

Monday 21st March to Friday 25th March 2022



Headteachers' Blog



I had a beautiful journey into work yesterday, with the full moon still visible as the bright sun burned its way through the Suffolk mist. We are so fortunate to work in such a beautiful part of the country.

BBC

Two engagements with the BBC last week –once again we were approached to give our views to Look East about the impact Covid is having on our school. Impact? What impact? I strong armed Mrs Wellham, Mr Blewitt, Naomi Selby and Joanna Vince in Year 8 to tell our story – and what a fine job they did! I really appreciated the fact that with no warning their day was totally upended, but they smiled and stepped up.

Staff contracting Covid or having to be at home with their children who have it continues to be a challenge. I have been very fortunate to find some excellent cover staff who have consistently delivered strong learning experiences for our students, and I am very grateful to them for this.

The second involvement with the BeeB was via Miss Mylrea, who organised their roadshow to visit us, to celebrate the centenary birthday of the organisation, and to tell some stories of its staff overcoming adversity. Years 7,8 and 9 were invited to watch the show The student response was really positive, and it was good to move into a different gear.

Tate Gallery

Mr Peckford led a wonderful trip at the weekend for 35 Year 8 students to visit the Tate Modern and to see some of the sights nearby, such as St Pauls. With the weather being as glorious as it was, London was a site to behold, particularly for some students that had never visited the capital. The students were superb throughout and the feedback has been extremely positive.

The weather is here with us for a few more days – happy days indeed.

Mr Lee-Allan

pi day

On Monday 14th March students had the opportunity to celebrate international pi day. This included in lesson activities and homework to memorise digits of pi along with a photo/poster competition. On the day students learnt about pi as a value and its history. Pi is

one of the most popular or well-known mathematical constants. It is a irrational number that defines the ratio between a circle's diameter and its circumference. It can be approximated to 3.14159..... Although it has not always been known as pi the concept of this ratio has been around for centuries. The Greek mathematician Archimedes gave the first logical and accurate way to calculate pi in 250 BC and assigned it a value of 22/7. Through time the known number of digits of pi has increased and its algorithms to model it have grown in complexity.

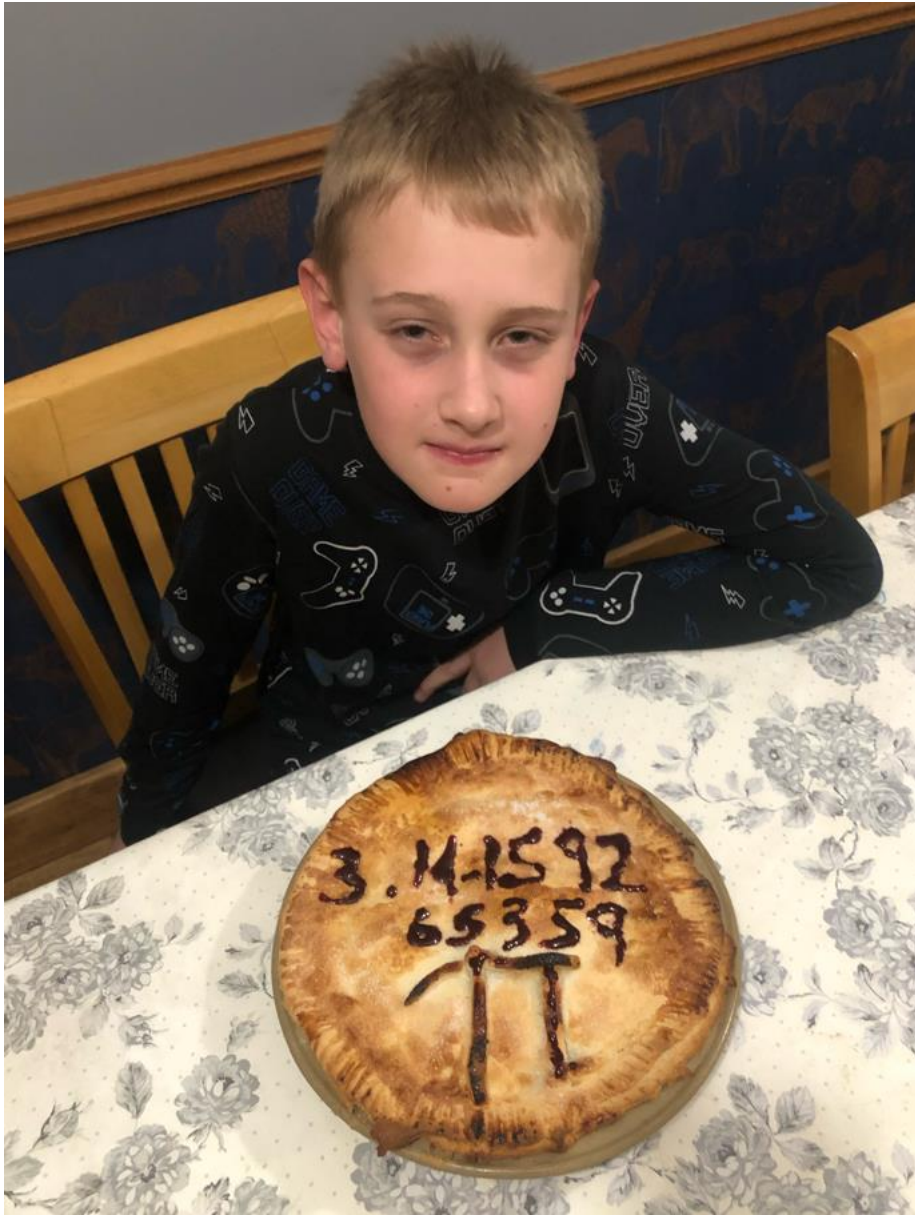
Over the day some classes participated in competitions to see who could remember the most digits of pi. Well done to Amy Cobbold, Harrison Hunn and Harry McDonald who could all recite over 30 digits of pi.

Lots of photos and artwork were sent in and a display will be made in the maths department. Below are a few of our favourites.

Well done to everyone!



Reece Coppin – a creativity way to represent pi using objects from in the home.



Jimmy Johnson – made a very delicious looking pie (π)!

$$\pi = 3.141592$$

BBC 100 Share Your Story

The Inspirational Futures Team hosted the BBC today for the celebration 'BBC 100 Share Your Story' part of the BBC's centenary celebrations.

We welcomed two of their ambassadors Angelle Joseph and Jacob Ottaway who shared their inspirational career journeys with students in Years 7 to 9.

The students were a credit to the school and Producer Matt commented "they asked some of the greatest questions we have had on the tour"

It was the BBC's final event of the tour today and he stated that we had helped end it on a high note for the team.

Angelle has agreed to come back to host an Advice and Slice lunchtime session so watch this space!



Friday 25th March 2022 – Non Uniforms Day

Thursday 31st March 2022 – Year 11 Tripod Evening

Tuesday 5th April 2022 – Year 7 Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 8th April 2022 – HPV Immunisations

Friday 8th April 2022 – Non Uniform Day

Friday 8th April 2022 – Egg Decorating Competition

Easter Holidays Monday 11th April – Friday 22nd April 2022

Monday 25th April 2022 – Return to School



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