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# George Eliot Academy Parent Bulletin

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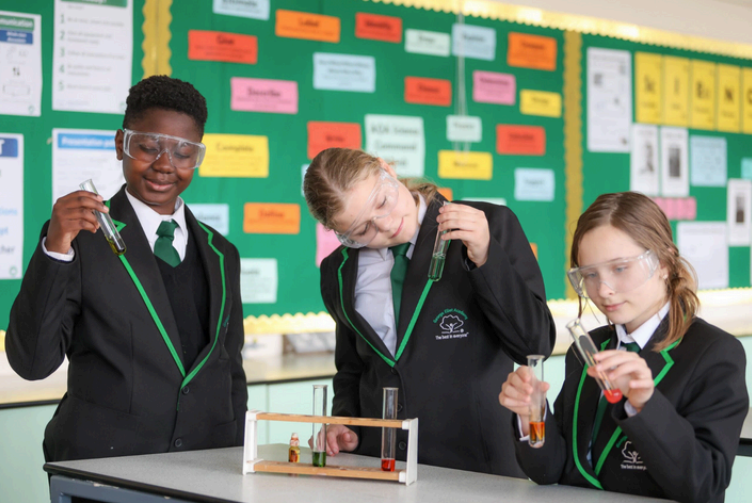
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# A message from our Deputy Principal

## Our GEA Curriculum Experience

Our aim is to provide an excellent education for all our pupils; an education which brings out the best in all of them and prepares them for success in life. Our curriculum is designed to provide children with the core knowledge they need for success in education and later life, to maximise their cognitive development, to develop the whole person and the talents of the individual and to allow all children to become active and economically self-sufficient citizens.

Our curriculum is based on these key principles:

**Entitlement:** All pupils have the right to learn what is in the curriculum.

**Coherence:** Taking the national curriculum as our starting point, the curriculum is sequenced so that powerful knowledge builds term by term and year by year. Connections are made with and between subjects.

**Mastery:** We ensure that foundation knowledge, skills and concepts are secure before moving on. Pupils regularly revisit prior learning and apply their understanding in new contexts.

**Adaptability:** The core content, the 'what', of the curriculum is stable, and teachers will adapt lessons – the 'how' – to meet the needs of their own classes.

**Representation:** All pupils see themselves in the curriculum.

**Education with character:** Our curriculum is wider than the taught academic subjects. We support pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development and our co-curricular provision and department focus on building cultural capital sees pupils accessing more experiences outside of the classroom.

Alongside our academic curriculum sits our Character and co-curricular offer. We work hard to teach our pupils to be kind and responsible, not because we say so but because it is who we are. Our form time, assemblies and collapsed days will focus on situations and scenarios that make our pupils think and give opportunities in school and beyond to develop key transferable skills that will support them in their next steps.

Our pupils have a say in school and make contributions to the important decisions that support how the school operates. Our departments all give wider opportunities through the trips and house competitions that they run all year round.

It is no wonder our motto is to 'Be Kind and Aim for Excellence',

Dee Stanton



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# PTA Newsletter

George Eliot Academy's PTA has only been running for 2 and a half years and within this short time we have managed to obtain Charity status. We have been working hard to raise money for an outdoor gym and can now confirm that we have been able to raise and donate £10,390 for outdoor exercise equipment which will be installed during the Easter holidays. We have only managed this from your support making our events successful.

The PTA has been given another challenge from the school to reinstate the peace garden and bring it back to a useful area for the pupils to use. The area has been out of use for some time due to the extreme wet weather that makes the grass area boggy, and it has become overgrown.

The PTA have managed to secure a group of volunteers from JLR (Jaguar Land Rover) who are able to carry out all the gardening work by donating their valuable time, but we are looking for some external assistance. Could you or anyone you know carry out a drainage system within the grass area before the gardening work can commence. All materials will be supplied.

If you can help in any way it would be greatly appreciated, please contact the PTA Chair Lorraine on 07880 545067 or email: [ptagea@georgeeliotacademy.org.uk](mailto:ptagea@georgeeliotacademy.org.uk).

## Other ways you can help

No matter the time of year the PTA are always looking for boxes of chocolate, chocolate bars, bottles of wine and any unwanted gifts that can be used for tombola stalls and/or raffle prizes. All items can be given to Reception, form tutors, or contact Lorraine if collection is required.

Please come and support the events that the PTA organises.

The PTA appreciates all your kindness and support. Our next event is on Thursday 10th April. Doors open 6pm eyes down 6.30pm for the Easter Bingo Event. We will look forward to seeing you there.

