

WETHERBUZZ

2021/22 | Spring Term | Week 24



WEEK 24 — Monday 21st to Sunday 27th March 2022

Monday 21st March:

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Shakespeare Week – Workshops with Mangled Yarn
- Rosslyn Park U11 Rugby VII's Tournament (A) All Day Return approx. 5pm
- NO MORNING OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK
- SCHOOL FINISHES AT 4pm

Tuesday 22nd March:

- Shakespeare Week – Workshops with Mangled Yarn
- WPS U8/U9 Inter House Rugby Festival (H) 2 – 3pm Return 3.45pm
- Music Tour returns - pm
- NO MORNING OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK
- SCHOOL FINISHES AT 4pm

Wednesday 23rd March:

- Shakespeare Week – Workshops with Mangled Yarn
- Arnold House U13 VII's Festival (A) – 2.30pm Return 5pm
- Senior Management Team Meeting – 2:45pm
- NO MORNING OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK
- SCHOOL FINISHES AT 4pm

Thursday 24th March:

- Shakespeare Week – Workshops with Mangled Yarn
- Year 7 Road Safety Session with 'The Riot Act' - pm
- NO MORNING OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK
- SCHOOL FINISHES AT 4pm
- School Management Meeting – 4.30pm

Friday 25th March:

- Whole School Assembly at Church of Annunciation and streamed [LIVE on Instagram](#)  – 10:30am-11:30am
Boys can be dismissed from the Church.
- Rosslyn Park U13 Rugby VII's Tournament (A) All Day Return approx. 6pm
- LAST DAY OF TERM
- Buses at 12:30pm
- SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1pm

Saturday 26th March:

Sunday 27th March:

From the Headmaster



Dear Parents,

Often in life we are asked to do things that otherwise we don't really want to do and this was a lesson I tried to explain to a grumpy Joseph last Saturday morning. On the way back from football training, my glum 14-year-old said that, as the regular goalkeeper was away, he had been asked to play in goal at the match the next day. I explained that as a one off, why would that be a problem and hey, often it's the goalies that get all the glory and rarely get the blame (okay - bit of a white lie to back up my argument there...) I offered to go to the sports shop with him but he declined, claiming that if he turned up with new gloves, the coach would assume he was fine about going in goal every game. I left for the rugby without a resolution and planned my strategy to pep him up the next morning.

Sunday morning came and the mood had not eased, particularly with the wet and windy weather that meant standing still for long periods was anything but appealing. I tried a quick bribe with a sausage roll from the bakery on the way to the match and talked about positioning, being strong, commanding areas and most of all, communicating with teammates. I generously offered to stand right next to the goal giving hints and tips throughout the match but that offer was (not very) politely declined. Joseph accepted his responsibility, borrowed some gloves and set off for his stint between the sticks.

First five minutes were a bit nervy but our defence kept the opposition well away from goal. Joseph's first meaningful touch was after about ten minutes when he accepted a back pass, completely ignored my yell to 'boot it!', and played it casually and competently to his left back, who then passed it back to Joseph who then played a Beckham-esque pass straight into the heart of our ace midfielder... "played Joseph" echoed around the Chesham playing fields...

At half time, we were 2-0 up and Joseph hadn't had a great deal to do but had done everything he needed to well. As the whistle had blown, he turned to me and we exchanged a thumbs up and a knowing look. Wife Brigid arrived during the interval ("a whole game is just too boring") and I wondered if this might be a bad omen but if anything it spurred Joseph on and with a brilliant save at the near post a few minutes before the end; he kept a clean sheet as we ran out 4-0 winners. What he was dreading, turned out to be probably his most fulfilling performance, and he got more plaudits about his performance than he ever would do usually. Sometimes we just need to step out of our comfort zone to see what we are fully capable of and, when asked if he would do it again, he replied, "yes, I enjoyed it...but can we go to the sports shop as it would be better if I had my own gloves." I am sure that can be arranged – good attitude!

Lovely to see so many of you at Wetherby School's 70th Birthday Party last night. I thought there would be a few crossover families but didn't realise quite how many – was a really sociable evening. There was a great atmosphere in the room and shows the Wetherby family of schools is as strong as it's ever been. They raised an incredible sum of money which I won't share here but suffice to say, I believe we can beat it at our Headmaster's Ball event on 20th May. I know Mark Snell reads this column and will appreciate that, with the always healthy competition between the schools, he has set a considerable standard for us to beat. No-one will be more pleased than he, of course, if we raise a higher figure for such a worthy cause for our community...over to you Wetherby Prep, we can do this...

