



## Weekly message for Greenhead College students and parents/carers

**Friday, 26 January 2024**



Dear all,

I hope everything has gone well for students this week. Well done for getting to College in this appalling windy weather!

Here are this week's messages:

### **MESSAGES FOR ALL STUDENTS AND PARENTS/CARERS**

#### **Training providers in College**

As a precursor to National Apprenticeship Week, we will be hosting a number of training providers in College on **Thursday, 1 February**:

- ASK (Apprenticeships available nationwide)
- Bradford College (Apprenticeships available locally)
- C&K Careers (Careers service)
- Kirklees College (Apprenticeships available locally)
- Manchester Metropolitan University (Degree Apprenticeships)
- National Business College (Training provider based in Huddersfield)
- University of Huddersfield (Degree Apprenticeships)
- Woodspeen Training (Training provider based in Huddersfield).

These are organisations which can offer support and advice to help students find suitable apprenticeships. The event will take place in the upper atrium of Hirst building from **12.00-1.45 pm** on the above date.

## **National Apprenticeship Week**

As part of National Apprenticeship Week, we will be hosting a number of employers in College on **Tuesday, 6 February**:

- The Army
- Armstrong Watson (Accountancy/finance)
- Atkins Realis (Building engineering/surveying, etc.)
- Cummins (Design, manufacture and distribution of power solutions)
- Grant Thornton (Finance/audit)
- The RAF
- Reliance Precision (Engineering)
- Schofield Sweeney Solicitors (Law)
- Syngenta (Agricultural science technology)
- Transport for London (Various apprenticeship schemes available)
- Wheawill and Sudworth (Finance/accounting).

This event will take place in the upper atrium of Hirst building from **12.00-1.45 pm**.

## **MoodMasters**

If you would like some support with anxiety, worry or stress, please consider signing up for the current MoodMaster course. You will learn some practical strategies which will help you deal with any stress, anxiety or worry that you may be experiencing.

There are still places available, so please email Anna Shaw ([ashaw@greenhead.ac.uk](mailto:ashaw@greenhead.ac.uk)) if you are interested.



## **Academic Skills Service**

Students can self-refer for study skills support to help them develop their own personal approach to studying. Lots of revision and consolidation strategies are available.

Please book an appointment on Moodle via the academic skills page or try the interactive revision and consolidation module.