Kind regards  
PTA

## EASTER BINGO!!

Home bakes!	Thursday 10th April 2025	Easter Eggs!
Prizes!		Chocolate!
Refreshments!	Family/friends all welcome!	Parking - South Playground
3 books - £4 6 books - £7		6pm - Doors Open 6.30pm - Eyes down

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# AI Roadshow

## AI Takes Centre Stage: Engineer Roadshow Inspires Year 7 & 8!

On March 27th, our Year 7 and 8 pupils were treated to a fascinating glimpse into the world of Artificial Intelligence (AI) thanks to an engaging roadshow presented by a team of dynamic engineers. The presentation was packed with interactive demonstrations and insights into the exciting possibilities of AI in various fields.

One of the highlights was undoubtedly the co-bot dog, which captivated pupils with its lifelike movements and capabilities. The engineers also showcased the diverse range of career opportunities available in engineering, emphasising the growing importance of AI in these roles. Pupils were amazed to witness AI being used to generate lyrics, music, and even music videos, highlighting the creative potential of this technology.

The roadshow also featured hands-on demonstrations of prompt engineering, where pupils themselves were guided through the process of instructing AI to perform specific tasks. With permission, pupils even got to see the creation of an avatar, bringing the concept of digital representation to life and the issues surrounding deep fakes.

The event was made possible thanks to the generous sponsorship of BAE Systems, the Royal Air Force, and the Royal Navy, who are all at the forefront of technological innovation.

The pupils' reactions spoke volumes about the impact of the roadshow. As one Year 8 pupil exclaimed, "It was very entertaining, and I learned a lot about AI. I really enjoyed seeing a cobot in real life!" Another Year 8 pupil shared, "It inspired me to pursue a career in STEM and utilise AI for good."

Year 7 pupils were equally enthusiastic. "It was fascinating to see a robot dog and how AI can be used to make real-life avatars," said one pupil. "I was also inspired by how women can work in STEM." Another Year 7 pupil added, "It was really fun that pupils and staff could take part in the demonstrations."

The Engineer roadshow was a resounding success, igniting curiosity and inspiring our pupils to explore the exciting possibilities of AI and STEM careers. It was a day of learning, discovery, and fun, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended.

**Written by AI with prompts my Miss Marsden (ADOL Science).**

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# Victory at Youth Speaks competition

We are thrilled to announce that our team has won the Senior division of the Youth Speaks Competition at Hartshill Academy this week.

The standard of the competition was incredibly high, and Miss Broomfield and Miss Hibbins, who accompanied the girls to the event, can attest to this.

Our talented pupils, Isis H, Rosalie J-J, and Olivia W, competed against three other groups—two from Nuneaton Academy and one from Hartshill—and emerged victorious.

They were a credit to our school, impressing several Rotarians who commented on their exceptional performance. The Rotarians, who conduct interviews daily, expressed that they would welcome applicants like our pupils, as their standard was exceptional.

It was truly a lovely evening, and we are proud to have a new trophy for our cabinet for the next year!

Please join us in congratulating Isis, Rosalie, and Olivia. We are very proud of you!

You can read their winning speech here: [CLICK HERE](#)

