

## Read Around The World

The final Reading Week this year takes place from 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> July. The aim of this week is to give students lots of ideas and incentives to read over the summer holidays. We will launch our 'Read Around The World' challenge which asks students to read one book from each continent. Details will be sent out on Edulink together with a list of books from countries all over the world for students to choose from.

There will also be activities running at lunch-time in the library:

- Tuesday – singer/song writer workshop
- Wednesday – learn about Ukrainian literature

Thursday – creative writing workshop

We hope that some of our suggestions will really encourage students to try reading something new and exciting, and truly broaden their horizons!

Mrs Oakes

## LRC News

We have a special Ukrainian literature event next at the LRC on 13 July 2021 @ 12:40. Ivan Kotliarevsky is often referred to as the “founder” of modern Ukrainian literature. He created a masterpiece with his literary work, *Eneida*. Stop by on Wednesday to find out more about Ivan, his works, and other Ukrainian literature!

Ivan Kotliarevsky. *Eneida*



## Computer Science / Business Trip to Disneyland

A brand-new trip has been launched this week for 2023!

Any student who is signed up to study Computer Science or Business in Year 10 next year is welcome to join us in Disneyland Paris.

They will be spoken to by 3 professional speakers in their subject area, with a live Q&A session afterwards.

Of course, they will also have plenty of time to spend with each other in the park itself!

2 full days in the Theme Park, 2 evenings in the Disney Village and a workbook to look through whilst they wait for the rides – linking what they heard from the conference speakers to the running of the park.

If this isn't enough to spark your interest – take a look at the video below!

[LIVE! Student Conferences & Events for KS4 & KS5 - YouTube](#)

Any student eligible to take part on this trip will have had a letter containing the full details sent home and to their own school email account.

The deadline to register your interest is Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July – so get emailing to make sure you don't miss out on the opportunity to be involved!

Miss Woodruff



## Junior Kangaroo Round 2022

Last month we completed the last of the maths challenge competitions for the year. The Junior Kangaroo is the follow on round from the Junior Maths Challenge, only those that had achieved a high level gold award in the maths challenge were invited to take part. We were proud to have 3 of our 29 participating students take part, these were George Wightman, Ryan John and Joseph Ferdinand. From the 10,000 invited mathematicians, the top 25% were awarded a certificate of merit, this year that was students scoring over 97 from a total 135 marks. All three of our participating students were awarded a certificate of merit.

Ryan John scored 106 marks, Joseph Ferdinand scored 107 marks and George Wightman scored 135 marks, not dropping a single mark. We are immensely proud of our three participants, who all performed exceptionally.

Mrs Nicholls

## Science News – Journal of Science July 2022

The annual Journal of Science has been published and is available on the school's website in the Science News section under News and Events. You can also view it directly by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.st-benedicts.suffolk.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=1801&type=pdf>

This year's Journal contains some outstanding work from our year 7s, 10s and 6th form. The year 7 work is a selection of posters highlighting the rules for safety in the laboratory. For most of our year 7s, St Benedict's will be their first experience of a fully equipped science laboratory meaning that they must be made fully aware of their obligations when in the laboratory, thereby making the working environment as safe as possible. This then enables them to enjoy the wonderful world of practical science, but safely.

Some year 10 students produced well researched papers on factors affecting resistance in a wire – basic but essential knowledge for the understanding of electricity and its applications. 6th form (year 12) produced two excellent papers, one theoretical and one practical. If anyone struggles with even the basic concepts of quantum physics, I recommend Mr Smith-Delgado's "A (very) brief introduction to the fundamentals of quantum mechanics"! 6th form (year 13) produced some hugely informative posters on the human digestive system.

This year's Journal is a "special edition" as it was decided to incorporate the Science Department's monthly Science News publication. This turned out to be a bumper section, with many of our Science Teachers contributing news items old and new. We had Miss Cleaver recalling a levitating frog; also on frogs, Miss Dalby remembered one that nearly got blasted into space; Ms Coogan and her family contributed two pieces; Dr Davies noted a piece explaining exactly when and how chickens were introduced to Europe 2000 years ago; we even got one from Mrs Chacksfield (Head of Art) on quantum physics! And there were many more from our wonderful staff. Check out the Journal to see them all.

One news item celebrated an important 60th anniversary for July: for those of a certain age, the name Telstar means something special – July 10, 1962, saw the launch of the world's first active communications satellite, Telstar 1. Designed for transatlantic communications between the US and Europe, it carried 600 telephone lines plus a single black and white TV channel. Although crude by today's standards, many consider Telstar 1 to be "the little satellite that created the modern world". It inspired the first sci-fi pop song - an instrumental by the British group The Tornados; and it also inspired the design of the football used in the 1970 World Cup and later tournaments too. Fancy that!

## Historical Scholarship

Recently in the History department we've launched a Historical Scholarship incentive where students can review and recommend any historical books they've read. Whether that's historical fiction or a work by a historian, they can send in their reviews to either Mr. Elmer or Mr. Murphy to complete just like year 7 Zuzanna has done here. We, as a department, have a list of recommended reading which the students can find on the student shared area or by asking their History teacher, but this is open to anything historical they read!

Many thanks

Authors name and book title <i>Return to Rome Caroline Lawrence</i>	Picture of the book here	St. Benedict's historical scholarship By <i>Zuzanna Bulgar</i> ..... Year: <i>7</i> ..... 
FAVOURITE QUOTE HERE <i>'Jasper, sapphire, chrysolite and topaz.' Doctor Jonathan.</i>	Why would you recommend this book to someone? <i>I would recommend the whole series because it involves true facts with scenes that have suspense and are really thrilling.</i>	
	Favourite thing about this book? <i>I love how this book is set in Rome and makes you feel like its actually happened because its so life like</i>	
	What key thing did you learn from this book? <i>I learnt a lot of things about the Romans like some latin words and the Roman culture.</i>	

Mr. Elmer

## Uniform

Plea again for old uniform, year 11 and 13 students that left last week if you have any uniform that you will not be using anymore can you please donate to the school. Thank you in advance.

## Hot Weather

Looking ahead to next week it looks like we are due to have plenty of sunshine and some high temperatures, please ensure your child has a drinks bottle, I am afraid we do not have cups in school.

## St Benedict's Day

Monday is St Benedict's Day and we will be celebrating by holding an all school Mass outside said by Bishop Alan Hopes. Please make sure your child has sun cream, and they will be allowed to wear hats during the mass due to the exceptional temperatures we are expecting.