



Barcelona Trip

On Monday 7th October myself and Mrs Martinez took 19 students to Barcelona for an immersive week of Dance, Art and Spanish culture. Here is what they got up to each day.

Monday

After an early flight from Gatwick, we arrived in Barcelona ready for our guided walking tour of the old town. Exploring the streets with our guide, Carles, the students were able to learn more about Barcelona's rich history and explore the architecture found within. We visited many locations such as the Plaça Reial, the Gothic Quarter and the Catedral de Barcelona. After exploring the town, the night ended with an evening meal along the famous 'La Rambla'.



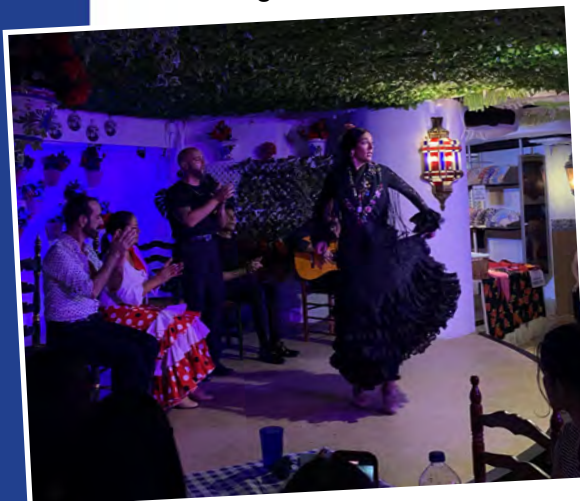
Tuesday

An early start today was prompted by a visit to Park Guell, a glorious park located in the north of Barcelona, offering stunning and distinct architectural designs created by Catalan architect, Antoni Gaudí. Here the students were able to explore the works of the artist as well as see Barcelona from a heightened perspective. In the afternoon, the students spent their time around the Placa De Catalunya, exploring the streets and various shops within the area. After a dinner along La Rambla we took to Rambla De Mar to explore Barcelona's marina at nighttime.



Wednesday

Whilst our art students were exploring the streets of Barcelona and witnessed Gaudi's continuing influence of the town's architecture, our dance students experienced a flamenco lesson. Our students really enjoyed the lesson and learnt so much from the teacher. It was brilliant to see the engagement from them and it was fantastic that they had the opportunity to learn a routine within the 1 hour lesson. After lunch the students explored MACBA, Barcelona's Modern Contemporary Art Museum, showcasing a comprehensive collection of Spanish, Catalanian and European art. The day





finished with an evening experience of traditional Spanish dance at a Flamenco show at Patio Andaluz. Here all the students were able to see first hand an authentic flamenco performance, displaying highly energetic rhythms accompanied by highly emotive music

Thursday

Our last day in Barcelona started with a visit to the Picasso Museum located in Barcelona's old town. The artworks, presented within a medieval mansion, houses the extensive collection of influential spanish artist Pablo Picasso showing his cubist works and masterpieces. From here we walked over to the Ciutadella park and explored Barcelona for our final hours, where the students collected last minute souvenirs and gifts for family and friends before heading to the airport and back to London.



The trip was highly successful in showing the beauty of Barcelona. From Gaudí's park to the Marina located at the end of La Rambla, the students immersed themselves in Spanish culture, art and dance styles. The students were a delight to take on this journey and represented Winchmore school proudly.

Mr Newman





Visit to Dugdale Arts Centre

On Tuesday 15th October a small group of Year 9 students visited the Dugdale Arts Centre in Enfield Town for a Creative Industries Discovery event. Students participated in a range of workshops including spoken word, acting and movement. They also had the opportunity to interview a panel of young Enfield professionals within creative industries. Students learnt about the diverse roles available and each professional's career pathway. It was fascinating to hear from young people who had gone to local schools including Winchmore and their journeys that have taken to get to where they are today.

