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FREEZING FEBRUARY

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YEAR 11

THE BEAST FROM THE EAST caused havoc last week as the whole country was bathed in snow. Thousands of schools and millions of pounds could be counted as casualties after some of the coldest weather in Britain for 28 years. Heavy snow on Thursday caused Portsmouth to grind to a halt....CONT PG.2

**POMPEY DROWNED BY 'POOL IN FARCICAL
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SNOW EXPECTED

CONT FROM PG.1 as a deluge struck.

However, the cold weather also offered up a change for people to become heroes, with many offering help to those most in need. A man in Birmingham spent hundreds of pounds buying hotel rooms for the home-less, whilst a bus driver's quick thinking in Scotland saved certain death.

Forecasters have said that temperatures will return to normal this week—heres hoping spring will finally have sprung by the time the next edition of The Eagle gets published!



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"I need to Ring King...."

ITS BACK! By popular demand we have brought back our problem page to help you with burning issues. This year we bring a little eastern European insight with our perfect prefect KINGA JEZIOR waiting for your calls.....

Hi Kinga, my friends keep leaving me out. What can I do?

Friendship groups are a big part of school as those are the people you look forward to seeing the most in school and want to spend time with and have fun however there is always conflict or some sort of disagreement therefore the group will separate. My best advice is for you to try and speak to your friends to see if you have done anything to upset them and try to resolve the situation so there is no more tension. However, if you are constantly being left out its best to talk to them and if it carries on makes friends with new people that won't do the same to you.



Hi Kinga, my mates are all going to different colleges. Shall I follow them?

After secondary school the next step is college and it's like coming from year 6 into year 7 all over again. Everyone is going different colleges. Everyone is doing different courses. Of course, you don't want to be alone, so you're tempted to follow your friends. That is not a good decision! You and your friends have different aspirations and goals in life therefore you should do and go to wherever is best for you and your future. You can make new friends in college as I'm sure everyone else will be in the same situation as you and you can easily see your friends on the weekends or when you are both free. Follow your dreams not your friends.

Hello Kinga, my friend has got a new boyfriend and always leaves me out. What do I do?

Secondary school is a time where a lot of boys and girls get boyfriends and girlfriends therefore sometimes when they start spending time with each other more it may seem as if they are leaving their best friends for their new boyfriend or girlfriend. This is not your fault but their own as when they break up they will be back to you sooner or later. In my opinion you should let them be and don't chase after a friendship as if you were really important to them they would put you first or even make time for you to be able to see you and their new partner. Never chase after a friendship as the right people will come to your life and stay by your side.

*Need help?
Contact us for
advice!*

ONCE IN A LIFETIME TRIP

We left for Barcelona very early in the morning, half four!! We waited for the coach and left for Gatwick airport. It was still very early. Miss Bourdiox let us have free time in the airport. The hot dog I bought was delicious, but expensive.

On the first day, after getting off the plane, somehow my friend Bradley lost his passport! After half hour of searching his passport was found on the plane. Phew! *Round of applause* We left the airport on a coach to dump our stuff at the hotel and started our adventure.

One evening we visited Hard Rock Café. It was crazy in there; lots of loud music, flashing lights, and a lot of people. It was like a pub. We went downstairs into the restaurant. I had a burger, chips, and salad. It was really yummy.

Barcelona Football Stadium was aaaaaaamazing. There were so many trophies in the cabinet; all shiny, gold and silver, big and small. I was disappointed that I didn't see the real football team, like Messi. We sat at

the top of the stadium and tried sitting close up to the pitch. I felt that the top seats were the best as you could see everywhere. The football players would have looked like ants if they were playing.

On the last day we visited the Sagrada Família Cathedral in the middle of Barcelona. It is a church that hasn't been finished being built. It is full of colourful stained glass windows and statues of the saints and Jesus. The cathedral was awesome in size. It was so big I almost got lost.

The best bits of the trip were... the football stadium, and the food.

The funniest part of the trip was... I took a picture of a dog during free time. Because I'm a fan of animals.

The worst part of the trip was... coming home again.

