



This edition's theme is Time

Time is created, to say 'I don't have time' is like saying 'I don't want to'. Time is a precious resource that we take for granted when we are young as when we are children, we have the sensation that it passes slowly. However, as you age, time starts to fly as you gain more responsibilities. The important thing to remember is that if you put your mind to it, you can find the time to achieve anything you want and you should not let the length of a project discourage or overwhelm you.

History and time are inextricably linked and history includes everything from the past, no matter how unimportant or irrelevant. You can create history by inventing something extravagant, something new or something small like writing a poem, even if only you or your family read it. You can learn from history similarly to how you can learn from your own actions and mistakes. Making mistakes is nearly always acceptable, but learning from them is what really matters.

Time never stops moving and we can see that clearly in the changing seasons. Spring is full of fresh starts with flowers blooming everywhere. Summer brings long, warm days that feel endless whilst autumn turns everything golden and cosy, and winter covers the world in a snowy blanket. Each season has its own vibe, its own feeling and before we know it, one fades into the next. It is a reminder that nothing stays the same forever, just as the seasons change, so do we. The seasons teach us to embrace change, even when one chapter ends, another is waiting to begin, there is always something new ahead, even if we cannot see it yet. As John Steinbeck once wrote "What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness?"

Time is something that can feel completely different depending on whether you are having a good or bad experience. During the good periods, time seems to fly by, for example, when you are with friends or enjoying a day off, everything feels light and you wish the moments could last forever. However, when things are tough, time can feel like it is dragging on. Bad times, whether it is school stress, arguments or personal challenges, can make even a few minutes feel like hours. It is almost as if time is working against you, and you cannot wait for things to get better. The contrast between good and bad times shows how our perception of time is not always about the clock but about what we are going through.

As suggested by Albert Einstein "I never think of the future. It comes soon enough."

We hope that we have inspired you to manage your time effectively and to always think positively, you only live once and you need to make it the best you possibly can. Make your time enjoyable and it will seem endless.

By the Sixth Form Gazette Editorial Team



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Until I Spy On A Clock

Slow down time,

Calm down time.

I spent you,

I waste you,

I can't seem to save you.

You don't care if I burn the house down or

A piece of toast.

You care not if a storm is brewing or

The sun is shining.

You care not if I am early or late

And you never seem to wait for me.

Until I spy on a clock,

And it reminds me of what I have lost.

So I realise the end is much closer

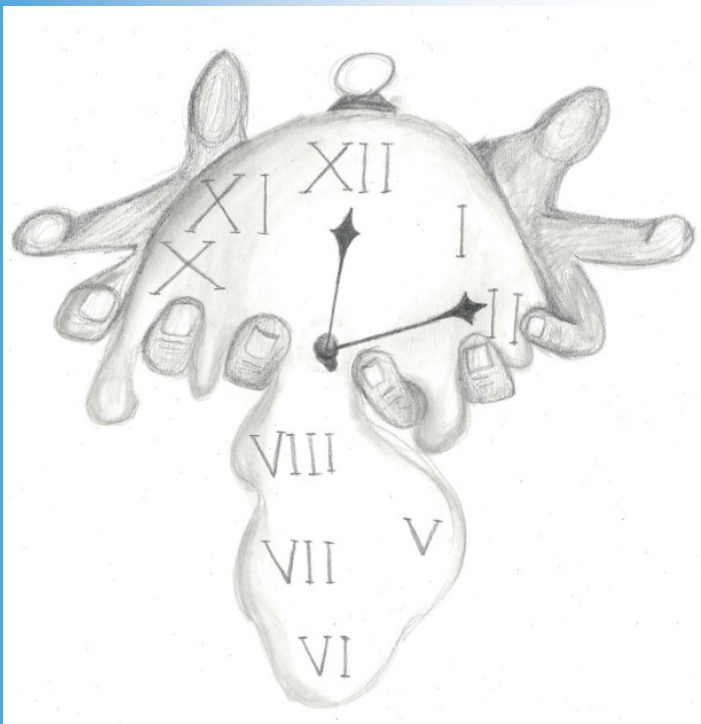
And the beginning is so much harder to
recall.