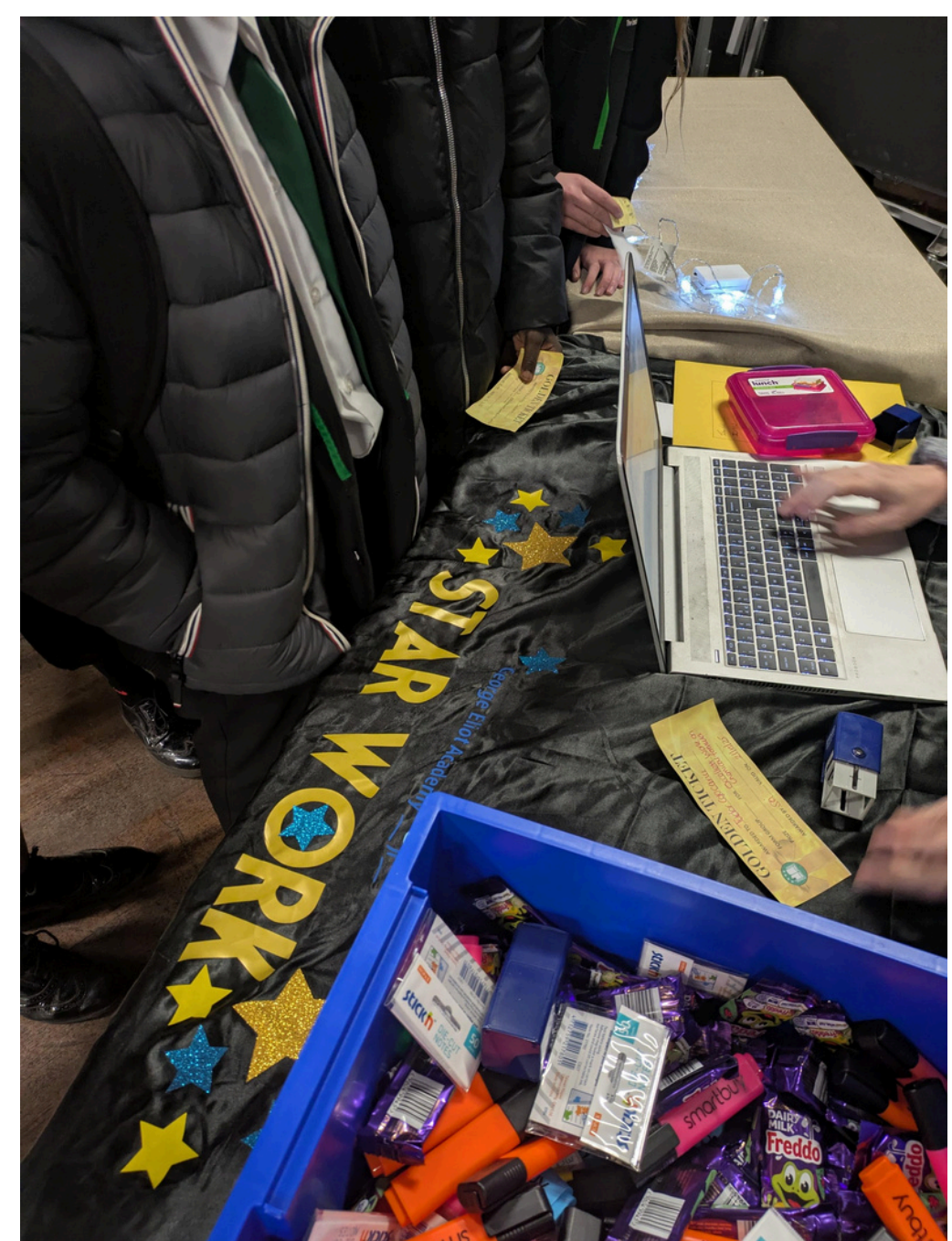


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# Golden Ticket frenzy continues!

As we enter the final week of the Spring term, our Golden Ticket continues, with pupils being awarded tickets for exceptional work in lessons. Will you be a winner next week?



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# Twickenham Rugby - England V Italy

## England vs Italy – A Thrilling Experience for Our Pupils and Staff

In March, 40 of our pupils and 8 staff members went to the Allianz Stadium in Twickenham to witness the Six Nations clash between England and Italy. The match, which ended in a spectacular 47-24 victory for England, provided a day full of excitement, learning, and unforgettable moments.

The pupils and staff were treated to the excitement of team arrivals, as both the England and Italy team buses rolled into the stadium. The atmosphere was buzzing with anticipation, and our group got a chance to see first hand how sports events bring communities together. Many pupils, even those more accustomed to football, embraced the unique charm of rugby.

The passion and energy displayed by the pupils truly reflected their enthusiasm for sport.

*“It was an amazing experience – seeing the team buses come in and feeling the atmosphere in the stadium made this trip unforgettable” - Year 8 pupil*

*“This was a fantastic opportunity for our learners, the atmosphere of the stadium was iconic. Visiting Allianz stadium has enhanced the cultural capital of our learners. This has been a trip of a lifetime for some.” - Mr Pollock.*

This trip not only enriched our pupils' understanding of international sport but also fostered a sense of unity and school spirit. It was a day that combined learning, excitement, and community engagement—values that we cherish at our school.



