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Big cheers

Spotlight on
PE and Sport

Proud of the past, prepared for the future

At the heart of the local community

WELCOME to the summer edition of *Inview* magazine.

Once again, students have been busy making the most of the many opportunities which make Prince Henry's such a vibrant place. As well as the rich and varied range of school-based activities, these



include numerous opportunities beyond the classroom, both locally and internationally.

A particularly exciting development is the new Community Engagement Day, during which all Year 10 students worked with local organisations such as Chevin Park Rangers, Otley in Bloom, Talking Newspaper, Otley Library, Otley Courthouse, All Saints Church, Otley Lions and the Children's Centre.

This is yet another example of why we can be so proud of our students.

Janet Sheriff, Headteacher



Experience teaching at first hand



PRINCE Henry's is now a Hub School for the Red Kite Alliance school-based Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) programme, and is recognised for providing outstanding teaching experience for trainees.

This route into teaching means that we can provide early classroom experience for trainees. Prince Henry's students thrive on the opportunity to display their excellent attitudes to learning, so where better to learn to be a teacher than here? We not only ensure that the quality of teaching remains at a high standard, but also give trainees a chance to immerse themselves in the life of our school.

If you are considering a career in teaching, visit www.redkitealliance.co.uk/teacher_training to find out more.

Blog raises awareness

YEAR 13 student Chloe Tear (pictured right) has rapidly gained a large following for her blog about life as a teen with cerebral palsy (CP). Her writing has now been recognised internationally through the publication of some of her work on the disability awareness site, 'The Mighty', at www.themighty.com

Chloe offers advice for parents with children who have recently been diagnosed with CP. Throughout, her sense of positivity and quirky good humour shine through.

Closer to home, Chloe has just received the Otley Town Council award for Young Achiever of the Year, in recognition of her campaign and fundraising work.



Prefects lead by example

LAST term, a new team of School Prefects was appointed to support the school and assist at various events. The team attended a training session to prepare them for their role and develop their leadership skills.

Year 11 student Adam Turner said: "I'm really excited to be supporting our school by assisting with a range of duties, both day to day and extra-curricular."

Prefects have already demonstrated their commitment by supporting the Talent Show, acting as tour guides for visitors and playing an active role in the recent Governors' Conference.

Showing their support: Poppy Jopson, Makael Atif Saleem, Beth Harron and Alex Little, Year 8.



Year 9 bring history to life

MORE than 1,000 Prince Henry's students and members of the local community have been learning all about Anne Frank, thanks to our own expert Year 9 guides.

During an inspirational two-week exhibition, the guides brought Anne's experiences to life, while relating the issues she faced to the prejudice and discrimination which many people still face today.



Continuing to put their new-found expertise into practice, 12 guides were then chosen to be special Anne Frank Ambassadors, and successfully tried their hand at teaching Year 6 pupils at Ashfield and St Joseph's primary schools.

Louise Grant, English Teacher, commented: "We definitely have some budding teachers in our midst!"



Magic trick:
Elliot Chilton, Year 8.



Flying the flag for Yorkshire

TO mark the 2016 Tour de Yorkshire event, Fine Art students in Years 10, 12 and 13 designed 50 black and yellow silk flags, which were hung throughout Otley. The flags, which are still on display, depicted both the cycle race and other aspects of Yorkshire life.

Meanwhile, students from Year 7 took part in the Tour de Yorkshire Cycle Parade. Those selected had completed Bikeability Level 3 training with Leeds City Council.

Teacher Barry Mordue, who organises cycling activities at Prince Henry's, said: "It was a fantastic opportunity for the students to get involved with such an exciting event."



Shaping the future

IN March, five Year 12 Geography students attended the Otley Tourism Conference to share their ideas on how to help shape future tourism strategy in Otley.

This entailed taking part in a variety of workshops focusing on attracting visitors to Otley. They also had the opportunity to listen to guest speakers, including Greg Mulholland MP.

A member of the Town Council said: "The students were well presented and a credit to the school." Everyone agreed that the session was very motivating.

Cup winners: Alistair Scott, Douglas Elgar and Joseph Robinson, Year 11.



Undefeated champions

THE U16 rugby team have won the Yorkshire Cup for the second year running, beating Ripon Grammar School 24-0 in the final.

They then went on to crown their undefeated record by competing against schools across Yorkshire to win the White Rose Schools' Championships.

PE Area Leader Dean Hyam said: "The players have achieved two consecutive Yorkshire Cup wins, a first for Prince Henry's in over ten years. This is thanks to their tremendous spirit and hard work throughout the season."

PE is an important part of the curriculum – encouraging teamwork, promoting confidence, rewarding hard work and motivating students to succeed

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Swimmers make a splash

FORTY-SIX students were selected to represent Prince Henry's at the 2016 Leeds and District Secondary Swimming Gala. Although we came fifth overall, we were first out of all the schools in Leeds.

Well done to Finn Williams and Henry Williams who were exceptional on the night. Time to start practising those starts and turns for next year!