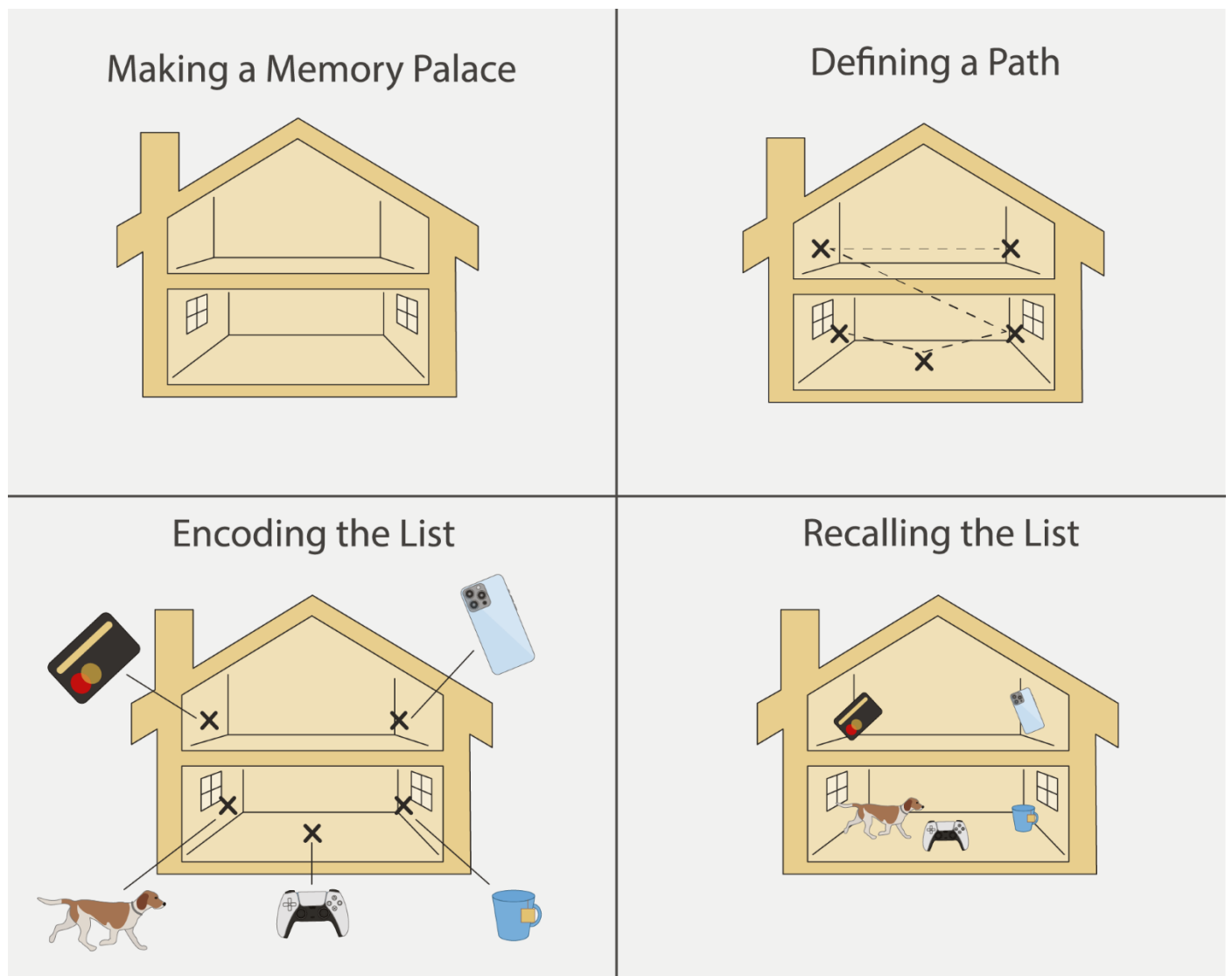
## **Academic skills weekly top tip**

This week we recommend trying the **memory palace technique**.

Memory palaces are an effective memorisation technique, shown to significantly improve recall of information. By using this technique, you may be able to encode information more quickly into your long-term memory in preparation for exams.

Picture yourself walking through an extremely familiar place. Each location serves as a hook, to which you visually connect whatever you want to remember. To recall the items, you must then mentally walk through the locations. It is a great technique for memorising dates, facts, names, and sequences.

Picture yourself at home and think of the front door to your house and associate one piece of information to that place then move on to a room and think of the next thing you want to memorise in this place, and so on. When you have done this, try testing yourself to see if your recall of the information has improved.



If you do certain routines in one room regularly, such as making a cup of tea in the kitchen, you could use this in the same way by associating information with each stage of the process. Think of locations you are familiar with, such as Greenhead College, a park, a shop, or your workplace and try to picture fun, oversized, or miniature images, as you will find silly ideas helps with recall too.

### **Youth forum with Kim Leadbeater MP**

Students may be interested in attending a youth forum on **Saturday, 10 February** from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm. The event will be at Kim Leadbeater's constituency office at Unit 15F Ponderosa Business Park in Heckmondwike.

The purpose of the event is to think about how young people can influence the upcoming General Election across the country, and explore what matters to you, and how you interact with politics.

Please scan the QR code (see page 4) for further details.

# BATLEY AND SPEN **YOUTH FORUM** WITH KIM LEADBEATER MP

**THERE'S AN ELECTION COMING  
WHAT ISSUES MATTER TO YOU?**



**SCAN TO SIGN UP** Saturday 10th February

**11:00 - 14:00**

**Unit 15F, Ponderosa Business Park  
Heckmondwike, WF16 0PR**

**This is an event for 16-25 year olds to talk  
about issues that matter to them, and discuss  
how politics affects their lives.**

**Contact Kim on: [kim.leadbeater.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:kim.leadbeater.mp@parliament.uk)**



## **Kirkwood Hospice**

I am pleased to announce that at the 'Big Gigs' and 'Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols', we raised **£280.28** for Kirkwood Hospice.

Many thanks to all those who kindly donated and to the students who performed at the events. Additionally, further thanks to our Music department who organised these concerts.

### Latest sporting fixtures

Here is our latest enrichment scorecard. Warm wishes to all those who took part:

GC Team	Score	Opposition	Score
Basketball	85	John Leggott College	80
Women's Football First Team	3	Huddersfield New College	9
Men's Football First Team	4	Priestley College	2
Men's Football Second Team	2	Bishop Burton College	4
Men's Football Third Team	1	New College Doncaster	2
Netball Second Team	37	Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College	18
Netball Third Team	21	Trinity Academy	14

### MESSAGE FOR A2 STUDENTS AND PARENTS/CARERS

#### Assemblies

A reminder that assemblies will be running for all **A2 students** next week during the following times:

<b>MONDAY</b> 29 JANUARY	PERIOD 3 11.25AM - 12.35PM PERIOD 4 1.35PM - 2.45PM
<b>TUESDAY</b> 30 JANUARY	LUNCHTIME 12.35PM - 1.35PM PERIOD 4 1.35PM - 2.35PM
<b>THURSDAY</b> 1 FEBRUARY	LUNCHTIME 12.35PM - 1.30PM
<b>FRIDAY</b> 2 FEBRUARY	PERIOD 2 9.45AM - 10.55AM LUNCHTIME 1.05PM - 1.55PM

The assembly will take place in the main hall in Hirst building and contain a very important briefing on the summer exams by Matt Darlington, our Examinations Manager.

Attendance at one of these assemblies is compulsory. If you are unable to attend any of the date/times (*above*), you must send a formal written apology to Leah Linden ([llinden@greenhead.ac.uk](mailto:llinden@greenhead.ac.uk)).

Best wishes to you all,

Simon Lett,  
Principal