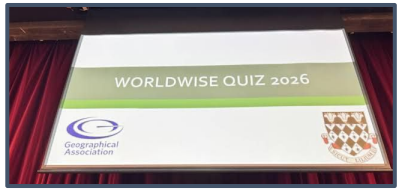
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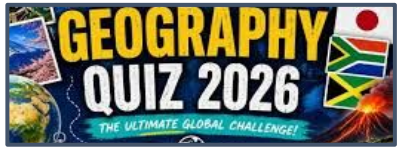
Our A level Super Curricular Geography in 2026 continues. We were back at ***Staffordshire University*** for an evening lecture by the Geographical Association. Students thoroughly enjoyed the talk by Dr Tory Milner from Keele University titled 'River Systems: the good, the bad and the ugly. Tory is an industry expert in hydrology and sustainable river ecosystems.







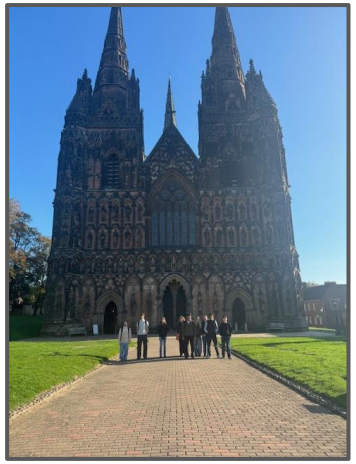


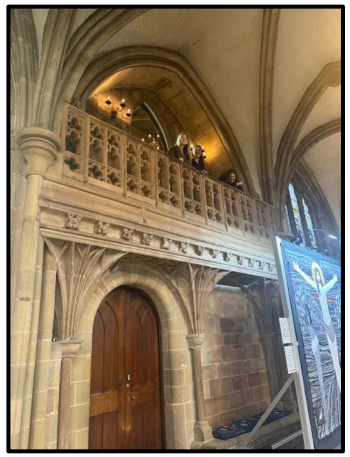


Calling Great Geographers. Are you knowledgeable about flags and capital cities.? We are looking for Geographers to join the Worldwise Quiz and GA Olympiad. These are national geography competitions. If you are interested email M Stafford

History

On October 14th, as part of their British History course Year 13 History students visited Lichfield to investigate the impact of the English Civil War on Lichfield. Lichfield was an important location during the Civil War and it was held under siege on three occasions.





Citizenship

Year 11 citizenship students have been putting their knowledge into practice. Students have been working on tackling a social issue that affects our community. Projects have ranged from addressing racism, after school activities and facilities for young people. They have completed research and then used this to inform the actions they have taken. Actions have ranged from writing letters to Mr Tickle and the local MP, presentations for younger year groups and posters. Students have learnt the best ways to try and improve the society that we live in.

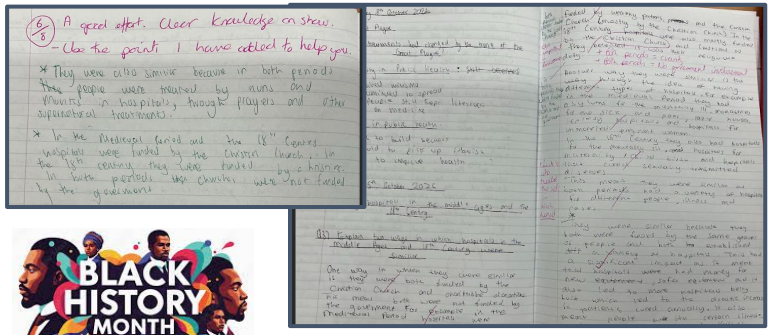
CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

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History

Year 11 History students have been working on their exam technique by completing questions based on the Britain Health and the People unit. Once marked, students were asked to use the feedback and the markscheme to develop their answers using green pen.