Swim squad: Including Finn Williams, Year 7, and Henry Williams, Year 9.

PRINCE Henry's now has its very own Cheerleading squad.

Around 40 girls attend practice every Wednesday, where they work extremely hard to polish and perfect their routines.

In the recent Leeds Schools' Competition, the girls achieved third place, and qualified to represent the district in the West Yorkshire Youth Games in July.

PE teacher Jenna Guy said: "This is well deserved and a truly amazing achievement for their first big competition."



Three cheers for our cheerleaders!

Superb season: Louie Suttle-Marshall, Tiernan Phipps, Lewis Mitchell and Elliot Walker, Year 11.



Basketball players fly high

IT has been an incredible first season for Prince Henry's basketball squad, which includes students from Years 7 to 12. The U14s boys' team were silver medallists in the U16 Leeds Schools' West League, while the U14 girls won all their games to become West Yorkshire School Games' champions.

Teacher Gena Anson said: "Key Stage 4 and 5 students have shown phenomenal dedication and support for younger students."



Tour bridges cultural divide



APRIL's Sports Tour to South Africa for the U14 and U15 rugby and netball teams included four games against schools in Cape Town.

As well as playing matches, the students had the opportunity to sample South African culture at first hand, including the food. They also visited an orphanage, took a trip to the top of Table Mountain, went on safari and visited Robben Island and the Nelson Mandela Museum.

Katie Arbon in Year 10 said: "I can honestly say I've had the best ten days of my life. The memories will stay with me forever."

Sports in brief

• PRINCE Henry's and City of Leeds swimming star Georgia Coates has been named the youngest member of the Great British Swimming Team for the Rio 2016 Olympics.

• All our rugby teams attended the White Rose Finals, resulting in wins for the U12s and U16s, while all other age groups finished high in the tournament.

• Girls competing in the Leeds Dance Festival were selected to open the West Yorkshire Youth Games.

• The mixed Key Stage 3 cycling team of Adam Powell, Joe Bramham-Butts, Willow Woods and Lucy Cullen came third overall in the regional heats. They compete again in July in the Yorkshire Schools Final.

• The Sports Leadership Academy has excelled in its delivery and organisation of numerous primary festivals this year, including Year 2 multi-skills, Year 4 netball, Year 3 tennis and Year 5 cricket.

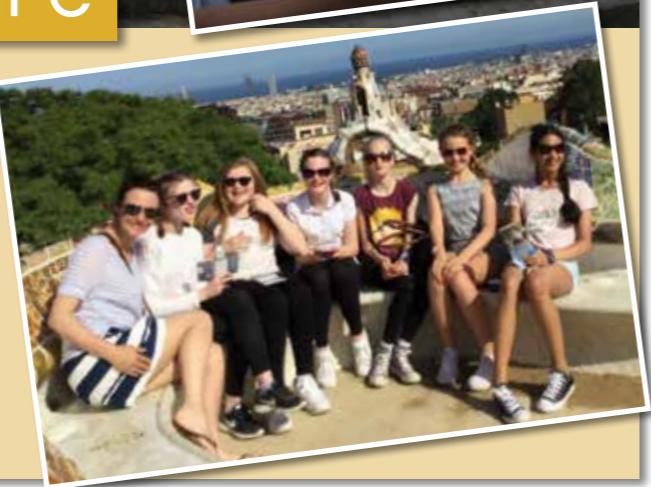


A European adventure

CHOCOLATE, sausages and tigers! Not your average weekend, but after travelling overnight to Cologne, Year 8 students walked along the river Rhine, visited the famous Kölner Zoo and took their seats on some of the best rides in the Phantasialand theme park. They were also able to put into practice the German they have been learning in the classroom all year.

Our largest ever group of Year 7 students also took part in this year's Spanish trip to Barcelona, with 79 students visiting Camp Nou football stadium, the Poble Espanyol village and Gaudi's Park Güell and Sagrada Familia cathedral. In addition, they had time to take in the Olympic stadium and the street performers of the Ramblas, spend a day at Port Aventura theme park and sing their hearts out at a karaoke party.

Four days on the French Opal Coast also meant that 72 eager Year 7 students were able to try out their French language skills and soak up the local culture. A packed programme included visits to a sweet factory, a chocolate factory, an aquarium and a traditional French bakery, where students made their own croissants. They also spent the day at a theme park.



Students lead the debate

YEAR 12 students Stephen Dawes and Lewis Suttle represented Prince Henry's at the national Benjamin Franklin House Debate Competition at the US Embassy in London. The final debate about the "special relationship" between the US and the UK was judged by the American Ambassador.

Stephen and Lewis not only won the final but came first and second overall in the individual scores. As top scorer, Stephen won an all-expenses paid summer school place at Wake Forest University in North Carolina. During his stay in the US, Stephen will explore American culture and politics and develop his leadership skills.

