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Dear Parents. Carers and Students.

As we break up for February half-term, I'd like to share the following news stories and information:

KS3 GAT Basketball Tournament

On 28 January eleven Year 9 students made their way to Nottingham Wildcats Arena to participate in the GAT basketball tournament. CoPA has taken two teams to compete in the tournament, a girls team consisting of Ana-Maria, Shaniya, Zara, Jessica and Diana. Boys team that included Preston, Oskaras, Lukas, Joel, Samuel and Jayden. The students showed excellent REACH values throughout the day, competing valiantly with great team spirit. Both teams never gave up and kept working hard and improved throughout the day.

The Girls Team finished 6th in the tournament the highlight of the day was winning against Weston Favell Academy who they overcome 24-0. A great achievement for the team which set the pace for the day. They have also come up against some strong opponents from Stanground Academy and Nottingham Academy where they had close fought battles but unfortunately lost out narrowly.

The Boys Team has also finished 6th in the tournament the highlights of the day were winning 16-0 against Skegness Academy and a very close battle against Weston Favell Academy where they narrowly missed out on a victory in the last seconds of the game. However, the boys did not give up and were playing great basketball against the other GAT schools.

Overall CoPA Team finished 5th in the tournament standings. The Girls 'player's player' of the tournament for CoPA Zara who was prolific throughout the day with her great shooting and points scoring. The Girls Manager's player of the tournament was Jessica W who was collecting the rebounds of the basket both offensively and defensively with great determination to ensure CoPA were secure in defense as well as the attack. As for the boy's 'player's player' was Oskaras who was a great sharp shooter from the 3 point line and scoring the points from the paint after great drives through the defense. The Boys Manager's player in the tournament was Samuel who never stopped running during the games and was successful in intercepting dangerous attacks and had successfully turned the defense into attack.

Amplify Your Talent

Some of our Year 9 students started a programme with Anglia Ruskin University called Amplify Your Talent - Compelling Storytelling. Over the next 6 weeks they will be working on key skills to create a compelling piece of writing which will then be shared with parents at ARU in a celebration event.



National Apprenticeship Week



This week students and staff have been talking all things apprenticeships. Students from all year groups have been exploring the wide range of apprenticeships available that also link to the subjects they are currently studying. Students have had the opportunity to visit our careers hub located in the library during social times to gauge further information in how apprenticeships work and how they could secure one in the future.

Please feel free to read a copy of the choices magazine which details the latest information on apprenticeships and technical education.

amazingapprenticeships.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/February-2025-Choices-1.pdf

Attendance

Thank you to everyone who has continued to work hard on raising their attendance this term. We have a number of strategies in place to reward great attendance. One of these strategies is to present weekly acknowledgements to the form who had the most attendance and the form who improved the most.

Students in the form are presented with a trophy that they keep for the week. As you can see from the photos, 7SHE was excited to receive the trophy last week:





Inspire Education Group

On Tuesday Years 9 and 10 received an assembly from the Inspire Education Group who oversee Peterborough Regional College and Stamford College.









Inspire Education Group -

Students were given an insight into all the different options available to them once they finish their GCSE examinations. Additionally, for year 9 who are currently making their final decisions on their options for GCSE's it gave them an insight into where their chosen subjects could take them in the next steps of their education journey.

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Year 7

Students of the Week

Our Students of the Week for this week are:

English Alex Robertson (Year 10) Student T (Year 8) Maths **Humanities** Student I (Year 10) Oluwaseyi Oyatolu (Year 10) Science Performance Student A (Year 7) Student A-M (Year 9) Spanish

Year 8 Dylan Da Silva Year 9 Student R Year 10 Student S Student L Year 11



Congratulations to them all!

If not done so already, please can I ask that you take a moment to complete our 'Permission to Publish Student Details Form', whereby you can opt in or out of certain student details being published within newsletters (such as the above table). We'd love to share your child's success! Thank you to those that already completed this. Please note that if your child is 13 years old or older they can grant permission themselves as per government guidelines.

Year 11 PPE's

Year 11 final set of PPEs continue after the half-term break – a reminder of the schedule is shown below:

Monday 24 Feb	Tuesday 25 Feb	Wednesday 26 Feb	Thursday 27 Feb	Friday 28 Feb
8:50-10:20	8:50-10:05/10:35	8.50- 10:20	8:50- 10:05/10:20	8:50-10:05/10:20
Maths paper 2 1h30m	Combined/Separate Science Physics	Maths paper 3 1h30m	Geography paper 3 1h30m	A10 - Music 1h30m Sports Hall
	1h15m/1h45m		X3 Sports Studies 1h15m	Dance 1h30m
				Health & Social Care
				1h15m
				Catch-ups
13.30 - 15:00	13.30 -14:35/14:50	13:30 - 15:00	13:30 - 14:45/15:15	13:30 - 15:00
Geography paper 2 1h30m	Spanish writing F1h05m/H1h20m	History paper 3 1h30m	Sociology paper 2 1h45m	Catch-ups
			Sports Studies 1h15m	
Monday 3 Mch	Tuesday 4 Mch	Wednesday 5 Mch	Thursday 6 Mch	Friday 7 Mch
Spanish speaking	Normal lessons	Spanish speaking	Spanish speaking	Normal lessons

Key Academy Dates

17 - 21 February
Monday 24 February
24 - 28 February
Friday 28 February
Monday 3 March
3 - 6 March
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17 - 20 March
Monday 17 March
Monday 17 March
Tuesday 18 March

Thursday 20 March

7 – 21 April

Half Term

All students back to school

Year 11 PPEs: Week 2
Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

Bookings open for Year 11 Parents Eve

Spanish Speaking & Food Exams

Enterprise Workshops

Year 7 & 9 Shakespeare in Action

Year 11 Study Skills Workshop

Year 11 PPE Results/ Parents Evening

Year 10 ARU Campus Visit

ARU Celebrations
Easter Holidays

And finally...

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Have a great half-term, we look forward to welcoming students back on Monday 24/02/2025.

Yours faithfully

Mrs N Treacy Principal

