

The Appleton School Parent Bulletin

Newsletter Date: 29th September

Key Dates

- 9th October—Yr7&Yr12 Photos
- 19th October—SixthForm Open Evening
- Inset Day—20.10.23

Communication

Thank you all for your kind words and support while we work through the current situation, we've had contact from a number of parents who would like more regular updates and some concise updates too. We acknowledge that feedback and plan to do the following:

- Parent Bulletin re-established so any updates can be communicated.
- Social Media to be updated daily, please follow on the below channels.
- Weekly letters to continue, with further letters with big updates.



The Appleton School



Our Social Media and Parent Bulletin will allow us to make quicker communications.

RAAC Update

Pleasingly the intrusive survey has been going well confirming more areas of the school do not have RAAC, although it is frustrating that we've had to close areas of the school but in the interest of safety it is always best to err on the side of caution. It is pleasing to have more areas of the school opening up including specialist areas.

FAQs

What specialist areas have been opened up?

We're very pleased that we've now got our ICT rooms back and most of our technology rooms, allowing us to offer more practical elements of our curriculum

How have you been able to get 5/7 year groups in every day?

The recent opening of the other classrooms has given us a little bit more flexibility and by carefully selecting which year groups on each day we've been able to get more students in school. At every opportunity it has been our aim to get as many students on site.

Any more news on the port-a-cabins?

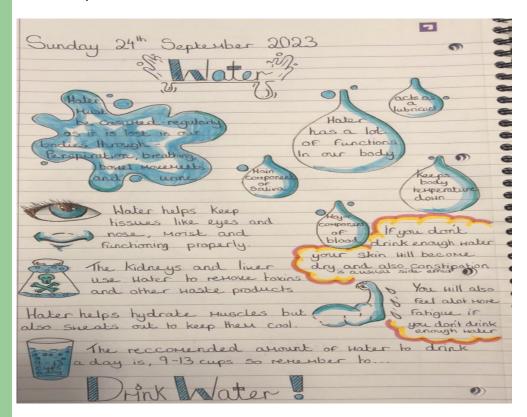
The surveys for the groundworks are now complete with plans submitted for the next steps and the port-a-cabins being held for us. We've been asked to wait until the intrusive survey is completed next week so the final number of provisions can be confirmed.

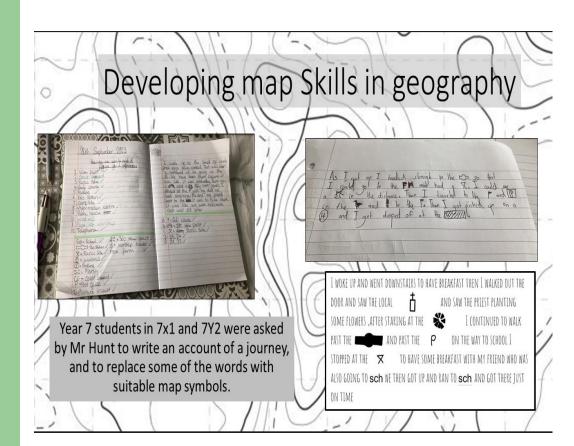
What can we do to help?

We have been overwhelmed with the offers of support and help from parents and we cannot thank you enough. As the provision on site increases we are keen to get back to normality as soon as possible. Please continue to communicate any issues or concerns but also support your child by making sure uniforms are correct when they head to school. With students back on site more often we want to reduce the possible points of conflict, so we can focus on the teaching and plugging any knowledge gaps.



Year 8 Myka Holland.







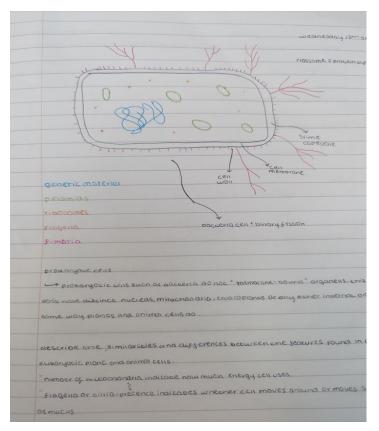


Mrs Navarro would like to give a shout out to the following:

Freddie Teanby
Vlada Sandu
Jack Heptinstall Bolton
Ben Gladman
Olivier Tomkins
Kieran Bragg
Kiera Hume

For exceptional commitment in science to their remote learning and bringing in all of their lesson notes to our in person lesson.

