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Poetry in action

Our aspiring poets are giving it their
all in the 2024 poetry competition

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Respect
Kindness

Confidence
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Our vision
Prince Henry's will become
recognised as an exceptional
a culture of **respect**, where
flourish and **achieve**.

Thriving and achieving

WELCOME to the summer 2024 edition of Inview magazine. I am immensely proud to share with you just some of our highlights over recent months at Prince Henry's. We are a school with a tangible culture of respect where we can all flourish and achieve. The opportunities and experiences offered to students and staff are vast and hugely valuable. It's fantastic to see the benefits that participation can bring and how our students flourish through these. We are a school like no other, and we're very proud of our academic, sporting, musical, moral, cultural and personal successes through various clubs, trips and visits. We are privileged to be part of a special community and I am sure you will agree that these pages reflect that.

Proud team: Headteacher Sally Bishop with Frank Clayborough and Khadeejah Iqbal.



Language learning

DURING Leeds Languages Week, we welcomed professional translator Claire Culliford to run Spanish and German translation workshops and discuss how translation can work as a career. We also welcomed back former A-level Spanish and German student Emily Wallis to talk about the opportunities that language learning has given her. Emily is now learning French to help with her upcoming job in Madagascar. Some Year 10 German students have also had their poems published in an anthology for the "Mother Tongue, Other Tongue" project.

Digital development

A-LEVEL Media students are learning more about careers in Digital Marketing with a visit by former student Megan Bailey. After studying A-level Media at Prince Henry's, Megan moved on to an apprenticeship in Leeds. She is one of several ex-students who have given careers-themed talks this year to inform and inspire current students across a range of subjects.



Empowering expeditions

THIS year, the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme has been more popular than ever with 113 Year 9 students doing their Bronze Award, 44 Year 10 students doing Silver and 26 Sixth Formers going for Gold! With so many expeditions, Sian Ellis, who leads the Award, has a dedicated team of students completing the Volunteering section of their Award by maintaining and organising all our expedition equipment.

Equipment excellence: Agnes Wardle and Martha Wilkinson.

Fighting for a Fairer Future

Going bananas for Fairtrade: Charlotte Osborne, Louise Mellor and Seren Wardle.

STUDENTS from our Fairtrade project group have been busy promoting the importance of Fairtrade goods as part of our efforts to renew our FairAchiever Award. The range of activities includes a school bake-off competition in May, with delicious treats (made with Fairtrade products) available for local residents to sample at the Buttercross stall in Otley's Market Square.

Selling cakes, raising awareness and having fun... seems like a Fair Trade!



Rugby role model



ENGLAND Rugby player and former student Danny Care returned to Prince Henry's in March to meet 200 of our current rugby players before officially opening the new 3G pitch. Danny spoke about his pride in being associated with the school where he

first started playing rugby thanks to encouragement from the then Head of PE, Mr Latham. Danny has since retired from international rugby with an incredible 101 caps. A true role model and inspiration.



Cross-cultural

THE Geography team has established an exciting new link with Balodaya Secondary School in Nepal. Year 7 students are sharing work on topics like the geography of their local area, weather and climate.

Meanwhile, Year 10 French students are taking part in another new curriculum-based partnership project - this time with Lycée Charlotte Perriand in Leeds' twin city of Lille. Students in both schools are comparing attitudes to subjects, including language learning and school uniforms!



Tunnock's Teacake Challenge

DURING National Careers Week, Year 10 and 11 Food Preparation & Nutrition and Hospitality & Catering students went head-to-head in the annual Tunnock's Teacake Challenge. Students were tasked with producing a stunning plate around the theme of 'the four elements', with marks for presentation, skills and adding nutritional balance with seasonal, locally-sourced ingredients.

Living our values

Diverse and inclusive

THIS term we've been busy preparing our application for the Red Kite Alliance RED Award (Respect, Equality, Diversity), which was developed by staff from Prince Henry's. Our #Free2Bme Equality and Diversity group has been checking that displays across the school

reflect the diversity of our community, while Year 10's Arthur Rogers and Austin Thompson have become Anne Frank Trust Ambassadors, working with an anti-prejudice mentor. Students are also helping to plan activities for July's Equality and Diversity Week.



