



### **Novembers Newsletter**



#### THIS MONTH AT SCHOOL

What an incredibly busy and inspiring month November has been! As the days grow shorter, the activity within our school walls has only intensified, showcasing the incredible talent, compassion, and commitment of our students and staff.

This month, we celebrated our community through numerous initiatives, starting with two of our aspiring culinary students who proudly entered the demanding Future Chef Competition. Our hallways also paused for reflection as we honored the sacrifices made during our meaningful Remembrance Day ceremonies. Furthermore, our students demonstrated their generous spirit by actively participating in Children in Need fundraising activities and champions for kindness during Anti-Bullying Week. Creative expression was also on display as students designed themed nails to raise awareness for both Remembrance Day and Children in Need!

Finally, we are thrilled to announce our School Art Competition, encouraging creativity and visual expression across all year levels. Please read on for details about these wonderful events and all the important dates ahead!





### 11th December 2025

Thursday the 11th December we will having Christmas Jumper day. We will also be having a 'Pop up cafe' ran by the students with the theme 'Christmas around the world' which will start at 1pm. All parents and carers are invited to join us for this and an afternoon of arts and crafts- come and decorate a christmas ornament! Another hamper will be up for grabs for all parents who take part in school events- the more you take part the more entries you will have.







# FutureChef Competition: Sizzling Success!



We are incredibly proud to celebrate two of our talented students, O'Shay and Charlie, who represented the school in the prestigious Springboard Future Chef Competition this month!

Future Chef is a national, industry-recognized cooking competition designed to develop practical culinary skills and raise aspirations for young people aged 12–16 interested in the hospitality sector.

This competition gives our students invaluable, real-world experience, helping them to build confidence and develop the resilience and independence needed to work under pressure. Furthermore, they get the opportunity to learn professional skills and master techniques by receiving direct feedback from industry experts, all while gaining vital first hand experience within the industry by working in a real commercial kitchen environment.

We are proud to announce that the winner for this competition was Charlie coming in first place!









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### Science in Action: Dissecting the Eye

This month, our Science students had an incredible hands-on experience that brought the study of biology to life. As part of our unit on the Nervous System and Reflexes, students took part in the dissection of a preserved animal eyeball.







## UPCOMING DATES

- Xmas Jumper Day, Pop
   up Cafe & Craft
   afternoon- Thursday
   11th December
- Christmas dinner for students- Thursday
   18th December
- Break up for Christmas-Friday 19th December at 12:45
- Return to school

  Tuesday 6th January at

  9:15

### A Greener Future: Woodland Trust Sapling Project

We are thrilled to announce our partnership with the Woodland Trust and a fantastic new project aimed at enhancing our school grounds and contributing positively to the local environment! We recently received 30 new saplings which will soon find their permanent home on our school site. Under the expert guidance of our Outdoor Education teacher, Kerry, and with the enthusiastic help of our students, the planting of these trees will begin shortly.

This project is far more than just gardening; it's a valuable lesson in ecology and sustainability. Trees are vital for our environment, providing numerous benefits to both our planet and our school community. They play a crucial role in cleaning our air, they offer shade and shelter during the summer while also helping to reduce local flooding, and they provide essential food and habitat for local wildlife. Furthermore, being around trees is scientifically proven to boost our physical and mental health, and by absorbing carbon dioxide, they are key allies in the fight against climate change.



