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## Performances of note

Musicians add another  
string to their bow

Proud of the past, prepared for the future

## 'A springboard for success'

WELCOME to the summer 2018 edition of *Inview* magazine.

As you can see, it has been another busy year at Prince Henry's. Earlier in the year, we were delighted to welcome the Children's Commissioner for England, former Prince Henry's student Anne Longfield, as guest speaker at our annual Celebration Evening. As well as presenting awards to students for their academic and personal achievements, and service to school and community, it was great to hear Anne describe our school as "a springboard for success".

I hope you will enjoy reading about some of the opportunities and achievements that make Prince Henry's such a vibrant, successful place.

Janet Sheriff, Headteacher



In the spotlight: Year 8 students working on their film.

## Cyberbullying in focus

**WATCH** out Hollywood! Seven lucky Year 8 students recently had the opportunity to work with a professional filmmaker to script, direct, and star in their own film, to raise awareness of cyberbullying.

The students were selected to become Anne Frank Ambassadors after taking part in the Anne Frank Trust's 'Free To Be' programme, in which they explored themes

such as intolerance, racism and bullying.

As well as showcasing their film, the group will now lead workshops to spread the message that we all have a role to play in stamping out cyberbullying.

English teacher Louise Grant said: "I am so proud of their achievements. Their professionalism and maturity were impressive."

## Debaters speak their mind

FOUR Year 13 students took part in the Frankly Speaking Debate Competition in March, organised by Benjamin Franklin House and hosted by Bloomberg, London.

Following some fiercely fought debates, Adam Turner and Euan Procter were knocked out in the heats, while Isla Lury and Iqra

Shahid went through to the finals – where Isla succeeded in taking first prize.

She will now have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to spend three weeks at the Benjamin Franklin Transatlantic Fellows Summer Institute in America.



Frankly speaking: Iqra Shahid, Isla Lury and Euan Procter, Year 13.



Charity match: Sam Dickinson, Year 12, and Dougie Elgar, Year 13.

## Barbarians fight to the finish

THE PHGS Barbarians – a rugby team of former Prince Henry's students, coached by former PE teacher Pete Latham MBE – once again challenged Otley RUFC at Cross Green for the annual Boxing Day fundraiser.

Although Otley beat the PHGS Barbarians 46–32, it was a thrilling match for the 500 spectators.

With help from Old Otliesians and former Prince Henry's England International Danny Care, as well as local companies who contributed generous raffle prizes, an incredible £4,615 was raised. This was shared equally between the Teenage Cancer Trust and improvement works for the 1st XV rugby pitch.

## Abroad in Cape Town

EIGHTY students from the U14 and U15 netball and rugby teams toured Cape Town, South Africa, over the Easter holidays.

As well as playing three games of netball and three games of rugby, students also immersed themselves in the country's rich history and culture, staying with host families and helping children at the Goedgedacht Trust.

Fun activities included visiting penguins at Boulders Beach, taking part in a surf lesson, trying out one of the longest zip wire courses in the world and going on safari to see South Africa's big five animals. Party leader Dean Hyam said: "It was an incredible trip for everyone involved."



## Skiers chill out in Italy

THIS year's ski trip was to the tiny, picturesque village of Folgarida, which nestles at the heart of the Italian Dolomites.

The staff at the Hotel Derby, as always, gave us a warm welcome, which included serving up some delicious Italian cuisine.

Thanks to the 'Beast from the East', the 40 students – who were a mixture of beginner, intermediate and advanced skiers – all enjoyed some fantastic snow conditions.



## Willkommen zu Otley

IN March, 57 German students from the Georg Friedrich Händel Schule in Berlin visited Prince Henry's. During their stay, they experienced a variety of lessons and took part in a 'tandem teaching' activity with students from Year 8.

In December, many of the Year 8 students will have the opportunity to visit Berlin, where they will spend a morning in school, as well as experiencing the Christmas markets and the Stasi-Museum (the former German secret police headquarters).

Area Leader for German Anna Blakemore said: "Year 8 were excited to speak with our German guests as it really brought their lessons to life."