Have a good weekend,

Nick Baker



Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is Hugo J in 5F. A lovely boy who truly embodies all our school values. He is a fantastic addition to Wetherby. Since Hugo joined the school in September, he has been a model student, hardworking, kind, respectful in any circumstances and contributing a lot to the life of the school.



Sportsman of the Week

This week's Sportsman of the Week is Maximilian B in 7B. Max was a great example to all Wetherby boys by stepping in and playing for the opposition in a rugby match this week. He played very well and this meant that all boys had a positive experience in rather wet and muddy conditions at St Anthony's'. Well done, Max!



Class-Achievement

Kindness Cup



Kerim K 4S

When I was injured, he helped me get up and looked after me. I think that is very kind. *Maxwell L*

Other notable 'Acts of Kindness'

♦ **Harrison B**

Harrison Burns was really kind to a young boy who was shown around on a tour this week. He took an interest in him, asking him about his hobbies. I'm sure those prospective parents would be delighted if their son turned out to be as articulate and genuine as Harrison. *Mrs Lock*

♦ **Zac M**

Zac has a gentle sense of humour and is unfailingly polite and kind. Such a lovely boy who exudes the WPS values. *Mrs Lock*

◆ **Adrian H**

Adrian made my entire week in just one lesson. He began by approaching me at the beginning of the lesson to ask what he called a 'very important question', he then proceeded to ask whether I preferred to be called Mx or Sir. I was touched that he would think to ask my preferences, let alone deem it as being important. He then continued the lesson with the perfect attitude of pleases and thank yous and then finished the lesson by thanking me for being the best history teacher he's ever had. Every action and thought that he had throughout the lesson was just so thoughtful and filled with only the intention to be repeatedly and continually kind. *Mx Cox*

◆ **Paddy B**

Paddy brought in some home-made brownies, complete with shamrock decoration, for St. Patrick's Day. I cannot explain how delighted I was and how this little act of kindness made me feel like I was back at home. And, they were delicious! *Miss Lister*



◆ **Faris O**

I bumped my leg at break time and Faris did a brilliant job looking after me! *William W*

◆ **Thomas M**

A superstar helper in Music this week, Thomas was promoted to 'helper' in our lesson as he is already a fabulous violinist. He was brilliant helping the other boys and showing them what to do. *Miss Orpwood*

School Council

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 15th March 2022

Time: 8:30am

Attendance: Chair of School Council - Finn C, School Council Representatives and PLT

Issues/Ideas brought up during meeting and action plan:



- Thank you to Mr Dean for organising a Rubik's Cube Club. Miss Lister will be taking the club on Fridays.
- More opportunities to mix classes for certain events.
- Reminder to hand in Science Fair entries to your Science Teacher by tomorrow (Wednesday 16th March).
- Margate Trip to return this year for the winning house.
- Ice-cream van to return.
- Picnic for each year group in the Summer Term.
- Summer Fair to return for Summer Term, if possible. School Council can help in the organisation- we are very excited!

- **Friday lunches - Y8 and Y7 School Council Reps to deliver any sandwiches they aren't eating to Y4 boys/rest of school after around 15 mins of lunch. As many empty trays coming back to the kitchen as possible. Miss Lister and Chef Peter are still keeping an eye on left-over sandwiches - the amount is certainly getting smaller so we are so proud of you! Keep up the good work.**

- **All School Council Reps to bring left-over food down to the Dining Room. ABSOLUTELY NONE TO BE LEFT IN THE ROOMS/CORRIDORS.**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 22nd March at 8:30am in the Small Dining Room.

Notices

Miss Bevan writes...

Easter Touch Typing Courses

Naomi Martin will be running her Easter touch typing courses for everyone at her usual venue in SW19 and also at Fulham Boys School . Her courses are excellent and particularly benefit pupils with dyslexia and dyspraxia. There is still availability on the current weeks and times:

Monday 28th March - Friday 1st April @ Mount Road, SW19 8ES
11.30am-1pm

Monday 4th - Friday 8th April @ Fulham Boys School
9.30am-11am
11.30am-1pm

Monday 11th - Thursday 14th April @ Fulham Boys School
9.30am-11am
11.30am-1pm

Tuesday 19th - Friday 22nd April @ Mount Road, SW19 8ES
10am-11.30am

Please visit www.nmtouchtyping.co.uk for further details.

