



Headteacher's Comment:

On Wednesday evening, Chase High School opened its doors to welcome our upcoming Year 7 students and their families. They had the opportunity to meet members of the senior team and their new deputy year leader, as well as explore the many extracurricular opportunities they will have next year. Miss Harding braved the warm weather outside in her tent, cooking sausages and making apple sauce to promote the Duke of Edinburgh Award, which has been incredibly successful at Chase. Inside the awe-inspiring Sixth Form building, it was a hive of activity with stands advertising a range of clubs and activities organised by almost all subjects. If your child isn't yet a part of the Motte-and-Bailey castle club, send them in the direction of the History department, who will be happy to guide them through it!

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Athletics Success:

Before the half term break, a group of Chase students took part in the Essex Multi Events Trials in Thurrock. The trials see competitors compete in five different athletics events to find the all-round best athletes in the county. A special mention has to go to three of our students who performed superbly on the day - Well done to Arsenii who won the bronze medal and achieved his person best in javelin, discus, long jump, 400 and overall points. Arsenii has been selected for the Essex team to compete at the East of England Regional Final. Kara also performed beyond expectation and finished in 5th place! She set the school records for 200 m and total points. A huge well done also goes to Nicola who was in the top 8 competitors for most of the competition.



Behind the Scenes:

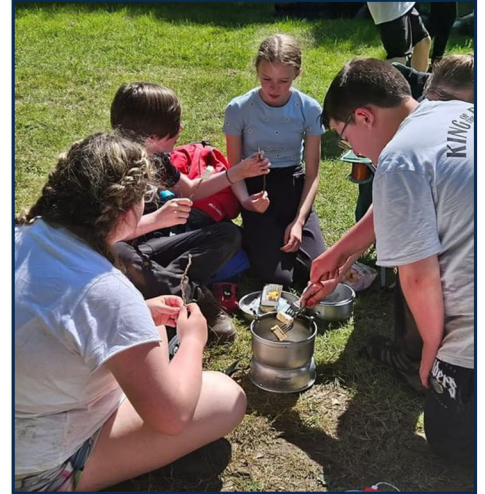
This week, our Year 10 Performing Arts class spent the day at the Cliffs Pavilion theatre learning about how the theatre operates in areas such as backstage, hospitality and marketing. The students had a great time and fully immersed themselves in all activities. One of the highlights for our students, was being on the stage and realising its size and the technology used to put on a performance.





Duke of Edinburgh:

Well done to our Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh students who have just completed the qualifying assessment for the bronze award! This event was led by Miss Harding, with Mr Booker and Miss Di Giampasquale also supporting. A massive thank you to Pete, our caretaker, for driving the minibus for this excursion!



Remote Learning Day:

A reminder that Chase students will be taking part in a remote learning day next Friday 14 June. Teachers will be providing students with work via Satchel One for students to access at home.

House points totals for this week



1137



903



1106



1089



Dates for your Diary:

14.06.24 Year 5 Day/Remote Learning Day for pupils
19.06.24 Year 11 Leavers' BBQ/Thank A Teacher Day

20.06.24 Year 12 Parents' Evening
26.06.24 Year 5 Open Evening –
School closes at the early time of 1.25 pm



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CHASE HIGH OPEN EVENING

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feel happy, safe and behave well.”

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prepared for university,
or the workplace.”

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Wednesday 26 June 2024

4.00pm - 7.30pm

Aspiration, Character & Excellence



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about PALWORLD

In Palworld, players head out into an environment where they must craft items and survive alongside creatures called 'Pals'. In this sense, it's similar to Minecraft: fight monsters while maintaining a base. Palworld has sold more than six million copies and often has over two million people playing online simultaneously.



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MATURE CONTENT



While Palworld may look cute and cuddly, the game does have its more mature moments. For example, if you try to catch a Pal and don't succeed, the game displays a mild swear word. There are also minor references to inhumane acts like slavery when getting your Pals to perform certain tasks for you. While the presentation is intended to be humorous, this could still be seen as being in poor taste.

VIOLENCE

Palworld has been referred to as "Pokémon with guns" and with good reason. As the game progresses, Pals can be given firearms, explosives and other weapons, allowing them to fight by the player's side. There are several moments where cute animals use these guns to kill other Pals or fight against bosses. The violence is cartoonish and bloodless, but it's present.