Tilly Hilliard -1008



Miss Anley would like to give a shout out to 10y1 maths, for their amazing attitudes to learning and extraordinary efforts within our circle theorems lessons!





Libby Twiggs and Jennifer Igna from 9x2.

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'a similie like love, a metaphor is love'

~ poem by Allen Steble.

I enjoyed this poem because it uses a variety of metaphors to create imagery and to describe one thing, love. There is a repetition of the word because the concept of love is so globally known, yet it can take many different forms. For example, lines such as:

. Love is like apainting, filled with all colouts and shades.

Lociour can symbolise emotion, for example blue can represent sounces, plink can represent compassion and purple can represent fear. All of these emotions can be put together to cleate a piece of artwork.

Love is like a bleeding hear, cut with many sharp blades.

The use of this juxtaposition, comparing with the first line expensites a contact on the idea of love, how it can comfort you, and also hurt you. This is furthermore explored with the line.

A metaphor of glorious aft, love is a deep dark hole of mystery.

displaying the vulnerability that comes with lave, since it's an enigma, where you are clueless of what happens next, have can be described as idyllic (love is an open clear pool, where no nate can date swim) and a warm feeling of safety. This creates a comparative effect for the audience, giving them the deastons of how they perceive love. Poetry has a wide set of thorces and ideas that are never wrong, and love can be described this woy to o. Overall, this poem describes how love is a thing humans desire, wanting to been the abnormality of a never ending story or a circle of elemity. It suggests the many different feelings of passion, and emphasizes how bittervoet it can be. It can be perceved from

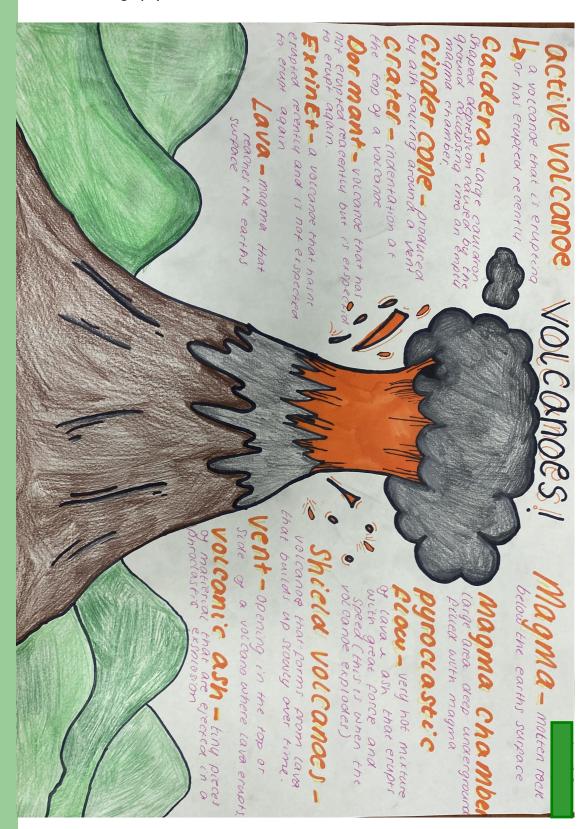
Homework . covarias langest poem with 93 stanzas 1

This Romanian poem is about a princess who falls inlove with brightest star? (written by Mithai Eminescu, 1883) and the stor & falls inlove with her too, & but unfortunately her love for him (the star) get betrayed by her falling inlove with a human. After, the Luceafarul (translated into star) saw this, he went to this creation and asked to be saw this, he went to this creation and asked to be shown the strong bonding the princess and the story bound to the princess and the story have as she looked at him with a smile; the trembled in the mirror, secause he was following her cleep, to catch his soul. In his dream, to catch his soul? This means that Luceafarul wants to dream about her to catch human feelings. Another phrase that would emphasize metaphor suggests how their confectors gets stronger everytime, that at a point their love burns? This stare at her for hours and thier their love would get so powerful and would burn (it would lit up his heart). The reader could feel the that there is shill hope for tore to find true love in this inperfect world. I think that the poet hopeal to impossible can become possible if you put your effort and your mind to it.





Year 10 Geography work







Christmas Card— House Competition

Following the success of last year's design, two of our students' cards were s elected as our official Christmas card and sent out to over 100 associates of the school.