So,

Be still time,

Please, stop, let me catch my breath.

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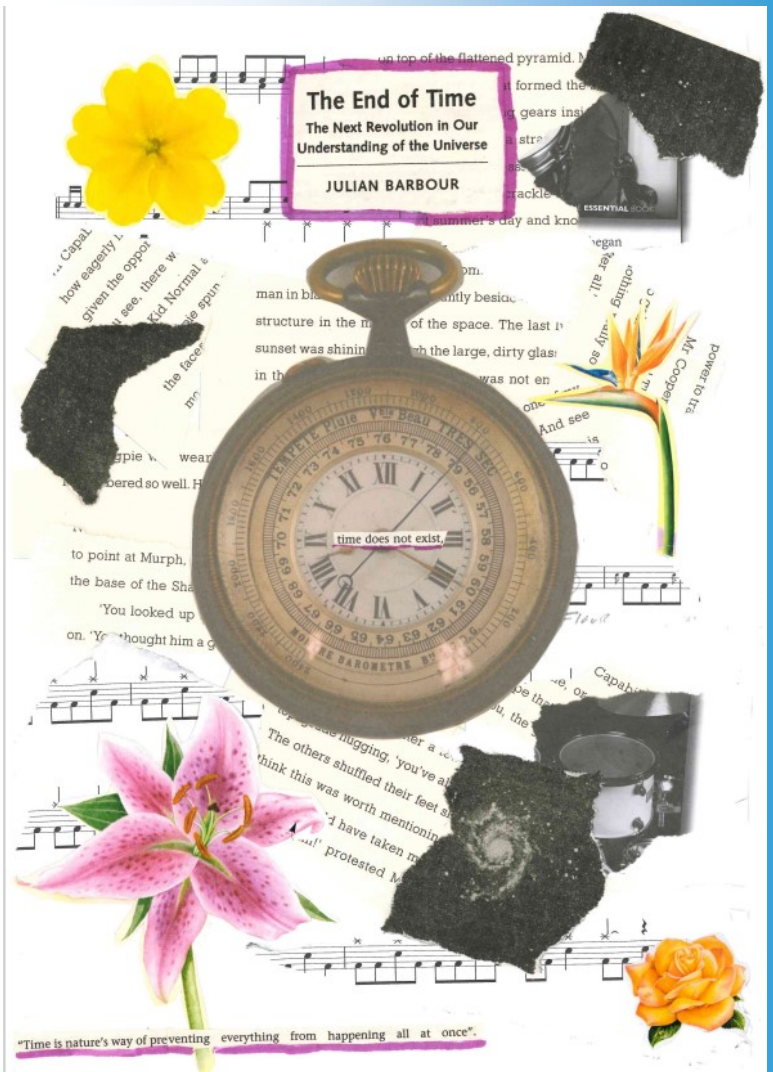
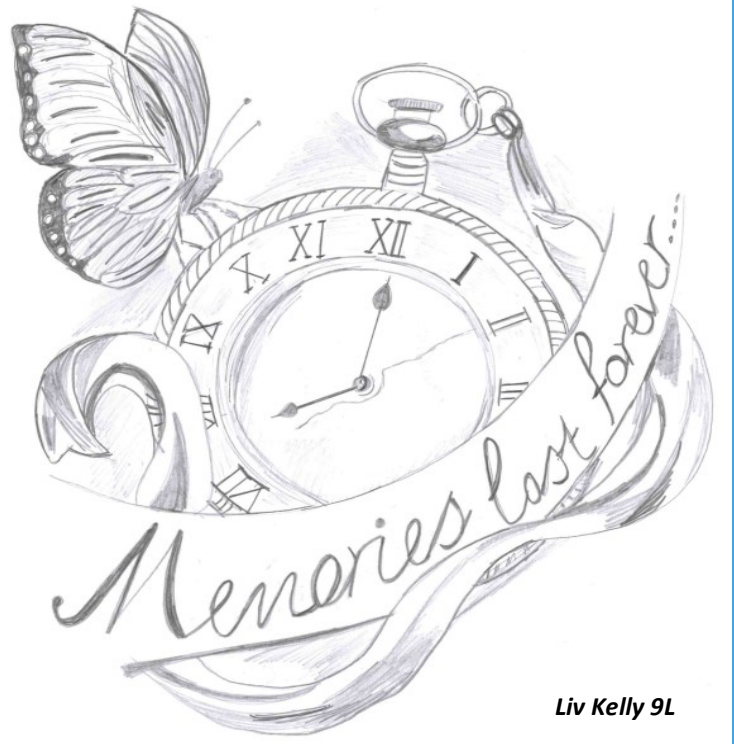


