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## EMPOWERMENT THROUGH EDUCATION

Re: EASTER LETTER

April 2025

Parents

We continue to enjoy a much deserved break this Easter.

Whilst the G.C.S.E. pupils have been revising intensively over the past few weeks. Several families are grabbing a chance at sunny beach walks, enjoying the blue skies and preparing for a blessed Easter. The Clarences are taking a short break in Normandy this Easter.

### News

Congratulations to our scholarship pupils and all our pupils gaining entry to schools of their choice after the 11+ examinations the most successful cohort indeed. Most pupils were offered entry into more than one school this year! Well done, all the hard work has certainly paid off!

### Special mentions:

Kai Clarence : Art Scholarship, Reeds School Cobham

Edward Chase: Sports Scholarship, King Edward's Whitley

Ovi: RADA Entrance Foundation

Thomas McMartin: 80% for Maths and English (Y7, Cobham Free School).

Matthew Walligora: Cranmore Headboy 2024-2025, entrance to Reeds School, St. John's and St. George's Weybridge for A levels.

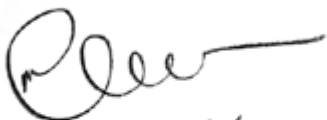
### A levels

A level pupils continue to revise and fill tables at Cobham Library, David Lloyd's and Cafe Nero. We wish them all best for their pending exams and university entrance final results. Results will be published in the summer newsletter.

### Sports

We look forward to a cricket and tennis season. The new nets at Stoke have opened and available for all members to use congratulations to fund-raisers for making this happen.

Congratulations to Kai for being made tennis captain at Oxshott tennis club. Congratulations to Jack for being invited to train for a coaching course with Surrey cricket.

  
Michelle Clarence

Best,  
Michelle Clarence  
Lecturer  
Sessional Tutor (English)  
Founder



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GCSE English grades accelerate to a9.  
Well done!

Charlie, Claremont Flightpath 7,  
Matthew W Flightpath 8,  
Niamh Rosemary Cross Flightpath 6



huge improvement -  
and he says he's  
sure its cos he used  
your PEZEL  
process! Eng Lit  
marks not yet out -  
but very pleased  
with this



## Term Dates 2025

### Summer Term

Monday 28th April - Friday 4th July

### No lessons

26th May - 1st June (May Half Term)

12 - 19th June

### No lessons

### Autumn Term 2025

September 8th - December 29th

### No lessons

Monday 27th October - November 2nd  
(October Half Term)

Trust you had a wonderful Easter as we shared  
this special time with family and friends.



New nets in action

**24 HOUR NETS FOR NETS**

FUNDRAISING FOR IMPROVED & SAFER NETS FOR OUR CLUB AND LOCAL COMMUNITY

DONATE HERE OR VIA THE QR CODE:  
[CROWDFUNDER.CO.UK/STOKE-DABERNON-CRICKET-NETS](https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/stoke-dabernon-cricket-nets)

TO TAKE PART (JUNIOR MEMBERS):  
REGISTER YOUR AVAILABILITY IN THE PITCHERO APP

FRIDAY 5TH JANUARY 6PM  
TO  
SATURDAY 6TH JANUARY 6PM

PARKSIDE SCHOOL SPORTS HALL  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH: PARKSIDE SCHOOL

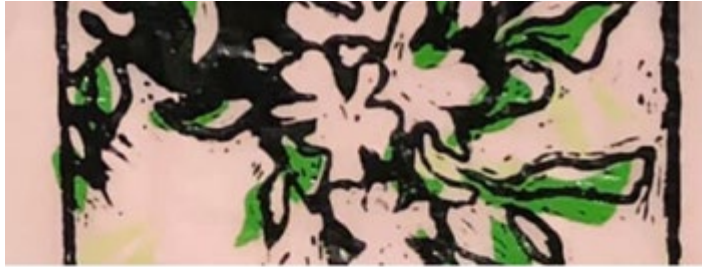
Target achieved:  
congratulations Stoke Cricket Team