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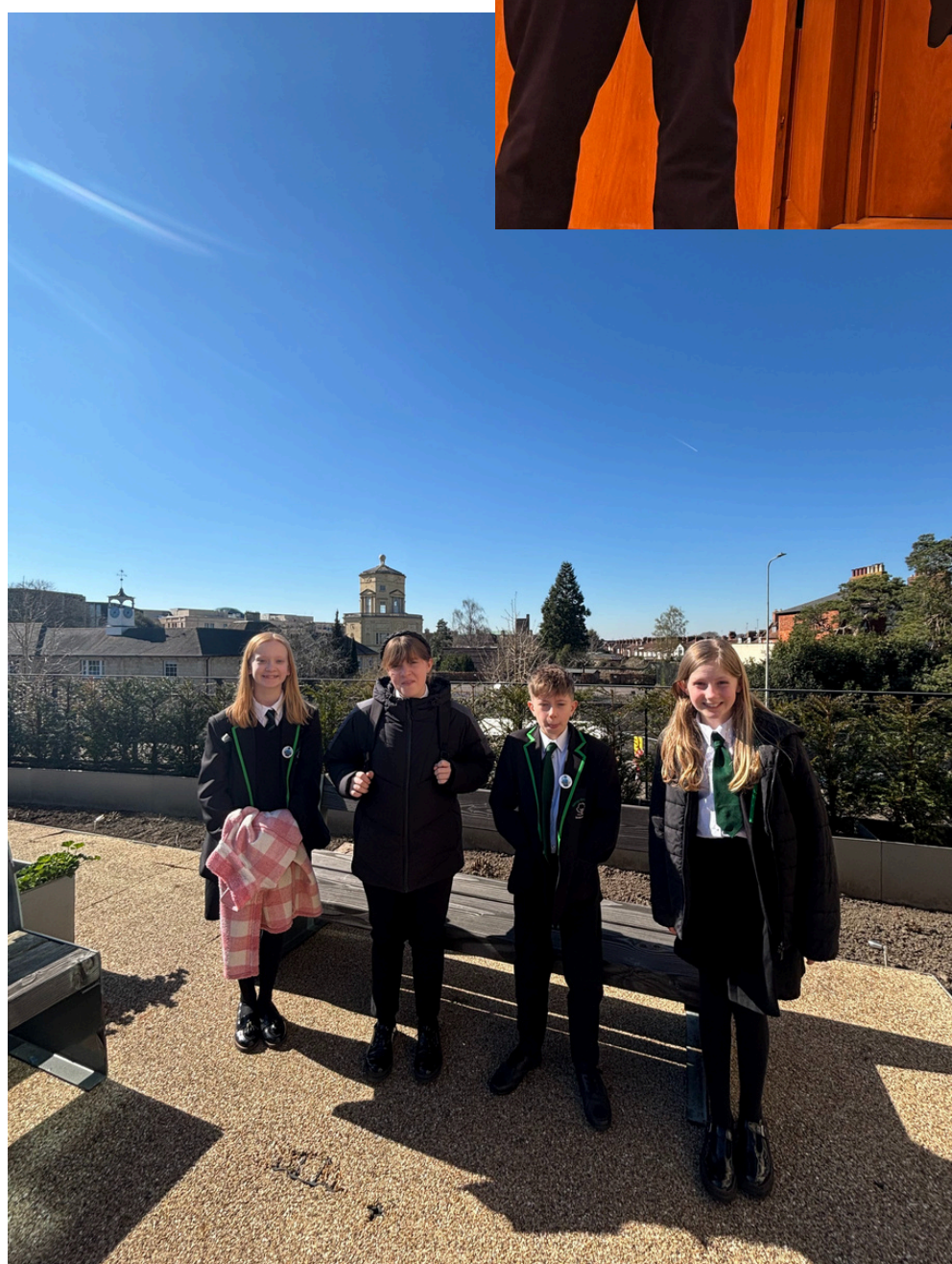
# Green Gurus visit Oxford University

On Tuesday, 18th March, the George Eliot Green Gurus took their project launch to Oxford University and St Anne's College.

They presented their project to other schools in the United Learning group while also learning more about university life and what the future could hold.

We were treated to a tour of the college, as well as a taster lecture, before presenting our project in front of 100 people. The project, which the pupils had developed starting in the summer term, was well-received.

The pupils were excellent, demonstrating STAR values throughout and representing the school in a fantastic light.



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# British Science Week - Nebula parent session

As part of British Science Week, we hosted 16 pupils from Nebula and their parents for a science workshop. Below is a just a handful of some of the lovely feedback we have received.

*"Excellent - well organised, fun, engaging. Fab to do some hands on practical with our son."*

*"It was interesting to see what my son learns in science. The experiment was enjoyable and fun to do."*

*"I think having events in secondary school that parents can attend is a wonderful idea. I really enjoyed it! Thank you!"*

*"We really enjoyed the event and hope there will be more in the future"*

*"Good, informative and interesting"*

*"It was a great event ran by the school. Myself and my family enjoyed doing the practical especially. It would be great to do it again."*



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# Careers Corner

## Year 11 College Taster Event at NWSLC

A group of Year 11 pupils had an insightful opportunity to visit North Warwickshire and South Leicestershire College (NWSLC) for a special taster event!

