



COLTON UNCOVERED



Our Student Newsletter

Editor's Note:

Welcome to the summer edition of Colton Uncovered. I have stepped in as guest editor for this edition only as next term we will be looking for a new student editor. We will be asking students that are interested to pop along to the library and complete a short but fun (honest!) writing exercise. In the meantime we hope you enjoy this issue and have a wonderful summer break.

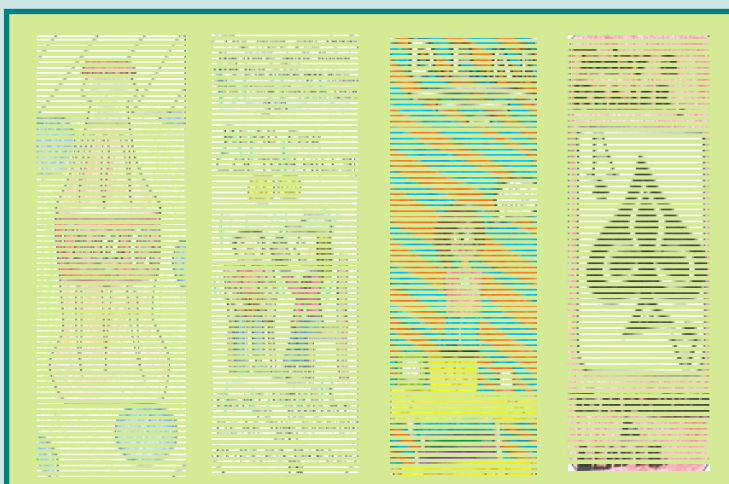
Mrs Dicken

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Design a Bookmark: Competition Winners

Just in case you were wondering which students created these wonderful designs...



Mei Han

Year 9

Esther

Osazuwa

Year 7

Benedicte

Mayamona

Year 7

Susmeta

Kaur

Year 9

Writing Tips from Author Dave Rudden

Ideas come from everywhere.

A book is never just one idea.

There is a perfect word for every moment.

You do not have to get it right first time.

Get an agent, they will pitch (sell) your book to the publishers for you.

For a list of agents try www.litrejections.com.



Rahul meets exciting new author Dave Rudden



CHCS book club got the chance to meet a new author called Dave Rudden at the Wolverhampton Grammar school. Dave told us all about his life and how he became an author. He won the Fantasy Book Review short story prize in 2013 and was short-listed for the Hennessey New Writing Award, and the Bath Short Story Prize. Knights of the Borrowed Dark is his first novel and it took ages to get it published. He sent it to 26 agents before one accepted him. The book club had a lot of great fun at the event. If you would like to join book club speak to Miss Wharton or Mrs Dicken in the library.

By Rahul Kumar

Beat the Reading Slump

When you want to read but you just can't face it or find the right book, by Rahul Kumar.

1. Don't choose a thick book unless you're really excited about it. Go for something small. A snack size read!
2. Try reading newspaper or magazine articles.
3. Return to a favourite author.
4. Ask a friend for their ideas and recommendations.
5. Don't stick with a book that you are not enjoying or that is way too difficult. A challenge is good but you need to be realistic.
6. Sit somewhere quiet without any distractions, where you feel comfortable and relaxed.



Look Out for...



5 good things about the book, 'The Parent Agency'.

1. It's funny.
2. Every kid dreams of really cool parents.
3. The main character is called Barry.
4. It's got cartoon pictures.
5. It'll make you cry at the end.

They may look the same but guide dogs and pet dogs have to be treated differently. Can you work out which of the following statements apply to guide dogs and which apply to pet dogs? Do any of them apply to both?

Guide Dog



Can go into restaurants.

Wears a harness/bib.

Calm in any situation.

Sometimes chases cats and squirrels.

Can be stroked and made a fuss of at any time.

Is loving and affectionate.

Pet Dog



Please remember that Orla in the library is a working guide dog and you must ask Miss Wharton before you stroke or make a fuss of her.

