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Technology enhances our students' learning

THERE have been many exciting developments at Prince Henry's since the last edition of Inview. In April, £900,000 of additional funds were secured to enhance facilities at the school and, in this same month, iPads were distributed to our Key Stage 3 students. My visits to lessons over the past couple of months indicate that even at this early stage, students are using their iPads creatively and effectively to enhance their work

and support their learning. It is really encouraging to see both staff and students approaching this new resource with such enthusiasm.

It is the hard work and dedication of students that has brought about the successes and achievements captured in the articles on the following pages. I hope you enjoy reading about the many accomplishments of our school community.

lanet Sheriff. Headteacher

Lessons in literacy

IN February, a group of students from Years 9 to 13 were entertained by the up-and-coming writer Steven Camden and his blend of Brummy-meets-rap performance poetry. They also heard extracts from his critically acclaimed debut novel, Tape. Then in March, Year 8 students listened avidly to local writer Martyn Bedford, hearing extracts from his novels Never-Ending and Flip.

Meanwhile, in May, a small group of Prince Henry's critics attended the Leeds Book Awards at Leeds Civic Hall. Local poet James Nash also inspired our new AS Creative Writing class to be confident and experimental writers.

Poetic inspiration: Prince Henry's students with writer Steven Camden





LAST term, Year 11 Further Maths students heard from a variety of engaging speakers at a 'Maths Inspiration Talk' at the West Yorkshire Playhouse. The half-day event made them think about risk and uncertainty, boomerangs and the 'friendship paradox of Facebook'.

Mathematicians in Years 7 and 8 were also invited to enter the Half Term Challenge organised by the University of Leeds. Certificates were presented in assembly to Jack Auchterlounie, Olivia Ashworth-Ellis, Mollie McLean, Samuel Parsons and Ben Wilson. In May, a number of students in Year 7 took part in the Junior Maths Challenge. They are now eagerly awaiting the results.

A matter of faith

RELIGIOUS Studies students in Years 11 and 12 recently had the opportunity to explore two different faiths during a visit to Manchester's medieval Cathedral and Buddhist Centre.

After studying Manchester Cathedral's Gothic architecture, they learned how to calm their minds with guided meditation at the Buddhist Centre, before eating at the Centre's organic vegetarian Earth Café.

Year 11 student Catie Pine said: "I got really involved and even dressed up as a Bishop. It was especially interesting speaking to the Buddhist guide."



Enlightened education: Chloe Tear, Henry Davies and Caitlin Buttery, Year 11.



CREATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT



Showcase of work: Jack Scott, Year 12, with his speaker. Canapés anyone? James Harm, Year 12,

Appetite For design

IT has been a busy few months for Design and Technology.

Once again, our students competed in the Rotary Club Cookery Competition and Technology Challenge. They also had the opportunity to showcase their coursework in a real-life Design and Technology Exhibition and Fashion Show. Meanwhile, our Year 12 Food Technology students created a range of delicious canapés for both events.

We are proud that so many of our former students now work in the design industry. Who knows, one of them could be the next Heston Blumenthal or Vivienne Westwood!

Climate challenge

CONGRATULATIONS to Sixth Form students Olivia Agar, Lukas Abalo, Ella Churchill, Jack Scott and Max Wright, who made their mark in the Climate Week Challenge, which encourages schools and businesses to come up with creative ideas to help the environment.

Their design for an eco-friendly housing estate, built around a shared water store and recycling facility, resulted in them taking the winning title.

Catwalk creations

YOUNG people from across the school took to the catwalk once again for the Prince Henry's Fashion Show, an annual event that allows Textiles students to show off their work.

Polly Robertson, Katie Hook and Gabrielle Selman closed the show with the Year 13 final collections. Area Leader for Design and Technology Gina Williams said: "These students used their collections to demonstrate very high-level making and decoration skills. I am immensely proud of the exceptional work they have produced.