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Our very own Anne Frank Trust Ambassadors:
Austin Thompson, Arthur Rogers.

Budding

THIS term sees the launch of our 2024 Year 7 Poetry Festival. Highlights include a poetry competition for all Year 7 students and workshops with the poet and journalist, James Nash. There will also be a second exciting competition this year to raise awareness of Fairtrade.

Our hopeful wordsmiths:
Zurielle Quaye, Hamish Hibbert and Isabella Pinkett.



Eco advocates



HAVING achieved the Eco School Green Flag Award with Distinction, last term our Eco-committee won a Regional Youth Climate Assembly Award for their work in raising awareness on sustainable travel.

Other activities have included hearing from climate emergency experts at the Leeds Eco Council Conference, meeting with Wildlife Friendly Otley to discuss some new nestbox cams and hosting a visit by leading entomologist and TV presenter George McGavin, who gave a fascinating talk to Year 10 on the 'science of sewage'!



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It's the Addams Family!

FEBRUARY'S sell-out musical production of the Addams Family was another resounding triumph. The 80+ members of the cast delivered laughs and tears and the 24-strong pit band played beautifully. Backstage, special mention must go to Michael Bowman and Ben Simpson (Year 10), who tackled the complicated lighting design!

Inspiring stories of how Prince Henry's students are living our values in school and in the community

poets



Out and about in Western Woods: Martha Colefax and Edith Thompson.

Venturing out

IN Autumn, a group of students completed a 'Forest School' programme to develop life skills and independence. The weekly sessions allowed them to venture out of the classroom, discovering the Fantastic areas of woodland on our doorstep. Learning Manager Gemma Owens said: "It's given them the Freedom to be themselves."

The name's Bond, Hydrogen Bond: Archie Clarke, Jack Cumming and Ollie Horvath.



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Licence to (chemically) bond

IN February, Prince Henry's made its debut at the Oxford and Cambridge 'Chemistry Race'. Calling themselves 'I'm Bond - Hydrogen Bond', Year 13 students Jack Cumming, Archie Clarke, Olivia Cummins, Ollie Horvath and Luke Stanton travelled to Cambridge where they competed with 60 schools to solve challenging problems. Area Leader for Chemistry Monica Kapoor said: "We were so proud to see our team rank so highly against some of the best independent grammar schools in the country."

Euro trip

27 GCSE and A-level German students travelled overnight to Aachen in Germany, arriving in time to order their Kaffee und Brötchen for breakfast. The busy programme included a guided tour of the city, visits to the Lindt and Haribo factory

shops and a chance to work with students in our partner school, the Rhein Maas Gymnasium. Students were able to practice their German while developing their historical and cultural knowledge (and their love of chocolate!).



European jet-setters: our GCSE and A-level travellers.



Ice & fire

IN March, 60 GCSE and A-level Geography students visited Iceland for a three-day field trip. Cold weather had led to very icy conditions, and the frozen rivers, lakes and waterfalls contrasted with the volcanic eruptions on the Reykjanes Peninsula. Highlights included bathing in the Secret Lagoon hot baths (warmed by Iceland's Geothermal energy!) and visits to the Þingvellir Rift Valley and National Park.



City of culture

IN March, 36 Fine Art and Photography students travelled to Paris to support their A-level research work and experience world-famous art first-hand. The group visited the Pompidou Centre and the Louvre, Rodin and D'Orsay Museums by day, before experiencing the Eiffel Tower and Arc de Triomphe by night and even sampling some Parisian culture. By the end, students worked out they had walked 33 miles in four days!



A worthwhile cause: our Gambian explorers.

Extraordinary expedition

YEAR 13's Ava Aliabadi Asl was one of 18 students who took part in a volunteering expedition to The Gambia last summer where they helped to build a storage facility for women working on a mango farm.

