

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

One of the poems which our Year 10 and 11 students study for their GCSE in English Literature is Wilfred Owen's Exposure. The poem describes the exhausting and monotonous conditions faced by soldiers during World War One - the terrifying weather: wind, rain and snow.

At the heart of the poem, is a tragic and haunting image of the ghosts of the soldiers returning home to their loved ones, only to find the "shutters and doors, all closed: on us the doors are closed."

The centenary of the First World War has now passed; it is 101 years since the end of the war and the number of survivors continues, sadly, to reduce. There is a risk that our collective memory of the sacrifice people made for us during this and other conflicts might fade. It is important we don't close the doors on their ghosts.

At Nova this week we held an incredibly moving ceremony to mark Remembrance Day with an installation of thousands of poppies created by our students, poetry

reading and the Last Post played by a bugler. It was a moving and important shared experience and a further reminder of how respectful and community minded Nova students are.

*Nick Wells
Headteacher*



LEADERBOARDS AT END OF TERM 1

	Name
1	Liam B (Year 11)
2	Liam B (Year 10)
3	Imogen W
4	KC B
5	Sophie B
6	Lucia G
7	Abby L
8	Sacchi K
9	Rebecca J
10	Hanna W

	HOUSE POINTS. AVERAGE PER STUDENT	ATTENDANCE
1st	ORION	ORION
2nd	CYGNUS	AQUILA
3rd	PEGASUS	PEGASUS
4th	AQUILA	CYGNUS

LEST WE FORGET

On Monday 11th November, our cadets attended school in uniform and at 11 o'clock the whole school observed a respectful silence at the call of the Last Post, played in the atrium by Captain Ian Standley from the Salvation Army.



For the second year running, our students have worked with integrity and a great sense of drive to produce over 15,000 poppies to be placed on the flower beds in the atrium, forming a striking tribute to those that have lost their lives in conflict. This year's display included a large number of white poppies in remembrance of those people killed who were not soldiers, to reflect the role of peace in society.



Congratulations to Aquila 3, winners of the poppies competition!



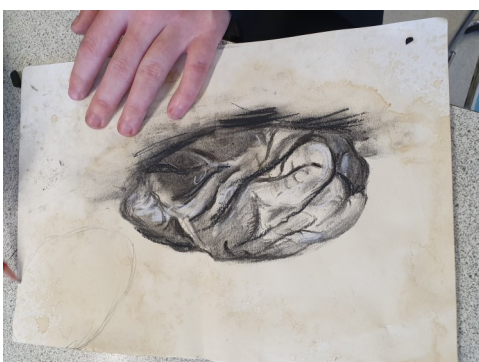
ART

Miss Sayers and Miss Fegan held an excellence masterclass for a selection of year 10 and year 11 students interested in the History of Anatomical Art. Students were given a fascinating talk detailing the origins and the development of how we depict the human body in Art. Students were able to then explore with a hands on workshop looking at lambs hearts with Photography, scenography and observational drawing.



'This was an excellent opportunity for staff and students to get together and explore the links between Art and History and to ask some big questions surrounding the topics'

Miss Sayers



'I was really proud of the students and their enthusiasm, and honoured to work on this project with a colleague who is passionate about Art History'.

Miss Fegan

Parent Survey 2019

Have you completed our PARENT SURVEY?

It only takes 10 minutes and really helps us make decisions for the future.



edurio

Please speak to our student services team if you haven't received an email from Edurio.

The survey is open until 20th December.

This is your chance to have your say about our school, and you could win a £25 Amazon voucher.



Christmas Extravaganza Auditions

Do you want to perform in the Christmas Extravaganza?

Nova's Got Talent 2019 edition takes place during the Extravaganza

Auditions will be on Friday 15th November at 3:30pm

Sign up in the Music Department

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EVENTS COMING UP

November

Swindon Youth Festival of Literature - Monday 11th

GCSE Presentation Evening - Thursday 14th

Nova 's Got Talent auditions - Friday 15th

Cross Country Championships - Saturday 16th

Year 11 SPR2 - starts on Monday 25th

A full calendar of events and more information can be found at <https://www.novahreodacademy.org.uk>

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