DT Easter Holiday Club

Tuesday 29th March 2022



Due to popular demand of Wetherby's after school DT Club, we will be running a very special daytime Easter Holiday DT workshop where boys will be designing and building their own projects and can even take them home!

Exciting and specialised equipment will be involved and so activities will include laser-cutting, building electronics & using the sublimation printer all in one jam-packed day.

- Project 1 – design and build a steady hand game (laser cutting & wiring electronic circuits)
- Project 2 – design and print your own t-shirt (sublimation printer & heat clam press)
- Bonus activity – Easter egg hunt!



This is not one to miss!



Boys will need to bring a nut-free packed lunch. The cost for the workshop is £85. If you have any further questions or would like to sign up, please speak to Miss Tilleray: archie.tilleray@wetherbyprep.co.uk

Cookery & Detectives Club

Think you could be the next Sherlock Holmes? Join our club and test your skills. At the same time, you will also learn how to make delicious treats for your friends & family!

Join us this Easter Holiday on Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th March

We will be making:

- Easter Chick Cupcakes
- Marble Cake
- Bunny Biscuits
- Chocolate Nests

You will be able to sample your creation on the day and take home some treats for the family.



You will also decode messages, solve logic puzzles and sort information.

It will teach you how to figure out mysteries that would confuse even the greatest detectives.

To book a place, please email:
edla.mandic@wetherbyprep.co.uk

Painting Workshop

Monday 28th March

Miss Kirby

Email ria.kirby@wetherbyprep.co.uk or teams message or just ask to sign up



Maths Department

Maths Challenge

Pupils who have answered correctly and therefore achieved greatness!

Maths Challenge Answers

Lower	Upper
Thomas J	Joseph R
Michael P	Bruno T
William P	The Penguin
Thomas M	Alvaro C
Michael Z	
Alexander T-W	
Marius P	

ALENDAR

If some months have 30 days and others 31, how many months have 28 days?

all the months have 28 days.

Thomas Monoyannak 21/11

1	8	15	22	29
2	9	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	31
4	11	18	25	
5	12	19	26	
6	13	20	27	
7	14	21	28	

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In this grid, certain cells are shaded.

Here is a corresponding grid with numbers indicating, for each cell, how many of the surrounding cells should be shaded.

2	3	1
2	4	4
3	3	2

Can you work out which cells should be shaded if the numbered grid looks like this?

2	2	2
1	4	2
1	3	1

Chess

Mr Gascoine writes...

The Twelfth Wetherby Chess Tournament

That's right, the Daddy of Chess Tournaments is back, and it will be bigger than ever!

Trophies, tragedies, intrigue and all out war will take place throughout the Summer Term. Email me or sign up on the board outside 6E for entry into the singles/doubles tournaments or both. You do not need to be a member of any chess clubs, both tournaments are open to all Wetherby pupils.

Previous winners include Nobel Prize winners, renowned physicists, astronauts, explosive engineers, and a professional golfer.

2009 - Charlie C

2010 - Pip B

2011 - Ramon M

2012 - Charlie C

2013 - Tom D

2014 - Tom D

2015 - George C

2016 - 2019 - Nadhmi A.

2022 - ?

Good luck to one and all.

