Welcome to our first publication of our weekly newsletter “All about Sidlow”

We have been busy gathering all of the exciting things that happen over at Sidlow, that support our learning, wellbeing and life experiences.

We will ensure a culture of integrity championing high-performance that is underpinned by our core values

HONESTY, RESPECT, COMPASSION

This week our reporting team has been a mixture of students who continue to take on the role of getting all the news and adding it to this newsletter very seriously.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK!

Winner: T

Runner up: K





What's happening this week in lessons?

English: Reading age assessments for all year groups! Last half-term a group of students had intervention for reading, we hope all of their hard work is shown in their results.



Maths: Year 11's started their GCSE revision and did well with using their Personal Topics Tracker to do independent work.
KS3 also did well with the topic order of operations and will begin using their Personal Topics Tracker next week.

What's happening this week in lessons?

Citizenship: Year 11 have had a lesson around trade unions this week. Next week they have their mocks in both paper 1 and paper 2. Yr 10 will be looking at political rights next week while KS3 this week have been looking at Democracies and Dictatorships and will be looking at General elections next week and creating their own manifestos



Science:

Cooking: Welcome back to the R.V.C kitchen
Year 11 are preparing for their practical assessment
Year 10 made crispy chicken burgers



This weeks KS3 cross curricular topic…
Inspired by 4th Jan National Spaghetti Day!

Lucy helped students create a Factfile on Italy learning about the history, landmarks, nature and culture.

Jo looked at the origins of pasta with KS3 helping them to create acrostic poems.

Bec,Jo and KS3 planned and prepared a delicious pasta lunch with a choice of either carbonara or bolognaise sauce along with garlic bagels. Fantastic teamwork and a lovely atmosphere during lunch. Well done KS3

IN THE NEWS: THE GOOD NEWS



Sea Turtles are no longer an endangered species!



Did you know?.. 16 and 17yr olds will now be able to vote in the next general election.

"At 16, a young person can work, they pay taxes, they can join the Army. So there's no reason why from that age, they shouldn't have a say in who governs our country," said Democracy Minister Rushanara Ali.

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Something to inspire you? …. Luke Littler, at 17 years-old became the youngest ever PDC World Championship winner

Vinted

The secondhand clothing market is booming, expanding at about 2.7 times the rate of the general retail market,

ENRICHMENT- Express yourself

Students will have the opportunity to cover a range of areas to ‘express themselves’ during Friday’s enrichment including cooking and arts and crafts and some team building. Clip and Climb is also booked for 23rd January for students to push their boundaries.

ENRICHMENT *Cooking*

EXPRESS YOURSELF!!

