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Lessons from Auschwitz Seminar

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On Monday 2nd November our group travelled to Birmingham for a moving pre-visit seminar run by *Lessons from Auschwitz*, preparing us for our upcoming journey to the Auschwitz Birkenau concentration and extermination camp in Poland which will take place on Tuesday 10th November . During the event, we heard a powerful first-hand testimony from a Holocaust survivor, Janine Webber who shared her childhood experience of hiding to escape persecution alongside her family. She spoke with great courage about the fear, separation and quiet resilience that shaped her youth helping us understand the human stories behind the history we will soon see first hand. Listening to her speak, I will carry her message with me to reject hatred towards others, choose kindness and compassion for everyone and bravely stand up to prejudice whenever I encounter it. Working with our groups we also researched the fate of specific Jewish communities and identified the countries across the world where these groups originated, broadening our understanding of how the Holocaust impacted people from many different backgrounds. Most importantly we also discussed what to expect on our visit to Auschwitz Birkenau, the quiet gravity of the site, the importance of respectful behaviour, and the responsibility of remembering the millions of people murdered there and what we can do with our learning to carry on spreading awareness about The Holocaust.

Miley Carver-Smith

On November 2nd of this week myself, my classmates and Miss Kaur had the opportunity to attend the first in-person seminar for the *Lessons from Auschwitz* project - a prerequisite to our trip to Aushcwitz-Birkenau next week on the 10th.

When asked to reflect on the day, I was particularly compelled to recall my interpretation and understanding of the tragic account of Holocaust survivor: Janine Webber. On the day I learned the brutal, gut-wrenching reality of the event and as each time her voice wavered when mentioning the death of a family member, including her mother, her father and her grandmother, it compelled me as if the story itself was gripping my heart and reducing the room to Janine and the small notebook that sat on my lap.

I learned one of the true purposes of learning about atrocities, like The Holocaust, is to ingest the intricacies and complex changes of fate that statistics compress into rigid framing. I reflected on the character of people as she spoke of Edeck, a man who sheltered 14 Jews including her and her aunty despite it etching the risk of death on his brain. I reflected on the decades of trauma that each survivor had branded on them, each with a different signature. Janine's was in the form of a constant nightmare she has of the jet black boots of the gestapo "trying to get her." Not only did it make me appreciate the time I was born in more than ever but it also helped me to deepen my conviction to play a role in ensuring extremism doesn't prevail again.

Emmauel Dampare

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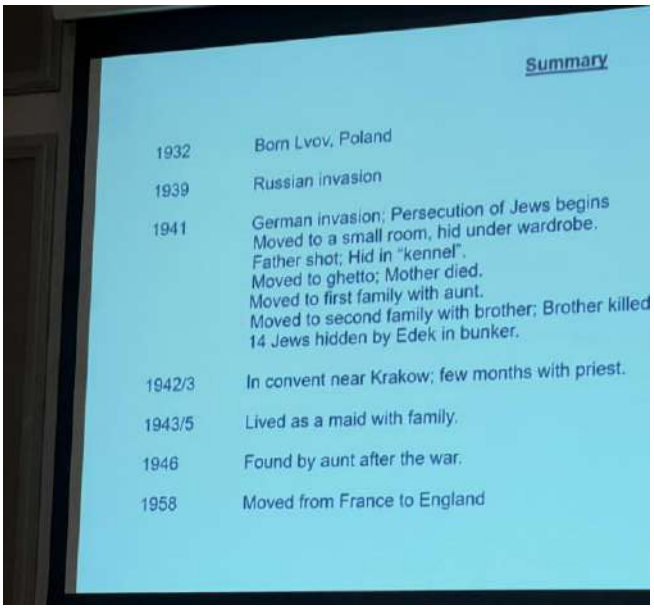
There is a profound difference between reading about the Holocaust and hearing the testimony of someone who survived it. When you read about it, it can almost feel distant, like a collection of historical facts and statistics. But hearing a survivor speak makes you realise that these events happened to ordinary people, people who had families, childhoods, ambitions and entire lives ahead of them. It suddenly becomes personal. I felt a mixture of sadness, disbelief and helplessness. What struck me most was that this wasn't simply a story from history; it was someone's lived experience, and I was fortunate enough to hear them tell it.

