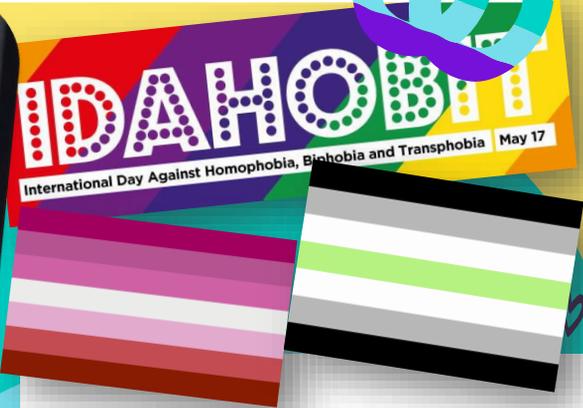




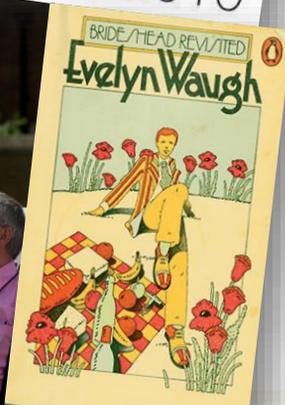
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Forest Hill School's LGBTQ+ magazine!

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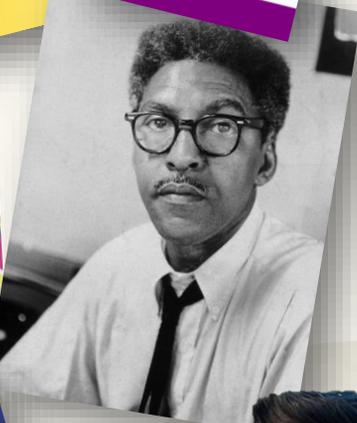
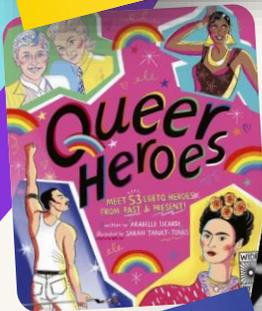
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HELLO FOREST HILL SCHOOL!

Welcome back to a brand new and exciting Summer Term! So much great work has continued this year and we are excited to see what's to come this half-term. In particular, we are very keen to get some fresh contributions to the magazine from pupils and staff. This can be anonymous if preferred and on a topic of your choice. Please get in touch!

Some highlights
from last edition!

SUPPORT THE
LGBTIQ COMMUNITY
IN UKRAINE



Forest Hill School is committed to improving equality for everyone. If you have any ideas on how we can continue to work on this, please do let us know.

#equalitymattersatFHS

We would love to hear from anyone that would like to contribute to the magazine. Please contact our editors, Ms Suart and Mr Cox:
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We hope you enjoy this edition!
Ms Suart & Mr Cox

Under the new Stonewall
awards criteria, we are
the **FIRST SCHOOL IN**
LONDON to achieve the
Stonewall Gold award. We
are also only the **SECOND**
SECONDARY SCHOOL IN
THE COUNTRY to be given

Gold!

WOW!!



