



The news magazine of
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Specialist Language College

in view

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Culinary delights

Students
show their
cookery skills

Proud of the past, prepared for the future

A vibrant learning community

WELCOME to the winter 2011 edition of *Inview* magazine. Last term, students in Years 11 and 13 achieved the school's best ever exam results, and we congratulate them on their outstanding success.

The following pages show, however, that the achievements of our students reach far beyond the academic, and we celebrate the rich and varied opportunities that make the school

such a vibrant place. Prince Henry's is proud of its special place at the heart of the community and, in this edition, we also focus on how we support learning for all members of the local community. This includes a look at some of the transition activities for children in local primary schools, as well as our unique Community Education Programme.

Janet Sheriff, Headteacher



Pride of place: Headteacher Janet Sheriff with Ben Thornton, Sophie Robinson, Emily Lloyd and Jyoti Bhagwanji, Year 7.

Back to school

THIS year's Community Education Programme has attracted the highest ever number of students, with more than 770 members of the local community attending one of 47 courses.

New courses such as 'Kettlercise', cake decorating and patchwork/quilting have been especially popular, and all three have a long waiting list.

We also provide the widest range of Language courses of any high school in West Yorkshire and, this term, some 530 people have taken advantage of the ten languages on offer.

Enthusiastic learners: Polish tutor Aleksandra Klonowska-Wood teaching Polish.



News in brief

- THREE of the eight Prince Henry's students who won the national 'Arts and Minds' diversity through art competition received their prize at a special celebration event at a top London venue in October. Their winning batik featured a representation of 'world culture united'.
- THE annual **Christmas Concert** is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 13th December, at 7pm in the Main Hall. Tickets are available at break and lunchtime from the Music Department. Tickets that were purchased for the cancelled Autumn concert can be transferred.
- TWENTY Sixth Form Physicists visited Leeds University in October for the **annual Bolton Astronomy lecture**.
- YEAR 8 student Bence Nelhubel is running a **Hungarian club** on Fridays during lunchtime in room TE1. Bence, who is from Budapest, is keen to share his language and culture with other students.
- THIS year's **school production**, *We Will Rock You*, will take place from 21st to 24th March 2012. Tickets will be available in the new year.

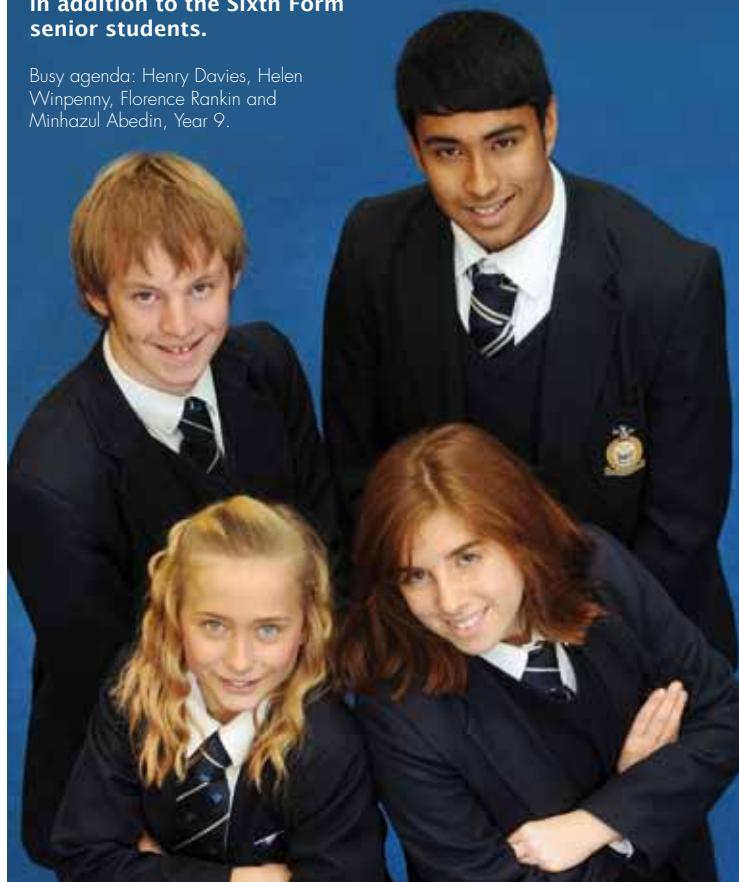
Students counsel change

FOLLOWING their election by fellow students, this year's Student Council has received a day's training to prepare for the year ahead.