SUGGESTIVE WRITING

Some of the Pals' descriptions – found in the game menu – can be very suggestive and adult in nature. The game makes a joke of balancing on the line between age-appropriate and mature content: playing on the contrast between the two while never being outright explicit. While it's possible that younger players won't notice this content, it's just as conceivable that they will.

ONLINE PLAY

Palworld can be played with other people online. On Xbox, players can only play with people on their friends list. On PC, however, up to 32 players can share in the same game, playing in a large online world, and these players may not necessarily be known to the host beforehand. It can be quite complicated to set up these servers. However, it can be quite complicated to set up these servers (online worlds) and they cost money to keep active.

DIFFICULTY

Despite its endearing visuals, Palworld is actually an extremely difficult game in places: defeating bosses, catching Pals and exploring the environment can all be very tricky. It takes a lot of skill – or working together with a friend – to be successful, which could be off-putting or even aggravating to a player expecting something more like Minecraft or Pokémon.

Advice for Parents & Educators

WATCH GAMEPLAY

Watching gameplay and reviews for Palworld on sites like YouTube is the best available means of gathering information on it, second only to playing it for yourself. Currently, there are plenty of videos showing this game off to the internet at large, along with detailed breakdowns of what can be found or done within it.

LEND A HAND

By learning the basics of the game – Pal catching, battling, crafting items and building up a base – you can help to lower the difficulty for younger players. This, in turn, decreases the likelihood that such players will need to look online for tips and tricks, where they could quite easily stumble across more violent and mature content associated with the game.

SET CONTENT LIMITS

As Palworld is available on Xbox Game Pass, it's easy for players to access it. Any player subscribed to this service can simply find the title on Game Pass and hit the download button. If a child or young person isn't allowed to play Palworld, the best way to prevent them downloading it regardless is to enable age limits on their account. Setting the limit below 12 will not allow users to install Palworld.

PLAY TOGETHER

By playing Palworld yourself, you'll have the best chance of catching any content that you don't think is suitable for children, as well as getting an idea of how violence is presented in the game. The conflict is cartoonish in nature – until players and Pals unlock the ability to use guns, at which point it can become more intense. It's likely best for you to give it a look and form your own opinion.

PLACE BOUNDARIES

Limit options when it comes to online play. For players on PC, they'll still be able to cooperate with friends through the game's multiplayer option, much like Xbox users. Just because they have the option to run a dedicated server that's open to anyone doesn't mean they need to take it. The risks of interacting with strangers can be significantly lowered or even eliminated entirely by playing on servers which are restricted to friends only.

Meet Our Expert

Editor in Chief of gaming and esports site GGRecon, Lloyd Coombes has worked in the games media industry for five years. He's played every Tekken title since the series began and, as a parent, also values the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar.





CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES

The SAP Technology Scholarship Programme is an online learning Programme sponsored by Vattenfall and designed by Niya to give your community the foundational skills to become an ABAP SAP Developer. This is a FREE 3-month programme designed to help learners understand the fundamentals skills required to become an SAP professional developer. [Read more and apply.](#)

Success At School's [new Wellbeing page](#) has advice for coping with exam stress and how to boost your mental health on a daily basis, as well as focused resources to help you prepare for what may happen on results day and the transition to university.

Cardiff University have a range of upcoming webinars that may be of interest to you. This includes:

- [‘What to do when things don’t go to plan’](#), on 11th June. Sometimes things don’t go to plan and that’s okay, there are plan Bs. In this webinar, we share information about what to do when you don’t quite meet the grade requirements, including details about clearing.
- [‘What can I do over the summer?’](#), on 27th June. Find out what you can do over the summer holidays before the academic year begins. From work experience to put on your statement to visiting potential universities and cities.

UCAS also has a [Managing Exam Stress hub](#), with top tips and links to YoungMinds, The Mix and StudentMinds websites; whatever might be worrying you at this stage of the year, there is plenty of support online as well as within the College.

The [Be At Your Best ezine](#) is a practical guide for dealing with exam nerves, motivation and mindset by Sam Moinet from The Student Breakthrough.

JOB OF THE WEEK



This week’s video focuses on the job role of a [Sustainability Consultant](#).