We are delighted to announce that we will be running this competition again this year with an entry deadline of Wednesday 18th October 2023. This is open to all students in Key Stage Three. If your child is a keen artist and would like to enter this competition please encourage them to design a card of either A4 or A5 and hand this to the Art Department teachers either Mr Barry or Miss Riley we will then judge the winner and announce them at the end of Term.

The winner and runners-up will receive House Points and a reward.





Christmas Card— House Competition

Please see a selection of last year's entrants below:



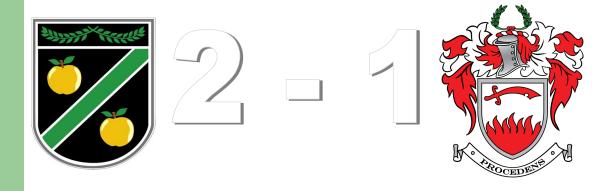


Sporting Achievement

First Qualifying Round of the National Cup and we faced Fitzwimarc away on Wednesday this week. The UI3 girls played well together despite having little time to train before their first fixture together.

The Appleton girls knew it was going to be a tough game, but they worked hard to secure the win. Appleton started off the stronger side and managed to score 2 goals in the first half, one courtesy of Rosa, who dribbled from the back through a number of Fitzwimarc players and slotted the ball in the back of the net. The second goal came from a corner, Rosa delivered, and striker Rosie managed to flick the ball into the goal.

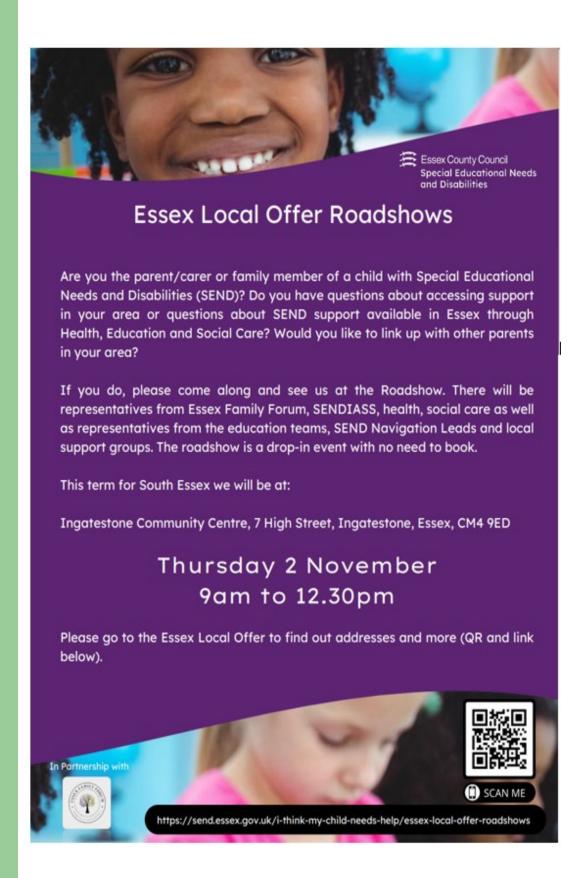
After half time Fitzwimarc managed to pick up the tempo, putting us under lots of pressure at the back and managing to grab a goal back. It was a nervous last 20 minutes but the final whistle went with the game finishing 2-I to Appleton. Player of the match went to Emily for her solid performance along the back line.







Essex Local Offer Roadshows





October Half Term



Eligible children and young people are invited to book onto FREE, fun-filled activity clubs who are run by a network of locally, trusted organisations across Essex, brought to you by Active Essex on behalf of Essex County Council!

IS MY CHILD ELIGIBLE?

Essex ActivAte offer club spaces to primary and secondary school aged children (4-16 years), who are eligible for benefit based free school meals, or from 'low-income' working families, as well as children who may be vulnerable to inactivity or social isolation.

WHERE WILL THE CLUBS BE RUN?

Clubs will run in Braintree, Basildon, Brentwood, Castle Point, Chelmsford, Colchester, Epping, Harlow, Maldon, Rochford, Tendring and Uttlesford! Due to half term programmes being solely funded by Essex County Council, unfortunately there will not be any clubs running in Thurrock.

WHAT DO THE CLUBS PROVIDE?

Clubs provide a range of different physical, enrichment and food activities to support children's physical and mental wellbeing, as well as a delicious, nutritious meal!