Dressed for success: A student models a stunning design

Starry future for

YEAR 11 student Oliver Robinson fought his way through to the finals of the Golden Apron Competition, where he finished as one of the runners up. Oliver prepared a course for a Michelin-starred chef and served white chocolate pots with Yorkshire-

forced rhubarb, ginger popcorn and parkin. Year 12 Technology students also enjoyed a trip to the Good Food Show in Harrogate, where they met and were inspired by celebrities such as Dave Myers from the Hairy Bikers, Brian Turner and John Torode.

budding chef

DEDICATED Year 9 Art Club students have been working on a bright, bold and colourful mural for Henry's Diner. Students took inspiration from Pop Artists such as Jeff Koons to come up with their own design, incorporating food such as baked beans and iced doughnuts.

The world-renowned South African artist Nils Burwitz also ran a workshop for Year 7 students. He gave an informative talk about his political work against racial discrimination and apartheid, after which students created a response in the form of a drawing. The artist donated a print of his work



Bon

THIS term's Year 7 French trip to the Opal Coast included visits to a local bakery where students had the chance to roll their own croissant, a trip to a sweet and chocolate factory and, more importantly, a chance to sample some of the products! Students were also able to practise their French when they bought gifts and snacks during a visit to the theme park.



Czech mates

YEAR 13 students recently visited Olomouc in the Czech Republic for the finale of our prestigious, two-year Comenius Project entitled 'Same Difference'.



Ten students spoke on the topic of disability equality at an international conference featuring schools from Poland, the Czech Republic and Germany. They presented their research findings at the conference and took part in special simulation workshops to help them empathise with people with arthritis and visual impairments.

The students were also invited to take part in a variety of exciting cultural events, while forging friendships with students from across Europe. They even managed to squeeze in a brief visit to Prague.

Germany at first hand

MORE than 100 students have been to Germany this year, with visit to Aachen (Years 10-13), Berlin (Year 9) and Cologne (Year 8). Whether it's staying with an exchange family, visiting a school or spending the day at one of Germany's leading theme parks, students have all been able to experience the German language and culture at first hand.





From Picasso to Gaudí...

SPANISH students in Years 12 and 13 who visited our partner school in Madrid had a packed programme that included a ride on the teleférico (cable car) and visits to see Picasso's Guernica in the Reina Sofía Museum, the Las Ventas bullring and the

Rastro flea market. Meanwhile, 63 students in Year 7 visited Barcelona, taking in Gaudí's Sagrada Familia and Parc Güell, the Camp Nou football stadium, street performers on the Ramblas and the PortAventura theme park.

The opportunity to travel abroad, experience different cultures and learn new languages, all help to map out our students' future

CITIZENS OF THE WORLD

South

Sun, snow and après-ski



The trip coincided with the 100th anniversary of the start of the war, and enabled students to reflect on the sacrifices made in the conflict and remember those who fell in battle. A particularly moving highlight was the Last Post ceremony at the Menin Gate in Ypres.

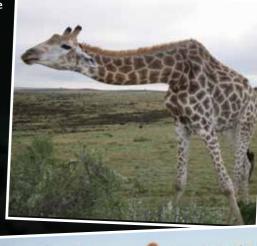
Sports tour to STUDENTS from our U14 and U15 rugby a safari visit and a cable car ride to the and netball teams had the amazing opportunity to pit their skills against teams from South Africa during our very first Sports Tour to the country. During the ten-day trip, students

played against three schools as well as a township team from Langa, Cape Town. Highlights of the tour included

A truly memorable experience: Euan Walkley and Emily Fleetwood, Year 10, and Ava Arundel, Year 9.

top of Table Mountain.

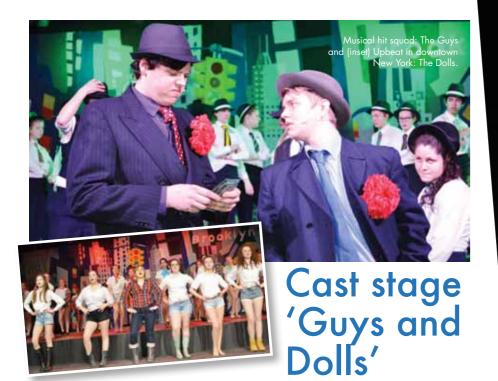
Tour leader Dean Hyam said: "Two of the most powerful and thought-provoking excursions were visits to Robben Island, where Nelson Mandela was held captive, and to a local orphanage. This tour was truly memorable."