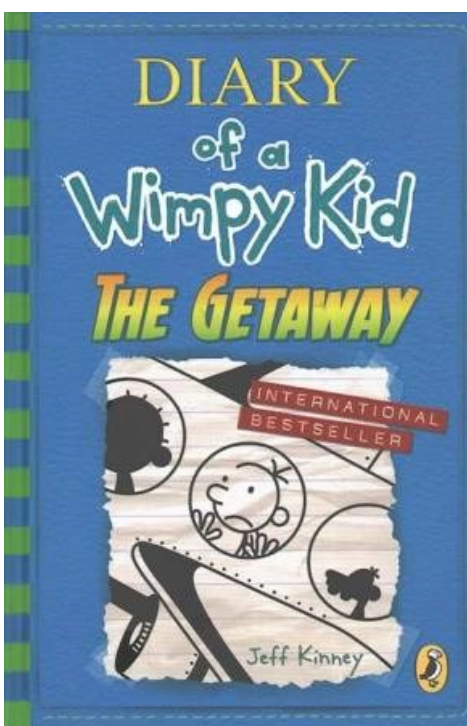
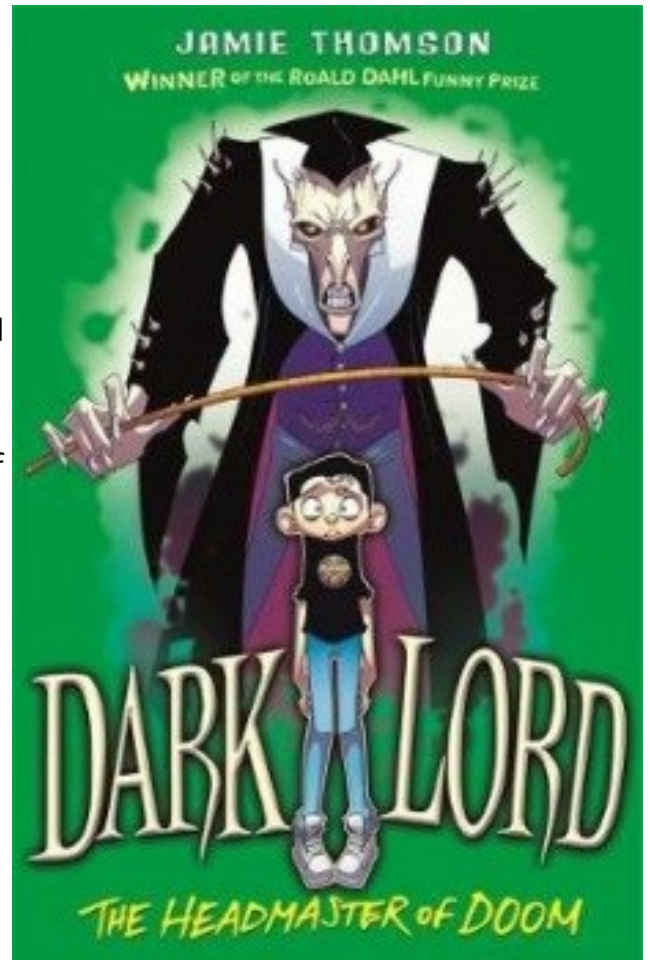
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BOOK CORNER

BOOK WORM Ebenezer Abraha talks us through his favourite books. This week.....

After reading Dark Lord, The Headmaster of Doom, by Jamie Thomson, I was slightly aggravated by it all, I read it because I had to for the Lit. Quiz, which we came in 2nd, by the way! I was slightly annoyed, however, by the fact that it was the last book of the series. Spoiler alert! Though this coincidence was slightly upsetting, I basically read it all in one go! It wasn't too challenging and wasn't too easy, either! I recommend this read for people who enjoy a bit of drama and couldn't be separated from thrill and comedy for a second! Though I didn't have the opportunity to read the series without acknowledging what was going to happen next, the humour and weirdness of it all definitely made up for it! I liked the Dark Lord books, I am certain that you will love it too!



The Getaway, Diary of a Wimpy Kid was one of the few books that made me utterly sympathetic. It is basically an event when Greg finds himself a wanted criminal on a hotel paradise on Christmas! Talk about irony! The least thing you'd ever expect is to find yourself at the beach on Christmas Day! And if you are a big fan of humour and irony, then this book is full of it! It basically demonstrates the fact that anything is possible, even in the most unlikely situations! To wrap it all up, if you liked 'Dork Diaries' and 'The World of Norm', then you will love this book. Jeff Kinney has really upped his game! (J K Rowling, Rachel Renée Russell, Jonathan Meres beware!) I can't wait to see what Jeff comes up with next...

IN-ES THE MOVIES

INES AMDOUNI reviews the latest films. This week, DARKEST HOUR

In the late 1940 German forces invaded Belgium and France; pushed most of the British army onto beach in the French coastal town, Dunkirk.

Set during the crucial early days of Winston Churchill first term as prime minister; this loquacious yet stunningly cinematic history lesson, it focuses on Winston Churchill (played by Gary Oldman) role in that military reality and the courage to stand by his core beliefs against all odds.

Beautiful, rich drama film, in fact rather than action and battle the film offer lots of talk of political manoeuvring. So younger viewers might have trouble sticking to the storyline.

Darkest Hours is a handsome, old fashioned film, filled with stirring music, that control your emotions without you knowing!!! Amazing performances with a whopper of a star (Gary Oldman) turn as Winston Churchill being the highlight.

So if you need to brush up on your History homework get down to Vue and book yourself a ticket!



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OSCAR WINNERS

THE ANNUAL NIGHT OF GLITZ AND GLAMOUR descended upon Hollywood on Sunday as the **OSCARS** were handed out to the great and good....

There was British success at the Oscars as Gary Oldman won Best Actor for his portrayal of Winston Churchill in 'The Darkest Hour', whilst Irishman Martin McDonagh struck big with his 'Three Billboards in Missouri' also winning a few gongs, such as Best Actress for Frances McDormand.

The Best Picture category was won by Guillermo Del Toro's science fiction film 'The Shape of Water', making it the first genre picture of its type to win.

Many were disappointed that Joran Peele's horror 'Get Out' did not do better, as it subtly explored the racial politics of America. However Peele himself won the Oscar for Best Original Screenplay.

The ceremony was a more sober affair than recent years after all of the unsavoury allegations coming out of Hollywood of late. However, The Oscars are always a reminder of the powerful effect films like 'Get Out' can have on the public with their strong moral messages, and hopefully they will continue to resonate for a long time.



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BLACK-FOOLS

POMPEY put in a dire performance against Blackpool on Saturday to leave the Fratton Faithful spitting feathers after woeful ineptitude saw them lose two nil.

There was no blaming the ref or a good performance from the opposition this time; terrible defensive errors meant that Pompey deserved nothing from a turgid League One clash.

Some more vocal members of the crowd have now started calling for manager Kenny Jackett's head over his perceived inability to get the squad going or strengthen in January/

Lets hope that the final few months of the season bring more highs than lows and can see Pompey sustain their playoff push.