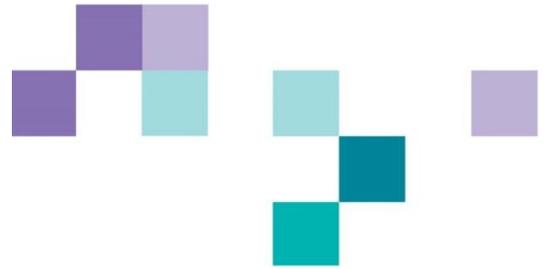


# Sarum Academy Principal's Blog 22.4.16



## Happy Birthday Your Majesty .....

We wished **Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II** a very happy birthday this week as she reached her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday whilst our assembly and collective worship sessions all focused on the theme of leaving a legacy.



**Year 11** are now fully engaged in **revision and exam preparation**. Many of them are attending a wide range of booster and revision sessions and seeing this hard work pay off in an increase in marks and development of greater self confidence in their ability to do well. It has also been great to see pupils arriving at the Academy with the **correct equipment** as we have completed checks this week. A reminder that full packs of equipment or individual items can be purchased at Pupil Services. In addition **Key Stage 3 exam timetables** are now online at <http://sarumacademy.org/index.php/academy-life/exam-timetables>



Congratulations this week to **Emily Loveridge** in Year 9. She has been a student of **Aspire Martial Arts** since she was 8 years old and on Saturday she successfully passed her **First Degree Black Belt in Kickboxing**. This was awarded to her after an hours physical grading, in front of a grading panel, where she had to display all her skills. Her coach Mr Campbell Houston commented “She has worked very hard for this and we are all very proud of her.” We are too Emily – well done!

Likewise congratulations must go to **Freya Miller** in Year 7 who recently completed an immense **seven hour long bike** ride to raise money for charity. Freya, made the decision to undertake this challenge after she heard about the Academy’s **Sport Relief Fundraising Project**. Together with her Dad, she planned to ride from her house in Barford, to Southampton – a total of 31.2 miles. Freya commented ‘I felt nervous before doing it because I’ve never cycled so far before, but once I started I thought ‘**I CAN DO THIS!**’. The hardest bit was a massive hill that lasted for about 3 miles, but it was all worth it when I reached the end and felt proud because I’d proved to myself I could do it!’ Freya raised **over £50** for Sport Relief and hopes to go on to do more sponsored bike rides in the future. Well done!



The **Year 11 football team** put in a valiant effort for the **Salisbury Schools’s final** but they were out muscled and out thought tactically going down 4-0 against Wyvern. They have had an excellent season and can hold their heads up high!

The Academy held the **GCSE PE moderation day** on Thursday where candidates on the course were seen alongside three other schools to **finalise their practical marks**. The day was a success with other schools appreciative of our facilities and our efforts in hosting the event.

**Year 7 girls** managed a creditable 5th place out of 6 in the **tag rugby festival**, held at Salisbury Rugby Club. It is the first time our girls have played competitively and it was a great experience with other schools all having much more experience than our children.

Congratulations to our **Pupil Achievement Award** winners this week who were:

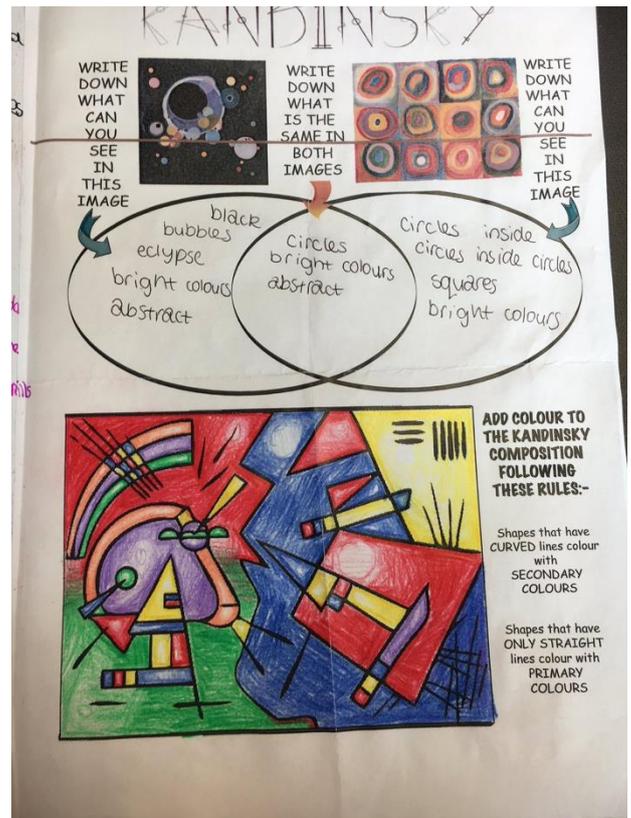
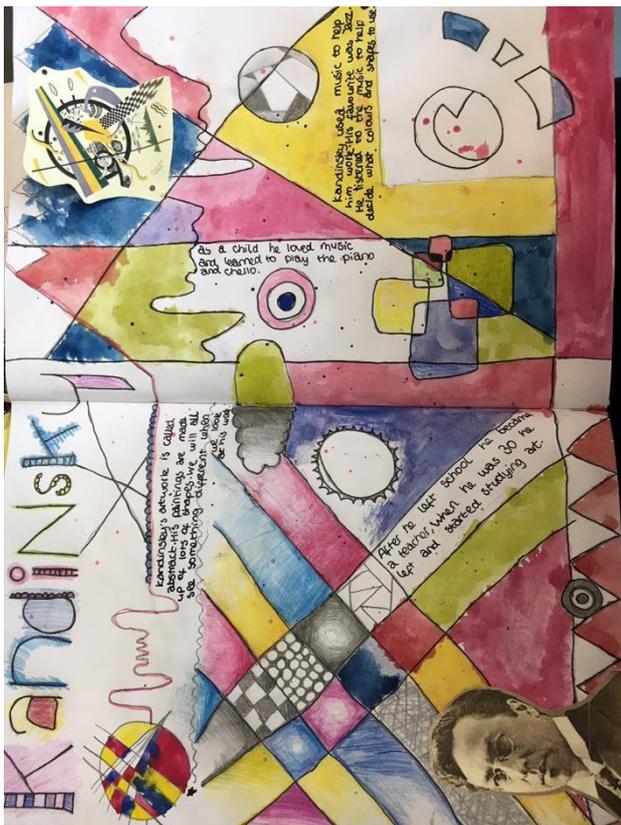
<b>Arundells:</b>	<b>Lucy Hayes</b>	<b>Year 10</b>
<b>Clarendon:</b>	<b>Elisha White</b>	<b>Year 7</b>
<b>Mompesson:</b>	<b>Kerry Safe</b>	<b>Year 11</b>
<b>Philipps:</b>	<b>Jude Telford</b>	<b>Year 7</b>



The **Highest Attendance Awards** this week were won by:

**Arundells: A3 93.4%**      **Mompesson: M3 93.8%**  
**Clarendon C3 95%**      **Philipps: P4 94%**

Sadly we say farewell to **Mrs Witt** today who leaves us to spend more time at home. She has held several roles within the Academy, initially as a School Leader, then as our Satellite Coordinator and more latterly working on attendance. Her commitment to our pupils and families has been outstanding and we wish her well for the future.



**Future Dates**

**May**

- 2nd            Bank Holiday - Academy Closure
- 3rd            KS3 Examinations all week
- 16th          Public Examination main GCSE and AS/A2 exam period commences
- 26th          Non Academy Kit Charity Day
- 27th          Close of Term 5