

FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2025

MADELEY SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S POST: PARENT EDITION



• **Year 9 London Trip**



45 of our Year 9 students had a brilliant time on their London trip last week. They saw two wonderful West End shows (*Matilda* and *Hercules*), toured the amazing Tottenham Hotspur stadium, visited the V&A museum, laughed (a lot!) at the Shrek Adventure and saw the beautiful sea creatures at the Sea Life centre. They finished the visit with a day at the Harry Potter Studio Tour where lots of Butterbeer and Chocolate Frogs were indulged in! We were impressed by their excellent behaviour and positive attitude throughout. Well done, Year 9.

• **Year 11 Mock Examinations**

Year 11 Mock examinations will commence on Monday 3rd November (straight after October half term) for 2 weeks. Please can students ensure that they have the correct equipment for their exams including a pen, a pencil, a ruler, a protractor and a calculator.

• **Year 7 Take on Warwick Castle!**

On Wednesday, Mr Stevens and Mrs Stokoe led a fantastic trip to Warwick Castle with some of our enthusiastic Year 7 students. From the awe-inspiring Bird of Prey show featuring majestic eagles, falcons and owls, to thrilling trebuchet and archery demonstrations, the day was packed with excitement and learning.

The adventure ended in the 'Horrible Histories Maze', where students navigated through time with laughter and curiosity. A brilliant day full of questions, smiles, and unforgettable memories!



Important dates:

- Non-Uniform Day - Thursday 23rd October
- **School closes at 3.05pm for the half term break - Thursday 23rd October**
- Year 7 Disco 6.00pm - 8.00pm - Thursday 23rd October
- **School re-opens on Monday 3rd November**
- Year 8 Standon Bowers Trip - Monday 3rd November - Friday 7th November
- Year 11 Mock Exams - Monday 3rd November - Friday 14th November
- Year 9 WW1 Enrichment Day - Tuesday 11th November
- Year 10 Exams - Monday 17th November - Friday 21st November



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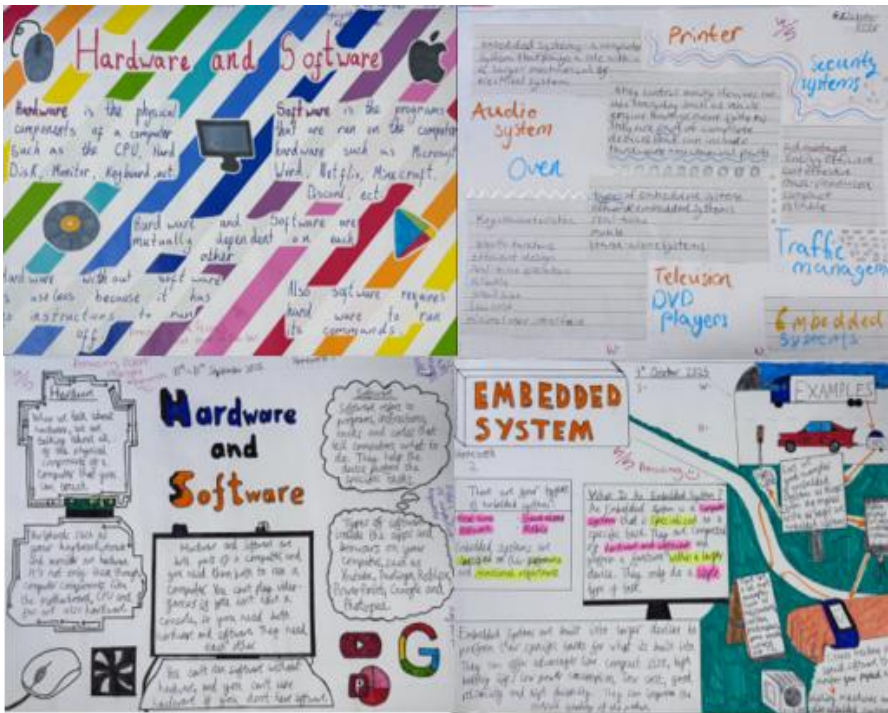


• **Year 10 Computer Science - Flipped Learning Success**

Our Year 10 Computer Science students have made a fantastic start to the year with their flipped learning homework books. These personalised revision resources are already taking shape, with students completing two impressive research tasks so far.

- For their first homework, students explored hardware and software, building foundational knowledge for the course.
- Their second task focused on embedded systems, where they investigated real-world applications and how these systems impact everyday technology.

These homework books will continue to grow throughout the year and will become a key revision tool as students prepare for their final exams in Year 11. Here are a few standout examples from their work:



• **Celebrating Ada Lovelace Day at Madeley!**

This week, we proudly celebrated Ada Lovelace Day, an international day that honours the achievements of women in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM). Ada Lovelace is widely recognised as the world’s first computer programmer, having written the first algorithm intended for a machine in the 1800s - long before modern computers existed!

To mark the occasion, students took part in a scavenger hunt on Tuesday, discovering fascinating facts about Ada Lovelace’s life and legacy. We also ran a form time quiz, testing knowledge and sparking curiosity about women in STEM.

🕒 **Scavenger Hunt Winners:**

- Martha (Year 9)
- Cathrine (Year 9)
- Minnie B (Year 7)
- Aleiah (Year 7)
- Charlie B (Year 9)

👋 **Form Time Quiz Winners:**

- 7 - 7EF
- 8 - 8LEV
- 9 - 9LF
- 10 - 10PG and 10NJ
- 11 - 11AA



There’s still time for students to get involved! Our Poetry Competition and Invent Like Ada Challenge are open for entries until Thursday next week.

• **Non-Uniform Day - Thursday 23rd October**

Next Thursday will be a non-uniform day as the school will be raising funds for the school show production of ‘Matilda’ that will take place in December. Students will be able to wear non-uniform for a minimum donation of £1.00.

Please note that suitable clothing only will be allowed in school. i.e. no crop tops



• **Year 8 Gymnast**

Year 8 student Archie and his Gymnastics team recently competed in the British Gymnastics finals where they won a brilliant silver medal. They narrowly missed out on Gold by just 0.175 of a point!! Well done, an amazing achievement! Here are some action shots:



• **Wear it Pink Day**



Today, the school held “Wear it Pink Day” to raise money for Breast Cancer Now. Students could wear a pink accessory or item of clothing with their school uniform for a donation of £1.00. Pink ribbons were on sale during the day along with a bake sale, raffle and a Fifa Tournament.



Many thanks to all that have donated and supported the day to raise money for the charity.

• **Walk into School Month**

Staffordshire County Council is running the campaign ‘Walk into School Month’ during October. Discover more at: staffordshire.gov.uk/activeschooltravel



• **Year 7 Halloween Disco - Thursday 23rd October**

Reminder: The Year 7 Halloween Disco will take place on Thursday 23rd October at 6.00pm - 8.00pm. Tickets are £2.00, if bought in advance, and £3.00 on the door.

- 👻 Dress up in your best Halloween costume
- 🎃 Pumpkin carving competition - pre-carved entries only
- 🍿 Food, sweets, music, dancing, games & more!
- 👻 Have a spooktacular evening! 👻