Students said:

'It was interesting to learn there's more than one avenue to take.' **Kion Harris Smith**

'I learnt about different jobs I didn't know about in the creative industries. For example photography and visual artists.' **Lucy Slater**

'It was really interesting to go off into groups and explore different things linked to the creative industries. For example creative writing and exploring career paths that interest us.' **Logan Flannigan**



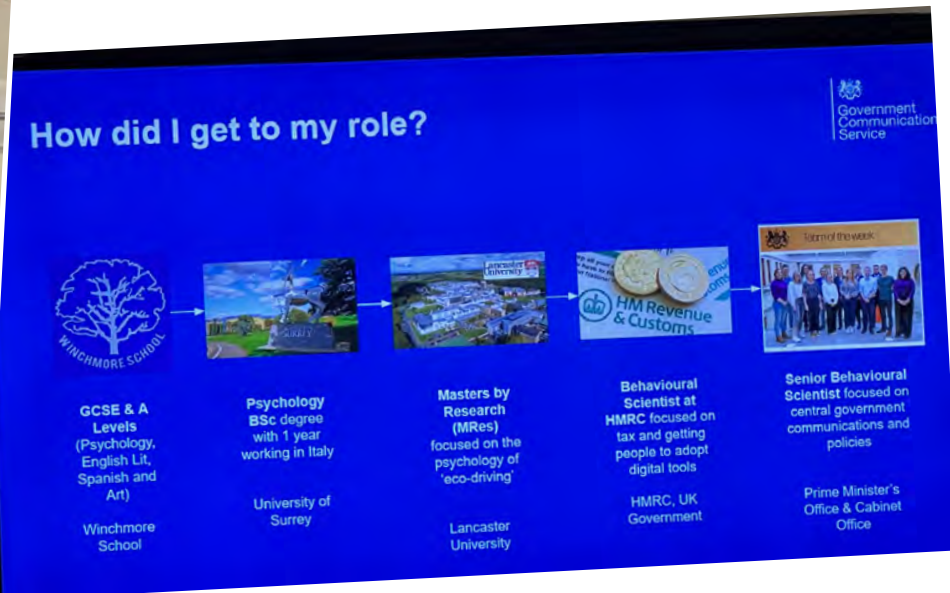
Psychology Talk

The Psychology Department & Psychology Society welcomed Holly Marquez, ex-student from Winchmore School, who came to do a talk about a 'Day in the life of a Behavioural Scientist'.



Holly is now a Senior Behavioural Scientist working for the Prime Minister's office and the Cabinet Office. The talk was informative and inspiring! Thank you to Mrs Winter and Mrs Goddard for organising this event.

Ms Bheekoo - Head of Psychology



Year 12 Trip to Morocco - Online Talk

Winchmore School invites Year 12 students to join an online talk about our exciting Morocco expedition, running in July 2026.

This is a life-changing opportunity for students to explore Morocco with expert guides, while developing their life skills, confidence and independence. We're partnering with World Challenge to offer this 13-night trip, which complements school learning.

Charlie from World Challenge will host the 20-minute Zoom presentation on Monday 21st October at 6pm. Please come along and ask any questions, or just listen in. To attend, please register for the Zoom presentation [here](#).



Save our Enfield Libraries!

Are you aware of the potential closure of 8 libraries in Enfield (Bullsmoor, Enfield Highway, Enfield Island Village, Bowes Road, Southgate, Winchmore Hill, Oakwood, and John Jackson)?

As you know, libraries are critical to children's education, providing free access to books, technology, and learning opportunities that foster intellectual and social development. These closures would be a significant loss, not only for students but for families across our community who rely on these invaluable resources.

Please complete the Enfield Council's Consultation Form linked below to show your support for keeping these libraries open. Every submission makes a difference, and your voice could help preserve these valuable resources for the benefit of our children and the entire community.