HOW DO I BOOK ONTO A CLUB?

To book your child/ren onto one of our half term clubs, you will not receive a Holiday Activities voucher from your school, and you will need to book on through the Essex ActivAte website. Simply select your area, find what clubs are available and book your child on through the link provided. Depending on the club, you may need to book through our website, or contact them directly.

Find out more about October half term clubs and book on here.





Performing Arts Extra Curricular during remote teaching

Drama Club, Wednesday Afterschool. Offered to any students on site. 3pm-4pm in the gym.

Harmonics, Thursday Afterschool. Students who have been invited to Harmonics can attend even if working from home on this day. Harmonics will start at a later time of 3.30pm-4.30pm to allow for travel and take place in i2.

Dynamix, Thursday Afterschool. Students who have been invited to Dynamix can attend even if working from home on this day. Dynamix will start at a later time of 3.30pm-4.30pm to allow for travel and take place in the gym.

Session Band, Friday Afterschool. Students who have been invited to Session Band can attend even if working from home on this day. Session Band will start at a later time of 3.30pm-4.30pm to allow for travel and take place in i3.

Any questions please contact Mrs Edwards-Ricketts, Head of Performing Arts

Update: One-to-one Instrumental lessons (with Essex Music Service)

I would like to inform all instrumental pupils that their one-to-one instrumental lessons will still be delivered this term, and will be following the format below:

For pupils who are working from home - your lesson will be as timetabled online with your instrumental tutor.

You will be sent to your tutor's Zoom Room details to join the meeting. (This will be sent to the appropriate parents/carers through SpeedAdmin).

For pupils who are in school, your lesson will be rearranged to a later date.

Your missed lessons will be made up across the term by your individual tutors and you will still be getting your 10 lessons for the term.

We are hoping that this setup will only be temporary till we are able to work out spacing within the school. Thank you once again for your patience and support through this arrangement.

Any questions please contact Miss Thai, Head of Music





Wellbeing and Mental Health



We are excited to launch the new MindCare@Appleton website, spearhead by Ms Sangha our Head of Wellbeing and support. This webpage is for our students to help their wellbeing and mental health, and it is informed by the results from the Student Surveys conducted last term.

Please click <u>here</u> to access it. students will need to log in using their school google accounts to access it.

At the Appleton School, your child's emotional wellbeing is important to us.

With the current situation in school, we understand that your child may be experiencing some anxiety, or have some worries adapting to some of the temporary changes we have had to make in school.

If, you feel your child may need some support with their wellbeing, or would benefit from further intervention, then please feel free to contact me at the following email address: info@theappletonschool.org where it can then be forwarded onto Mrs Benson.

Where appropriate, Mrs Benson will work with your child, either remotely or in person in order to support them. If necessary, Mrs Benson is able to signpost parents/carers to other members of staff or external organisations.

May we remind you that if you have any Safeguarding concerns, then these should be directed to the school Safeguarding Team, in accordance with the school's Safeguarding Policy. This information can be found on the school website.



Safeguarding What Parents & Carers Need to Know about of under lBs as most contain nicotine, which can be detrimental to brain development and cause long-term addi Some schools have reported students having their focus in lessons affected by nicotine cravings; vaping in sch toilets; and even trying vapes found in their local park. Saising awareness of the right samong young people co help to prevent these problems from escalating and reduce the number of young vapers. WHAT ARE THE RISKS? WHAT IS VAPING? NICOTINE ADDICTION LACK OF AWARENESS POTENTIAL TOXICITY WIDER HEALTH CONCERNS UNCLEAR LONG-TERM CONSEQUENCES UNREGULATED VAPING PRODUCTS ATTRACTIVE PACKAGING SCARCE INFORMATION **ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS** VAGUE INGREDIENTS LISTS Meet Our Expert The HEALTHY SCHOOLS Nationa College

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Anyone for Tennis?

24TH & 25TH OCTOBER KIDS OCTOBER CAMPS HADLEIGH PARK LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Looking for an activity for your kids over the school holidays?

Why not join us and sign them up for a tennis

camp?

