

Gordano Learning

Year 7 Learning Update

Director of Key Stage 3: Mr Snow

Year 7 students led the way in the ratio of merits to sanctions awarded between January and March, with 24 merits for every behaviour point, a higher ratio than any other year group. Congratulations to all the students who have worked so hard to deserve this recognition from their teachers.

YEAR 7 SPORT

Many of our Year 7 sports teams have had successes to celebrate. Highlights of the term include:

- Year 7 boys rugby team were successful in the North Somerset festival.
- Year 7 boys finished 1st and 2nd in their groups in the North Somerset football festival.
- Year 7/8 boys came 1st in the North Somerset swimming gala
- Year 7/8 girls came 2nd in the North Somerset swimming gala



FRENCH & SPANISH SPELLING BEE

Earlier in the term the Modern Foreign Languages Faculty hosted their annual Spelling Bee competition. Head of Key Stage 3 MFL Miss Sciarrino said: 'The afternoon went really well! Students were very good and very competitive but also very supportive of each other when they had to come forward to spell. As always, it was very challenging, since students had to spell words in the target language with the French/Spanish alphabet and this year the field was very equal. Last year's finalists came back to give out the trophies to this year's winners, which was a lovely way to finish.'



Congratulations to Jacques, Charmaine, Ellie, Hugo, Tom and Isla, who emerged as the top three winners for their foreign language in a pulsating final!

It is encouraging to see so many Year 7 students getting involved in life outside the classroom. Several performed or sung in last week's Easter Concert and those of you who came to watch the recent production of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* will have appreciated the quality of the acting, singing and music on display.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 25th April
 Tuesday 30th April / Wednesday 1st May
 Thursday 23rd May
 Friday 21st June
 Friday 28th June
 Monday 1st – Friday 5th July
 Wednesday 10th July
 Thursday 11th July
 Wednesday 17th / Thursday 18th July

Junior Maths Challenge
 Dance Showcase
 Year 7 Celebration Evening
 House Swimming Gala
 Year 7 Achievement Review 2
 Activities Week
 DT & Computing Celebration Evening
 Sports Day
 Creative Arts Festival

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DANCE FESTIVAL

Gordano's Junior Dance Company is made up of students from Years 7-9. Earlier this week the group performed two dances at Weston Playhouse. They were amazing, a real credit to the school!



DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

In Design & Technology, some Year 7 students have been completing their speaker design. Students research, plan, design and build a passive speaker that will hold and amplify the sound from a mobile device. The three photos below show off some of the designs that they have produced.



YEAR 7 TOPICS TAUGHT IN TERMS 5 and 6



ENGLISH:	Romeo and Juliet
MATHS:	Ratio, Proportion, Data, Averages
SCIENCE:	Biomass, Photosynthesis, Chemical Reactions, Levers
FRENCH/SPANISH:	School Subjects and Teachers, different Sports
GEOGRAPHY:	Population, Coastlines
HISTORY:	Magna Carta, The Reformation, Tudor England, Civil War
ETHICS:	How We Treat the World, Values in Action
PSHE:	Community Values
DT:	Product Design, Textiles & Food are taught in rotation
ART:	Landscapes
DRAMA:	Romeo and Juliet - page to stage
MUSIC:	Music for Dancing, Acoustic Covers
DANCE:	Brazilian Culture

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