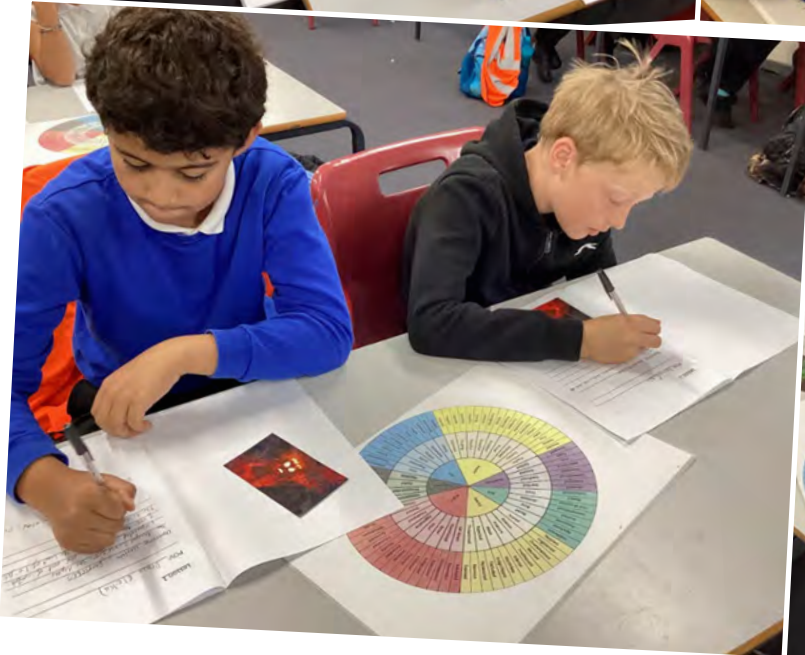
Link to Consultation Form:

<https://www.enfield.gov.uk/consultations/library-consultation>



Highfield Primary Creative Writers

Thirty year 5 students from just over the road at Highfield Primary visited Winchmore earlier this month for the first of a series of creative writing workshops. We focused on narrators and points of view, using the Polynesian myth of Moana (and the Disney adaptation!) as our inspiration, and imagining how it would feel to be Tala, Maui, Te Fiti, Te Ka or Moana. We watched clips and discussed how one situation can look very, very different from five opposing perspectives – the students initially loved being our hero Moana but soon began to appreciate the appeal of being a volcanic demon. Over the next two workshops, we'll be exploring multisensory imagery and how to write a satisfying ending, before editing and sharing our work. We're looking forward to seeing the young writers again and seeing what fantastic work they come up with.





Winchmore Performing Arts Faculty

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WEDNESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

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Year 8 – Art Study

Year 8s have been looking into the artwork of artist and climate scientist Jill Peltó this half term. They started the project by analysing the artist's work and completing a visual study of one of her paintings. Jill Peltó incorporates graphs with real data into her artworks to help raise awareness about the changing climate. Two of our amazing Year 8 students **Scarlett Sutton** and **Lola Parish** have shown amazing commitment over the past couple of weeks, spending their lunchtimes in Art to complete their fantastic studies, we are so impressed by their skill and dedication!



A Day at the Library

Seven of our A-level students visited the London Library on Friday 11 October for a day of workshops about becoming a journalist, led by writer and editor Urmeé Khan. Before we settled into our conference space in The Study, though, we were given a private tour around the library, which houses more than one million books on around seventeen miles of shelves. It's a wildly stylish building, full of nooks and crannies and character – which is why it's been used as a filming location for various dramas including *Top Boy* and *Killing Eve*. It has hosted countless writers since it was established in 1841, from Charles Dickens to EM Forster to Muriel Spark to Raymond Antrobus. We also perused the huge archive of Times newspapers, going back to the 18th century, searching out details of stories from the years we were born and beyond.

Then we got down to business, discussing the changing world of journalism, research methods and interviewing techniques before producing our own news stories – on topics as varied as

Just Stop Oil, Ozempic and Fleetwood Mac – to a tight (45 minutes!) deadline. We stepped back out into leafy St James's Square full of ideas, dreams and ambitions – and a plan to return to the London Library again next term.



What are you Reading?

I'm Miss Falconer and I am the Literacy Coordinator at Winchmore School.

It's really important that we encourage our students to foster a love of reading as it offers numerous benefits, from expanding knowledge and improving vocabulary to boosting imagination and creativity. It helps reduce stress by providing an escape, while also enhancing focus, concentration, and memory. Regular reading fosters empathy by allowing you to experience different perspectives and encourages lifelong learning. Overall, it is a powerful way to stimulate the mind and nurture personal growth.