## A fine time in China

DURING the autumn term a group of students from Years 10 and 11 embarked on a nine-day exchange visit to the beautiful city of Hangzhou in China, which is home to some nine million people.

The students were hosted by families from our partner school, where they took part in a variety of lessons and activities such as the daily 'morning exercise'. The busy programme also included visits to the fan museum, Hangzhou Zoo, the silk museum, and the city's most iconic landmark, the Xi Hu (West Lake).

Trip leader Gena Anson said: "Everyone had an unforgettable experience and we are now looking forward to welcoming our Chinese partners to Otley in July."





Poetic licence: Lucy Mapplebeck-Newman and Lily Major, Year 12, and Emily Reeve, Year 13.

## Versed in the art of poetry

AS part of the Sixth Form Creative Writing enrichment course, professional writers are regularly invited into school to work with students.

Recently, local poet James Nash led a poetry workshop for students in Years 12 and 13. The session included using a range of quirky objects to help students

create fascinating compositions, as well as strategies for drafting and proofreading.

James said: "The students were extremely talented, courageous in their writing, and a pleasure to work with. I was impressed by how seriously they took themselves as writers."

## A colourful canvas

THE Paris Art trip has now been running for 20 years.

This year, our Fine Art students had the opportunity to take part in another action-packed trip, visiting galleries such as The Louvre, the Picasso Museum and the Musee D'Orsay. In addition, they found time to squeeze in a spot of sightseeing.

Faculty Leader for Art Shane Green said: "The students gained fantastic insight into the various types of art on display, while also taking in French culture."



## Bands take centre stage

THIS year marks the seventh successive occasion that Prince Henry's has entered the Martin House Centre Stage Competition for school-age bands across Yorkshire.

Starting with a school showcase at Otley Courthouse, the event culminates in the final at the O2 Academy in Leeds in front of 1,000 people and the chance to play at Leeds and Reading Festivals.

Along the way, bands raise money for Martin House and we are proud to have raised more than £12,000 so far for the charity.

This year's final, on Thursday 26th July at the O2 Academy, will hopefully feature our seventh finalist!

Our students are given every opportunity to take part in a wide range of experiences, and to encounter innovative ideas and new ways of thinking

# A creative approach to learning

## Musicians scale new heights

WE are enjoying another busy musical year of workshops and activities.

A packed programme has included the 'Play the Organ' workshop at All Saints' Church, which was a great success. As a result, ten students are keen to take lessons on this magnificent instrument.

The 'Cool Lieder' project introduced talented singers from Years 7, 8 and 9 to the wonderful world of Art Song. They also joined with young people from six schools to stage a collaborative concert.

Other highlights include a concert with our partner primary schools at Yeadon Town Hall, a String Trio workshop and Otley Carnival, plus the annual Senior Concert and Summer Concert.

An eclectic musical menu: Isaac Shvitiel and Nathan Williamson, Year 7, and (inset) Sebastian Smith, Year 8.



## Musical horror's a scream!

AN incredible combination of talent took to the stage in a fantastic fusion of dance, drama, music and design, to perform this year's school show, *Little Shop of Horrors*. Director Yvonne Wittering said: "I am so proud of the level of engagement, talent

and commitment from the cast. The Performing Arts have never been better! Well done to everyone involved."

The whole-school show is open to all students at Prince Henry's, so watch this space for details of next year's production.



## STEM students branch out

### Year 7's close encounter...



YEAR 7 students were treated to a visiting roadshow presented by BAE Systems and the RAF.

The roadshow introduced new technology used in robots, and featured a 70cm-high android robot who talked, danced and sang on command!

Faculty Leader for Science Sarah Richards said: "The roadshow highlighted the excitement of working in a STEM-related career and the importance of studying Maths and Sciences in school."

## Technology on the menu

YEAR 12 Food Technology student Megan Cullen excelled in a Rotary Club competition with a delicious three-course meal of roasted figs, home-made spinach tagliatelle with pesto and chicken meatballs, and a dessert of hot chocolate and hazelnut fondant with fresh raspberries.