History students step back in time A TOTAL of 34 Year 8 students set off to explore the First World War battlefields of northern France and Belgium on the History Faculty's annual trip.



WITH a cast of 85 and a crew of 20. we struggled to get all the cast and this year's school musical, Guys and the 20-strong band onto the stage

Dolls, was a smash hit.

Bands take Centre Stage THREE bands from Prince Henry's - Random Behaviour, Demoralised and The Puppeteers - have made it to the final of this year's Martin House Centre Stage competition, a feat not matched by any other school in the competition's history!

The winners of the final at the O2 Academy, Leeds, will play at the Leeds and Reading Festivals.

Students put on their dancing shoes

> EIGHTEEN dancers from Years 8 to 11 competed in the Great Big Dance Off at Leeds Town Hall. The students performed two routines to Dancing Shoes and Shake Your Tail Feather. Teacher Fiona Husker said: "The girls performed brilliantly, coming seventh and tenth, respectively, out of 20 groups.'

Budding dancers watch out for next year's competition!





for the big musical numbers, but the

Students act the part

YEAR 12 Drama students showcased their talents and entertained audiences with two performances of the plays The Education of Skinny Spew by Howard Brenton and Dahling You Were Marvellous by Steven Berkoff.
A2 and AS students also attended a

workshop in school, run by working practitioners from Nottingham University, to explore the set text of Lysistrata by Aristophanes to help them prepare for their Unit 4 examination.

Other recent highlights included trips to see Lulu at the West Yorkshire Playhouse, and Midsummer Night's the Sheffield Lyceum Theatre.

Talent instrumental to our success

THIS term has been a fantastic success for Music at Prince Henry's.

There was another set of hugely successful external instrumental exam results, with Year 7 students Adel Watt and Georgia Lee Donaldson notably achieving top-end distinction results in their saxophone exams, and many others achieving distinction and merit.

In May, there was a memorable and well supported Senior Concert at Otley Parish Church, and PHOJO (Prince Henry's Jazz Orchestra) performed alongside Leeds Youth Jazz Rock Orchestra and other ensembles at a special Jazz Evening.

There were also two wins at the Wharfedale Festival of Performing Arts, where both our Brass Ensemble, No Strings Attached, and our Senior Choir won their class.

And who can forget Otley Carnival in June, where students in the Concert Band performed on our James Bond-themed float?



Primary schools club together

PE teacher Ryan Davies has now taught every child at our main feeder primary schools this year!

A clever plan by Ashfield, Westgate, All Saints, Whartons, Pool, Bramhope and Adel primary schools to 'club together', using their PE and Sport Premium funding, has enabled Ryan to involve all children in a 'festival of sport', together with our Sports Prefects. Talented pupils have gone on to represent our Cluster in city events.

As part of our transition programme, the PE Faculty is also organising free swimming lessons for Year 6 pupils, to help them to swim 25m.





SPORTS IN BRIEF



IT has been another year of unprecedented success for sport at Prince Henry's, with team triumphs including:

Successes in the LSNA League, include:

- Year 7 Invitation Tournament (IT) runners up, Year 8 IT champions, Year 9 runners up in Divisions 1 and 2, Year 10 IT runners up, Year 11 champions in Division 2, and Senior champions.
- Year 7 Yorkshire Cup U12s runners up
- National Academy League runners up
- U18 Players' Player of the Season: Patrick Phipps
- U18 Player of the Season: Cameron Blake
- U16 Players' Player of the Year: Cory Shaw
- U16 Player of the Season: Michael Cunningham

- U16 Most Improved Player: Philip Rhodes
- Year 9 boys Leeds NW League runners up
- Year 7 boys Leeds NW 7-a-side champions / 5-a-side runners up
- Year 7 girls St Mary's Competition champions
- Year 7/8 girls champions
- Year 7 LSAA Competition champions

- Year 9 Leeds Schools runners up
- U12 Leeds School Cup
- Championships U13 and U15 Leeds School
- Cup runners up







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