They got to experience college life first hand, view the campus facilities and take part in exciting sessions related to the courses they've applied for after their GCSEs. From hands-on practical activities to insightful discussions with tutors, this trip helped our pupils feel confident and excited about their next steps in education!

A huge thank you to @NWSLC for hosting such a fantastic taster! We can't wait to see our pupils thrive in their future studies.



## Future NHS Heroes in the Making!

Last week, our Year 8 pupils had an amazing time participating in the Medical Mavericks interactive workshop! They explored a variety of exciting careers in the NHS, from doctors and paramedics to radiographers and physiologists.

Not only did they learn about real NHS roles, but they also got hands-on experience using medical equipment—scanning veins, testing lung capacity, and even taking their own ECGs!

A huge thank you to @MedicalMavericks for inspiring our pupils and showing them the incredible opportunities available in healthcare. Who knows? We may have some future NHS professionals among us!

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## Year 9 Entrepreneurs in Action! 💡

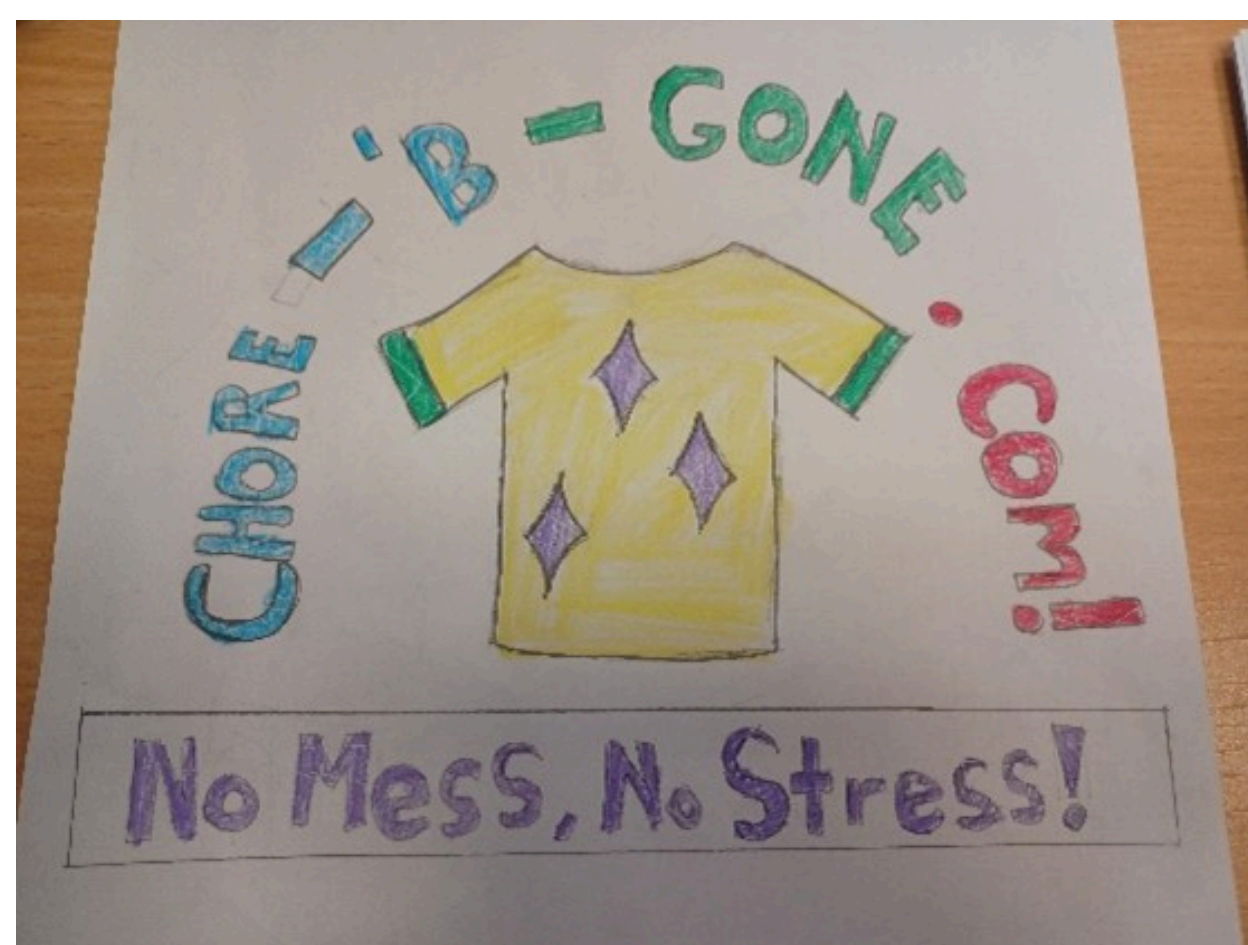
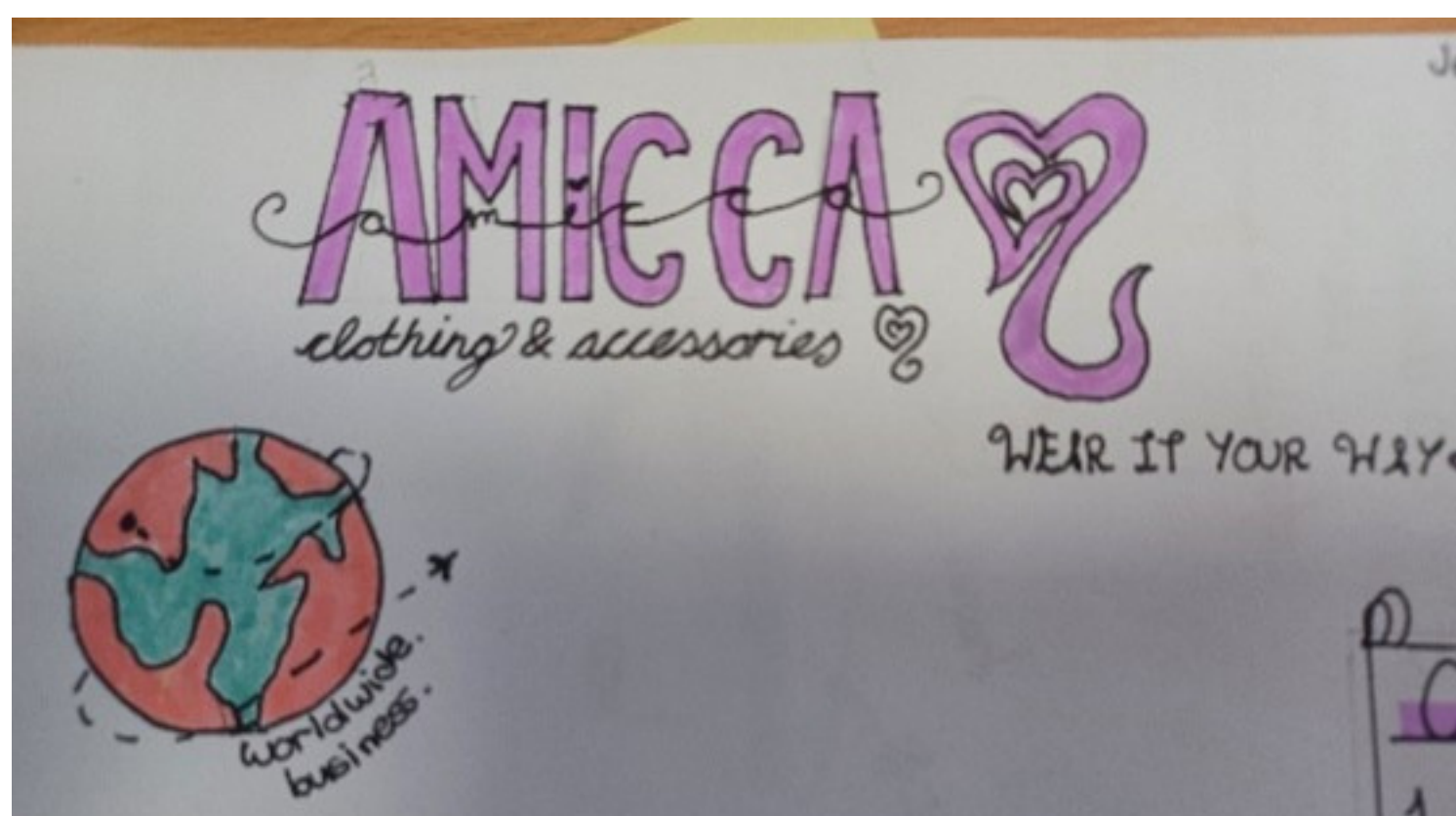