Naema Musse



Miley, Emmanuel, Miss Kaur and Naema with Holocaust Survivor, Janine Webber





Threads of Remembrance

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On Monday 2nd November, Lyng Hall UNESCO Ambassadors, in partnership with the Holy Trinity Church held a Remembrance Service.

Sacrifice - For those who fought and those who fell, we honour them with every bell. Their bravery lives in all we do; their sacrifice will see us through.

So let us stand with hearts sincere and remember those we hold so dear. For freedom, peace and love to grow, we will remember them wherever we go. (Kezia Oduro)



Artwork by Holly Masterson

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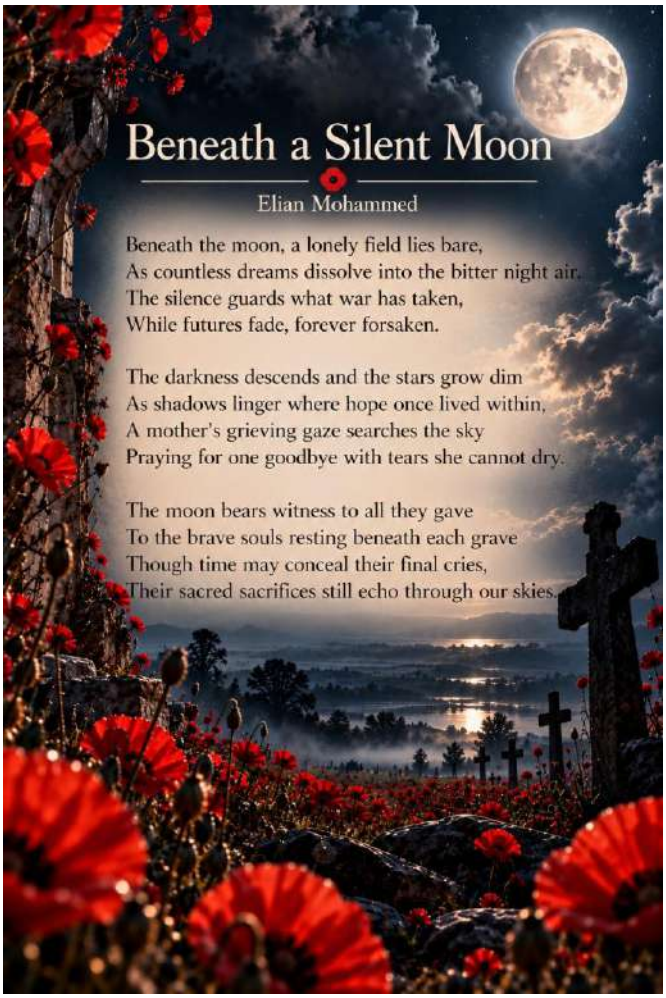
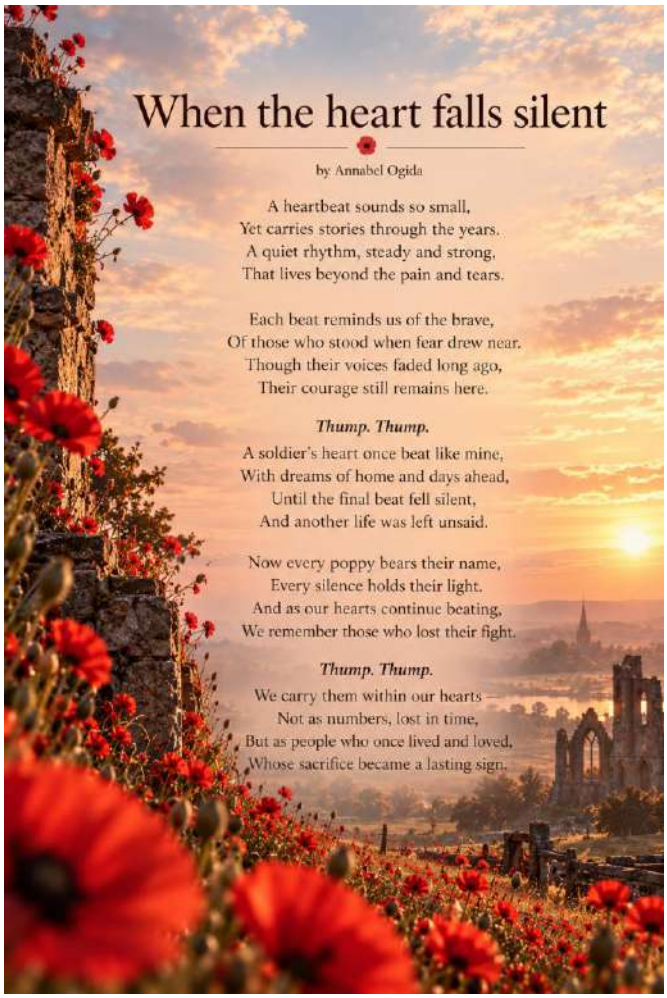
Grief – Shadows linger where hope once lived within (Elian Mohammed)

