



# ASPIRE Events

## Spring 2018

### ASPIRE Clubs:

- **Book Club - Years 5-7**

**3.30pm to 5pm**

**Sixth Form Common Room**

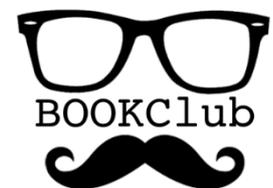
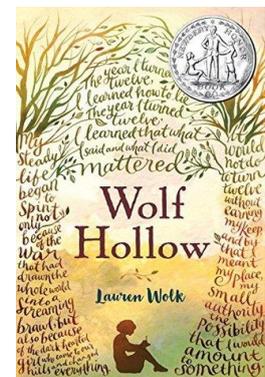
The Club's second book will be *Wolf Hollow* by Lauren Wolk which was shortlisted for the 2017 CILIP Carnegie Medal. One reviewer wrote "This is a heartfelt story of simple childish actions turning bad. It is a tale of emotions belonging to those involved in war and conflict at a time of strong religious beliefs and greed."

Meetings this term will be on:

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

These will be held after school and in the Sixth Form Common Room. The sessions will finish in time for the late bus at 5pm.



- **Young Enterprise Club - Years 7-10**

**Day to be confirmed**

**1.30pm to 2pm in B8**



Are you interested in becoming an entrepreneur?

Economics and Business Studies teacher, Mrs Coplestone is going to be working with a group of students to guide them in setting up a business looking at creating a product, preparing a business plan, planning marketing and selling the product. Details will follow shortly, but if you're interested sign-up to let us know.

# January

- **Exeter University Language Project**

**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> January – 3.30pm to 5.00pm**  
**Thu 25<sup>th</sup> January - 3.30pm to 5.00pm**

In conjunction with Exeter University we will be exploring a variety of languages and cultures during a series of workshops with Exeter University students. These will be based at Axe Valley but will culminate in a celebration event at the College of Humanities at the University.

The specific languages we will be working on are Portuguese, French, Latin, and Chinese as well as touching on Russian, Arabic and Japanese.  
Part 1 - Portuguese with Carla Azevedo  
Part 2 - French Culture and Translation with Edward Mills



- **Wood Turning Workshops**

**10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> January**  
**3.30pm to 5.30pm**

These workshops were scheduled last term and with the Christmas season being so busy at the Skill Centre had to be delayed slightly to January.

Places will be allocated to students that signed-up last term.



- **Visit to Norman Lockyer Observatory**

**Wed 24<sup>th</sup> January – 1.10pm to 5pm**

We will be visiting the Observatory for an astronomy talk, a show in their Planetarium and tour of the Norman Lockyer Observatory Centre and its famous telescopes. It is a centre for amateur astronomy, meteorology, radio astronomy, and the promotion of science education.

Tickets and transport £8 per person – 15 spaces



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- **Skills for Success**

**Wed 31<sup>st</sup> January – 3.30pm to 5pm**

Do you find that sometimes you just can't fit everything in? David Lacey from British Solar Renewables will be talking to us about time management and organisation. To be super-efficient with your work and still have plenty of time to have fun you need to follow some of these great strategies and tips.

# February

- **Visit to Bristol University**

**Thur 8<sup>th</sup> February – 8am to 6pm**  
**£10 contribution – max 40 spaces**

Tour and introductory workshops - We have been invited by Bristol University to attend one of their open days and meet some of their student ambassadors. In addition we will be attending a sample lecture with one of their professors to give you a sense of what it is like to study at University.



- **Exeter University Language Project**  
Part 3 – Chinese with Yue Zhuang

**Thu 22<sup>nd</sup> February - 3.30pm to 5.00pm**

- **Double Elephant Printing Workshop**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**Years 5-7 – 9.00am to 1pm**  
**Years 8-10 – 2pm to 5pm**

The Double Elephant Printing workshops offer a fantastic day exploring many different styles and techniques of printing with wonderful results for you to take home. £3 voluntary contribution – 25 spaces per workshop



- **Skills for Success Workshop**

**Date to be confirmed - 3.30pm to 5pm**

Presentation and Public Speaking with former Axe Valley Head Boy, Charles Sweetland.

# March

- **Exeter University Language Project** **Wed 7<sup>th</sup> March – 1.00pm to 5.00pm**  
**£8 contribution towards transport**  
The language project will culminate in a celebration event at the School of Humanities on the Exeter University campus. We will be meeting with the students and professors that we have got to know over the past couple of months in the Languages Department. We will be given a short tour of the University and will then have taster lectures in Arabic, Latin and Russian.
- **Primary Maths Workshop** **Thur 8<sup>th</sup> March – 11.15am to 1pm**  
Primary students will be working with the Head of our Maths Department Mr Leach on exciting maths challenges to give the students a taster of the subject at Secondary level.
- **Big Bang South West – Years 7-10** **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**  
**NEC Birmingham** **£10 contribution towards transport**  
Our annual trip to the Science and Engineering Event of the Year!
- **Law Trip to Exeter** **Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> March - 1pm to 5.00pm**  
**£10 transport – 12 spaces**  
The trip will comprise: A visit to the Exeter Law Courts to witness part of a trial followed by a meeting with Exeter lawyers The Family Law Company at their offices to discuss the various paths you can take if you wish to follow a legal career.



- **Arts Residential to Bristol** **Dates to be confirmed**  
**Approx £70-85 per student**  
(this will vary according to the number of students who sign up)

We are very excited to have the opportunity to work with Mr Petty to discover the work of famous graffiti artist Banksy and visit some of his most thought provoking pieces on a walking tour of Bristol.

In the evening we plan to visit “Locked in a Room” where in small teams we will use our problem solving skills and creative thinking to escape. During the following day we will visit the Arnolfini Gallery to see their exhibition of contemporary work followed by a workshop with Mr Petty to explore some ideas and create pieces of our own.

