

The Wixams Word

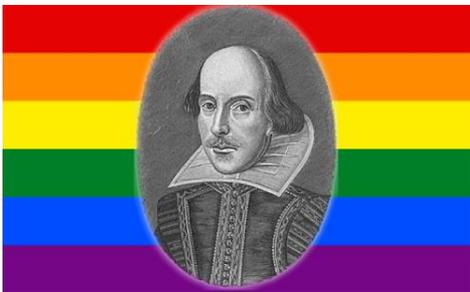


Wixams Academy Student Newsletter

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Recent News

Wixams Goes Shakespeare!



The whole school (all four forms plus all the teachers) went to Stratford Upon Avon

on Monday April 23rd. to learn all about William Shakespeare and his life and all about the plays he wrote. We found out that he was believed to be born on the 23rd of April 1564 - which meant we were visiting his home town on his birthday! We also know that he died on the 23rd of April 1616. He had 5 siblings: Gilbert, Suzanna, Edward, Joan, Richard. He had 3 children: Judith, Hamnet and Anne which is the same name as his wife. The best thing for me was going into his birth house and walking around it. **By Hannah;**



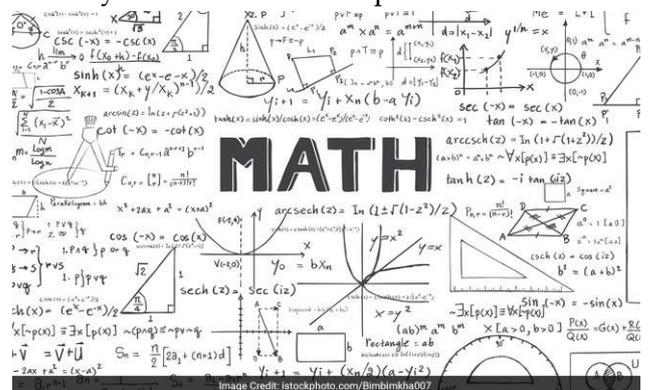
Other opinions: I feel it was very memorable that we got to see the birthplace of such an influential figure on the day of his death and birthday! **Jo;** I liked the roleplaying **Sam;** I found it very interesting **Emily;** We found out that when they scanned over Shakespeare's body in his grave his skull was not found. **Nathaniel;** I enjoyed it when the

actors acted out the plays like Macbeth and Romeo and Juliet. We are going to be studying Romeo and Juliet this term **Zakia.** **Thank you to Miss Turney for organising such a fantastic day out.**



Maths Challenge by Evie H

On the 27th of March, Mrs Hepburn and Karen Goodman set a Maths challenge for each form to compete against each other. From the beginning of period 4 to the end of period 5, your group sat on a table -which was specifically chosen by Mrs Hepburn, and were given a set of challenges which you had to have completed before the time



ends. The tasks require logical thinking, speed and intelligence. The table who had completed the most tasks correctly won points for their team. The group with the most points got a calculator each.



Shout Out

Remember when it snowed? Well this is a picture from then of Nino's little boy Ryan learning his dad's skills at keeping the pathways safe and clear! We

promised to print this in the last edition, but sadly it got lost in the edit...Hello Ryan!

Wixams Girls Rugby by Hannah



On the 27th of April, some of the girls who were in our rugby

team got a chance to play in matches at another school. We had 2 teams Wixams A and Wixams B teams, Wixams A won all the matches and lost one when we went against each other. Wixams B lost most of their matches apart from when we went against each other.

How I feel at Wixams Academy by Josh

This school has been great for me because when I first came, I didn't know anyone but now I have



lots of friends. The work is quite hard at times but I get a lot of support from great teachers and friends. We do get a lot of homework which at times is unfair but it helps us for when we prepare for our GCSE's. My favourite subject is PE because I like playing lots of different sports. Also Mr Dummett's other lessons are quite fun too. I go to lots of clubs like Journalism and football as well.



Photography Competition by

Emily W. Do you think that you take good pictures? Join my

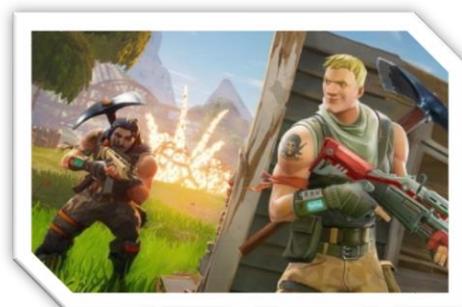
photography contest to prove to the whole school if you are the best! RULES: The pictures can be of whatever you want. They can be in either black and white or colour. The deadline to send pictures is Friday the 8th of June. Send to emily.wilding@student.wixamsacademy.co.uk The winning shots will appear in Wixams Word.

Game Reviews

FORTNITE by Sam C My rating: 7/10

FORTNITE is a 100-player vs player battle royal game all about survival of the fittest. Every month there is always some update with new weapons to batter the other players in the vast open world packed with adrenalin filled cartoonish actions with a range of different weapons.

You can battle in 3 different modes: solo where you drop in head first in a fantastic free-



for-all battle against everyone else, with your friends to battle it out to the end against others, or if you want to play with 3 other people in your squad then pick squads mode. I personally think that this game is great for anyone who likes battle royal games and if anyone is new to battle royal there is always a great big community with a vast range of different people and playstyles to discover and choose which is best suited to you. I think that communication is key to making this game good. I have played this on Xbox so there are many posts by people wanting to play squads and duos.