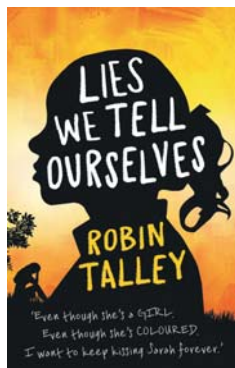
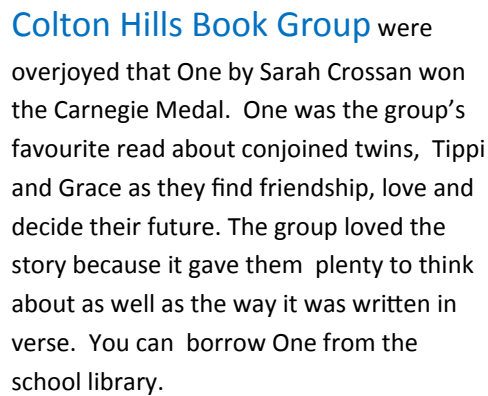
What Did I see?

Harsimran Kaur is describing two animals, can you guess what they are?

1. I saw a creature riding on the waves. It had a large beak full of razor sharp teeth yet it seemed harmless. It was playfully squeaking as if trying to entertain me. It's shimmering skin was the same colour as its calm surroundings. What did I see?

2. I saw this creature scuttling on the grains of sand. It had a rock for a back and many legs. As soon as I cared to look at it, it was off again. What did I see?

1. Dolphin 2. Crab



Book Review by Esther Osazuwa

Definition

THE
Rest of Us
 JUST
 LIVE
 HERE

PATRICK
 NESS

WITH GRAPHIC NOVEL WINNIE

Book Review by Simeon Shakham

Definition

To Leave or Not to Leave

Jasmeen Simplay talks about her reaction to this historic period in our history.



Facts about the EU

The European Union (EU) is a group of countries in Europe whose governments work together.

It was set up in 1958 to bring peace to Europe after the Second World War although Britain did not join until 1973.

On Thursday 23 June 2016 Britain voted to leave the EU.

As a new day dawned on the Friday morning and I was up, frantically trying to complete my coursework, little did I know that coursework would be the least of my worries that day. It was a result that nobody expected and sighs of defeat, as well as cries of happiness echoed around the nation. It was a momentous decision that shook Great Britain and the aftershocks will be felt around the world.

For our Brexiters, it was a victory. Winning by over a million votes, many rejoiced. It was hailed an independence day, a day to finally show that we had taken control of our country.

Whilst for the Remainers of this country, it was a sad day for Britain. This union made in 1973 was broken on the Friday and many felt as if the apocalypse was here .

As a young person, who did not get the right to vote, I was extremely shocked and angry. I tried to appreciate the leave campaign and their reasons, but amidst the chaos that ensued after the result I was somewhat distracted. As our future was decided for me, and many others on the Thursday night, history was made. The anger of the young resonated across Britain, ranging from passionate protests to petitions. The incidents that have occurred since have almost been comical, like a bad Charlie Chaplin movie. However, now is a time when we need to stand united and respect the democracy of this country by moving forward and trying our best to make a bright prosperous future for the generations to come.



Pravu Silwal

What's your Spirit Animal?

(Which animal matches your personality?)



Rahul Kumar asked six members of staff; Mrs Dicken, Mr Picknell, Mrs Calvert, Miss Cowlshaw, Mrs Escritt and Mrs Perry, which animal would they choose to match their personality. Can you guess who chose which animal?

A "Dogs, because they are intelligent, caring, and loyal.

B "I would be an orca because they share the same initials and they are awesome, intelligent and aquatic.

C I would be an eagle because I like travelling and I make quick decisions.

D I would be a black and white cat because they are very affectionate and I like the colours black and white.

E I would be a little mouse because I like being cosy and being at home.

F I would be an owl because they have very expressive eyes and seem to be able to see right through you.

Step by Step

How to make a kite

You will need masking tape, paper, scissors, sticks and string.

1. Cut out a square from the paper.
2. Place light stick vertically on the fold line to make the spine.
3. Place another stick horizontally across the first stick above the centre of the paper. Then tie them together using string.
4. Cut off the edges to leave a diamond shape. Tape down the sticks to the paper. Then attach lots of string to the end.



By Rahul Kumar

A Summer Poem

by Simran Kang



It's Summertime!

School holidays begun,

Time to play,

Fun in the sun.

Out of school,

Escape the rules,

With trees to climb,

And swimming in pools.