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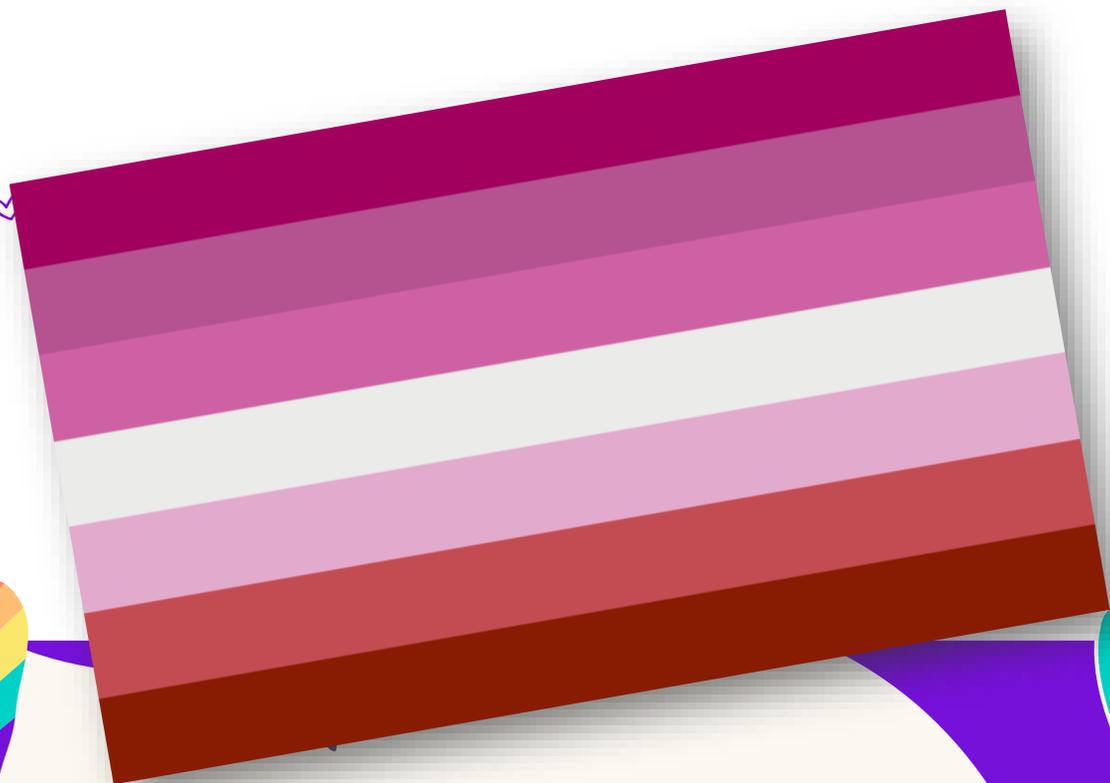
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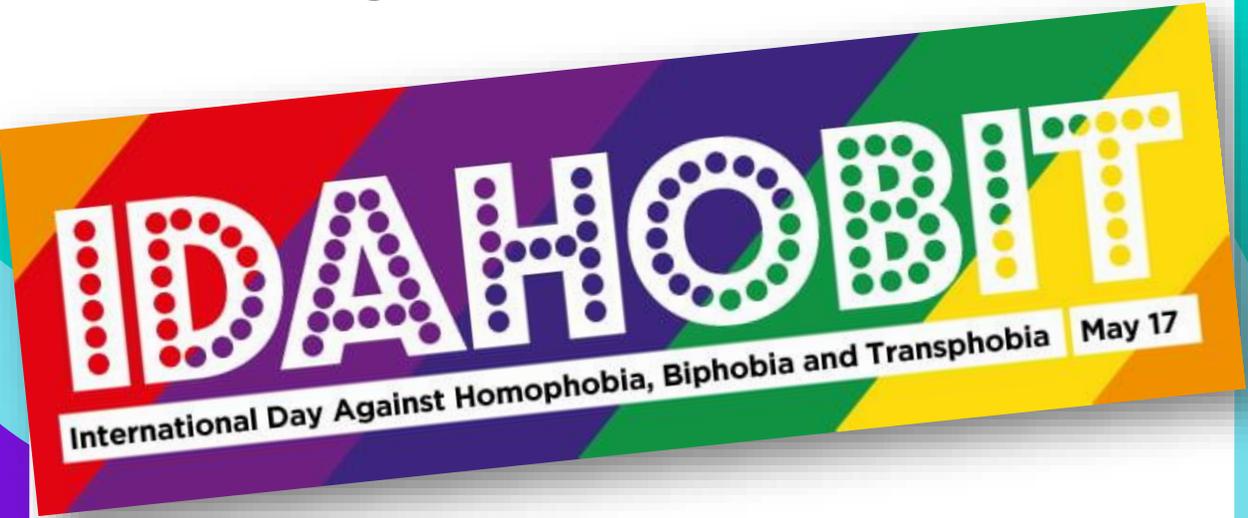
INTERNATIONAL LESBIAN VISIBILITY DAY

 **TUESDAY 26TH APRIL**





**INTERNATIONAL
DAY AGAINST
HOMOPHOBIA,
BIPHOBIA AND
TRANSPHOBIA
TUESDAY 17TH MAY**



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International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia | May 17

AGENDER PRIDE DAY

THURSDAY 19TH MAY



LGBTQ+ NEWS

**Ariana DeBose makes
Oscars history as first queer
woman of colour to win**

Read all about it!