The Council is composed of two Year Leaders from each year group, with four 'honorary members' from last year's Student Council, in addition to the Sixth Form senior students.

Head Boy Johnathan Matthews and Head Girl Sabrina English will be chairing meetings that focus on enhancing the school experience for all students, gaining better access to lockers and improving school facilities such as toilets.

Busy agenda: Henry Davies, Helen Winpenny, Florence Rankin and Minhazul Abedin, Year 9.



Pride of Prince Henry's

THE chart-topping boy band One Direction made a surprise appearance during a special Year 9 group assembly to present student Danielle Bailey with a Pride of Britain Award. The boys – Harry, Liam, Niall, Louis and Zayn – were greeted with ear-piercing screams and a few tears!

Key Stage 3 Progress Leader Stephen Clarkson said: "Danielle is a very deserving winner of the Pride of Britain Award. She is an inspiration to so many staff and students."

In step with our primary pupils

Radio podcast

BUILDING on our long-established transition work in Modern Foreign Languages, the ICT Department has established a new link with Phil Robertson, an Advanced Skills Teacher at All Saints C of E Primary School.

As a result, students from our Year 11 GCSE ICT group recently visited All Saints to train Year 6 pupils in the use of Audacity software to record podcasts for the All Saints Radio Station. With the help of our Year 11 students, the Year 6 pupils recorded a children's story using microphones, and also added music and sound effects. The finished product can be accessed by visiting the school's podcast site at <http://y6fm.blogspot.com>

Taster lessons



Cookery skills: Primary pupils baked banana muffins.

YEAR 3 pupils from St Joseph's Primary School spent the afternoon at Prince Henry's baking banana muffins as part of their healthy eating project. "I really enjoyed making them," said Grainne, who is a pupil at the school. "They were delicious". The pupils also enjoyed coming to 'big school'.

We hope to repeat this new transition activity next year.



First aiders: Year 9 students Hannah Bradford, Rebecca Foster, Jessica Beresford, Connah Trees, Charlotte Poulter and Louise Harrison, with PC Heidi Beardsmore.

Finger on the pulse

WORKING with West Yorkshire Police, we have successfully been running a Young Citizens' Panel for more than three years. The aim is to encourage students to work with the community to help change misconceptions that adults may have of young people.

This year's project involved six Year 9 students who, alongside PC Heidi Beardsmore and Progress Leader

Nick Cook, were challenged to inspire others, to initiate change and to use their imagination to develop a project that would have a positive impact in their local community. This resulted in the Panel agreeing to teach Year 6 pupils how to administer first aid.

The Year 9 students also successfully applied for a £125 grant to buy prizes for a poster competition.



Students widen their experience

STUDENTS in Years 10, 11 and 12 who are studying Health and Social Care are now undertaking work experience in local primary schools, nurseries and residential homes until Easter to help develop their caring and communication skills.

Gemma Sunley, in Year 11, commented, "It is a great opportunity to learn new skills," while Sophie Jones-Tinsley said, "It's great fun working with the children and helping them to learn".

The Health and Social Care course requires students to have real-life experience to help them write up coursework as well as helping them to make future career choices.

Fun and games: Pupils at St Joseph's RC Primary School.



Aysha's talent shines through

YEAR 10 Product Design student Aysha Shafiq is one of only 30 students from across Leeds to gain a place at the National Art and Design Saturday Club at Leeds College of Art and Design. She recently visited Somerset House in London to view design work from last year's club members.

College place: Aysha Shafiq, Year 10.

Dish of the day

MEMBERS of the cookery club have been making a series of seasonal dishes, including toffee apple cookies, Bonfire Night crunch bars and tomato and mascarpone tarts.

All students are welcome to join us on Thursdays after school in TE2, where they will get the chance to practise their culinary skills. See Mrs Wright, Mrs Walsh or Mrs Blakeley if you wish to join in.