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I Observe

Sometimes – almost every day –
Grief passes through me as I realise
All the years I have spent
Deep rooted within the Earth's rich soil
I've never seen anything truly extraordinary.
Unlike birds or humans
I do not possess the luxury of freedom
The ability to see the myriad wonders of the world.
However I do suppose I am lucky enough
To view and belong in many memories;
The family picnics and the countless summers
Where the harsh hand of the scorching sun
Hits the world forcing many to evacuate for shade
Under the span of my shielding foliage.
And I mustn't forget how I witness the generations growing up
From young innocent children,
Who reach the sky as they climb my branches,
Into teenagers, some of whom
Become incredibly infatuated with each other
And see it necessary to leave a reminiscence of their love
By carving initials into my bark.
And eventually, some grow old
Then bring their children back to me
For Spring picnics and to introduce me
To the next generation I will watch grow older.
With all that, maybe I am able to see something incredible.
I am able to see time pass by quickly each year,
Never stopping, constantly moving,
Whilst I wait for the future to reveal what mysteries
It has hidden behind its back.
I have the honour to witness children grow up,
Seasons continue their cycle and birds create their morning
melodies
Though I can't move, I observe the extraordinary;
Day after day, month after month, year after year.

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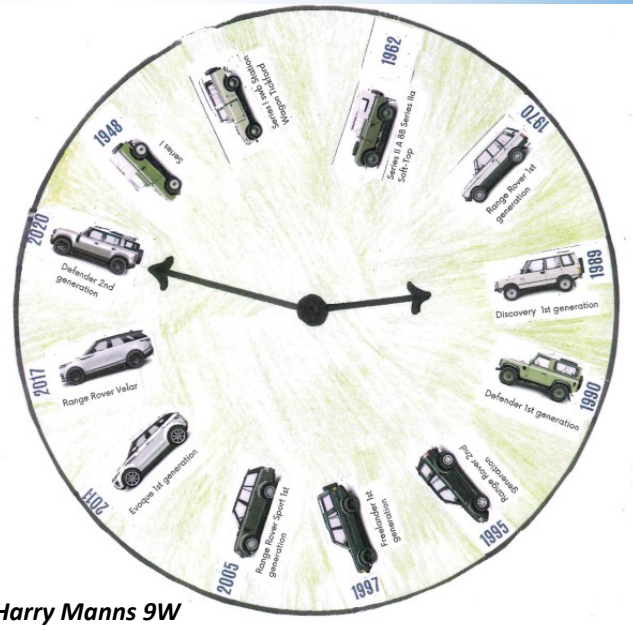
Time

Time is all around us,
Time is in the air.
Time is in front of us,
Time is right back there.