Ariana DeBose has made history by becoming the first openly queer woman of colour to win an Oscar for her towering performance in West Side Story.

DeBose beat out stiff competition from Jessie Buckley, Aunjanue Ellis, Kirsten Dunst and Judi Dench to take home the prize. Her win comes 60 years after Rita Moreno won in the same category for her portrayal of Anita in the original film adaptation of West Side Story in 1962.



The majority of teachers have a trans pupil in their class, with many saying they would like more help with how to support them, a new study has found.

Research by LGBTQ+ young people's charity Just Like Us found that 55 per cent of teachers in England have at least one pupil who has come out as transgender, and 78 per cent say they would like more resources supporting them.

FHS NEWS

Read all about it!



Armada Project continues!

Ms Suart & Mr Cox have been working with a group of pupils across Key Stage 3 to explore gender, power & post-colonialism. The focus is currently designing and making waistcoats which are decorated to represent the themes discussed. Here are some photos of the work!:



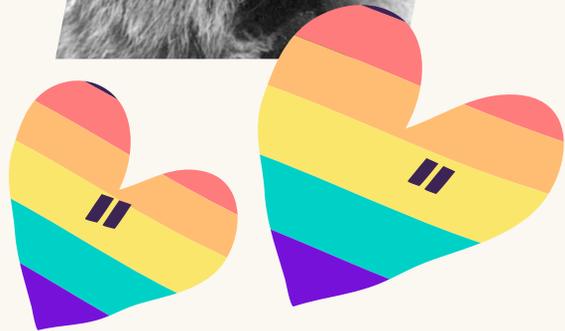
LGBTQ+ ROLE
MODEL OF THE
MONTH

Virginia Woolf

(1882–1941)

(Writer/ Feminist/
Bisexual)

*"You cannot
find **peace**
by avoiding
life."*





LGBTQ+ WORD OF THE MONTH

Lesbian

Refers to a **woman who has a romantic and/or sexual orientation towards women.** Some non-binary people may also identify with this term.

Why have we chosen this word?

Tuesday 26th April is International Lesbian Visibility Day. It's important to understand and celebrate different identities!



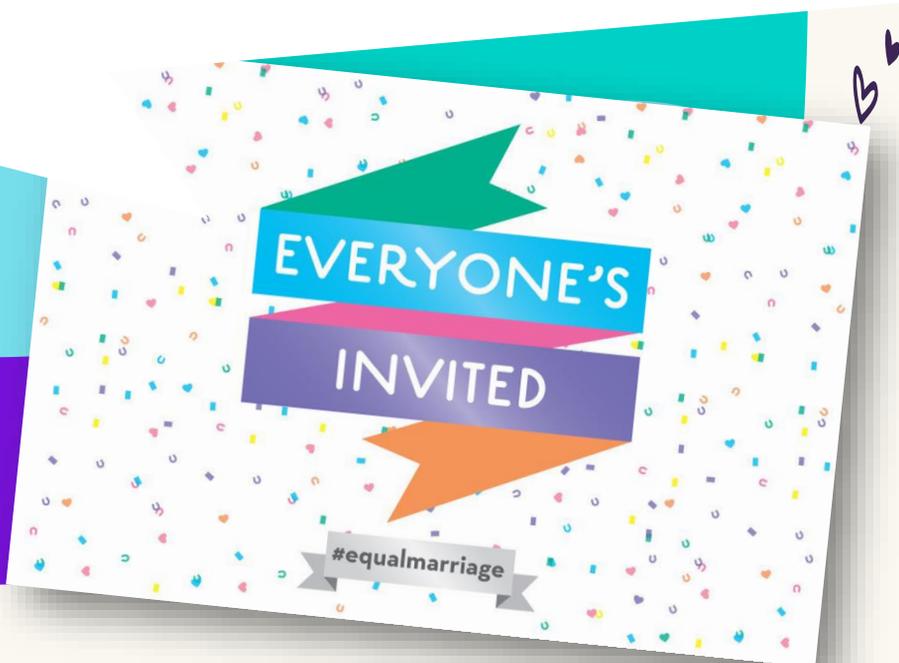
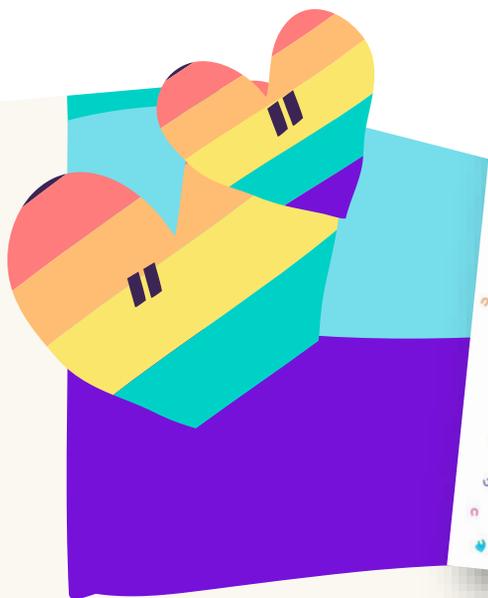