On the menu: Anna Middleton, Year 8, Thomas Thompson, Year 7, Alexandra McRobbie, Year 7, and Thomas Wilson, Year 7.



Technology

Technology caters to a wide variety of interests, ranging from Food and Product

Pick of the bunch

YEAR 10 Resistant Materials students have been given the task to 'Go Bananas'.

This has involved creating an innovative concept for storing bananas, using sustainable or recycled materials, resulting in an eye-catching and original design.

"The range of ideas has been amazing," said teacher Rob Mathewson. "I can't wait to see what they come up with for their next project".

Going bananas: Callum Hewitt and Oliver Bumby, Year 10.





Fashion on parade

IN December, GCSE and A-level Textiles students visited the NEC in Birmingham to see The Clothes Show Live.

Classed as the biggest fashion show in the UK, the event gave students the opportunity to look at the work of top designers and to meet students and lecturers from a wide range of university fashion and textiles courses.

The students also entered The Clothes Show's Young Artist of the Year Award, to create a poster on the theme of 'Rule Britannia', to be used in their 2012 educational communications campaign. In addition, they entered the Young Handbag Designer of the Year competition. Teacher Gina Williams said: "I have my fingers and toes crossed!"

Festive fare, with a twist

YEAR 10 Food Technology students have been working hard to give an innovative twist to a traditional festive meal. Competition has been fierce as students have risen to the challenge set by the Rotary Club to produce a restaurant-quality, two-course meal for under £10.

The competitors will be judged on the day by Trevor Backhouse of Patisserie Viennoise, and the most successful chef will win £50.

"This is an excellent opportunity to inspire students and set them on their way to becoming first-class chefs," said Alyson Blakeley, Head of Technology.

takes off!

t Design to Textiles and Resistant Materials. We take a look at what's on offer



Innovative memento:
Naomi McKeown and
Jessica Carruthers, Year 10.

Designers excel

FOR the fifth consecutive year, students from the Year 10 Product Design group have visited Harewood House to experience what it is like to work as a professional designer for a client.

Teacher Dawn Smith said: "I feel that this

year will prove to be the most successful yet as the Harewood Marketing and Design team challenged the students to design a poster even before they began work on designing a souvenir to be sold in the estate shop."

Success in Science

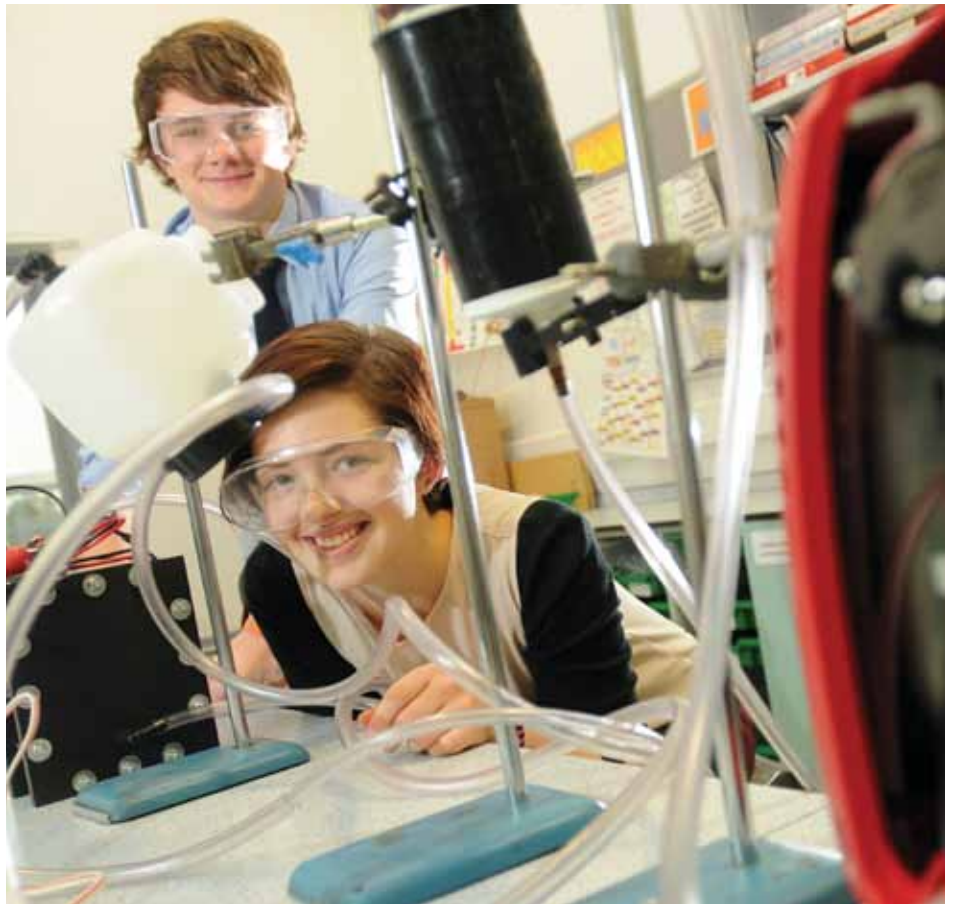
TWENTY Physics students in Years 12 and 13 have been taking part in a research project in conjunction with Leeds University. They have been investigating whether the addition of hydrogen to a petrol generator can alter the efficiency of the engine. The students will visit Leeds University in February to present their findings.

