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HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE

Recently, I went to watch a theatrical production of Macbeth. It was one of those live streamed cinema showings, not quite the same as a live performance but interesting nevertheless. I must admit I was greatly looking forward to it, having last seen a Macbeth, starring Christopher Eccleston and Niamh Cusack at the RSC which was superb. In this new Donmar Warehouse production, David Tennant and Cush Jumbo were the leads, the latter an English actress, perhaps more well known in America than here. Both were individually excellent but seemed not to have the chemistry of Eccleston and Cusack. Overall the treatment was a little uneven but the tale is compelling as you watch two people descending into madness and ultimate tragedy, pursuing what they thought was their destiny. They continue in their actions, even when it becomes clear to them that their goal of claiming the throne of Scotland will need them to lose touch with any moral and ethical behaviour, becoming enmeshed in their lies and driven to insanity and their own ultimate doom.

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This week in our Tuesday assembly, Mr. Turnbull told the tale of Donald Crowhurst and in trying to make sense of this sailor's actions, my mind drifted to Macbeth. The tragic story of Donald Crowhurst's last voyage is well-known, particularly in Teignmouth. On 31 October 1968, the last day the rules allowed, he set off in the Sunday Times Golden Globe Race, a competition to be the first person to sail nonstop single-handedly around the world. His trimaran, the Teignmouth Electron, had no sea trials, was leaky and was not fitted out correctly. Underprepared, he was also a relatively inexperienced sailor for such a challenge. After being beset by problems and slipping farther and farther behind his competitors, Crowhurst was faced with a choice: to continue to his death, or to return in humiliation and financial ruin having staked his business, his home and the security of his wife and his four children on success in the race. He chose neither path and began instead to report false positions, fabricating a voyage he wasn't making, pretending to circumnavigate the globe when in fact he never left the Atlantic. He hoped to rejoin the race on the return leg but Crowhurst did not come home. The Teignmouth Electron was found drifting with no sign of Donald Crowhurst. On board were the log books that charted his actual voyage, together with records that showed how he had made false claims.

The logs also contained evidence of his psychological state, and his mind's deterioration to at least the margins of madness. The last page contained the words: "I have no need to prolong the game"; and "It is finished – It is finished IT IS THE MERCY." Crowhurst did not murder anyone like Macbeth but making sense of his actions does allow us to draw some parallels. Both start as good, well intentioned men but become convinced that they have a genius, that the fates have them marked out for some type of greatness and in pursuit of this they, through deceit and vainglory, create circumstances in which they feel they have no choice other than to act wrongly and then descend into a madness that leads to their tragedy through it. One moral of the fictional Macbeth and the all too real story of Donald Crowhurst is that the human imperative to succeed should be tempered by the ethical or the simple question of, at what cost?



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On the Friday before half term was Valentines day we had an assembly by the Prefects and Envoys on traditions and how it started. We also had 4 of our prefect going around handing people flowers for charity.



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HOUSE POINTS UPDATE

1st – Luscombe 3435points

2nd – Powderham – 3323 Points

3rd – Ugbrooke – 3286 Points

Student Leaderboard

1st – Shakira May – 206

2nd – Jayden Kirungi - 180

3rd – Jessica Sinclair- 165

4th – Alice Lovett - 160

5th – Dexter Jeffery – 158

Top Housepoint Earners

1st – Shakira May

2nd – Frasier Simmons

3rd – Nova Jeffery

"Determination is the fuel that turns setbacks into comebacks and obstacles into stepping stones toward success."



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FIXTURES

U15 FOOTBALL



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PLAYERS OF THE MATCH

- **STAR DOLLAR – U15S GIRLS
FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT**
- **OLIVE MARTIN – U15S GIRLS
FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT**



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MONTENEGRO FINAL CALL!

This is a final reminder that today (Friday 28th of February) is the deadline for Montenegro 2026 applications.

Here is a short video to give you a feel for what World Challenge is all about!

Please make sure you complete your child's online application by the end of the day via the Montenegro trip sign-up link.



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COMMENDATIONS



Libbett Marshall
Hugo Palmer
Shakira May
Ben Jones
Alice Lovett
Kodie Humphreys
Gemma Newton
Noah Smith
Victoria Ward
George Tucker
Lola Harris
Jayden Kirungi
Maisey Down
Gabriel Whitney
Dexter Jeffery
Jessica Thomas-McKay



Joshua Ball
Lachlan Renwick
Naphat Rattanawan
Adam Moore
Ben Clark
Alice Perrett
Jacob Mason
Olive Martin
Nicolas Vintro Calero
Jessica Newton
Kiyan Abkhau
Giulio Frabboni
Elias Ngowet-Loukouman
Elmas So
Eugenie Turkmen





2025 WORLD BOOK DAY

6TH OF MARCH

DO YOU WANT TO WIN A PRIZE?

Dress up as your favourite book character! Or if you don't have a costume, improvise and make a book-themed outfit. If you don't have either, please wear your full school uniform.



THE PRIZE COMPETITION WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE LIBRARY DURING LUNCHTIME NEXT THURSDAY





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ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY... 28TH FEBRUARY

In 1759 Pope Clement XIII allowed The Bible to be translated into various languages...

In 1784 John Wesley founded the Methodist Church...

In 1909 the first National Women's Day was observed in USA...

In 1935 Wallace Carothers patented nylon...

In 1953 Francis Crick and James Watson discovered the chemical structure of DNA...

In 1954 USA nuclear test at Bikini Island...

In 1956 Wright Forrester patented the computer core memory...

In 1977 the first killer whale born in captivity..

In 1983 the final episode of "M*A*S*H" was watched by over 100 million Americans...

In 1991 the Gulf War ended as Iraq retreated from Kuwait...

In 2013 Pope Benedict XVI resigned...

In 2016 Leonardo DiCaprio won Best Actor Oscar for "The Revenant"...

In 2022 Russia started shelling Kharkiv, after beginning the invasion of Ukraine 4 days earlier...



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Nicola Collison

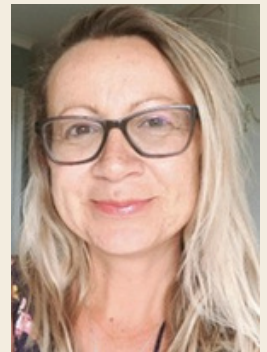
PG Dip in Play Therapy & Credited Counsellor (NCPS)

Talking and Creative therapy

IT'S OKAY TO ASK FOR HELP

I will have a room set up in school so children and young people can choose, with my guidance, how they want to use the sessions.

Hi there, my name is Nicola Collison. I am a qualified counsellor accredited by the NCPS (National Counselling and Psychotherapy Society) and have a Post-Graduate Diploma in Play Therapy. Before that, I was a Primary School Teacher for over 20 years.



No thought or feeling is ever too small or insignificant to explore

“Young people’s lives are so busy and full of pressures that they are having to deal with daily. The need for a safe space where they can be themselves and learn to understand feelings that arise has become ever more important.”

I have worked with children and young people with a variety of needs. Amongst these are bereavement, anxiety, self-esteem, gender, trichotillomania, addictive tendencies, self-harm, eating difficulties, emotional and behavioural difficulties, children with A.D.H.D. and autism. I work primarily in a person-centred way, but depending on how the person I am working with wants to progress, we can dip into different ways of working together either creative or Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT). This will very much allow them to lead the session and me to be there to listen- we can explore together.

Please do get in touch: nccounselling7@gmail.com

Careers education learning journey (11 - 18)