FEATURE OF THE MONTH

This month we want to reflect on the changes that have been made towards equality of LGBTQ+ people in the UK. We explore...



A history of same-sex marriage in the UK



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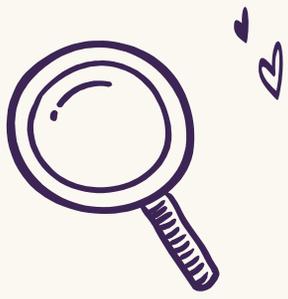
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A journey towards equality

The UK has **made leaps and bounds** over the last 10 years concerning **the civil rights of LGBTQ+ people**. This is made even more significant by the fact that recent reports show that **more than 2.7 billion people live in countries where homosexuality is considered a crime, punishable by death in some countries**. So how did we in England get to where we are today?





Let's travel back in time...

1533

Under the reign of Henry VIII, in 1533 The Buggery Act was the first secular law passed against same-sex relations in the UK. This was replaced by other laws in the next four centuries, yet buggery remained **punishable by death until the penalty was repealed in 1861.**



1682

A marriage was annulled between Arabella Hunt and James Howard because it turned out Howard was really a 'perfect woman in all her parts'.





Let's travel back in time...

1967

In 1967, the United Kingdom passed the Sexual Offences Act 1967 which, despite its name, **decriminalized private homosexual acts in England and Wales.** Before that, men could be, and often were, brought up on charges and found guilty of homosexual acts. In fact, such **prosecutions had been on the rise when the law was presented to Parliament.**



1971

In 1971, The Nullity of Marriage Act was passed **banning same-sex marriages in England and Wales.**

This was later replaced by The Matrimonial Causes Act in 1973. Gay marriage was also illegal in Scotland and N. Ireland at this time. **London saw Britain's first gay 1972 pride rally.** Over 1,000 people were in attendance.



Let's travel back in time...

2004

The Labour Government passed **The Civil Partnership Act in 2004** allowing civil partnerships between same-sex couples. The Gender Recognition Act was also passed in this year **giving trans people legal recognition as regards to their gender identity.**

CIVIL
PARTNERSHIP ACT
2004 (UK)



The Equality Act 2010

2010

The Equality Act is introduced, making it **illegal to discriminate against LGBTQ+ people.**



Let's travel back in time...

2013

The Marriage Bill in July 2013 allowed same sex couples to marry in the UK. The legislation came into effect on 13th March 2014. **The first same-sex couples to marry in the UK married on this day.**



Peter McGraith and David Cabreza, who had already been a couple for 17 years were **one of the first couples to marry under the new law.**



Further information

What about around the world?