THIS year's winner of the Year 7 safety poster competition was Yusuf Khan.

A TEAM of Year 11 students triumphed in the inter-school senior 'Golden Bunsen' competition. This year's challenge was to build a device to lift an Oxo cube as high as possible using the energy from vinegar and baking soda.

IN July, Prince Henry's hosted the first RHIO Science competition for students in Years 7 and 8 from Harrogate Grammar, Rossett, Ilkley Grammar and Prince Henry's. The whole-day event was very successful, with a team from Ilkley winning the shield.

Put to the test: Andrew Pullan and Bryony Barlow, Year 12.



French students lead the way

AS part of the Foreign Language Leaders Award, Year 11 French students who are following the fast-track course planned, designed and organised activities for younger students at this term's whole-school Open Evening.

The group is now preparing to lead foreign language learning activities for pupils at All Saints CE Primary School.

Tour of the Middle East

INTERNATIONAL Day is an important date in the Language College calendar as it gives students the opportunity to challenge stereotypes and to learn about the culture of a different area of the world.

This year, the theme was the Middle East. Activities included cooking and tasting the local cuisine, learning about the language, playing an ancient Egyptian board game called Senet and performing an Egyptian dance.

Chinese connection

TEACHERS Annie Cuniffe and Richard Oldroyd accompanied 11 enthusiastic Year 10 students on the school's 11th Chinese exchange trip to Xuejun High School in Hangzhou.

Ms Cuniffe said: "We were overwhelmed by the warmth and generosity of our Chinese hosts, and were inspired by China's rich and changing culture. Our trip also cemented our developing relationship with Wenlan Middle School."

'Hola', 'Guten Tag', 'Bonjour'

WE asked our three new Foreign Language Assistants to introduce themselves:

Spanish Assistant: Daniela (Chile)

"Mi nombre es Daniela Karina Parra Godoy y soy de Santiago, la capital de Chile. Tengo 23 años y lo que mas me gusta hacer es bailar salsa, conocer diferentes lugares alrededor del mundo y conocer a nuevas personas."

German Assistant: Sina (Germany)

"Mein Name ist Sina Mewes und ich komme aus Hamburg, Deutschland. Ich bin 24 Jahre alt und meine Hobbys sind Joggen, Sprachen lernen, Reisen, Lesen, Freunde treffen und neue Leute und Kulturen kennen lernen."

French Assistant: Julie (France)

"Je m'appelle Julie Bourdiaux. J'ai 22 ans et je viens de Reims en France. Je suis passionnée par les arts et les langues. J'aime voyager, écrire, lire, peindre, jouer du piano et rencontrer des gens de différentes cultures."

We speak your language: Daniela Parra Godoy, Sina Mewes and Julie Bourdiaux.



Operatic workshop

THIRTY GCSE Music students were treated to an all-day workshop on Tchaikovsky's *The Queen of Spades*.

A team from Opera North visited Prince Henry's to introduce the opera, which was recently staged at the Grand Theatre in Leeds, through games, drama, composing activities and singing. This was followed by a visit to the Grand Theatre to see the evening performance.