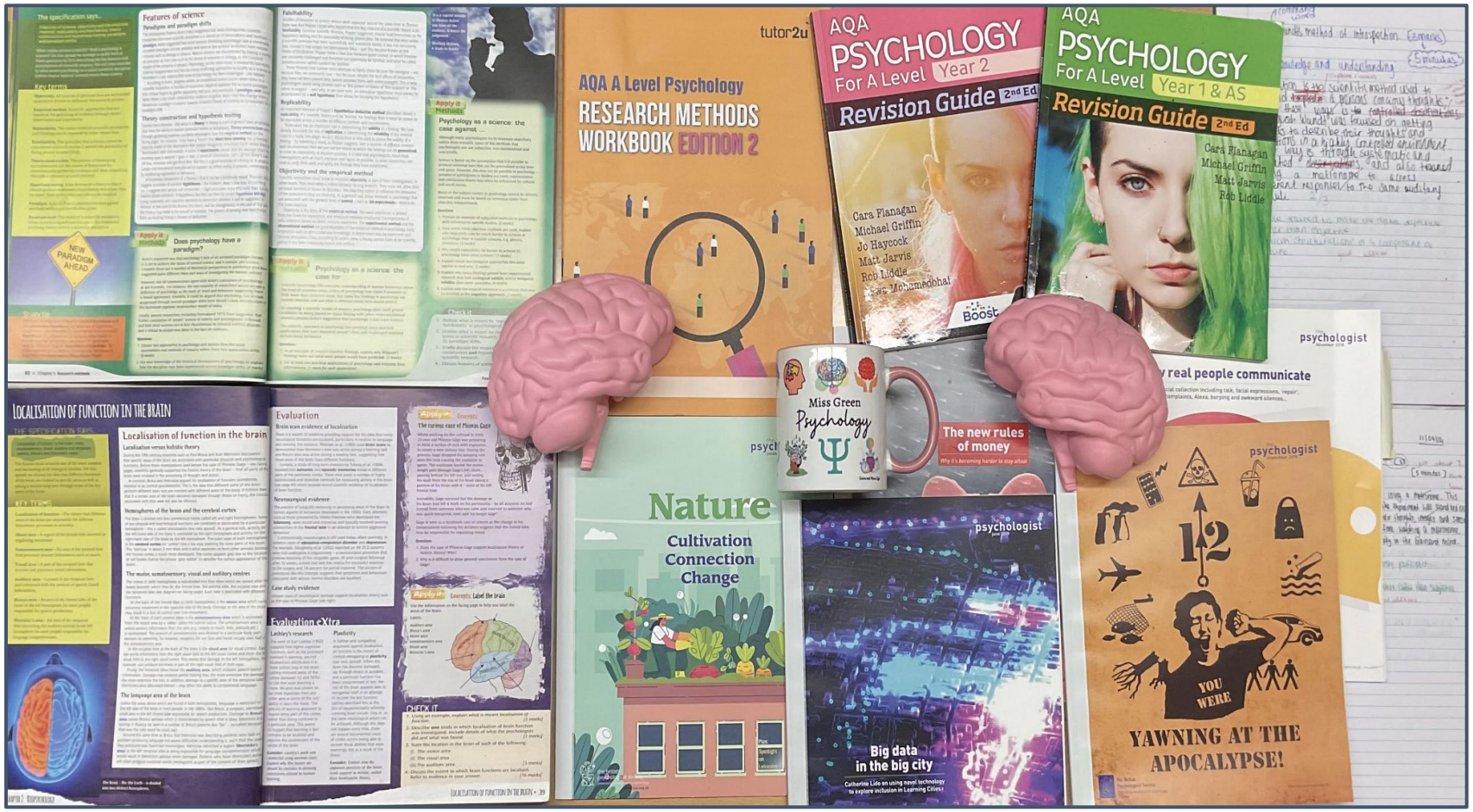


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Psychology

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for A level Psychology at Open Evening. Our Year 13 students, Grace and Mollie, shared their experiences of the subject, showcasing its diverse appeal, from biology and neuroscience to memory, mental health and human behaviour. Their insights highlighted how Psychology combines scientific research with real-world questions to explore what makes us think, feel and behave the way we do. I look forward to welcoming our future psychologists next year.