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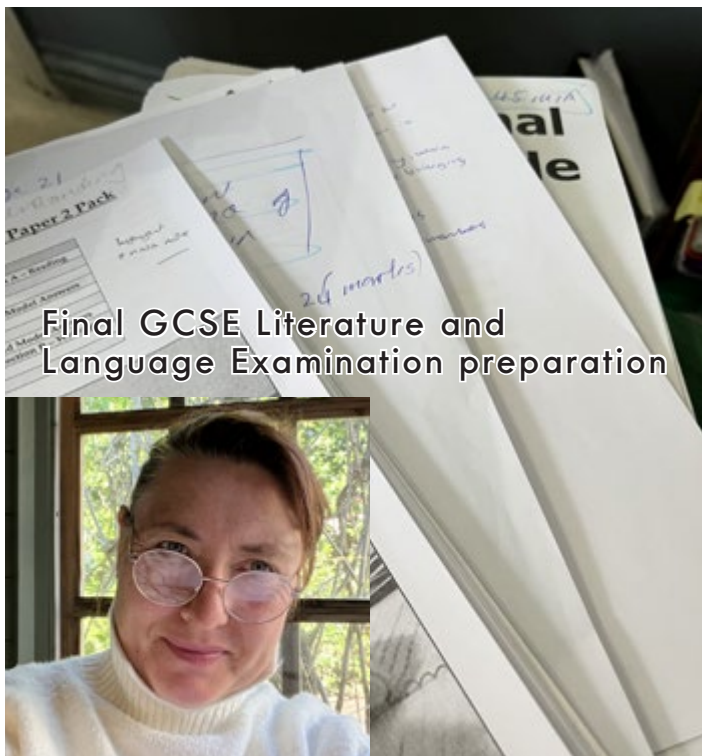
A most successful set of GCSE revision courses ran this Easter.



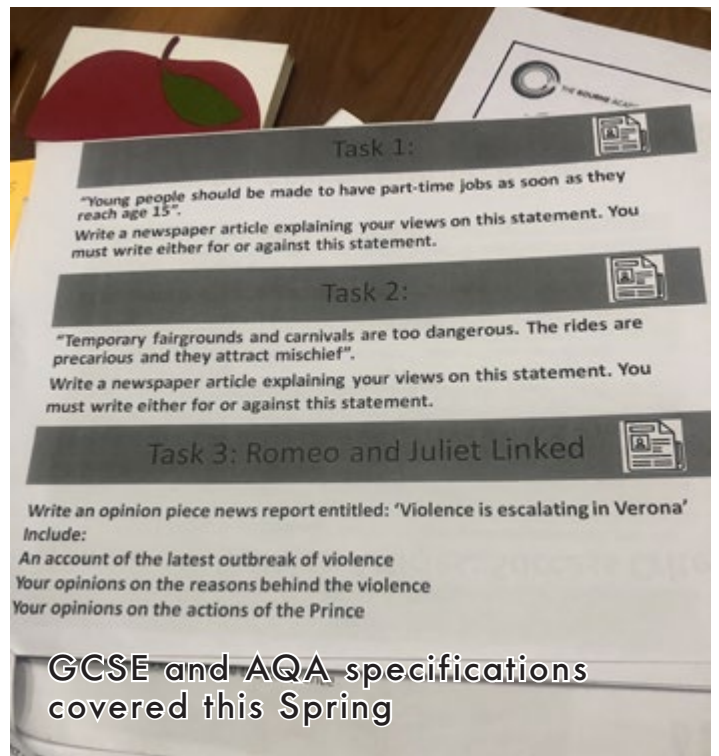
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13+ Homework underway