Alyssa Nicholson, in Year, 11 said: "I really enjoyed the workshop, and the opera was much better than I expected."



Every one's a winner

THIS year's Prizegiving for Year 10 was transformed into a talent show, featuring dozens of subject prizes, eight acts, four judges and ONE winner!

The four judges – 'Cheryl Cole', 'The Hoff', 'Michael McIntyre' and 'Amanda

Holden' – were liberal in their praise of the amazing talent on show.

After Year 10 cast their votes by text, 'Jo Bland' picked up the first prize of £50 for his amazing rendition of Tracy Chapman's *Fast Car*.



Village fete: Students meet local Zulus.

South African adventure

DURING the summer holidays, 16 Geography students from Years 10 and 11 visited Earlington Secondary School, our long-established partner school in Durban, South Africa.

The students attended lessons and took part in a number of field trips, including a sunset safari, and visits to a cheetah sanctuary and a traditional Zulu village.

The trip was a great experience, allowing students to make new friends and appreciate different traditions and cultures.



Chess masters

CHESS Club members Sam Ohren, in Year 9, and Year 11 students Hal Laverty and Dougie Jones recently organised a week-long, lunchtime chess tournament for Year 7 students in the Library.

After fending off stiff competition in the early rounds, Matthew Marshall and Thomas Tear staged a closely fought final, with Matthew eventually picking up the winning trophy.

Worthy opponents:
Thomas Tear and
Matthew Marshall,
Year 7.



Get set, grow!

MEMBERS of the Gardening Club are working hard to prepare for the planting season, with plans to grow peas, onions, tomatoes, courgettes, broad beans, cabbages, lettuces and cucumbers.

As well as feeding themselves, the students are hoping to provide the school kitchen with locally grown salads, vegetables, herbs and fruit.

Eggs from our new chickens will also be used to make quiches, desserts and cakes.

Planting season: Green-fingered students sow the seeds.



Squad swims to victory

CONGRATULATIONS to our Swim Squad who came third overall in the Inter-schools Swimming Gala.

Seventeen schools from across the region took part in the competition at The Grammar School at Leeds, including 30 swimmers from Prince Henry's. It was a very enjoyable evening, which highlighted our team spirit, and many parents turned out to lend their support.

Team Coach Vicki Wilson said: "The team has been fantastic, and Mrs Miller and I would like to thank them all for their dedication, and especially for turning up to train in the cold winter months!"

Gala performance: Jack Dockar, Year 8, Holly Lowes, Year 9, Megan McFarlane, Year 9, and Sam Graham, Year 8.

Athletic achievement

CONGRATULATIONS to the team of Year 7 and Year 8 girls who triumphed in the annual West Leeds Indoor Athletics Finals in October.

The girls fought off stiff competition from Mount St Mary's, Horsforth, and St Mary's, Menston, in

a range of events, including the two-lap race, eight-lap paarlauf, standing long jump and the vertical jump.

Both teams secured first place and now go through to the Leeds Final, which will be held at Priesthorpe High School after Christmas.

First place: The Year 7 and Year 8 girls' athletics teams.



Sports in brief

- THE senior **netball** squad were runners-up in the Leeds Schools Netball Tournament.
- TARA Appleyard, in Year 8, has achieved her first dan black belt in **karate**.
- THE U16 **badminton** team have reached the Leeds City Finals.
- YEAR 8 students Sam Ford, Harry Bentley and George Duncan have been selected to play **rugby** for the U13 Yorkshire squad.

In bat for Yorkshire

WITH honours at both school and club level, Year 13 student George Ross has played for Yorkshire County Cricket Club since he was 11, and has represented the North of England under 17s. He is also a contracted member of Yorkshire Cricket's Academy side.

George holds a Level 2 Cricket Coach qualification, the ECB's 'Chance to Shine' award and the Community Sports Leaders Award. This has allowed him to teach cricket in two primary schools as well as the girls' cricket team at Ben Rhydding.

George is a naturally talented sportsman who is dedicated to a career in which he will hopefully inspire and develop new talent, providing a role model for aspiring players.

Role model: George Ross, Year 13.



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