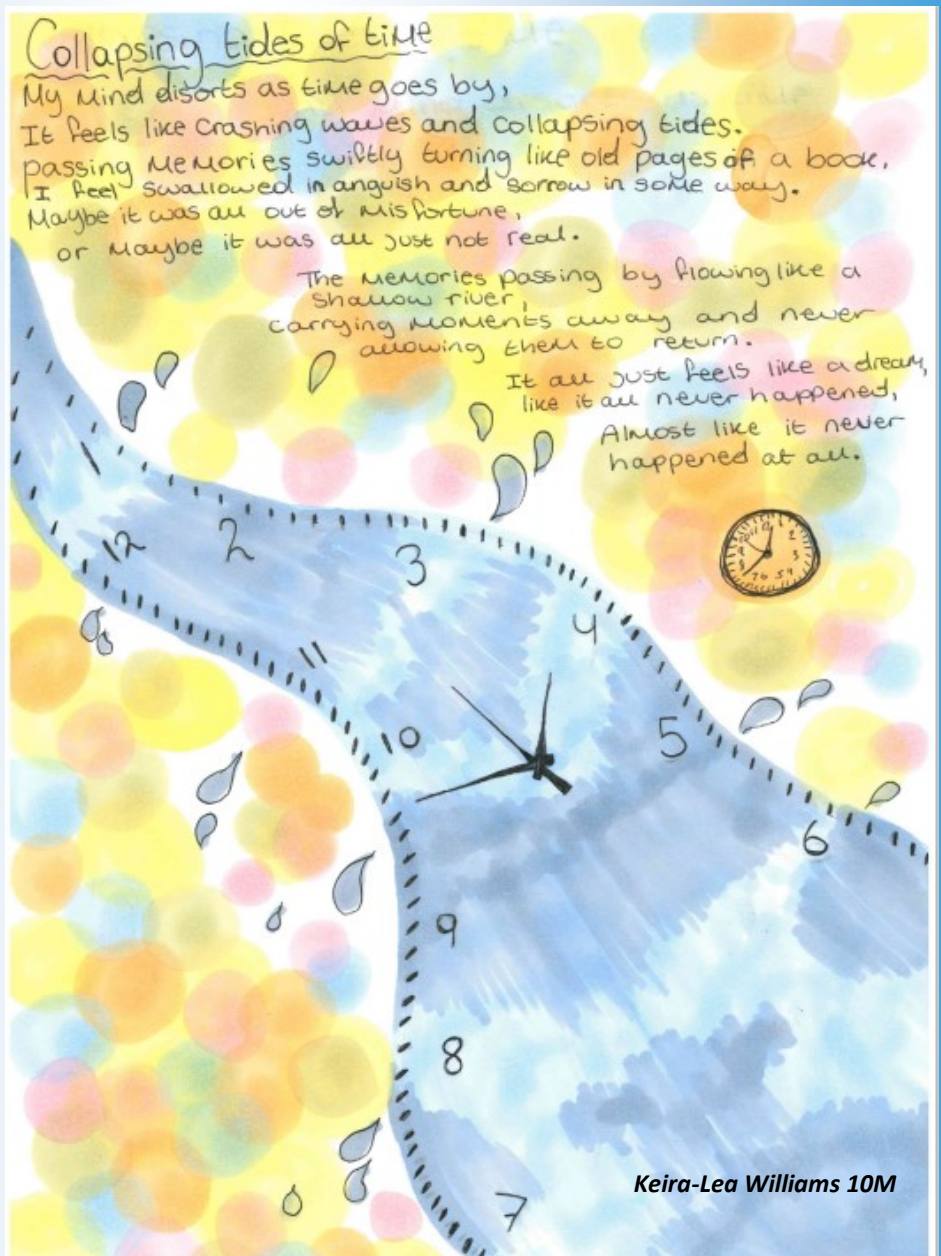
Time is an accessory,
Time is a person.
Time is a decoration,
Time is a version.

Time is an experience,
Time is an age.
Time is a lesson,
Time is a page.

Time is short,
But long too.
Time is seen differently,
By both me and you.



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The theme for the next edition of The Gazette will be 'Peace'.

Listen out for the assembly for entry details and the deadline date for final submissions.