From the turn of the century, the question of same-sex marriage would rise on the **political agendas of governments worldwide.**

In 2001, **the Netherlands** became the first to legalise the marriage of same-sex couples. The **Dutch** were followed by **Belgium** in 2003, **Spain** and **Canada** in 2005, **South Africa** in 2006, and **Norway** and **Sweden** in 2009.

In 2010, **Argentina** became the first country in Latin America to embrace same-sex marriage – some three years sooner than **England, Wales and Scotland.**

Gay marriage was officially legalised in the **USA** in 2015. By the end of 2020, however, thirteen of the 50 US states had enacted constitutional bans on same-sex marriage, known as “Defense of Marriage” Acts.

By mid 2021, just 29 countries had enacted legislation permitting same-sex marriage. Many have legalised civil partnerships among same-sex couples, while others preserve outright bans on homosexuality. **In Asia most countries still outlaw gay marriage.**

In September 2021, two thirds of **Swiss** voters supported same sex marriage in a nationwide referendum. Following the vote, the Swiss Federal Council announced that same-sex couples can get married as of July 1 2022.

For further information on LGBTQ+ Partnership Rights in the UK:

<https://www.stonewall.org.uk/partnership-rights>

LGBTQ+ BOOK OF THE MONTH

Brideshead Revisited by Evelyn Waugh

Available
in
the
library!

Waterstones says...

Brideshead Revisited is Evelyn Waugh's stunning novel of **duty and desire set amongst the decadent, faded glory of the English aristocracy in the run-up to the Second World War.** The most nostalgic and reflective of Evelyn Waugh's novels, Brideshead Revisited **looks back to the golden age before the Second World War.** It tells the story of Charles Ryder's infatuation with the Marchmains and the rapidly disappearing world of privilege they inhabit. Enchanted first by Sebastian Flyte at Oxford, then by his doomed Catholic family, in particular his remote sister, Julia, **Charles comes finally to recognise his spiritual and social distance from them.**



LGBTQ+ BOOK OF THE MONTH



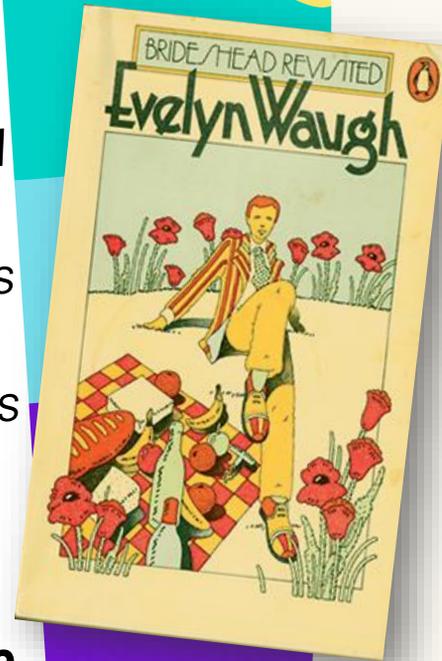
Brideshead Revisted by Evelyn Waugh

Ms Williams says...

"I read this book when I was a teenager, and I still vividly remember the characters and places described. The narrator, Charles, goes away to Oxford University and **becomes devoted to Sebastian Flyte, a charismatic and troubled young man**, whose family past holds many secrets. Ultimately, Charles's affection for Sebastian is **tested as he grows from an innocent teenager into an adult, and he is forced to question many things about himself and society**. This novel is interesting, as it was published in the 1940's, and so the relationship between the two men is implied rather than stated. I would recommend it for anyone interested in family dramas full of secrets, or in distant places and times (**Oxford in the 1920s is a very different place to London in the 2020s...!**).



*Available in
the library!*



AND IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOMETHING ELSE IN THE LIBRARY, MRS HANS ALSO RECOMMENDS...



LGBTQ+ BOOKS IN OUR LIBRARY



FOREST HILL SCHOOL
ASPIRING TO EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

Our school library has lots of books with LGBTQ+ themes.

Please see below the links to find them and borrow them!

- LGBTQ+ books to read on the eplatform
- LGBTQ+ books to listen to on the eplatform
- LGBTQ+ books to click & collect from the library



PRIDE AMBASSADORS

EVERY MONDAY LUNCHTIME, ROOM 123

ANYONE CAN ATTEND,
REGARDLESS OF SEXUALITY OR GENDER IDENTITY.