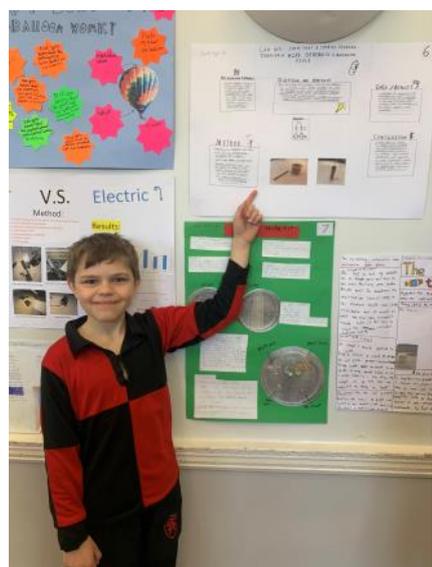
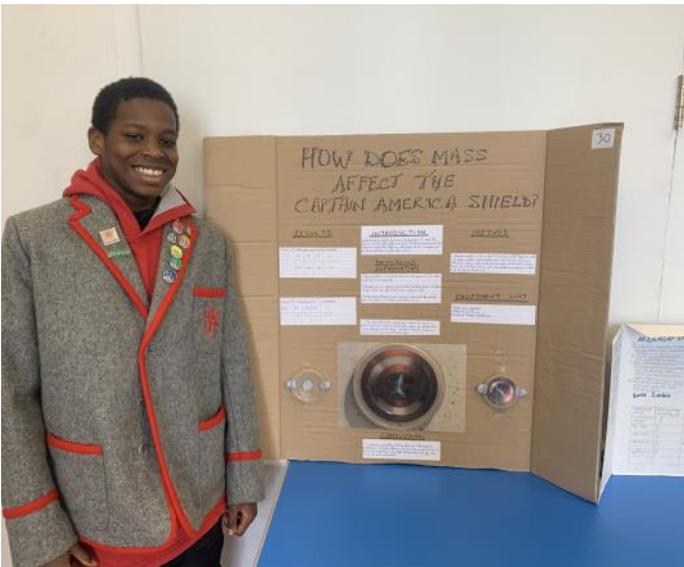
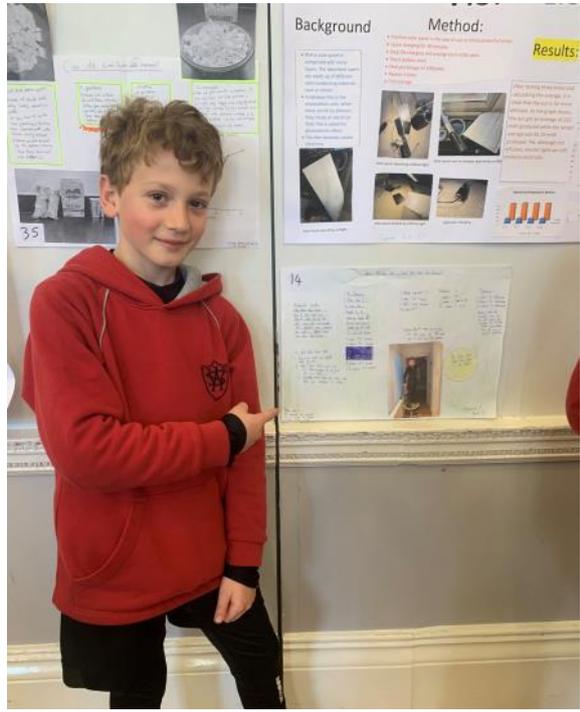
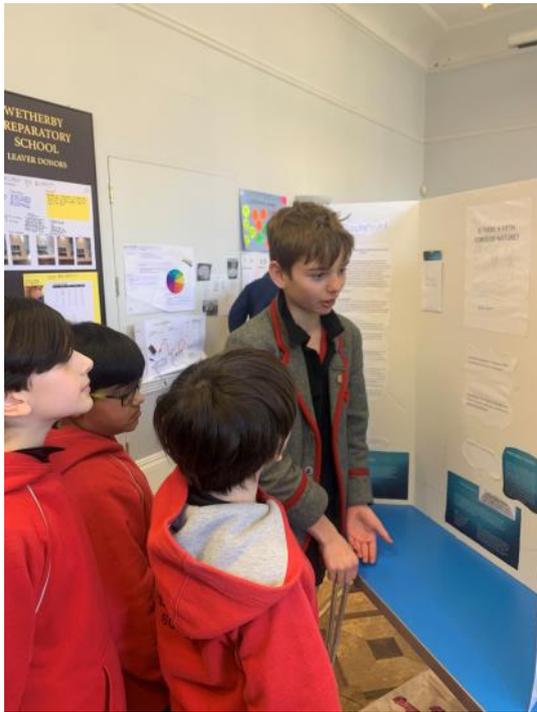


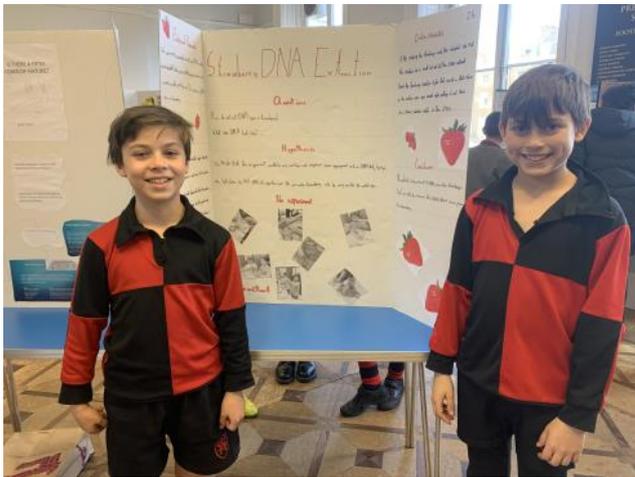
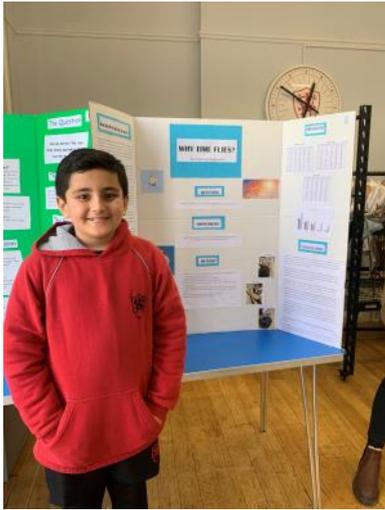


