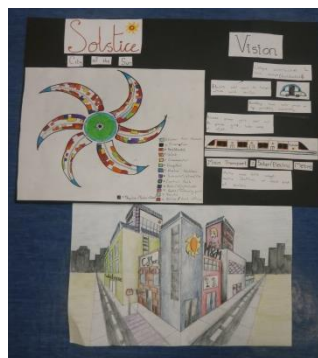


**Curriculum news:** we hope that the following gives a flavour of this week's studying in secondary . . .

**Art:** secondary students have been back in the Textiles Room this week developing their sewing skills further. Students have refined their applique and reverse applique techniques and designing a patchwork square. The Jasmine winners of the sustainable city project were 'Crystal City'. Well done! Year 9's winner was Anamike with a innovative design for her city- 'Solstice'. Year 7 are working on their drawing skills and demonstrating their rendering skills. Orchid have been working on colour and tone to create the illusion of depth in their 2 point perspective cities.



**Computing:** Year 7 are nearing the end of their project: 'Spy School'. This week we learnt about relative and absolute cell references. Year 8's project on sound effects is completed and students are busy conducting peer reviews. Year 9 finished their shape tweens and next week will work on flash animation further.

**English:** Year 7 continued with their 'Whatever Happened to Lulu?' scripts. Year 8 have studied two poems – 'On My First Sonne' by ben Johnson (1611) and 'If' by Rydyard Kipling. Year 9 have studied 'Green Beret' by Ho Thein and 'War Photographer' by Carol An Duffy.

**Geography:** Year 7 are studying The River Thames, Year 8 are looking at the Arctic Tundra as an example of Ecosystems, and Year 9 have completed their Case Study comparison of China & The USA.

**History:** Year 7 have studied the life and teachings of Confucius as part of their studies on Imperial China. Year 8 have finishing work on 19<sup>th</sup> century public health. Year 9 are beginning to examine the events and consequences of D-Day, during World War Two.

**Islamic:** الصف السابع: يدرسون غزوة من غزوات الرسول الكريم التي أثرت في انتشار الإسلام، وميّزت بين المؤمنين والمنافقين وهي غزوة الخندق.

الصف الثامن: يدرسون درساً عن صحابي جليل وهو جندب بن جنادة، وأثره في بداية الإسلام، أفضاله وأعماله من أجل الإسلام. الصف التاسع: يدرسون آياتاً من القرآن الكريم عن إنكار المشركين للبعث.

**Maths:** 7 Aloe have been conducting data investigations to help with their revision for the end of term exam. 7Cinnamon focussed this week's learning on rotations and symmetry as part of their work on transformations. 8 Jasmine have been factorizing quadratic expressions and using inequalities. 8 Orchid completed their project on the school car parking situation before moving on to complete a mini project concerning the history of dice and their importance to mathematics. Year 9 have just finished an assessment on transformations and circle theorems and are now enhancing their knowledge of Probability.

**Music:** Year 7 extended their theory knowledge further this week by exploring the distances between notes, known as intervals. Year 8 had an introduction to Music Technology and learnt how to write music using a programme called Sibelius in the multi-media suite. Year 9 finished their practical work on guitar and some groups recorded their pieces.

**PE:** students are finishing Basketball this week with Assessments in 5 v 5 Game Play.

**Swimming:** Students are building their endurance swimming from 6 minutes up to 12 minutes in readiness for their Cooper 12 minute Timed Swim in a few weeks as part of their end of year swim assessment.

**Science:** Year 7 completed forces and their effects and investigated friction. Year 8 completed their topic on light; they investigated colour and were assessed on this work. Year 9 completed work on speed and acceleration and investigated air resistance and streamlining.

**Finally, thank you to Miss Allen and Mr Stewart for organising the Wadi Adventure activities this week – the students had a lovely time! Thanks also to everyone who supported our Non Uniform Day for Nepal.**

**Advance Notice:** Summer Examinations for secondary students take place between 27<sup>th</sup> May & 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

Please note the timetable below. Students will be required to attend throughout the day and the slots in orange represent timetabled lessons or revision lessons. **Lessons will continue as timetabled after the examinations. For Year 9 students, we will be teaching IGCSE work.**

Secondary Examinations Summer 2015

Date	Yr	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Wed 27 May	7	Science					Art	
	8	Maths			History			
	9	English					History	
Thurs 28 May	7	English					History	
	8	Science			Geography		Art	
	9	Maths			Social Studies			
Sun 31 May	7	Maths			Social Studies			PE
	8	English			Music		Islamic/Spanish	
	9	Science			Geography		Music	
Mon 1 June	7	History					Geography	
	8	Maths			Social Studies			
	9	English			PE		Art	
Tues 2 June	7	Maths			Arabic		Music	
	8	English					PE	
	9	PE fitness	History				French/Spanish	
Wed 3 June	7	English					Islamic/Spanish	
	8	History			French		Music	
	9	Maths			Arabic			
Thurs 4 June	7	French				PE	Fr Orals	PE
	8	Arabic	PE					
	9	Islamic/Fr Spkg	Fr Spkg		Fr Spkg/normal		PE	
Sun 7 June	7							PE
	8	Fr Spkg/normal lessons			Fr Spkg/normal		Fr Spkg/normal	
	9							
Mon 8 June	7	Fr Spkg/normal lessons			Fr Spkg/normal		Fr Spkg/normal	
	8							
	9							