Darkness – Like an eternal beacon, the legacy of Remembrance Day cuts through the heavy darkness of World Wars, ensuring that the light of their sacrifice is never swallowed by the shadows of the past. (Kristy Ebihon)

Remembrance and Reconciliation – Remembrance blooms where poppies grow, honouring the fallen we will always know. (Holly Masterson and Matilda Oduro)

Forgiveness – Even the deepest wounds find warmth in the loving embrace of peace. (Elian Mohammed)





"Your students were phenomenal" – Mrs. Bollands, Headteacher of Earlsdon Primary

"It is an absolute pleasure to attend events showcasing how amazing our young people are and our amazing teachers." – Manjit Kaur, SACRE

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Resilience – Steady strength in every darkened hour: the love of home remains a constant power (Bhavika Sharma)

Hope – Despair consumed the world in waves, as hope grew faint beneath its gaze. Across the land, through smoke and flame, the world forgot what peace became.

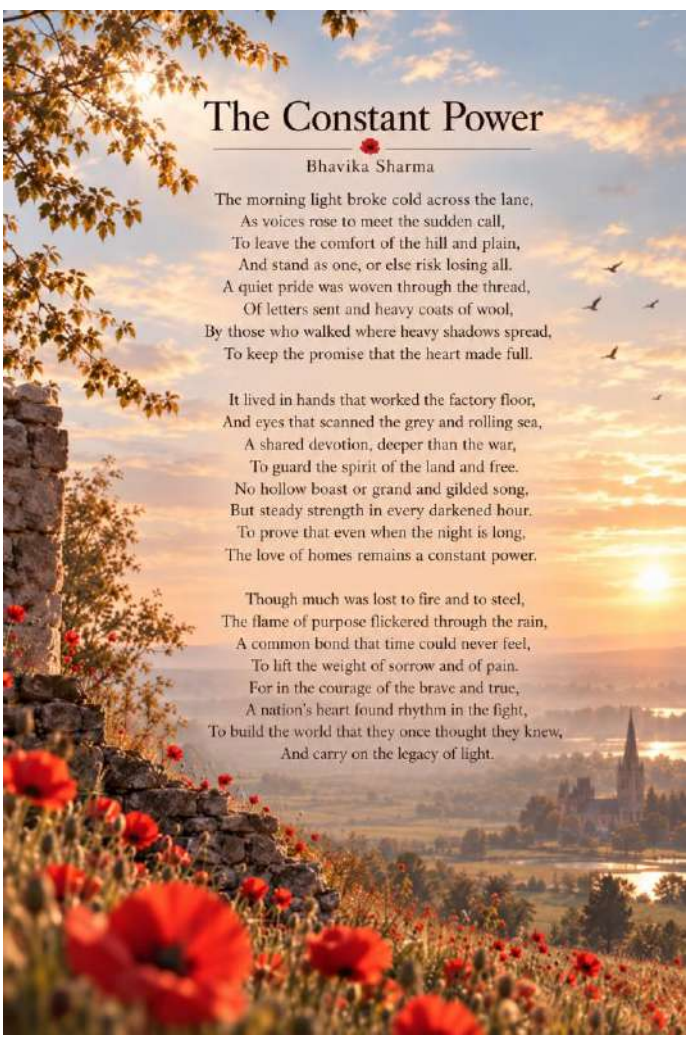
The skies burned red, the streets lay bare, and darkness lingered everywhere. As war consumed the world in sight, despair eclipsed the stars faint light.