Science Week

Miss Casserly writes...









THE FINAL RESULTS



Townsend Warner

The final results of the Townsend Warner are in and an incredible 10 Wetherby boys made it into the top 100, 5 in the top 50 and the top 3 of those were Year 7!

This is an amazing achievement for the school and each individual involved. Whether you participated in both sections or just paper one, you should be very proud of yourselves, you competed against 1020 of the best and brightest young historians around the UK and claimed your place in the rankings. You have a fantastic ability and have worked so hard.

Here are the final rankings for those who reached paper 2:

Paper 2 Finalists (Wetherby)					
Name:	Paper 1 - /100:	Paper 2 - /100:	Overall:	Placement in Wetherby:	Placement in the UK:
	74	56	130	1	25
	71	58	129	2	31
	69	59	128	3	35
	56	72	128	3	35
	63	63	126	5	41
	48	70	118	6	73
	49	68	117	7	80
	61	55	116	8	85
	59	55	114	9	93
	55	59	114	9	93
	47	64	111	11	113
	44	66	110	12	116
	55	54	109	13	124
	48	60	108	14	132
	41	67	108	14	132
	49	58	107	16	138
	55	52	107	16	138
	39	61	100	18	181
	48	49	97	19	198
	37	59	96	20	204
	42	54	96	20	204
	39	56	95	22	211
	40	55	95	22	211
	45	45	90	24	237

Congratulations in particular to our three Year 7's who ranked the highest in the school with still another chance to go next year. An amazing achievement boys and I look forward to working with you again.



This week in History



14th March:

1964 - Jack Ruby is convicted of the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the alleged assassinator of President Kennedy

15th March:

1917 - Czar Nicholas II is forced to abdicate the throne of Russia

1938 - Germany declared that Jews will no longer be allowed to vote

1956 - The Musical 'My Fair Lady' opens on Broadway

1972 - This day is considered to have seen one of the heaviest day of attacks in the Vietnam War

16th March:

1935 - Hitler violates the Treaty of Versailles by introducing compulsory military conscription in Germany

1998 - Rwanda begins mass trials for the country's 1994 genocide

17th March:

2001 - The Eden Project opens in England

2008 - Kosovo becomes independent

18th March:

1965 - Soviet cosmonaut Alexei Leonov becomes the first man to walk in space

19th March:

1918 - The US Congress approves day-light savings time

1970 - The leaders of East Germany and West Germany meet for the first time since the country was divided in 1949

2008 - The Cuban leader Fidel Castro steps down after 49 years in power

20th March:

1966 - The World Cup was stolen while on display at Westminster Hall

1969 - John Lennon marries Yoko Ono



Wetherby Sport

Mr Burrows writes...

Sports Report

Rugby at Wetherby Prep this week commenced on Monday afternoon, as our Under 11 boys played out some entertaining fixtures against Hampton Prep, Newland House and St Stephen's School. It was a brilliant afternoon of rugby, with wins aplenty for all Wetherby teams involved. Abdullah, Carlos and Billy all played excellently for their respective teams.

On Tuesday afternoon, our Under 8s played out an enthralling encounter against Arnold House, with Bonham and Kasra impressing with their performances. Also on Tuesday, the Under 9s hosted a festival of rugby at the Wetherby Sports Ground with multiple quadrangular tournaments taking place, collecting wins across the board in every mini-tournament. Every coach said there was some very impressive rugby played, and some very promising signs for the boys going into Under 10 rugby next year. Rufus, William and Jackson were all brilliant for their sides.

On Wednesday afternoon, Mr Evans travelled with his Under 11 A team to Harrow School to take part in the Harrow FA Football tournament. Mr Reid will go into more depth on this shortly, but the boys were absolutely incredible, scoring a whopping 23 goals and conceding just 1 across the tournament. This afternoon was rounded off by a dramatic last minute winner in the final by Dylan against Westminster Catholic Cathedral Choir on the main Harrow pitch, to round off yet another successful tournament for the Under 11 A team. Another excellent week of sport at Wetherby Prep.