10 AM - 2PM MINI *** &

ORANGE (4-9 YEARS)

10AM - 2PM JUNIOR GREEN

& YELLOW (10+ YEARS)



Member – £20 per day Non Member – £22 per day

> For more information or to book a place, please contact Graham on 07745 943403



Careers Newsletter

College & Sixth Form Open Days 2023

USP College

www.uspcollege.ac.uk

Seevic Campus - Benfleet

01268756111

Thursday 19th October 2023– 6.30pm to 8.00pm Thursday 23rd November 2023 - 6.30pm to 8.00pm Wednesday 31st February 2024 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm

> Palmer's Campus – Grays 01375 370 121

Thursday 5th October 2023 - 6.30pm to 8.00pm Thursday 9th November 2023 - .30pm to 8.00pm Wednesday 24th January 2024 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm

South Essex College

www.southessex.ac.uk

Southend Campus

0345 52 12345

Tuesday 3rd October 2023 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm Thursday 16th November 2023 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm Tuesday 13th February 2024–5.00pm to 7.00pm

Stephenson Road, Southend

Wednesday 8th November 2023 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm Tuesday 9th January 2024 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm Tuesday 30th April 2024 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm

Writtle University College

01245 424280

www.writtle.ac.uk

Saturday 14th October 2023 – 10.00am to 3.00pm Saturday 2nd November 2023 – 10.00am to 3.00pm

Thurrock Campus

0345 52 12345

Wednesday 18th October 2023 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm Thursday 11th January 2024 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm Tuesday 16th April 2024 – 5.0pm – 7.00pm

Chelmsford College

01245 265611

www.chelmsford.ac.uk

Wednesday 11th October 2023 – 6.00pm to 8.30pm Wednesday 15th November 2023 – 6.00pm to 8.30pm Wednesday 7th February 2024 - 6.00pm to 8.30pm Wednesday 19th June 2024 – 6.00pm to 8.30pm

Centre for Digital Technologies, The Icon, Basildon

0345 52 12345

Thursday 2nd November 2023 - 5.00pm to 7.00pm Wednesday 13th March 2024 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm Wednesday 15th May 2024 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm

Anglo European School 6th Form

01277354018

https://www.aesessex.co.uk/

Thursday 28th September 2023-4.30pm to 8.00pm

Luckyn Lane, Basildon (formerly Procat)

0345 52 12345

Thursday 30th November 2023 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm
Thursday 11th January 2024 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm
Wednesday 28th February 2024 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Tuesday 14th May 2024 – 5.00pm – 7.00pm



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The Appleton School 6th Form

01268794215

www.theappletonschool.org

Thursday 19th October 2023 - 6.00m - 8.00pm

Beauchamp's 6th Form

01268735466

www.beauchamps.essex.sch.uk

Wednesday 22nd November 2023 – see website for times

01277 655191

www.billericayschool.com

Tuesday 7th November 2023 – 5.pm to 8.00pm

Cecil Jones 6th Form

https://www.ceciljonesacademy.net/

Thursday 9th November 2023 - 4.00pm to 6.00pm

Chelmsford County High School for Girls

01245 352592 www.cchs.co.uk

Thursday 5th October 2023 – 5.00pm to 8.00pm

Greensward Academy 01702 202571

www.greenswardacademy.org

Thursday 16th November 2023 – 6.00pm to 8.00pm

The King Edmund School

01702545771

www.kes.essex.sch.uk

Wednesday 18th October 2023 - 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Mayflower County High School 01277 623171

www.mayflowerhigh.essex.sch.uk

Thursday 2nd November 2023 – 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Belfairs High School 6th Form

