



## ALL ABOARD THE HOGWARTS EXPRESS



Sixth Form Creative Digital Media Production students recently had the chance to step behind the scenes of one of the world's most iconic film franchises at The Warner Bros. Studio Tour which gave an insight into the film making magic of the Harry Potter films. Students set foot on the real life sets of scenes from the films, including the Great Hall, Gringotts Bank and Diagon Alley. They learned how special effects were produced to enable dragons to breathe real fire, how underwater scenes are filmed and how snow is made for filming.



The Tour was dressed for the festive period and students enjoyed seeing the sets, costumes and props that were made bespoke for the films to capture the magic of Christmas.



## STEM WORKSHOP INSPIRES YEAR 10

Last week, ten Year 10 girls attended a STEM workshop at Telford Park School. The event provided a valuable opportunity to develop essential skills in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, including critical thinking, problem solving, creativity, employability and technical expertise.

Throughout the day, students engaged in team-building activities that challenged them to plan, design, construct, test and refine a mechanical device. These hands-on tasks encouraged collaboration and innovation while building confidence in practical engineering skills.

The workshop marked the launch of a new initiative aimed at showcasing the wide range of opportunities available in Engineering and Manufacturing, both locally and internationally. It also highlighted the specialist training offered at In-Comm.

In addition, the girls met female ambassadors from leading companies such as Safran, Bauomat and Magna. It was truly gratifying to witness an former pupil of our school commencing an apprenticeship in robotics. These role models shared their experiences and helped students explore potential career pathways in Engineering, Manufacturing and Business.



**Be in school every day for the last 10 days of term and you could win a festive prize!**

Sleigh your attendance goals this December - every day counts!

Deck the halls with full attendance - fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la!

Attendance is snow joke keep coming in - even when it's cold outside!

Jingle all the way to school - every day matters!



**BE IN EVERY DAY FOR THE LAST TWO WEEKS OF TERM 8<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>**

**"On the 10th day of Christmas, my school gave to me... a chance to win something merry!"**

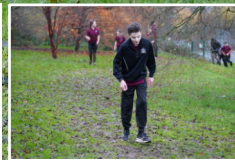
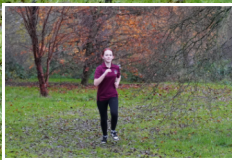
## PARENT'S EVENINGS

- Yr 13 - 18th Dec
- Yr 9 - 29th Jan
- Yr 12 - 5th March
- Yr 11 - 12th March
- Yr 10 - 26th March
- Yr 7 - 7th May
- Yr 8 - 2nd July





# HABERDASHERS' ABRAHAM DARBY ANNUAL, ALL-SCHOOL, CROSS COUNTRY RUN



## MUDDY FUN!

Pupils from every year took to a heavy going cross country course for the schools annual event. With a focus on participation and inclusion all finishing runners earn points for their individual House teams.

## EXTRA MOTIVATION!

According to a bit of AI research: This Cyrillic script is a mix of Russian phrases & English lyrics.

**ТЫ МОЖЕШЬ** - Ty mozhesh' - "You can"

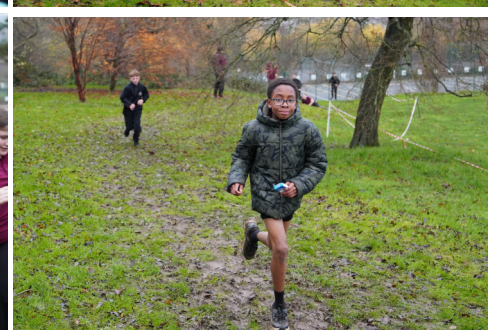
**ДАЛЬШЕ БОЛЬШЕ** - Dal'she bol'she - "More to come"