Therefore I encourage you to pick up a book and start reading. Whether it's on the bus home, before you go to sleep, or while you're waiting to pick your sibling up from school. Expand your mind and discover something new. If you feel inspired, I encourage you to write a short review of your book and send it to me at madeleine.falconer@winchmore.enfield.sch.uk and you will be published in the Winchmore Weekly!

Currently, I am reading 'Mistborn' by Brandon Sanderson. This thrilling fantasy novel has truly captured my imagination with its intricate world-building and inventive magic system. Sanderson's visual writing style is so vivid that it feels like watching a cinematic experience unfold in my mind.

The story's rich setting and dynamic characters immerse me completely, making each reading session an engaging escape. It's been a delightful adventure to get lost in the epic world and follow the journey of Vin, the young Mistborn protagonist, as she navigates a society ruled by dark forces.

Miss Cetin - Teacher of Science



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WINCHMORE'S WOW! WORD OF THE WEEK

Explore

Week beginning 21st October



Word Class	Verb
Meaning	a) Travel through (an unfamiliar area) in order to learn about it. b) Inquire into or discuss (a subject) in detail.
Examples	1. School is a place where students explore new ideas, develop skills, and build a foundation for their future. 2. GCSE Chemistry Question: Explore the factors that affect the rate of a chemical reaction and explain how catalysts work. 3. GCSE Physics Question: Explore how different materials affect the rate of heat transfer and the methods used to insulate homes. 4. GCSE Biology Question: Explore the role of enzymes in digestion and explain how temperature affects their activity.
Challenge	Where would you like to explore? Is there a particular place you would like to go? Have a look around on Google Earth and explore!



Monday
21st October

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

- **Music Production Club in M2**
- **Library** - Two members of Staff will be reading in the Library to celebrate Black History Month - 1.20pm and 1.40pm

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

- **After School Club Library 3pm to 4pm**
- **Year 11 Boys Football** - 3pm-4.15pm on the field
- **GCSE Dance Intervention** - 3.15-4.15pm in DA1
- **Year 10-13 Dance Club** - 3.15-4.15pm in DA2
- **Year 11 Higher Tier Spanish Exam Preparation Classes** in room 75
- **All Years - Art Club** room A1 3.15-4.00pm
- **Scrabble club** - 3:15-4:15 pm in the EAL room (selected students)
- **All Years - Coding Club** 3:00-4:00 in Room 03
- **High School Musical rehearsal** 3.00pm-4.30pm - DR1
- **Film Club** 3:00pm-3:45pm- Room 88
- **Year 11 Media Studies Boost class** 3:45pm-4:30pm - Room 88
- **Drama Year 11 Booster** - Performing Arts Office 3.00pm-4.30pm
- **Year 7 & 9 Netball GAME vs Oasis Enfield**

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

- **Careers Drop In session** - Careers Office
- **Piano Club** in M1
- **Library** - Two members of Staff will be reading in the Library to celebrate Black History Month - 1.20pm and 1.40pm

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

- **Year 9 Boys Football** - 3pm-4.15pm on the field
- **School Production (Dance)** - 3.15-4.30pm in DA1 (selected students)
- **English** for specific SEND students 3:15-4:15 pm in the EAL room
- **Year 11 English Boost classes** (selected students, but all welcome)
- **High School Musical rehearsal** 3.00pm-4.30pm - Hall FULL CAST
- **High School Musical Production Dance rehearsal** - 3.00-4:30pm in DA1
- **School Show Band Rehearsal in M1** - 3.00-4.15pm
- **Year 10 and Senior Netball Club**
- **All years Girls Football Club** - 3:00-4:15pm

Tuesday
22nd October

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

- **Careers Drop In session** - Careers Office
- **Band Rehearsal** in M1
- **Library** - Two members of Staff will be reading in the Library to celebrate Black History Month - 1.20pm and 1.40pm