Ava said: "When we arrived in the village of Gunjur, we were welcomed with open arms by the local people who shared their culture and experiences with us. As well as working on the farm, we visited the historically significant Kunta Kinteh Islands, taught in a primary school and helped clean up plastic from the beaches. It was an experience I will always cherish."



Bookworms

STUDENTS and staff celebrated World Book Day in March with a Big Book Quiz featuring fierce competition and some excellent bookish costumes. The winning team was



Ivy Verity, Eleri Williams and Elsie Dade from Year 8. Earlier in the year, Year 7 students visited the Fantasy: Realms of Imagination exhibition at Leeds Central Library.



Design excellence

STUDENTS recently showcased their amazing written and practical work at the Design and Technology Exhibition. Highlights included Year 13's Emily Middlebrooke's exceptional cookery skills, Year 12's Callum Comerford's Memphis-inspired lamp and Year 13's Gabriella Di Palma Heath and Darcy Walker's intricate surface pattern textiles work. Meanwhile, Year 12 and 13 Hospitality students made and served canapés to visitors.



Daring designers: Michael Bourne and Max Simpson.



Charity challenges

AS part of fundraising efforts, with all proceeds going to student-selected charities, Year 7 form groups have been getting busy baking cakes, taking part in sponsored challenges and even washing cars. Members of the Student Council have also been getting involved with activities, including a Staff v Sixth Form Quiz and an Easter egg tombola. So far, over £3,500 has been raised to support Parkinson's UK and local charity Hug on a Tray.

Musical mania

THE annual Prince Henry's Bands night at Otley Courthouse saw a record nine bands playing to a sell-out audience - seven student bands, the school Jazz Band (featuring 12 members and a brass section!) and our staff band, the Manic Creep Teachers. A superb evening with profits donated to Martin House Children's Hospice.



Anniversary exhibition

THE Art faculty has helped celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Otley Courthouse Arts Centre by once again exhibiting a collection of striking and thought-provoking artwork by our talented students. The exhibition included works in ceramics, oil painting, sketching, 3D construction and batik textiles and an extensive photography display.



Studying the Bard

ENGLISH Literature students have recently been immersing themselves in Shakespeare. Year 11 students who are studying Macbeth went to see the play at Leeds Playhouse - an amazing experience because they were seated in the front row with the actors standing right in front of them. One student said they couldn't believe how many lines from the play they remembered!

Our two A-level English Literature classes also recently spent an afternoon in an Othello seminar delivering presentations on the play.

Deputy Faculty Leader Rebecca Walsh said: "It was great to see students having in-depth, academic discussions on one of their set texts."



Netball champions

Working together:
our netball stars



THIS year, over 140 dedicated netball players from Years 7 to 13 have represented Prince Henry's in a variety of league cups and friendlies against lots of top schools in the country. Our most notable performances have come from the U12A squad, who

were Leeds League and Leeds Tournament winners and even got through to the last sixteen in the School Sports Magazine National Cup! Likewise, our U13A squad were Leeds Schools' tournament winners and also got through to the last sixteen in the country!



Sporting life

IT'S been another incredible year of sport, with over 600 students representing the school and nearly 800 students attending extra-curricular clubs. Success stories include teams reaching the national cross-country finals and the national quarter finals in netball and rugby, as well as multiple City-wide successes in football, netball and badminton. It was also great to see so many of our students participating in the Rosslyn Park rugby 7s tournament, including our first-ever girls' team competing in the U16 competition. Special congratulations to our U14 and U16 boys' rugby teams who are the new Yorkshire Cup Champions.



Throwing it forward:
Stan Robinson and Maya Kimuli.

Getting everyone involved:
Chloe Petrie, Milli Pollhammer and Jacob Barker.



Inclusive sports

IN February, Year 5 pupils from our Family of Schools attended an 'Inclusion & World Sports Festival', delivered by Mrs Fenton-Green and our Year 9 and 10 Sports

Leaders. Pupils and staff had the opportunity to experience different disability sports which feature in the Paralympics, such as Boccia, Goal Ball, and Sitting Volleyball.



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