Equal to the challenge

NEARLY 350 students from Years 7 to 13 have taken part in the Junior, Intermediate and Senior UK Mathematical Trust challenges this year, with record numbers achieving certificates and awards.

Top performers include Farah Mackey, Year 7, Poppy Jopson and Matthew Williams, Year 8, Dominic Seaward, Scarlet Gale and Nick Ponton, Year 9, Jack Auchterlounie, Year 10, Edward Bond and Adam Turner, Year 11, Adam Kirwin, Year 12, and James Burgess, Year 13.

In March, students from Years 11 and 12 also attended the Maths Inspiration Lectures at West Yorkshire Playhouse, where they were treated to three interactive lectures from prominent mathematicians, one of whom was a contestant on *Britain's Got Talent!*

Spotlight on Performance

THIS year's school production was the stage version of Disney's *High School Musical*. Year 12 students Alice Wood and Jacob Knowland were hilarious as Ryan and Sharpay, while Max Behrens and Charlotte Rich were fantastic as Troy and Gabrielle. The boys playing the basketball squad had the audience cheering every night with their performance of "Get Your Head in the Game", during which they had to sing, dance and play basketball at the same time.

Meanwhile, musicians from across the school were involved in June's Otley Carnival float, while the Junior Concert included farewells to Music teachers Andrew Matthews and Lucy Greenwood.

Recent individual achievers include Harriet Howdle, Year 8, who took up the cello only last year, and recently passed her Grade 1 Associated Board exam with a Distinction of over 40 out of 50 – the highest in recent memory at Prince Henry's.

Harriet also achieved a Grade 2 violin result on the same day!

Year 11 student Theo Pedley can add Grade 6 Bass Guitar to his many musical accomplishments, which include piano, violin, bass, organ and drum kit. Teacher Andrew Matthews said: "Having such a multi-talented musician who is so enthusiastic and reliable really lifts the standard of music here at Prince Henry's."



Making the grade:
Theo Pedley, Year
11, and Harriet
Howdle, Year 8.



Scientists reach for the stars

STUDENTS from the Year 7 Science Club and Year 8 Gardening Club have been taking part in scientific research alongside British astronaut Tim Peake. The students have been growing rocket seeds under space-age lights, kindly loaned by Stockbridge Technology Centre; half the seeds had been in space for six months while the other half remained on Earth. Their research, into the effects of zero gravity on seed growth, will help future missions into space to grow their own food.

Farah Mackey, Sana Madani and Josh Ibbertson then attended Ashfield Primary School for a radio link-up with Tim. As well as questions about space travel and zero gravity, the students wanted to know how he washed his clothes!

Meanwhile, eight Year 9 Physics students triumphed when they represented Prince Henry's in the first Red Kite Science Olympiad. The competition included a quiz and three different challenges.

Showcasing the latest trends

PRINCE Henry's Fashion Show and Design Exhibition was a great success with students and parents alike. Students presented several collections during the course of the evening, showcasing work from students in Key Stages 3, 4 and 5.

All the collections were roundly applauded, and members of the audience had the opportunity to get a closer look at their favourite designs when the students mingled with guests after the show, modelling their favourite outfit.

The design exhibits were also of a very high quality, with many people staying to talk to our talented A-level designers who were showcasing their textile, product design and food work.

Catwalk creations: Key Stage 3 and 4 students on the runway.



Prize for innovative design

A TEXTILE student from Prince Henry's has once again secured second place in the Young Creative Designer competition, in association with Bradford College.

Year 10 student Mary Martin's T-shirt for Rio 2016, which combined innovative design and SMART materials, impressed the judges with its originality and innovation.

All Year 10 Textiles students had the opportunity to travel to Bradford College to attend the prize-giving ceremony and the annual, final year degree show.



Life saving technology:
Jack Gilmartin, Year 8.

Inventing the future

CONGRATULATIONS to Jack Gilmartin in Year 8, whose entry into the 'Your Life Formula 100' competition won first place! Jack's invention, a Smart Medical Bracelet, is a device for people with medical conditions that could sync with paramedics' phones in the event of a medical emergency. The invention was inspired by a

member of Jack's family who has diabetes.

Alison Blakeley, Faculty Leader in Design, Technology and Innovation, said: "We are very proud of Jack. His invention showed real innovation." The competition allows students to use their Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) skills in a real world setting.



First to the finish line: Oscar Ruane, Year 12, Liam Brown, Ciaran Clarke, Isaac Parsons and Olivia Gordon, Year 13, and Joey Williamson, Year 12.

Competition puts students in the driver's seat

PRINCE Henry's Grammar School entered two categories in this year's F1 in Schools Regional Competition, and came away with first and second place, along with several other trophies.

The teams, 'Storm Force' and 'Velocita', had to raise their own sponsorship money,

as well as design and produce their cars for the competition using virtual reality, CNC programmes and machinery in school.

Their success gave them the opportunity to compete at national level at Silverstone GP Circuit. The two teams competed well, but missed out on progressing to the world finals.



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