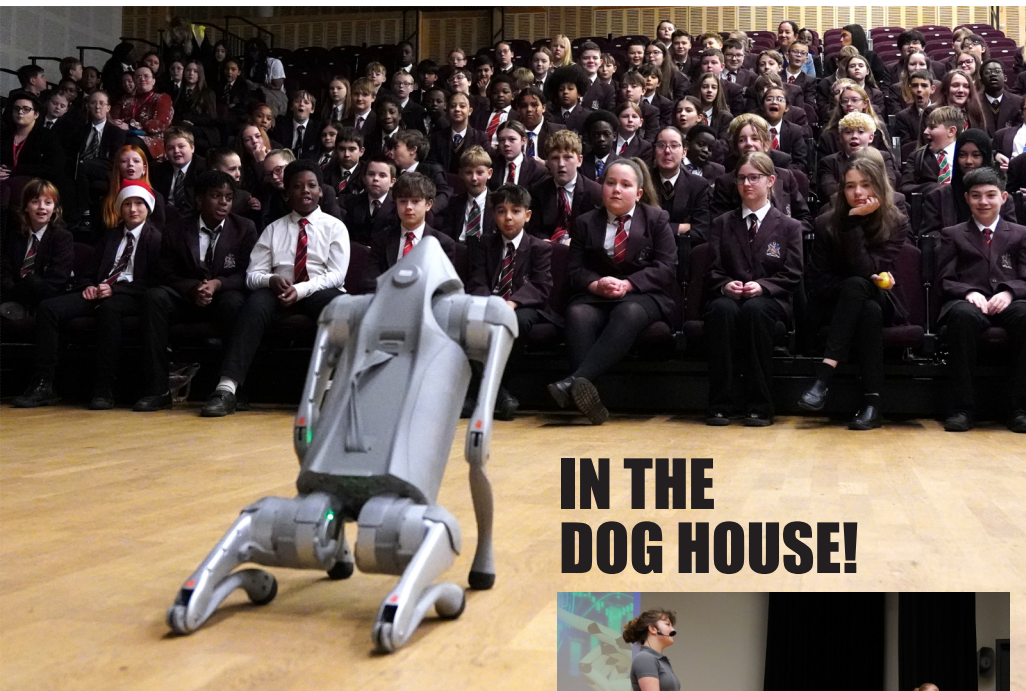
**КАМОН ЭВРИБАДИ** - Kamon evribadi - "Come on everybody"

**ПУЧЕ ХЭНДС АП** - Puche khends ap - "Put your hands up"

The first two lines are standard Russian motivational phrases. The last two lines are English lyrics common in dance and pop music and are written exactly how they sound using the Russian alphabet.







## IN THE DOG HOUSE!

BAE systems presented a STEM roadshow to our year 7 and year 8 students in the auditorium. Exploring ideas around artificial intelligence, the robotic dog was a big hit with the audience.



## BLUE SKIES

Pupils on the project had a day at RAF Shawbury, which included learning about air traffic control and flying. A highlight of the day was having a go in a flight simulator.



## NATIONAL CONCERT BAND FESTIVAL REGIONAL ROUND

The festival was hosted by us. Ten bands, some from far afield i.e. Buckinghamshire and Nantwich, and more locally Telford Concert Band (which included 11 former Abraham Darby musicians) and our friends from Wrekin College all performed varied programmes in front of a panel of distinguished adjudicators. It was the first time for many of our pupils competing in the festival across Showband, Senior Jazz Band & Junior Jazz Band.

Junior Jazz Band gained a gold award (they haven't been part of the festival for 3 years) and hope an invitation to the National finals will follow. Both Senior Jazz Band & Showband gained a platinum award and will play in the finals at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester (one of the top higher education colleges in the country). We will be representing the school and the area in April.



Wednesday December 17th is Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day.

Thursday December 18th is the End of Term Concert.

Friday December 19th the Autumn term ends at 12:30pm.



## PATHWAYS

Some wonderful artwork created by our Pathways students...

**Remembrance Day.** We discussed why we reflect on the sacrifices made by those who fought for our freedom. Our lesson focused on understanding the meaning of this special day, honouring the bravery of soldiers, and respecting their memory. Each student also created a tribute to remember and appreciate their sacrifices.



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### PARENT WORKSHOP

### KNIFE CRIME: Helping young people make safe choices

The session will provide an overview of the Steer Clear Programme and offer advice to parents on:

- how to spot early warning signs;
- how to talk to young people about knives and staying safe; and
- where to access local help and support.

It will also look at facts and misconceptions around knife crime and the law and why young people carry knives.

This is a free online session, delivered by Family Hubs and the Children's society via Microsoft Teams on:

Monday 8 December 2025  
Thursday 12 February 2026  
6-8pm on Microsoft Teams



To register now, scan the QR code

