



Wednesday 28th February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reading at Connaught School for Girls forms an integral part of both our pastoral and academic curriculum. The school value of excellence is aligned with developing strong reading habits and nurturing these through their years at Connaught. Students are expected to read during registration time and at the beginning of their English lessons. We encourage all our students from year 7 to engage with Accelerated Reader - which is a comprehension programme encouraging students to read avidly and read challenging material to broaden their knowledge.

Connaught School for Girls has hosted three World Book Day 2024 quizzes this week to celebrate reading. Year 7,8 and 9 have all taken part in internal class book quiz competitions to both expand and explore their general knowledge about books. The English department then selected each team to represent their class in the year group play off. Please see our school website for information and pictures. See our website: <https://www.connaught-school.co.uk>

Students have had to work in their teams to answer questions about : 19th century literature, Shakespeare, *Harry Potter*, Roald Dahl, *The Crucible* and some Marvel comics. We would like to congratulate all students and their teams on their impressive efforts and enthusiasm. Students' detailed knowledge about a range of books was most impressive. Well done to all!

**The teams:**

- 7C - Aminah G, Cleo, Eshaal, Safiya A, Safaa, (reserves: Fawza, Leona)
- 7S - Darcey, Alisha K, Habibah, Aysin, Zainab G, (reserves: Zahraa, Aminah)
- 7W - 'Dahab OGs', Ayzah, Zeynep, Nadia, Hajra, Zunairah
- 7F - 'Reading Squad', with Mysha, Dixie, Mouna, Suwaydah, Asma and Simra
- 7G - 'The House of Gryffindor' Naima, Miske, Malika, Aliza and Fatima
- 8S - Hajrah, Aysha, Tasnia, Hannah, Lina, RESERVE: Eliyah
- 8C - Olivia, Huda, Amina, Tess, Arissa, (reserve: Maryam)
- 8W - Jasmine, Ezinne, Zoya A, Jannah, Cherece
- 8F - 'Strawberries' - Setaish, Safiyyah, Izma, Hansa and Annaya
- 8G - Hafsa, Saabirina, Sumayyah, Nicole, Thashviga Reserves: Saarah A; Fatima S
- 9/1 - Mariyah, Ariba, Melissa, Asma, Halima Reserve: Aliza A
- 9/2 - Khalisa, Matilda, Caitlin, Joylyn, Sumayyah. Reserve: (1st)Gilda, (2nd)Safiyyah
- 9/3 - Safia, Lucy, Sara, Fiza, and Fatima
- 9/4 - Sofia, Zannat, Aleeza, Reynad, Rijja
- 9/5 - Hanna, Inaaya, Mashaal, Fatimah, Zainab, (reserves: Fatimah-Zahra, Amina Hossain)

Also, a special thank you to our English Year 10 prefect: Audrey Wong 10S for helping with all the preparations of the quizzes. Please support us by continuing to encourage reading at home and all year.

Yours sincerely

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