Headteacher's Comment:

As headteacher at Chase, I experienced the Remembrance day event here for the first time on Friday. It would be an understatement to simply say I am proud of our students, they were impeccably behaved and respectful throughout. All week, Mr Mustafa has delivered assemblies leading to the Remembrance event and weekend. The focus of the assembly was the 75th anniversary of the ship Empire Windrush's arrival at Tilbury docks, carrying thousands of people from the Caribbean to settle and help rebuild Britain in the decades after the Second World War. Hundreds of the passengers were current or former RAF personnel and our students learnt of the 16000+ Caribbean men and women who volunteered to serve, and support Britain during and after the war.

This week has also seen a number of trips, events and activities take place or return, and I would like to reiterate how I am extremely proud of the behaviour and attitude of our students when they leave the confines of the school and represent themselves, the school and you as parents and carers. However, none of these extracurricular events would be possible if it wasn't for the staff who go above and beyond, giving up time with their own families to provide our students with a variety of experiences, from a thrill seeking visit to Rolla City to a residential stay in the amazing city of Berlin, so a heartfelt thank you to them.

Have a restful and enjoyable weekend.

BBC Bitesize:

Last week we were delighted to welcome the BBC Bitesize Careers Roadshow, presented by Alex Mansuroglu from Kiss FM. Years 7-11 had the pleasure of listening to the inspiring career journeys of April Smith from Southend United, Glenn Whatley from The Underwater Studios, and Roger Simpson, Director of BBC News. During the hour, the professionals discussed their day to day activities, their memories of school and the skills and attributes that they felt had helped them to succeed. The students asked some very insightful questions on the roaming rugby ball microphone. We hope that the event sparked some conversations about next steps.

Remembrance Event:

The Chase High community proudly paid their respects in a Remembrance Event on Friday 10 November.
Mr McDonnell commentated and Mr Giles read 'Flanders Fields' during the service, which ended with a two minute silence. Pupils heard a bugler perform the Last Post and Reveille and our fantastic Chase High cadets, led by Sergeant Macdonald, paraded on the field.

Berlin Trip:

A group of 53 History and German students spent 5 days in Berlin, visiting a variety of venues related to the Cold War and Nazi Germany. Highlights of the tour included a visit to Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp and an evening looking down on Berlin from the TV Tower. Some of our Year 10 students are shown at the Olympic Stadium in Berlin - the place where Jessie Owens won his four gold medals in 1936.
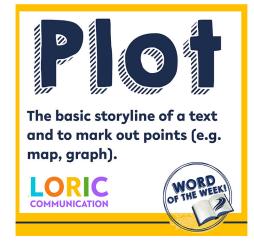

Rolla City - Rewards Trip:

This week we took 225 pupils from Years 7-10 to Rolla City as a reward for achieving 100% attendance and 100% punctuality during the first half term. Both students and staff had a great time zooming around the roller rink. It was great to see so many smiling faces. All pupils behaved exceptionally – thank you for doing Chase High proud.

Word of the Week:

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House points totals for this week

RUBY HOUSE	EMERALD HOUSE	SAPPHIRE HOUSE	TOPAZ HOUSE
1120	**1549**	**1069**	**1281**

Dates for your Diary:

13.11.23 - 17.11.23 Year 11 and P16 PPEs

24.11.23 INSET DAY School closed to pupils

27.11.23 INSET DAY School closed to pupils

30.11.23 Year 9 Parents' Evening