



Sixth Sense

Which Week?

This Week: Monday 12th Sept (Week 1)

Next Week: Monday 19th Sept (Week 2)



As Buckingham Palace announced the death of Her Majesty the Queen on Thursday 8th September 2022, Tudor Grange Academies Trust joined the nation in a period of mourning. Last Friday at midday, there was a thoughtful and respectful atmosphere around the academy as students and staff collectively remembered Queen Elizabeth II during a period of silence.

Since acceding the throne in 1952, Queen Elizabeth II reigned during countless global changes and was, for so many, a source of great comfort and reassurance throughout times of challenge. Despite the reshaping of society over the 70 years, Queen Elizabeth II continued to be renowned for her compassion and loyalty to the people she served across the UK and globe.

We know our staff and Sixth Form students are committed to driving the Tudor Habits of being hardworking, inquisitive, resilient, respectful, responsible and aspirational human beings. Looking ahead to the next year, as we all strive for betterment, our late Queen will always be a sure example of how one can embody these habits and achieve greatness through them.

As we mourn our Queen over the coming weeks and experience change as we watch history in the making, we will continue to support each other by showing tolerance, unity, and respect.

Rest in peace, Queen Elizabeth II.

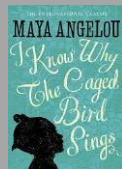


New to this year... Critical Reading

We know that reading is an integral building block to all learning and has direct links to academic attainment. As a reading rich school, we know that it is important to provide our students with opportunities to undertake wider reading beyond the curriculum and develop critical thinking skills. Therefore, this year, all Sixth Form students will be part of a critical reading group, which will allow students and staff to meet daily for 20 minutes to experience texts together through collaboration and discussion.

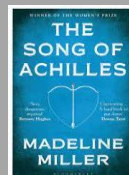
Key details:

- There is no expectation for students to read aloud, but active participation is encouraged.
- All students are expected to attend daily critical reading sessions.
- Sessions will be low stakes for students to relax and enjoy, with no written work or formal assessments involved.
- Universities and employers are looking for candidates that stand out. Being able to voice views and opinions on what we have read will make us unique. Universities and employers may ask about interests outside of work. Students can write about their role in the critical reading group in their UCAS personal statement/ CV.
- Each term, everyone in the year group will be reading the same text. This means that students can have conversations about their reading with peers and staff.



Year 12 are currently reading 'I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings' by Maya Angelou.

Year 13 are currently reading 'The Song of Achilles' by Madeline Miller.



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