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Hi everyone, I hope you have enjoyed this newsletter and look forward to more! From your editor Ayla Cheesman! :)

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Updates

- Year 10 students have been helping with the planting of trees in the college.
- The year 9 guided subject choices information evening has taken place.
- The third workshop in the 'No Label, No Limit project with the year 9 girls went ahead – the students considered routines that can support them with a positive mindset and was delivered by Small Steps, Big Vision.
- Word of the week is back – 12 weeks and 12 different words and their synonyms. Use them in your work to get extra praise points! This weeks word is discombobulate.
- The extra-curricular PE timetable is out for the Spring term 2023.
- Congratulations to Mrs Bennet who has had her artwork exhibited in Sidmouth on the Sidmouth School of Art wall space by the Ham.
- 'Back to the 80s', was on 1st – 4th February 2023, everyone did so well!!

Gracie Giles

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Careers

There are many weird and wonderful careers in the world and here are just a few:

- Panda Fluffer - Pandas are an endangered species and notoriously difficult to breed. To get these shy animals in the mood, China's Panda Fluffers use feather dusters – and extreme caution – to help them perform. A Panda Fluffer can earn £22,900 a year!
- Professional Sleeper - A finished hotel employs a full-time Professional Sleeper. He or she sleeps in a different room each night and critiques the comfort of beds to improve the guests' experience. Volunteers get £12,000 for 70 days of work!
- Milking snakes - There are jobs for milking snake venom in zoos and pharmaceutical companies. The reason for milking snake venom is to develop an anti-venom because thousands of people in Africa and India die from poisonous snake bites. The job can pay anywhere from £1,500–£3,800 a month!

Ella Watkins

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Environment

There are loads of energy saving tips out there and as well as cutting down on your bills, these tips can have a really positive impact on the environment. By wasting energy, more energy has to be produced and this results in an increased burning of fossil fuels (coal, oil and natural gas) which can cause global warming. Even remembering to turn the light off in an unused room can make a difference to our planet and save you £25 a year!

By leaving devices on standby, you use up power so by unplugging them, you can save money.

TV - £16 to £24 per year

Gaming devices - £16 per year

Microwave- £16 per year

Printers - £4 a year

Laptops (shutting down properly rather than just closing the lid) - £5

Heating can use up an enormous amount of power and even reducing the temperature of your home by 1° can make a huge difference! You could save 10% on your energy bill just by keeping it 1 degree lower and if everyone did this, the UK would save 1.18 million tonnes of carbon dioxide!

Finally, the last tip is to consider doing a cold wash with your laundry! It saves energy and 60% of laundry's carbon footprint comes from heating the water (more than production, packaging and shipping!) It has a good impact on clothes too- if they aren't particularly dirty then it's a good idea because it reduces the chance of shrinking, fading and getting wrinkles! It also saves time and energy you may have spent on ironing.

Laura Gosden

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Teacher Interview - Mr Osbond

What did you originally want to be when you grew up?

I originally wanted to write music for films.

What was your favourite subject through school?

I enjoyed maths but my favourite was probably science.

Why did you invent Mr Pid?

When you are teaching, lots of people make the same mistakes so it is easier to make it funny and lighten the mood.

What is your favourite number?

10, because it is Dennis Bergkamp's number

What is the hardest part of teaching?

I really enjoy teaching but it is very exhausting.

What is your favourite part of teaching?

When everyone is behaving you can be silly and slip in jokes.

What is the biggest mistake you have made whilst teaching?

In my training year, I taught half a topic wrong.

If you weren't a maths teacher, what subject would you teach?

I think a computer science teacher would be fun.

Why did you start teaching?

I used to work for the council and I was really bored everyday. So, I started teaching where you can never have the same day twice.

What has been the funniest moment in your career?

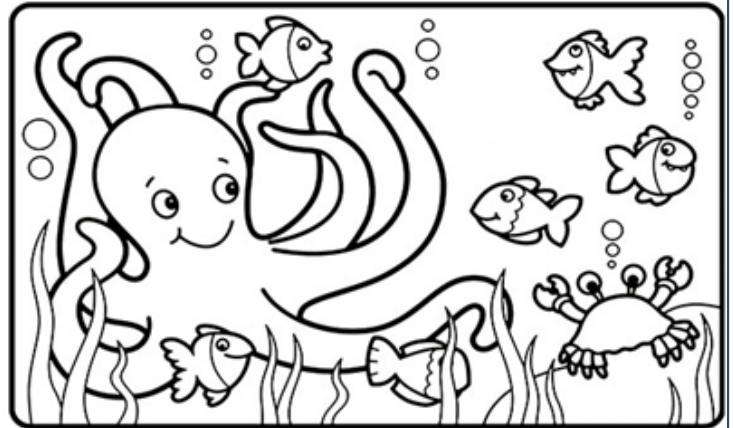
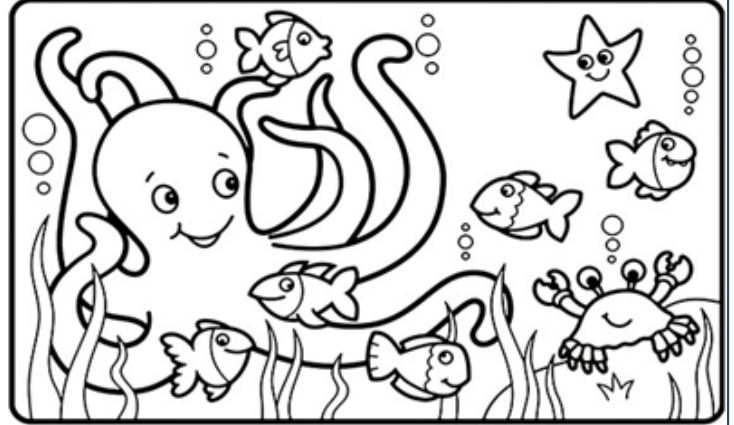
I smacked my funny bone on a cabinet mid sentence. I yelled OW and accidentally threw my pen across the room. The class laughed their heads off.

Ginny Walshaw

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Find the Differences!



Puzzles!!

By Milly Traylor