Final GCSE Literature and  
Language Examination preparation



GCSE and AQA specifications  
covered this Spring

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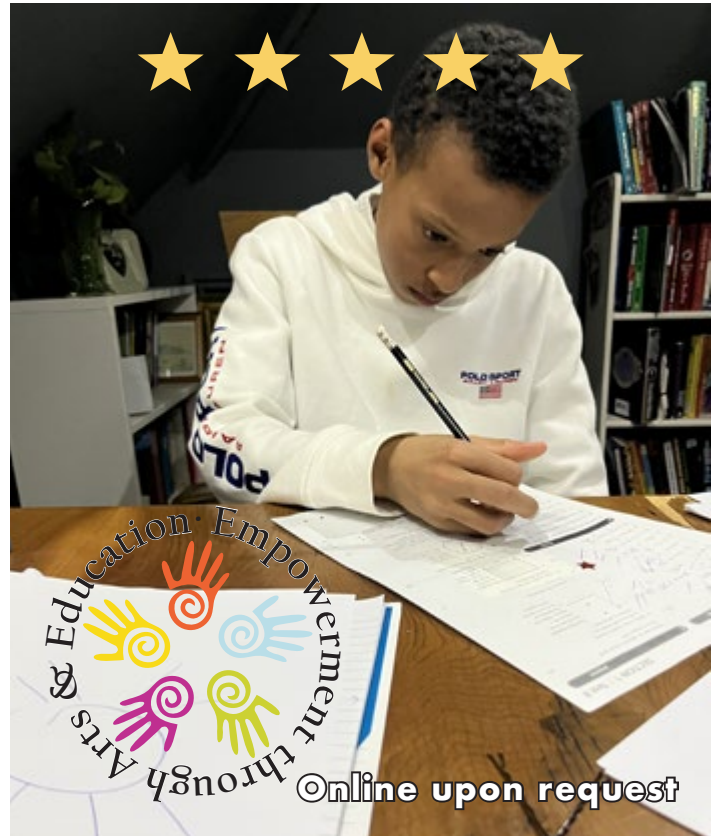
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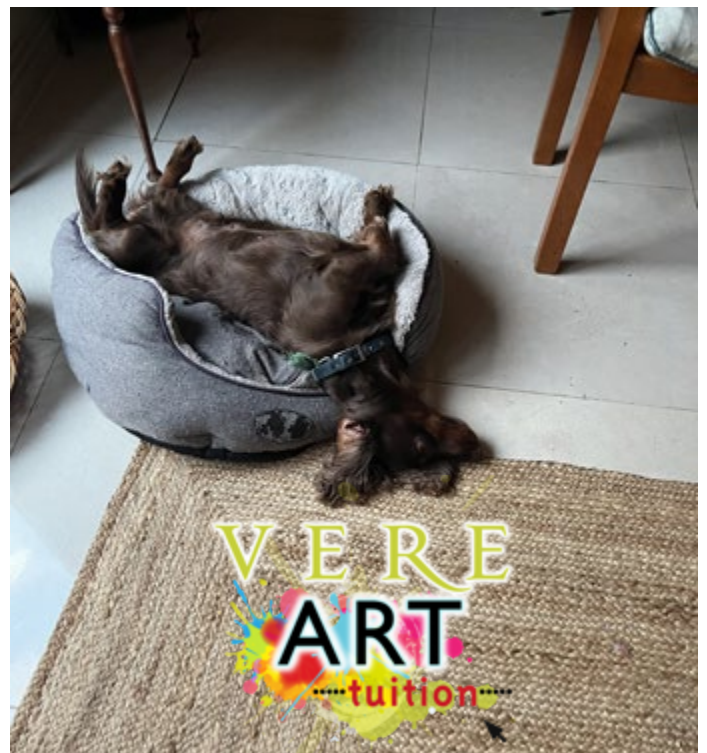
## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



Congratulations, Theodore Thompson for receiving the Chess Award and Academic progress award at Parkside school.



Genevieve loves evening lessons - George studied out!



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## Sports



Another excellent Sevens rugby festival was celebrated at Rosslyn Park. Congratulations, Doug for making Level 8 referee. Incredible watching the outstanding communication and support between team players this year both on and off pitch.



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## Sports-Hockey



Congratulations to the under 18 First hockey team at Headington for achieving second place in the Hockey finals, Oxford. It was a tough game, but a pleasure to watch the girls sporting spirit transcend into the spectators. The girls played with a wonderful sense of optimism, cohesion and determination. A privilege to be there! Well done, Cassie!





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## Barbeque bliss!



Stoke cricketers enjoy time out after Friday nets at The Clarence's: sizzling sausages, time out on the decking and wonderful friendships. Such a lovely bunch of B.B.Q, specialists!



## Great Tennis Achievements!



Kai Eugene Shum

## Rugby Champions!



A muddy last few games rounded off with a fantastic seaside tour!