Out of School Achievements

Louis V-S (6C)

Louis participated in the Regional Youth championships today and qualified for the British Fencing Championships in May this year!



Louis with his coach Tarrig from Kensington Fencing Club

ESSKIA - British Ski Finals

Not only did they make it to the British finals which was an achievement in itself given only 13 teams from England from a field of 27 made it to the British and then to come 11th out of the 18 qualifying teams from Britain - bearing in mind, given that 50% of the racers were U16 and above, we were a team of 4 U14s, no cross blocking experience, rented kit, mouth guards and football shin pads in lieu of chin guards and ski guards - we did incredibly well!



Charities

Miss Preece writes...

Wetherby has proudly supported Rwanda Action for many years, and we continue to marvel at the incredible support this charity provides the local community. As a thank you for our support, one of the enterprise groups in the Alivera Village, sent Mr Baker three Watford scarves that they knitted for him, despite being either totally or partially blind.

Below is a newsletter, which details the fantastic work they continue to do:

https://www.rwanda-action.org/news/letter-from-our-ceo-david-chaplin?mc_cid=481e17f5a9&mc_eid=cc14d20282



Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3H	Kasra E	6C	Abdullah Al-A
4M	Zia V	6E	Reno B
	Thomas M	6F	Adrian H
4P	Layth B	6M	Levi D
4S	Aarav P		Alexander T-W
4T	Kian S	7B	Elias R
	Ulysse P	7C	Bohan P
5F	Carter B	7H	Bruno T
5K	Stefanos P	7L	Bear S
5L	Gleb I	8A	Zachary M
5S	Thomas J	8C	Charles P
		8O	Elvis S
		8T	Raffi P
		8V	Willoughby H

Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Bohan P - 43

Form Class Winners

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Form 5L 185	Form 7B 166	Form 3H 157

Weekly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Westbourne Captain C. Paolini	Chepstow Captain K. Kar	Pembridge Captain F. von Saher	Dawson Captain A. Govindan
822	483	411	370

Yearly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Westbourne Captain C. Paolini	Chepstow Captain K. Kar	Pembridge Captain F. von Saher	Dawson Captain A. Govindan
15,604	10,680	8939	8687

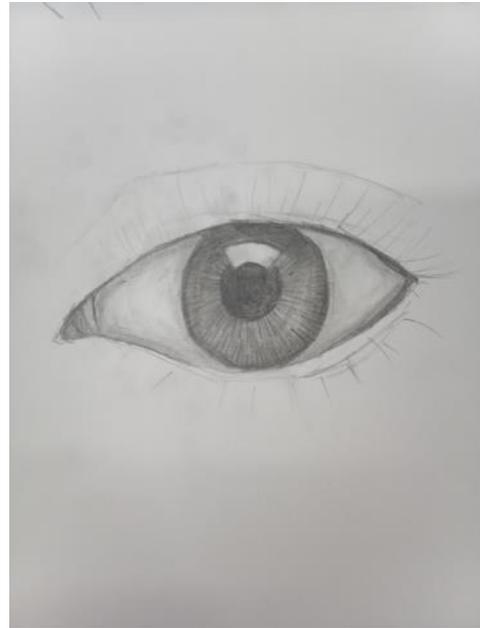
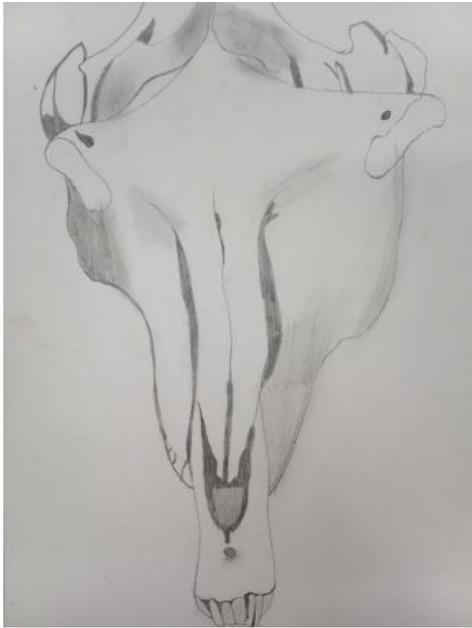
Photos of the Week

Games





Dexter's (left) and Felix's (right) drawings



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