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# The Griffin

### **Year 11 Poetry Live Trip**

On Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January, forty six Year 11 students attended Poetry Live! This event took place at the Cambridge Corn Exchange, where pupils were joined well-renowned poets who are studied as part of the GCSE for English Literature.

Gillian Clarke and Carol Ann Duffy (Britain's Poet Laureate since May 2009) began the event by performing poems such as *Catrin* and *War Photographer*. Owen Sheers (*Mametz Woods*), Simon Armitage (*Remains*), Imtiaz Dhaker (*Tissue*) and Daljit Nagra (*Singh Song*) later gave readings of their poetry, and explained the stories behind their works.

At various points throughout the day, students had the opportunity to ask the poets questions about their poems and intentions, which will be useful for their GCSE responses. They also heard from AQA's chief examiner for Literature, Tony Childs, who shared some useful tips for the exam.

John Agard (*Checking Out Me History* and *Half-Caste*) closed the event, with his engaging performance poetry and advice for young people.

It was a fantastic trip, and our Year 11 students who attended were a credit to our school.

Mrs Lawrence English Teacher



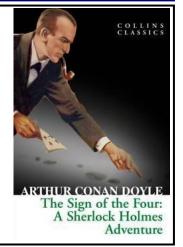
## Year 9 and 10 GCSE English - The Sign of The Four Production

Tuesday 12 February at 7pm the Year 7 - 10 students will be performing The Sign of The Four play by Arthur Conan Doyle in the School Hall.

Students and parents are welcome to come and see the performance which will help your child's GCSE studies in understanding the text of the play.

No charge for attending.

Mr Turakhia English Teacher



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## **Year 8 Nemo**

On Monday 4 February, twelve Year 8 students represented the Thomas Lord Audley School in the NEMO Mathematics competition against nine other secondary schools from the local area. The pupils were split into teams of four. They worked together through some very challenging problem solving questions to compete for the top spot.





The three TLA teams were a credit to themselves with some exceptional decoding and collaboration. They scored very well in round one with the team challenge, showed determination and resilience during the 'big problems' round scoring full marks on a variety of questions and were calm under pressure in the final head to head challenge

We could not be more proud of all twelve pupils and it was lovely to hear how much fun they had completing the challenges and representing the school. Whilst we did not take the top spot this time all three of the TLA teams should be please with their outstanding effort and behaviour during the event.





Well done to all, and in the words of one participant "I can't wait for next year!"

Mrs Brown & Mrs Dunne Maths Department

### **TLA House Cup Totals**

1<sup>st</sup> Nelson 21.76
2<sup>nd</sup> Darwin 21.62

3<sup>rd</sup> Austen 21.39

Last week's top earner was Alfie Coupland 8D-CN with 24 stars.

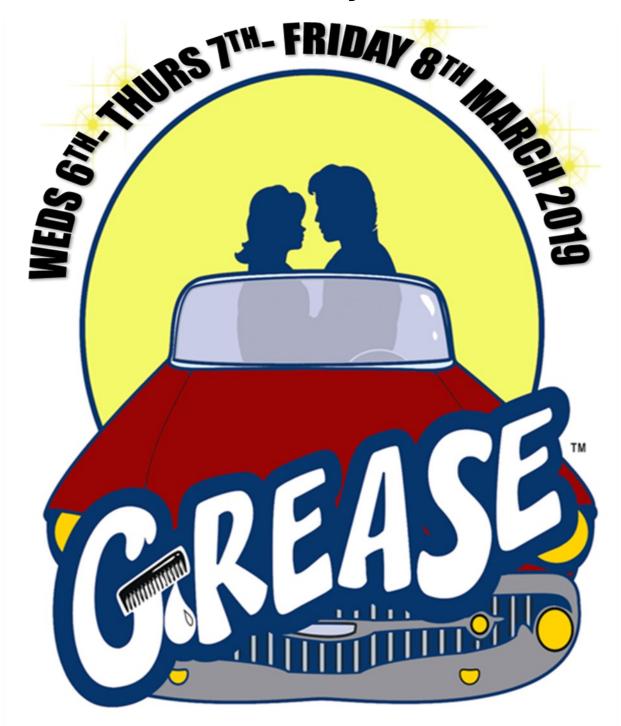
Well Done!

### **Child Protection Policy**

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### The Thomas Lord Audley School Presents...



The Thomas Lord Audley School Hall 7pm ADULTS £4.00 CHILDREN £2.50

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MONDAY 2
TUESDAY 2
OPTION D (Hi, Gg, Comp Sci, De Writing)
WEDNESDAY 2
ENGLISH LITERATURE
THURSDAY 2
MATHS paper 2
FRIDAY 2
OPTION B (RE, Gg ) Hs in classroom
MONDAY 2
German Reading & Writing
TUESDAY 2
Health & SC
WEDNESDAY 2
PE paper 2
BTHURSDAY 2
ART 11 A
BFRIDAY 2
ART 11 B