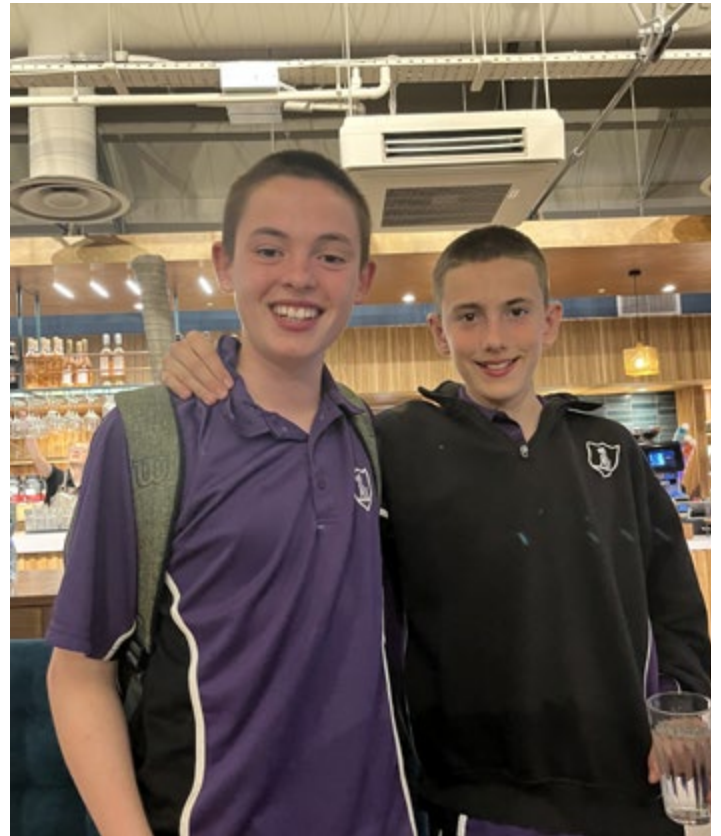
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## Congratulations!



Edward Chase: Sports Scholarship: King Edward's, Whitley  
Kai Clarence: Art Scholarship, Reeds School, Cobham (Bottom Left)  
Ovi: Entrance to RADA  
Michael Essian: Sports Scholarship, Charterhouse Guildford



Kai



Lily, Michelles mom enjoys a visit from Akousa.



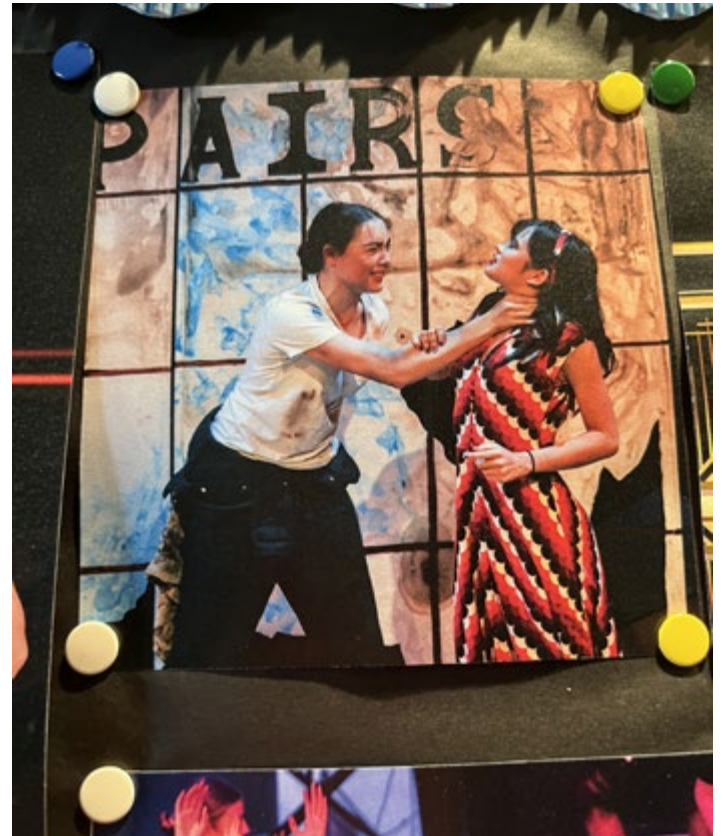
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## Drama



Headington Drama department presented an outstanding performance of the great Gatsby for their annual musical this year congratulations to all involved. A privilege to be there! Well done, Cassie!





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## Drama

An outstanding A-level performance of, The Pillow Man at Headington School was executed for one of the A-level production pieces together with a celebration of international arts at Headington's evening of dance, congratulations all!