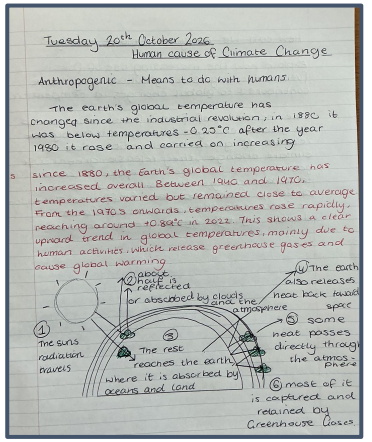


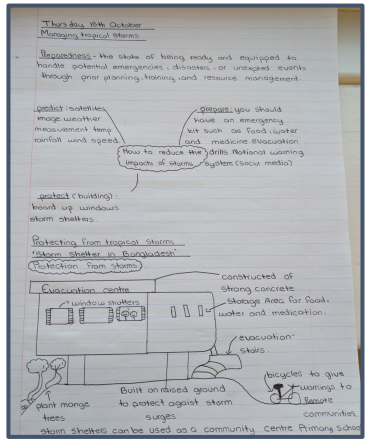
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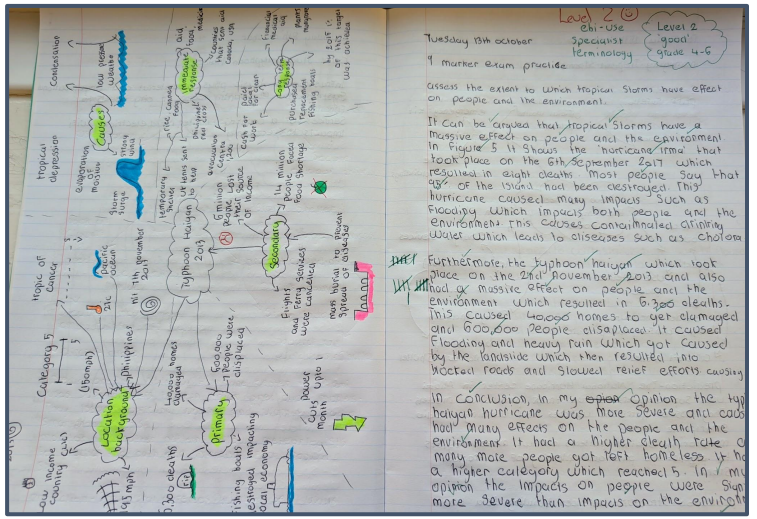
Happy Halloween

ONWARD TOGETHER

Geography







Post 16 Sixth Form at Abbot Beyne School

Upcoming dates:

Wednesday 4th November - Year 12 Road Safety presentation

Wednesday 11th November - Year 13 visit to Othello and Year 12 Let's Get Down to Business visit.

Friday 13th November - Year 12 Derby University Visit

Wednesday 2nd December - Year 13 Road Safety presentation



Alton Towers SCAREFEST



It can be difficult to cope with everything going on at once in our lives but support is available to you in school or from other services.

Shout – 24/7 text service - https://giveusashout.org/
Young Minds - https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/
The Mix - https://www.themix.org.uk/

shout 85258 here for you 24/7

YOUNGMiNDS fighting for young people's mental health

Dress code reminder: The overall standard is "**smart casual".** Students are expected to dress in an appropriate manner at all times. This includes:

- No offensive slogans or football shirts
- No low cut or short tops
- No short shorts or short skirts
- No tattoos, midriffs or excessive flesh on show

Awards and Recognition

Sixth Form Students of the Week

Each week students of the week from the previous week will be celebrated on the newsletter here. You can earn student of the week in the following faculties:

Innovation - Yuri O

Performance - Amelia H and Sam B

Social Studies - Mariya I and Danielle D

Communications - Rosa B

Enterprise - Eleanor M

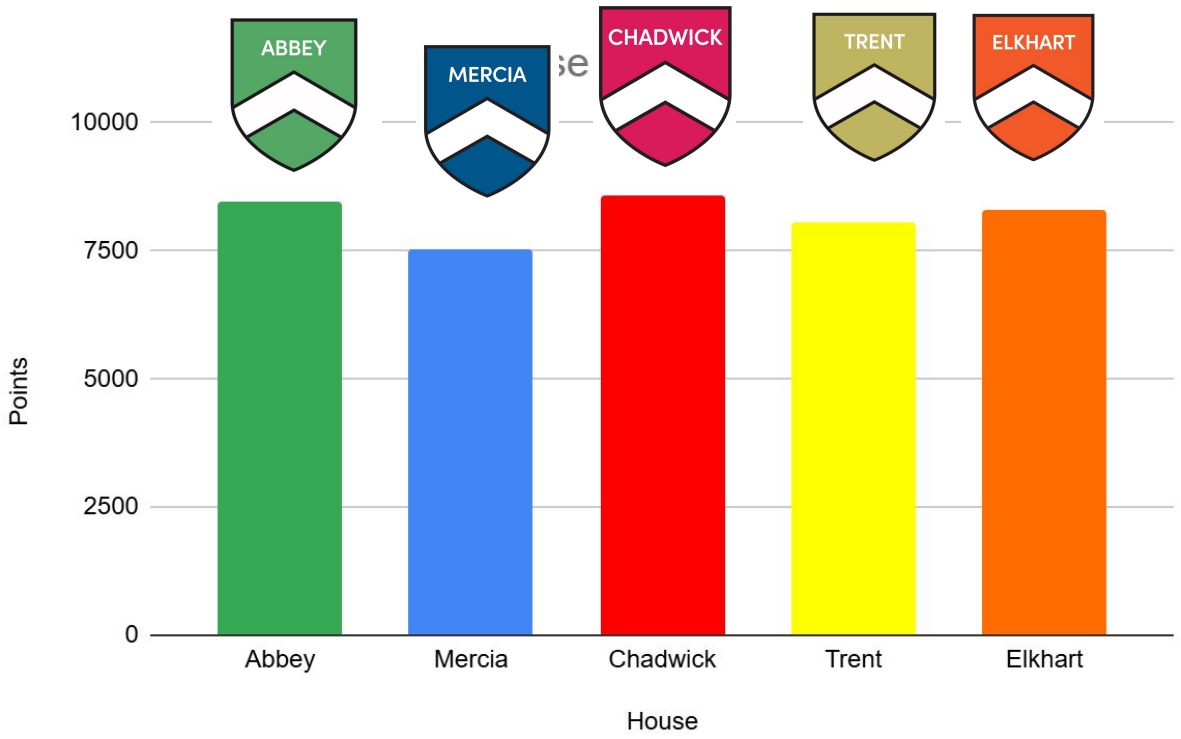
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Why go anywhere else?
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Which House is going to win the House points competition this year?

Chadwick maintain a slim lead over Abbey, but Abbey are closing the gap.

Mercia are trailing behind in last place. Come on Mercia - can you catch up by next week?



LEADERSHIP TEAM

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The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

🏕️ Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award – Sign Up Now

Would you like your child to take part in the **Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award**? The deposit is now available to pay via ParentPay.

The total cost of the award is **£260**, which covers:

- DofE welcome pack
- Activity provider fees for two weekends
- Campsite fees
- DofE hoodie
- Group equipment hire
- Spork and survival bag
- Transport

The award is a fantastic opportunity for students to develop independence, resilience, teamwork and confidence while taking part in new challenges and outdoor adventures.

Please complete the deposit payment via ParentPay if you would like your child to participate.



🏕️ Why Take Part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award?

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is a fantastic opportunity to challenge yourself, try new experiences and develop skills for life!

✅ **Build confidence and independence**
✅ **Develop teamwork and leadership skills**
✅ **Improve resilience and problem-solving**
✅ **Learn new skills and support your community**
✅ **Enjoy outdoor adventures and make lasting memories**
✅ **Gain an achievement to add to your CV and college applications**

Challenge yourself. Discover your potential. Create memories that last a lifetime! 💪

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🏕️ Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award – Sign Up Now

Would you like your child to take part in the **Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award**? The deposit is now available to pay via ParentPay.

The total cost of the award is **£330**, which covers:

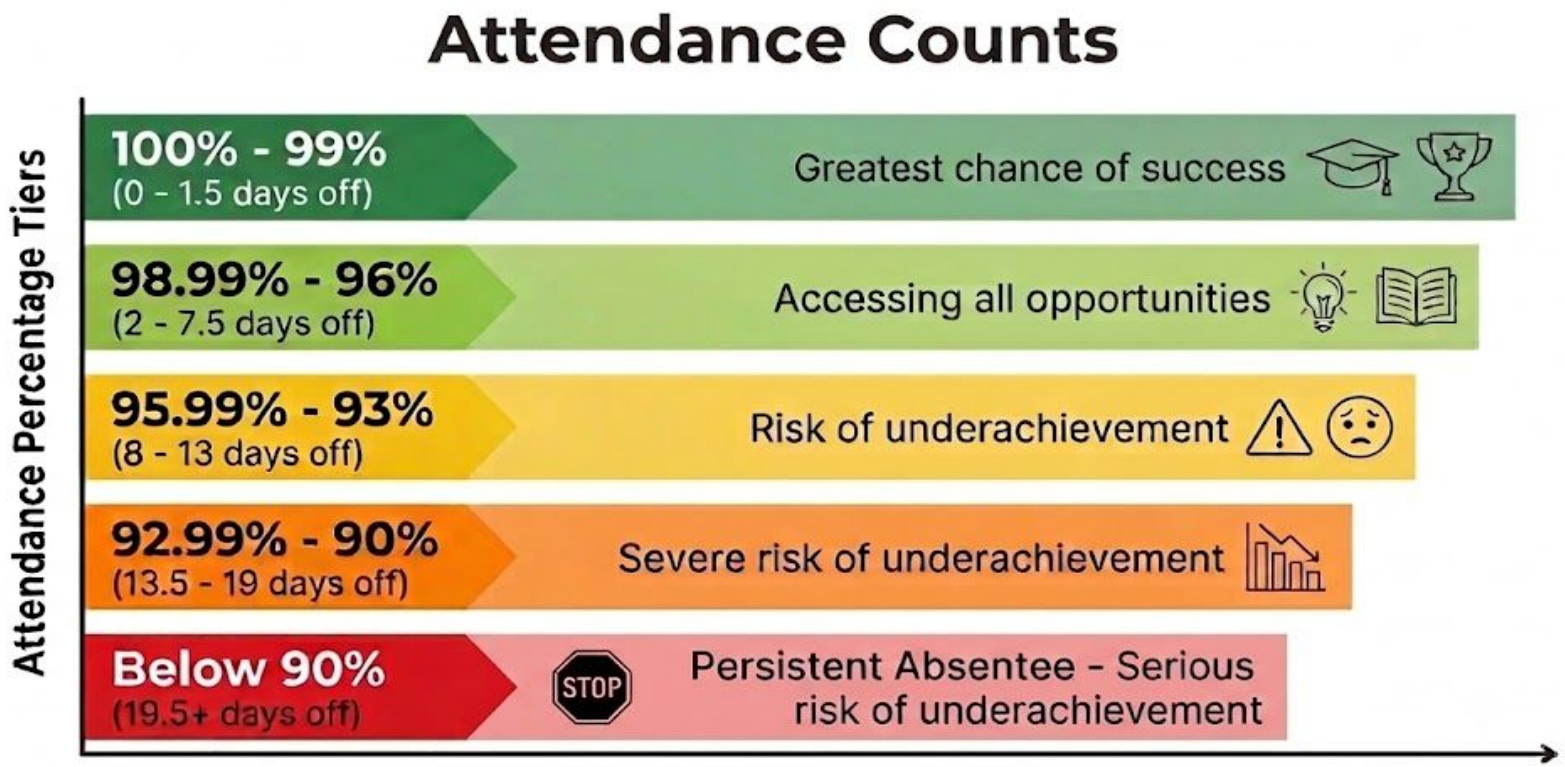
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Attendance

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Best Form (last week)	7E	8E	9D	10E	11A
Best Form (year to date)	7A	8E	9D	10E	11B



Best Year in Whole School (Last Week)

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Best Year in Whole School (YTD)

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CAREERS

Rail Foundation Apprenticeship At East Midlands Railway

I'm so proud and happy to share that applications are now open for the first-ever Rail Foundation Apprenticeship.

This is a fantastic opportunity for young people to take their first steps into the railway industry and no previous railway experience is needed.

If you work with young people, whether you're a teacher, careers adviser, youth worker or someone who supports young people into employment, please share this opportunity with your networks. You could help someone take the first step towards an exciting career.

⭐ Closing date: Sunday 1 November
⭐ Info sessions: 27 Oct (12:30) or 28 Oct (18:00), on Teams - Register through the advert.
⭐ More Info & to Apply: https://lnkd.in/ea5i5Vee

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Job Vacancy at East Midlands Railway: Rail Foundation Apprenticeship

jobs.eastmidlandsrailway.co.uk

Library News

Evershed LRC Top Borrowers for October 2026

Bert H (Year 7)

Luna D (Year 7)

Isabelle E (Year 7)

Zaynab A (Year 7)

All of these students have received positive points.

Look out for a reminder email if your book is approaching its return date.

All Year 7 students have now received a free Bookbuzz book of their choice. Happy reading.







This term we have been celebrating…

Black History Month

Halloween and all things spooky…



Library News

Do not forget to check the lost property box in the LRC if you are missing a coat, blazer, PE jumper, lunchbox or water bottle.

GO ALL IN. National Year of Reading 2026



SCHOLASTIC

Our Scholastic Book Club is up and running.

Go to https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/abbot-beyne/digital-book-club to browse the latest books and order online.

For every £1 you spend on this term's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards.

Pick up a leaflet from the LRC.



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