This is a person who helps businesses to become more socially and environmentally responsible in how they operate by completing assessments and creating sustainability strategies.

Watch the video to learn more.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Interest in science from girls has declined and a gender gap has opened up, claims new report from EngineeringUK.


The report evidenced that only 12% of girls say being an engineer fits well with who they are and just 16% of girls think an engineering career is suitable for them.

[Source](#)

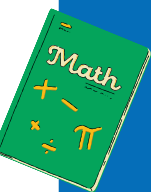
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Launching in September 2024, this 24 week paid training programme and work placement can open the door into the creative industry. Eight weeks of bespoke training with industry experts at SharpFutures is followed by a sixteen-week placement in a creative organisation, an opportunity to practise your new skills and make your first big splash in the creative industry. [Find out more here.](#)



Durham, LSE and Warwick have joined Imperial and Cambridge to incorporate the Test of Mathematics for University Admission (TMUA) into their selection process for 2025 entry. The world-class, research-intensive institutions will be using the TMUA to select students for a number of Maths and Statistics-based courses, as well as some in Economics, Computer and Data Science. The TMUA is one of two computer-based assessments that will be delivered by University Admissions Tests-UK (UAT-UK) for 2025 entry.

Long-awaited plans to award [UCAS points to apprenticeships](#) have been revealed by the university admissions body. From this September, people completing level 3 apprenticeships could be awarded up to 112 UCAS points to apply to universities, depending on the length of their apprenticeship. This is great news as it means you can do a Level 3 Apprenticeship at the end of Year 11 and still go onto university.



Few industries capture our imagination as much as aerospace and aviation - in careers relating to these areas, the sky is no longer the limit! With the aviation and aerospace industry, there are possibilities that'll take you above and beyond, so long as you have the knowledge, skills, and passion to take you where you want to go. Springpod have joined forces with the Civil Aviation Authority, the UK's aviation and aerospace regulator, to provide you with an [inspiring programme that'll help your dreams of a career in the industry soar!](#)

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"We value our people and want them to be inspired, nurtured, developed and supported during their time with us. We know that only together can we make change that saves lives. We work together to achieve our vision and drive a culture with wellbeing at the heart of everything we do."

You can read more about Samaritan's careers [here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"LSE is a global community of people and ideas in the heart of central London. We're a specialist social sciences university, ranking fifth in the world in the QS subject rankings 2023 and as the top university in London in the Complete University Guide 2024 and Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2023."

You can read more about LSE courses [here](#).

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Maximise Your Revision #3 Mind Maps

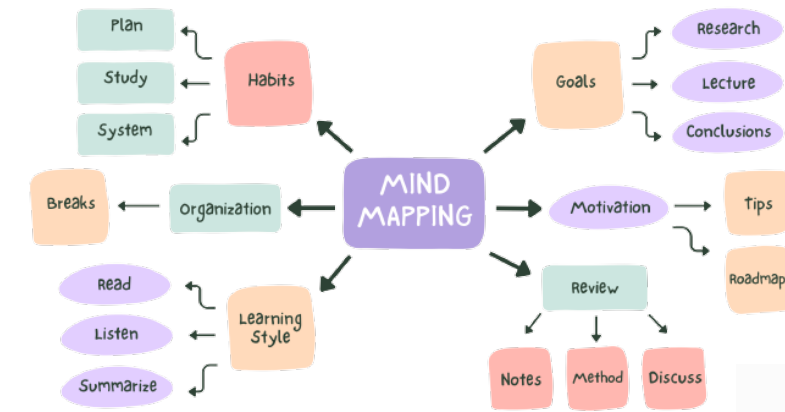
Mind maps are used to present information in an engaging and visual format. The creation of the map allows you to focus on the most important points and begins the process of memorisation. Use your map to then practice and learn the key points.

Step one – choose the topic



Place the topic in the centre of the page. Be very specific you can't fit a whole unit on one page.

Step two – Choose three to six main ideas and evenly space them around the central theme



Step three - For each main idea add supporting details

want to know more

A recent graduate explains how to create a mind map in this short video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Y1HJMuqAPY>

Tips for parent/guardian – instead of how's your revision going? Try these questions



What was the main theme of your mind map?

Why did you choose that?

Let me have your mind map and quiz you on the details.