

Monday 17 October



I can hardly believe that we are in our last week before half-term. I am not sure if it has been the mild weather or the number of events that have taken place, but it seems to have whizzed by. This week our students will break up on Thursday as the staff have a training day on Friday, before the half-term break.

This week we welcome wholeheartedly Anthony McGowen, renowned author as he talks to Year 7 students about his books and writing more broadly. Later in the day Anthony will meet with Year 10 Media Studies students as they learn how the process of turning one of his books into a film has taken shape and his influence on content and style of the production.

On Monday morning in assembly Mrs Carr will launch this years Big Draw Week. This year the focus is on Art in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics context. Hence turning the STEM into STEAM. On Thursday in tutor time students will look at the art and invention of Leonardo Da Vinci and turning their hands at a challenge related to some of his work.

On Wednesday this week Year 9 students will attend the Suffolk Skills Show. This exhibition gives students the chance to think about what field of work they might eventually wish to enter. As they make their choices for Year 10 GCSE options later this year, this is the first step in considering the direction that they may wish to head in the future.

Finally, if you are a Year 6 parent or carer, a reminder that the deadline for admissions for entry in September 2017 is 31 October (the Monday after half-term) also, don't forget to send us your SIF Form. Please contact Mrs Norman at the school if you have any questions regarding admissions or if you would like to book a tour of the school to see us in action in the school day.

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