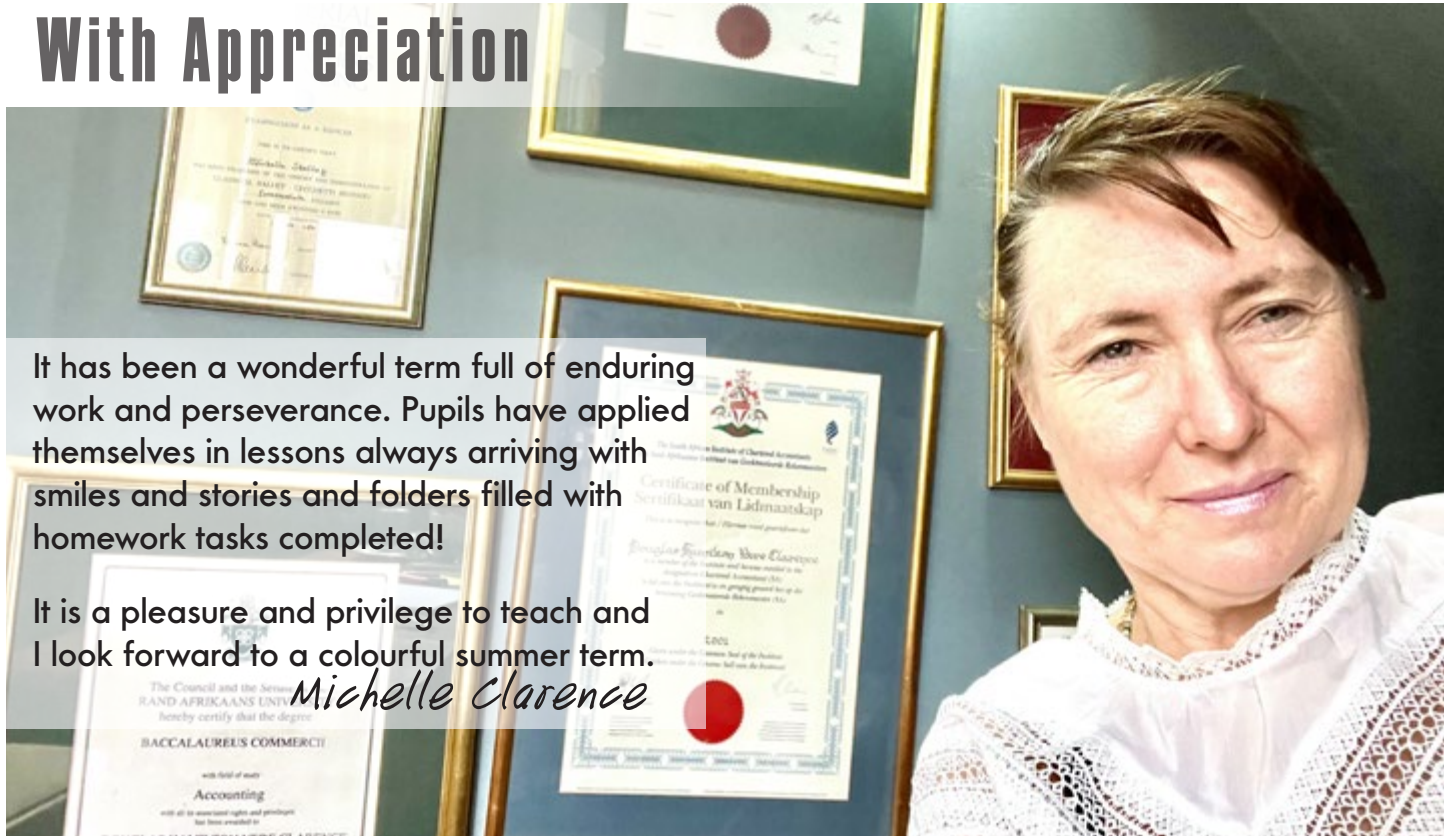




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## With Appreciation



It has been a wonderful term full of enduring work and perseverance. Pupils have applied themselves in lessons always arriving with smiles and stories and folders filled with homework tasks completed!

It is a pleasure and privilege to teach and I look forward to a colourful summer term.

*Michelle Clarence*

## A Normandy Easter

Supermarkets will be filled with chocolate eggs, bells, rabbits and fish. Fish is not a typo – we really do have chocolate fish which is related to April Fool's Day (Poisson D'Avril). And although rabbits are seen in chocolate form at Easter, they don't bring the Easter chocolate.

Instead, church bells announce the start of Easter as they are rung on Easter Sunday having been silent since the Thursday. This tradition is known as 'les cloches de Pâques'. If you want a really good chocolate then you need to head to a chocolate shop (known as a chocolatier) or a pâtisserie or boulangerie.