Film Review

Black Panther by Logan

This movie is really good. The movie was realised on 13th of February this movie based on a marvel character the Black



Panther who is played by Chadwick Boseman. The plot is about T'Challa, the King of Wakanda, rises to the throne in the isolated, technologically advanced African nation, but his claim is challenged by a vengeful outsider who was a childhood victim of T'Challa's father's mistake.

Personal Perspectives

How to stop global warming by Jada

Global warming is starting to become a devastation to our planet. **How do we stop it?** If you want to help the poor and helpless animals suffering from us all around the world then read the following ways to help stop global warming. Reduce waste – recycling old plastic waste can significantly reduce the amount of toxic gasses in the atmosphere that are released when the waste is burnt and wasted.



Because of melting sea ice, it is likely that more polar bears will soon starve, warns a new

study that discovered the large carnivores need to eat 60 percent more than anyone had realized.

Moment of Truth by Damon

This weekend the champion's league final is taking place in Kiev. The two teams playing are the 12 time champions Real Madrid and the 5 time winners Liverpool. This is expected to be one of the most entertaining finals that has ever been. Both of these teams are very attacking but very

questionable at the back so said. The stars of the show are expected to be Real Madrid's threatening winger Cristiano Ronaldo he has got a record amount of goals 15 to be precise. On the other hand, Liverpool's front three of Mohamed Salah, Roberto Firmino and Sadio Mane between them have 29 of Liverpool's goals. This has been the most dangerous front three all over Europe. The



scene is set for a fantastic night in Kiev and should be a final to look forward to.

March For Our Lives by Beth

On March 24th 2018, there was an event that took place in the United States in honour of the recent school shooting in Parkland. Many students, citizens and musical artists attended in honour of the people killed. This event was named 'March for our lives'. Artists such as Julianne Moore, Laura Dern, Miley Cyrus, Karlie Kloss, Demi Lovato, Amy Poehler and most importantly (in my opinion anyway) Ariana Grande. Ariana sang her hit song Be Alright. Ariana has been extremely quiet since December 31st and has only been seen out in public since around last month. Many arianators (her fans, including me) are extremely glad to see that she is healthy and performing again!

Emo – What does it mean? by Jo

Emo-core, or more commonly known as emo was a popular subculture especially favoured by teenagers. The source of this subculture started with their music, 'emotional hardcore music'. Some popular bands include My Chemical Romance, The Get Up Kids and Falling In Reverse. Linkin Park was also really popular but it wasn't considered 'emo'. More recent artists

include Melanie Martinez and Panic At The Disco. During the 'reign' of emo, the teens developed many stereotypes mainly due to the often emotional and dark nature of their music. Many people would instantly assume that they got into a lot of rows with their family and were generally depressed. These lies eventually spread so much that the first thing you thought of when someone said emo was whiny kids. In reality though, you can be any age when you're emo and you don't have dress or behave like them, as long as you listen to that kind of music you are emo.

People often mistake emos for goths or scene. Goth is a different culture



whose roots expand into literature and their choice of music is usually more metal than emo. Their fashion is generally different and a lot more exaggerated than emo. Scene is a fashion and doesn't really concern itself with music.

I myself am emo. I was raised in a musical family which preferred to delve into rock and metal and I eventually branched off into emotional hardcore. I felt it was almost like the music was communicating with me. It was as if the lead vocalists were indirectly supporting me and every note played sank into my skin digging out all the sorrow. Music is one of the most important parts of our lives and can heal wounds faster than time depending on what you listen to. For example, you won't get rid of a fever with a bandage like you won't get through any emotional conflicts with something as shallow as God's Plan. Emo music dominates everything else because it shows a lot of integrity in it. You have to remember that sadness and love are not the only emotions allowed in music and other concepts such as annoyance and anger are very much acceptable. Songs expressing such feelings are more likely to connect with you on a personal level, allowing you to cope with stress and anger.

This is exactly why I love being emo, I can live life through a different perspective from everyone else and I feel that I am in the peace of my own world which gives me a strong sense of control.

What's Coming Up:

- Timestable Rockstars 19th June
- Year 7 Exams 20th June
- Refugee Project Drama Performance tbc.
- Summer Fete 7th July
- Sports Day 11th July
- Summer Show 13th July

And Finally...



We are very excited to announce the impending arrival of Wixams' first baby! Congratulations Miss Turney.

Also, thank you to Mr Rob Marchment, a specialist teacher who recently visited the school and sent us a wonderful letter praising Wixams Word. Here is an extract:

"I read it from cover to cover. How good is it that all the copy is written by you students. It really is a totally refreshing read. Making my way through the very wide range of articles and topics, I could really feel your journalistic energy and enthusiasm throughout the newspaper.

The scope and range of what has been written is both local and global. The articles display humour, a sense of community, many elements of celebration and a truly international dimension and shape to this paper, all helped by some very arresting photographs and images. The strictly controlled fonts also add a sense of visual clarity and 'gravitas'. This is definitely not a jokey school newsletter. Instead, it is a serious piece of journalism. Well done to you all!

Why not get involved in producing the next edition of Wixams Word? If you want to submit an article on anything, email csmith@wixamsacademy.co.uk. Or come to our Journalism Club, on Tuesdays after prep in the ICT suite. We would love to see you.
