



A message from our Principal

Welcome to our new look newsletter which celebrates our successful transition to United Learning this month. As a school, we have so much to look forward to in our partnership with United Learning and I am excited to share this with you over the coming months and years.

As the autumn term comes to a close, our school community has thrived in many ways with pupils, staff and parents showing just how wonderful they can be. From donating, wrapping and delivering gifts for local families in need, to pupils creating Christmas gift boxes for the Samaritans. We have had our excellent school performance of Grease and our incredibly successful PTA Christmas Fair.

I wish a restful and happy break to all in our school community and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year.



Community donations

As part of our family ethos at George Eliot Academy, Natalie McCool, Safeguarding Officer, Sarah Sharkey, School Counsellor and Annie Clarke, Admin Manager, have organised a present giving for some of our most vulnerable families this Christmas.

25 Families have been provided with a present for each child and a £40 gift voucher for Aldi. These have been hand delivered to each family.

These gifts have been greatly received by our families and we have had some lovely comments such as “your school is amazing”, “you have made my Christmas”, “I can’t tell you how much this means to us, thank you”.

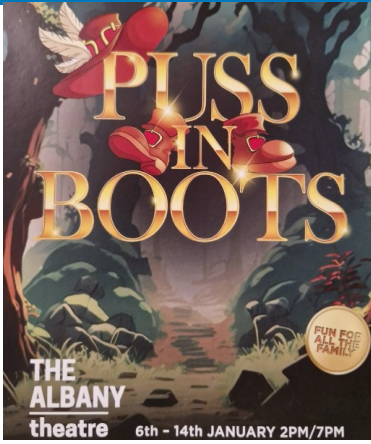
A special thank you to all the people that have donated to this, it has put many smiles on the families’ faces.

A special thank you to HTC Local who donated a £1000.



Key dates for Spring term

Date	Year group	Event
Monday 8th January	All	Inset day - School closed to pupils
Tuesday 9th January	All	Inset day - School closed to pupils
Thursday 11th January	9	Year 9 Parents' Evening 4pm - 7pm
15th to 19th January	10	Mid-term formal assessments
22nd to 26th January	7 - 9	Mid-term formal assessments
Thursday 8th February	7	Year 7 Parents' Evening 4pm - 7pm
From 19th February	11	Formal mock exams
Thursday 22nd Febru-	8	Year 8 Parents' Evening 4pm
Thursday 21st March	11	Year 11 Parents' Evening 4pm - 7pm



Puss In Boots—Albany Theatre

We would like to wish Esme in Year 7 all the luck in the world as she appears in Puss In Boots at The Albany Theatre on the following dates:

- Saturday 6th January - 2pm
- Tuesday 9th January - 7pm
- Thursday 11th January - 7pm
- Saturday 13th January - 2pm & 7pm

The link to book tickets is <https://www.albanytheatre.co.uk/shows/puss-in-boots/>

Sparx Reader—Since September:

Your students have completed

2,316 hours


of careful reading this year in Sparx Reader.
Great effort!

Your students have read


272 books

this year in Sparx Reader. Well done!


Seneca—Since September



570
Active students

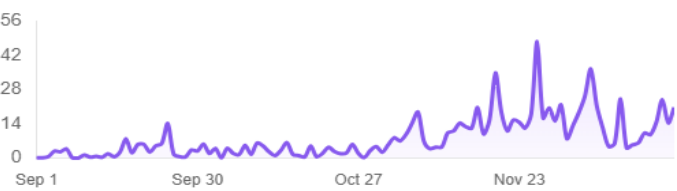


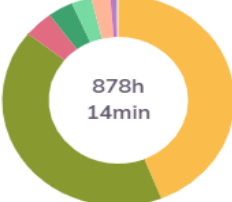
878h 14min
Study time



73%
Average score

Study time





Science	386h 7min
MFL	367h 53min
English	35h 46min
History	31h 0min
PE	24h 7min
Geography	23h 27min
Other	9h 51min

Food Bank Donations

Thank you to all parents and pupils who donated items for the Nuneaton Food Bank appeal, the charity was amazed by our generosity and passed on their thanks to each of you.



Assessments and KO links

When pupils return to school after the Christmas break, they will be taking part in a series of mid-term formal assessments, as per below:

Year 10: 15th to 19th January

Year 7—9: 22nd to 26th January

A copy of the letter with this information can be found here: [Click Here](#)

Online copies of Knowledge Organisers and support can be found here: [Click Here](#)





Springboard Future Chef

Congratulations go to Libby S, Year 10, who has not only now won the Springboard Future Chef George Eliot Academy Final but now has won the Warwickshire Local final. With the help of a Mentor Chef, Libby will now prepare for the Regional finals in Birmingham early in 2024.

Her dish of crispy skinned herbed chicken with mango glazed potatoes served on a bed of oven roasted kale with salsa verde was delicious.



Bikeability

Well done to all Year 7 and 8 pupils for passing their Bikeability skills tests this term.

The Bikeability scheme ensures that young people know how to ride safely and to be aware of dangers on the roads.



From all at GEA!



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