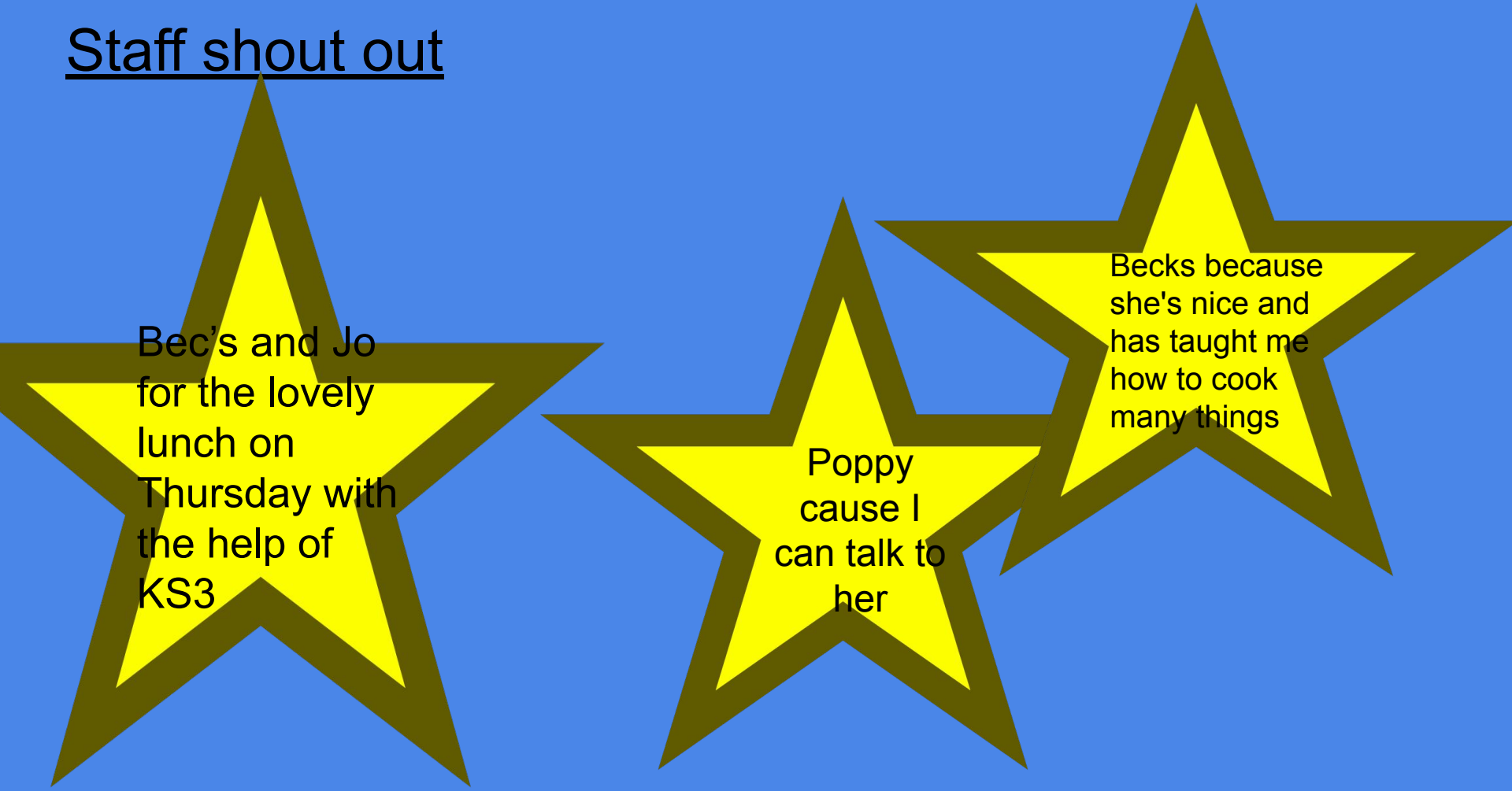
Students had a choice of…

Emoji cupcakes

Chicken Burgers

Brookies (Cookie and brownie)

Staff shout out



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Student Shout Out!!!

S for a positive start to Sidlow

All the students involved in the Sidlow community lunch! Amazing food and lovely atmosphere!

T- you have been lovely to be around this week!

Year 11 students for applying themselves to studying towards their mocks next week.

Student Shout Out!!!

KS3 for the lovely lunch on Thursday

T- for being his best and lovely self this week

S- for giving cooking a go even though she does not like it

All students who attended Tuesday and made it through the day in the cold outside and in.