01702509000

www.belfairsacademy.org.uk

Monday 9th October 2023 - 4.00pm to 6.00pm

Bromfords 6th Form

01268471201

www.bromfords.essex.sch.uk

Wednesday 22nd November – See Website for times

Basildon Academy 6th Form

01268552536

www.basildonacademies.org.uk

Thursday 5th October 2023 – 5.00pm to 7.00pm

Chase High School

01702354441

www.chasehigh.org

Wednesday 28th September 2023 - 6.00pm to 7.30pm

Fitzwimarc School 6th Form

01268743884

www.fitzwimarc.essex.sch.uk

Thursday 2nd November 2023 - 6.30pm to 9.00pm

King Edward Grammar School

01245353510

www.kegs.org.uk

Wednesday 15th November 2023-5.00pm to 8.00pm

King John School

01702558284

www.thekjs.essex.sch.uk

Thursday 12th October 2023 - 6.30pm to 9.00pm

Shoeburyness High School

01702292286

www.shoeburynesshigh.co.uk

Thursday 16th November 2023 - 6.00pm – 8.00pm



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Southend High School for Girls	St Bernards School
01702 588852	01702 343583
www.shsg.org	www.stbernards.southend.sdh.uk
Wednesday 8 th November 2023 – 6.00pm to 8.00pm	Thursday 30 th November 2023 – 7.00pm to 9.00pm.
St Thomas More High School 6 th Form	Sweyne Park
01702 344933	01268784721
www.st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk	www.sweynepark.com
Thursday 23 rd November 2023 - 6.00pm to 9.00pm	Thursday 9 th November 2023 – 6.30pm to 8.00pm
Westcliff High School for Girls	Westcliff High School for Boys
01702 476026	01702475443
www.whsg.info	www.whsb.essex.sch.uk
Thursday 9 th November 2023 – 6.00pm to 8.00pm	Thursday 2 nd November 2023 - 6.30pm to 8.00pm

Other Providers

Other Training Providers	Telephone/Website
Central Training Group	0800 783 2901
	https://www.centraltraininggroup.com/
JET Hairdressing Academy	01268286403
	www.j-etraining.com
TCHC	01923698452/07873625096
	https://www.tchc.net/individual/youth-support/gaps
VTS Training	01702353557
Care and childcare apprenticeships and NVQs	www.vts.ac.uk/
Eden Training	01702680068
Early Years and Business Skills Training	www.edentraining.co.uk
SUFC Education Trust	01702341351
	www.sufccommunity.co.uk

Check individual websites as to whether these events are 'physical' or 'virtual'

You may also need to register your attendance online in advance

For general careers advice and guidance all students have access to Unifrog, an online careers platform, www.unifrog.org, Further information is provided on the school's website and the dedicated Careers Portal: https://sites.google.com/theappletonschool.org/the-appleton-school-careers/home.

Students can speak to Mrs Palmer orto request a one-to-one guidance discussion; kpalmer@theappletonschool.org



BTSA



Thinking about training to teach?



Join us at our recruitment event to find out more about our training programme for September 2024

On 26th September - 7pm at The King John School, Shipwrights Drive, Benfleet, SS7 1RQ

To reserve a place contact mhoward@theappletonschool.org





South Essex College — SEN Open Event & Newsletter



South Essex College Group would like to invite students and their parents/guardians to their SEN

Open event at Southend College on Thursday 12th October between 5-7pm.

Please follow the link to access this article and their newsletter: https://southessexcollege.cmail20.com/ t/r-e-ttujlya-nzthjley-h/

Love Your Library Day - Event Hadleigh Library

On Saturday October 7th Hadleigh Library are hosting Love your Library Day for Teens to raise awareness of the many free services they can access simply by having a library card.

In addition, there will be a drop-in creative writing session which if successful could become a regular group held in the library.

Hadleigh Library is a welcoming and safe space for young people offering study space, free WiFi and computer access, free access to audio and e-books, and of course access to thousands of print items from over 200 libraries.





Calling all young creative writers!

- Are you a budding writer at secondary school?
- Do you love writing stories, scripts, poems, or just scribbling down thoughts?
- Want to develop your skills and meet others who love to write?
- Scribblers is a safe and supportive session for young creative writers of any genre.

Drop in Session 12-2pm Saturday 7th October **Hadleigh Library** SEE YOU THERE!

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Email: info@theappletonschool.org

Website: www.theappletonschool.org

Autumn Term Dates

Friday 20th October non pupil day

Monday 23rd October- 27th October Half Term

Wednesday 20th December last day of term

Spring Term Dates

Thursday 4th January 24 students return

Monday 19th February –23rd February Half Term

Friday 8th March non pupil day

Thursday 28th march last day of term

Summer Term Dates

Monday 15th April students return Monday 6th May Bank Holiday Monday 27th May-31st May Half Term Friday 19th July last day of term

GCSE Revision Resources

Quick Links

Edulink

<u>ParentMail</u>

Google Drive

Satchel One

Microsoft Teams

Never Acceptable

We have provided a wide range of resources to aid your son/daughter when it comes to their revision for each of their examination subjects.

http://www.theappletonschool.org/students/revision-resources

A-Level Revision Resources

We have provided a wide range of resources to aid your son/daughter when it comes to their revision for each of their examination subjects.

http://www.theappletonschool.org/sixth-form/student-life/ks5-resources