



Themes of the Month

January – Positive relationships

February – Different types of relationships

March - Diversity

Key Events

Dec 16th – Last Day of Term

Jan 3rd – First Day of Spring Term

Jan 20th – Vaccinations day

Jan 27th – INSET day

Feb 8th – Parents' evening

Message From HOY

Students in year 9 have shown real maturity this term during their SMSC sessions. Themes covered were "Body Image" and "Organ Donation". They were able to articulate their opinions and most of them now feel more equipped to take on important decisions in their adult life!

I would like to congratulate all students who took part in the school production "School of Rock". They have done the school proud.

Mrs Budd also wanted to pass on how amazing Year 9 Drama students did on their performance show last week! Some very talented actors/actresses in the making!

I was lucky to watch some excellent team effort in a recent basketball game! Well done to the team for an amazing result!

Both Mrs Finch and myself would like to wish every one of you and your families a Merry Christmas!

Mrs C Lanham

What I Read When I Was Younger

I remember reading this book in school. I really enjoyed it as it made me think about a place I had never been (still haven't been either!)



The novel tells the story of a young girl, called Patricia through a French man on a visit to Kenya. The plot of the story revolves around the friendship between Patricia and a lion called King, whom Patricia raised since he was a cub. Ouriounga, a teenage Maasai, who wishes to marry Patricia, decides to prove his worth by killing a lion to gain her respect, as is custom in his tribe.

Mrs C Lanham

Attendance

Well done **9SW** for being the tutor group with the highest attendance so far this year!

Huge congratulations to the 23 students who are still on 100% attendance this year!

Mrs Finch and Mrs Lanham are also really impressed with Lily-May (9LCT) for having the best improve attendance compared to last year!

Merits

The overall merit count goes to **9LMT**! They have collectively received an impressive total of 2370 merits this year! Can another tutor group take their crown next term?

Special mention to **Nellie** (9AHO) who, so far, has received 200 merits! She is closely followed by **William** (9AHO) and **Fergus** (9AHO) with 192 merits each!