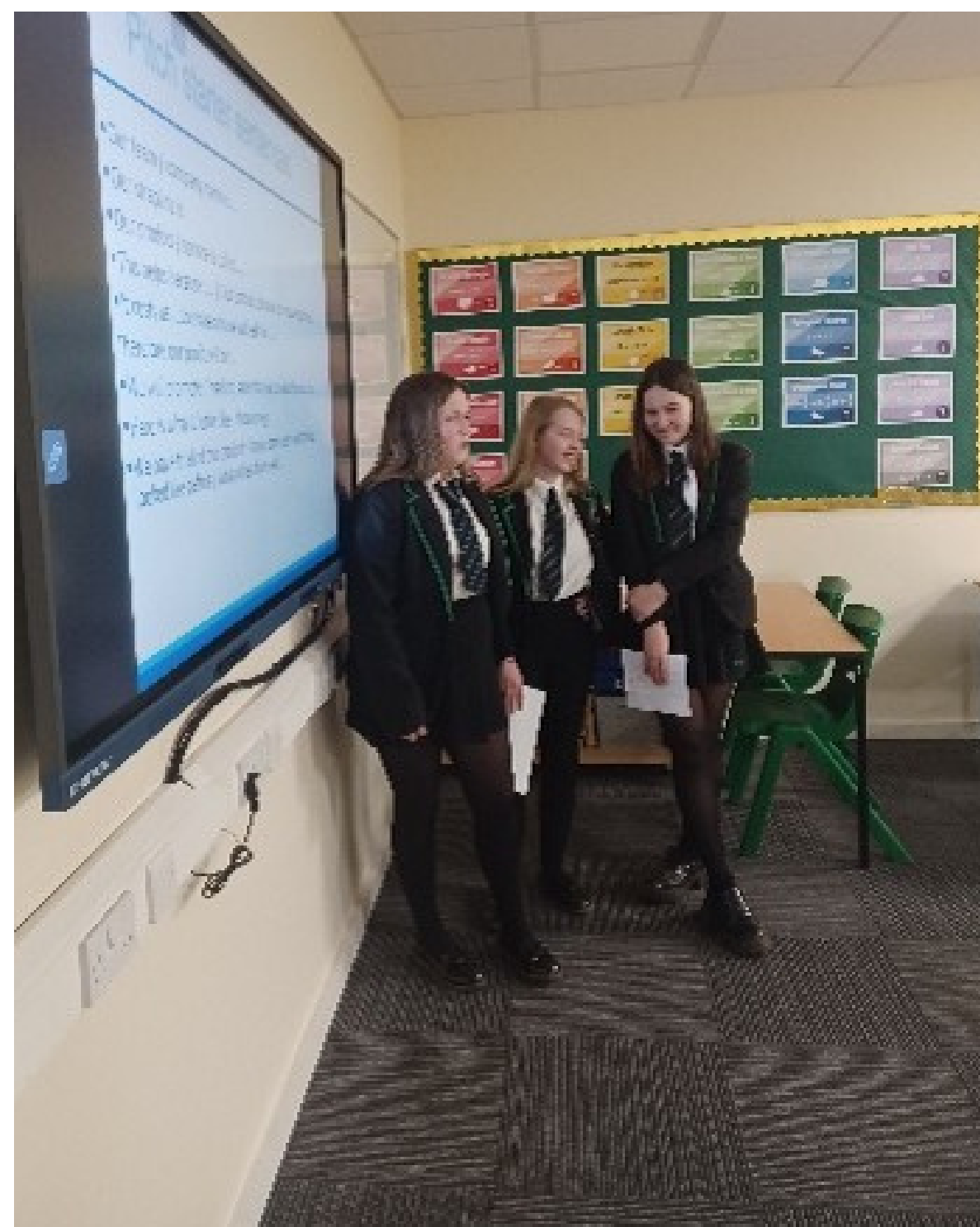
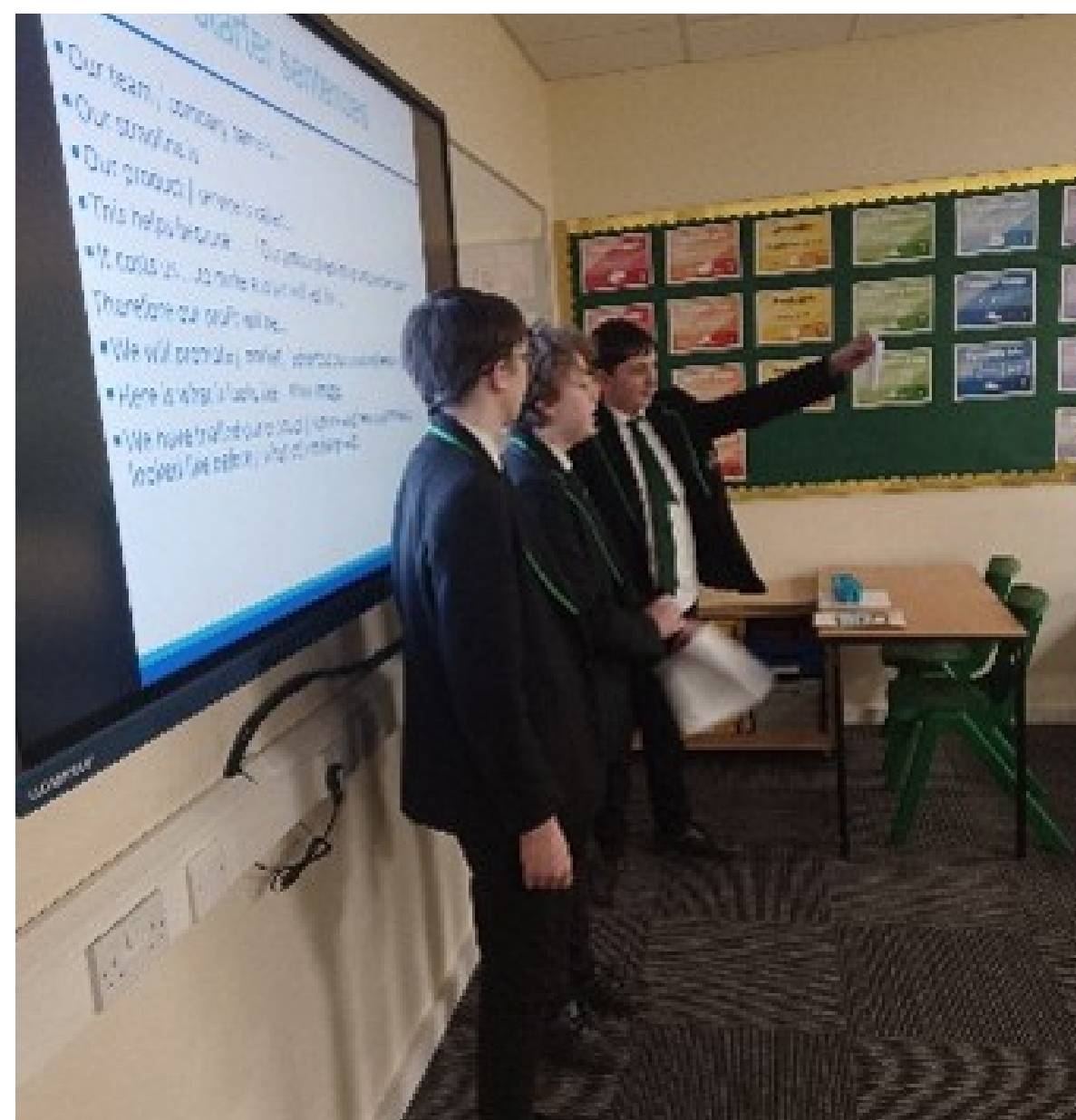
While some of our Year 9 pupils were off exploring the fascinating industrial revolution at The Black Country Museum, others were busy unleashing their entrepreneurial spirit with Miss Suchak and Miss Agudo-Dunn!

Working in teams, they were challenged to develop a new product or service and pitch their ideas Dragon's Den style.

The winning team wowed with their concept of foldable football goals, designed for schools to buy or hire—helping to create more play spaces during lunch and break times.

The team delivered a passionate pitch, showcasing the durability, design, and profit potential of their product. 🔥

Check out some of the other brilliant ideas that emerged from this exciting challenge!



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# Key Dates

**4th April:** DofE practice expedition

**10th April:** PTA Easter Bingo in South Hall - 6pm

**11th April:** Early close for Easter holidays

**29th April:** Year 8 Kenilworth Castle trip

**9th May:** PTA Bongo Bingo at Attleborough Sports Club - 7.30pm

**16th and 17th May:** DofE Expedition

**30th June - 4th July:** Poland Trip

**7th - 9th July:** Year 7 residential

**15th July:** PTA Summer Fair

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