



BIDDICK PARENT WEEKLY BULLETIN

Week starting 11th March 2024

Citizenship in Action



- The Student Council enjoyed the chance to put their questions to local MP and Shadow Secretary of State for Education, Bridget Phillipson last week. Student Council leaders asked questions relating to local politics, for example as a member of parliament, what are you doing for the young people in this area?
- They also quizzed Mrs Phillipson on national issues ranging from the environment to online safety for young people.
- Mrs Phillipson also gave an assembly for Year 7, explaining what it is like to be a member of Parliament, and enjoyed a tour of the school.

World Book Day

- On Thursday students and staff across the academy celebrated World Book Day. During the day students and staff enjoyed the short story "The Signal Man" which was broken up into sections across the day.
- Assemblies over the week raised the profile of reading and its impact on wellbeing, academic achievement and developing young peoples' imagination.
- Staff dressed up to celebrate the range of characters across children literature.
- Students were given their £1 book token which can be used to purchase a World Book Day, book, at local booksellers.



Year 11 English After School Lessons

- The upcoming English ASL sessions, which take place every **Tuesday from 3pm - 4pm**, and every **Friday from 3pm - 4pm** for Mr Brown's class, will focus on the emerging needs of students as identified in the recent mock examinations.
- Please encourage your child to attend every session.

International Woman's Day



- There are some amazing women in STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths).
- We have challenged students to find 10 women from STEM, located around the academy building and let the science staff know who they have found.
- One day only and instant prizes available!
- A secondary competition is available for students to write a short essay (250 words) on an inspirational woman and why she is inspirational.
- All entries are to be submitted to your child's science teacher by **Friday 15th March**.