LGBTQ+
SAFE
SPACE



Are you interested in:

- Finding a **safe space** in the school?
- **Fighting for equality** within the school?
- Discussing how we can **celebrate the LGBTQ+ community** and challenge homophobia/ biphobia/ transphobia at FHS?
- Joining a **multi award-winning group**?!?
- Learning more about these issues?

See you there!

Ms Suart, Mr Cox & Ms Learoyd





NEED ADVICE?

If you have been affected by anything in this issue, need support or would like more information, there are lots of people and organisations who can support you.

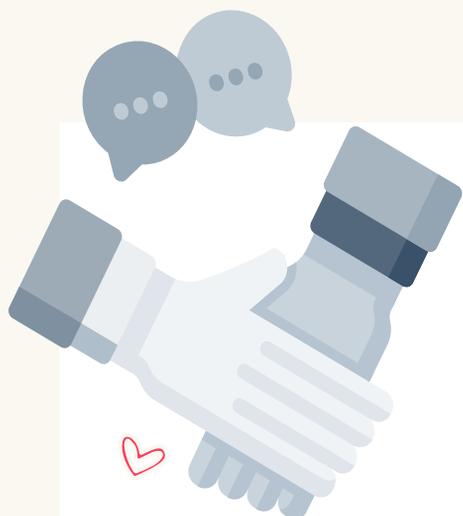
For example:

At FHS:

- **Equality Ambassadors:
Ms Suart, Mr Cox & Ms Learoyd**
- **Your tutor**
- **Your Head of Year**
- **Any member of SLT**
- **Ms Rhodes (school counsellor)**

External organisations and charities:

- **Stonewall** <https://www.stonewall.org.uk/>
- **Metro** <https://metrocharity.org.uk/>
- **Mermaids** <https://mermaidsuk.org.uk/>

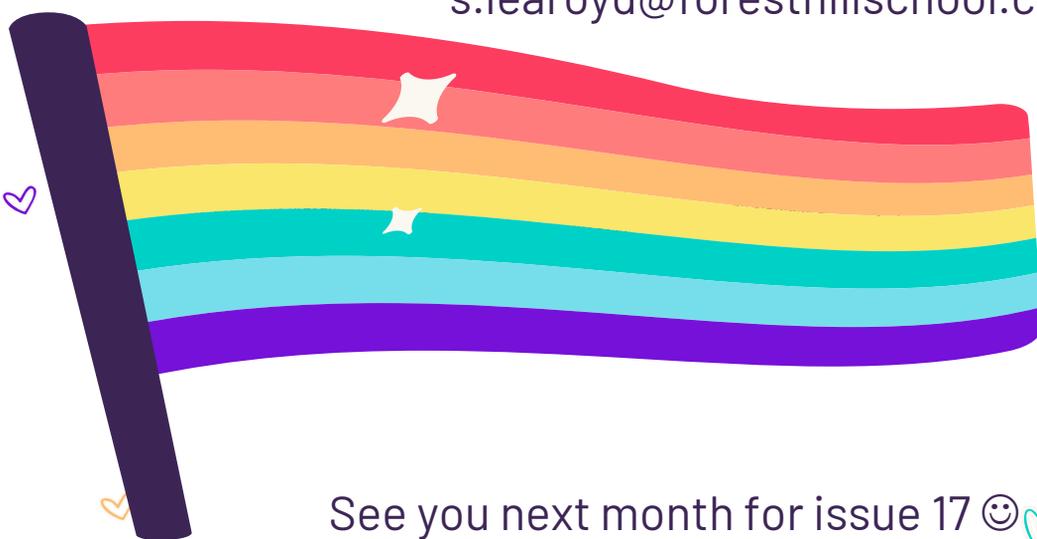


THANKS FOR READING!

For anyone needing support or feeling marginalised due to your identity... we are **PROUD** to be in solidarity with you.
You matter.

Please email Ms Suart, Mr Cox or Ms Learoyd for any further information or support:

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See you next month for issue 17 😊