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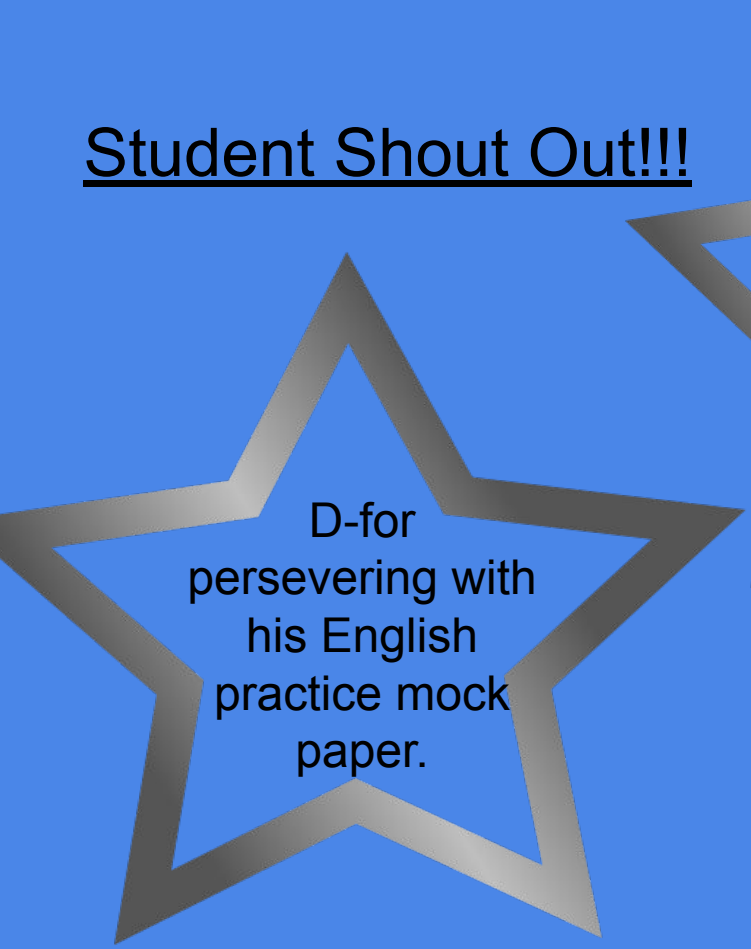







Christmas Fair!!

So after all the hard work of the students and staff at RVC, we are proud to let you all know that an amazing



£800!!!

Was raised for Rescue Remedies- Cat and Dog charity in Smallfield

Thanks to everyone involved and to those who contributed in some way, to make it such a huge success !!

Staff Hot Seat.

5 questions in 5 Minutes
This week's staff member is Lucy
Questions asked by Joe



- *Favourite animal? Catsssss*
- *Favourite holiday destination? Corfu in Greece*
- *What made you want to work here? I wanted to make a difference*
- *Have you ever had a favourite student? Of course not ;)*
- *What's your favourite food to cook? Steak - quick, easy, delicious!*

Word of the Week

Approximate: close to the actual, but not completely accurate or exact.

Synonyms: estimated, vague, imprecise.

Antonyms: exact, precise.



100% Attendance!

So this week we have six 100% attendees at SB RVC. They are:

S
T
K
D
J
T

Well done to those six! You have gained 50 extra gold points and a chance to spin the attendance wheel!!!

Dates for the diary:



12th January:Mock exams for year 11.

2nd February:Functional skills exams.

9th February:Home Cooking assessment.

Top tips

Do work in small chunks

Set yourself a timetable for revision and take regular rest breaks

Highlight key words in your work

Ask for support if needed from a trusted adult
Practice past papers

Student testimonials

I’m happier at RVC. I get more support and I cook loads more! KG

In mainstream, I struggled, and I didn’t get a chance to explain how I feel, whereas at RVC it's easy to express my feelings and the teachers respect it. TB

Meet Murphy & Martha Sidlow's therapy dogs.





Murphy has been at Sidlow for some time now and all of the students love him, the staff love his cheeky ways (he loves stealing food) His Mummy doesn't think it's funny. He stole 16 raw homemade sausage rolls over the Christmas break and wasn't sick!!

Martha loves reading with the students and is often found snuggled up with one or two of them. Martha also loves zooming around the place, which makes everyone laugh.
Next week, Murphy & Martha will tell you all about Sidlow.








YES



Support for students.
NSPCC Website

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/our-services/working-with-schools/



Shout! Mental health support for students.

85358-shout number

You can always message shout if you have something on your mind.