Yet through the rubble, light seeped through, a golden thread against the blue. It pierced the cracks in shattered stone and whispered of a world reborn.

For though despair may cloud the skies, and bury dreams beneath its lies, a single flame, however small, Can rise again and outshine all.

And when the guns at last drops still, hope shall climb each broken hill. Through shattered stone, new life takes flight, for even the smallest flame can conquer the night. (Aisha Warsame)





Partnership with Limavady

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This week it has been our privilege to host guests from Limavady, an exchange visit from our time there in June 2026, in partnership with Holy Family Primary, Earlsdon Primary and Meadow Park.

It has been a fun-packed three days introducing them to our city during a Peace Scavenger Trail and working on plans together to build an Irish Peace Garden in War Memorial Park. This partnership project is an exciting opportunity to create a legacy that recognises the significance of the Good Friday Agreement and the impact of Earlsdon-born, Mo Mowlam. Our city is one of Peace and Reconciliation; this is our opportunity to be a part of shaping that.







Please use this QR code to begin your journey on exploring Mo Mowlam's legacy. It is an incredible testimony, and a strong woman who has inspired us to consider the impact we can have if we remain rooted, and impassioned.

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Our itinerary also gave us the opportunity to do some practical workshops: on Wednesday we did a Peacemakers' workshop – exploring the importance of leadership, listening, and understanding our voice. On Thursday, we had the privilege of meeting, and working with, Coventry Poet Laureate, Emilie Lauren-Jones.

Our time together was ended on the Friday at Coventry Cathedral – a fitting final venue. The space is a symbol of resilience and regeneration. It is the cornerstone of our growing relationship with our partner schools in Limavady.

"We found this workshop very interesting because it made us think about the future that we want, not only for ourselves but for future generations"

- Bhavika Sharma and Matilda Oduro

"We found this workshop very worthwhile. Our pupils probably have never actually met a 'real' poet before. The tasks gave us a chance to promote and think about what we can achieve through poetry."

- George Dallas and Janeen Gilfillen
Limavady High School, Northern Ireland







P16 Spotlight

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Post 16 Careers Session:

Futurists predict 85% of jobs in 2030 won't exist. Adaptability and continuous learning may be more valuable than any single job title, according to Linkdin. Which is why Suly Khan from Salesforce will be discussing careers in Artificial Intelligence and possible careers for the future. Suly comes from a STEM background and brings his personal experience, emanating from the East Midlands.

Build Your Brand

Financial Management session – DWP

"'Network is your net worth.' It is an important factor that Conrad talked about and how it can positively impact our future in the job market." - Rafay Rana Abdul

"Conrad talked about the importance of volunteering and how it can positively impact your CV due to the vast amount of work experience it offers. He discussed how obtaining a part-time job can be a difficult task for students our age and highly advises on looking at volunteering opportunities." – Nayan Rozewicz

"During the finance management lesson, I learnt the monthly cost of multiple factors such as accommodation, saving and shopping based on your own personal lifestyle, and how much money I would have to make in order to sustain my desired life." – Wen Bo Hulavelle

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Cultural Dress Day
13th November 2026

Join us as we celebrate the diverse cultures, languages, traditions and faiths that make our school community so special.

Students are invited to wear:

- ✅ Traditional cultural dress
- ✅ Clothing that celebrates their heritage or faith
- ✅ A football shirt representing their city or country
- ✅ Appropriate cultural accessories

"Diversity is our strength.
Respect is our choice.
Inclusion is our future."



ODD SOCKS DAY

Monday November 16th 2026

EVERYONE IS DIFFERENT, AND THAT'S SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE!

WEARING ODD SOCKS IS A FUN WAY TO SHOW THAT:

- ✅ WE ARE ALL UNIQUE
- ✅ DIFFERENCES SHOULD BE RESPECTED
- ✅ BULLYING IS NEVER ACCEPTABLE
- ✅ EVERYONE BELONGS

WHAT TO WEAR

- ✅ FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM
- ✅ NORMAL BLACK SCHOOL SHOES
- ✅ A PAIR OF ODD SOCKS

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