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

- **After School Club** Library 3pm to 4pm

Wednesday
23rd October

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

- **Christian Club** - Room 23
- **Library** - Two members of Staff will be reading in the Library to celebrate Black History Month - 1.20pm and 1.40pm

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

- **After School Club Library** 3pm to 4pm
- **Year 8 Boys Football** - 3-4.15pm on the field
- **Year 11 GCSE PE Mentoring** - 3.15-4pm
- **School Production (Dance)** - 3.15-4.30pm in DA1 (selected students)
- **Year 7 Boys Football** - 3-4.10pm on the field
- **Years 10-13 - Basketball** - 3:15-4:15pm in the Sports Hall
- **Year 11 Foundation Tier Spanish Exam Preparation Classes** in room 79
- **High School Musical rehearsal** 3.00pm-4.00pm - Hall
- **High School Musical Production Dance rehearsal** - 3.00-4:30pm in DA1
- **Guitar Club and KS3 Band in MI** - 3.15-4.15pm
- **Drama Year 11 Booster** - Performing Arts Office 3.00pm-4.30pm

Thursday
24th October

Friday
25th October

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

- **Year 11 GCSE PE Intervention** - 3-3.45pm
- **Year 7-9 Dance Club** - 3.15-4.15pm in DA1
- **NCFE PE Intervention** - 3-3.45pm
- **Winchmore Tabletop Society** - 3:00 - 4:30 in room 88

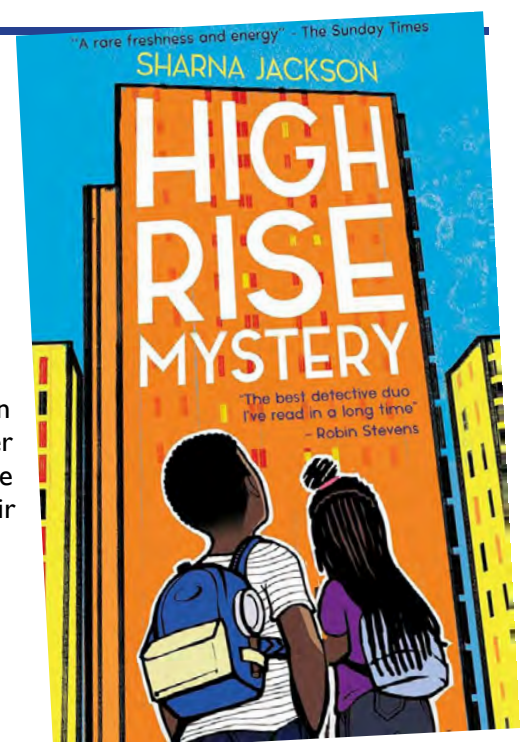
TRIP:

Computing trip to Eurogamer

Available in the Library...

High Rise Mystery - Sharna Jackson

Summer in London is hot, the hottest on record, and there's been a murder in THE TRI: the high-rise home to resident know-it-alls, Nik and Norva. Who better to solve the case? Armed with curiosity, home-turf knowledge and unlimited time – until the end of the summer holidays anyway... Nik and Norva will put their super-sleuthing skills to the test.





Does your child find it difficult to attend school for emotional reasons?

Join the Educational Psychology Service at a online two-part workshop for parents and carers. We will:

- ▶ Learn more about anxiety
- ▶ Explore what feels helpful for your child and family
- ▶ Discuss working together with schools to help young people attend
- ▶ Share your thoughts and ideas with each other
- ▶ Identify what help and support are available
- ▶ Connect with other parents and carers with similar concerns
- ▶ Consider how we can look after ourselves when things are hard

[Sign up here](#)

SESSION 1
Tuesday 12th November
1.30pm-2.30pm

SESSION 2
Tuesday 3rd December
1.30pm-2.30pm

For more information, please email eps@enfield.gov.uk

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UNDER 15'S: GIRLS 2000M, BOYS 3000M

UNDER 17'S: GIRLS 3000M, BOYS 4500M

Registration Deadline:

12pm, Wednesday 30th October 2024

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