Meanwhile, Year 12 Food Science and Nutrition students visited the Marks & Spencer Archive at Leeds University, where they took part in hands-on food science experiments and sampled the retailer's famous melt-in-the-middle chocolate puddings.

Mouthwatering menu:  
Megan Cullen, Year 12.



## Prescription for the future

FOUR students from Year 12 have won the Premier Farnell Technology Challenge in a tightly contested final organised in association with Leeds Beckett University and Ahead Partnership.

The challenge required that teams develop a working technological prototype using a Raspberry Pi for individuals living with physical or mental impairments.

"The standard was incredibly high, but Prince Henry's stood out for the creativity and attention to detail exhibited in their Automated Pill Dispenser (APD), which allows vulnerable individuals and their carers to schedule the release of their medications," said Premier Farnell.

Each member of the team won a Fitbit and a Raspberry Pi 3.

Team effort: Daniel Glover, William Brown, Charlie Lyttle and Louis Drimer, Year 12.



## Invitation to the palace

THE Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme continues to flourish, and Prince Henry's is now one of only a few schools in the area to have more than 200 participants across all levels.

Special congratulations to Adam Turner in Year 13, who will have the opportunity

to visit Buckingham Palace to receive his Gold Award.

At Bronze level, students recently had a great expedition experience with Lupine Adventures. Around 75% of them have already completed their award, as have over half of our Silver Award participants.



Going for gold: Luca Di Palma-Heath, Year 11, Isma Shahid, Year 10, Maurice Baldwin, Year 11, and Adam Khan and Ellis Stanton, Year 10.

## An audience with Molière

A-LEVEL French students recently had the opportunity to see the classic 17<sup>th</sup>-century play by Molière, *Les Fourberies de Scapin* (Scapin the Schemer), staged by undergraduates from Leeds University's French Department.

MFL teacher Beverley Cetin said: "The performance gave our students the opportunity to practise their French listening skills and to have a taste of what can be achieved when studying languages."

## A literary masterclass

YEAR 13 English Literature students attended a lecture and seminar by Lauren Nixon, a PhD candidate and Sheffield University lecturer, as part of the university's outreach project.

The masterclass helped students to prepare for their exam on Margaret Atwood's *The Handmaid's Tale*. One student said: "Inspiring, perfectly pitched, invaluable. I'm so glad I went!"



Up to the challenge: Tigerlily Romaine, Hannah Thackray and Freddie Bentley, Year 9.

## Engineers team up to win

CONGRATULATIONS to Hannah Thackray, Tigerlily Romaine, Harry Gibson and Freddie Bentley who worked as a team to beat five other groups from different schools in the Dales Rotary Club area.

Students were given a blind engineering challenge, which entailed using set materials to design and

build a device that could lower a hook onto an object and lift the object to a predetermined height. The device also needed to be moved into position before carrying out the task and returned to its original position.

The Prince Henry's team were the only team to successfully complete the challenge.

## Biology beyond the classroom



EARLIER in the year, A-level Biologists visited Boggle Hole to carry out investigations into the ecology of the rocky shore.

"It was good to be able to apply what we had learnt in class to a real environment," said Ben Kettleborough in Year 13.

Students then visited Newcastle's Life Science Centre to investigate whether their genotype matched their phenotype in terms of their ability to taste the bitter flavour in brassicas.

Year 13 student Kate Hodsman said: "It was great to use lab equipment we don't have in school."

## Maths adds to our achievements

YEAR 11 Maths students attended the Maths Inspiration Lectures at Leeds City Varieties Theatre to see three well-known Maths speakers present interactive talks on the subject in the context of exciting, real-world applications.

In addition, students from Years 9 and 10 and Years 12 and 13 took part in the Intermediate and Senior UK Maths Challenges, respectively. Our students performed so well, they progressed through to the next round. A special mention to Jack Auchterlounie in Year 12 who also secured a place in the British Mathematical Olympiad.

## Students unite in aid of charity

STUDENTS have been busy putting into practice the values of compassion and solidarity, supporting various groups within the community over the year.

Our Global Justice Group launched a 'shoebox appeal' to collect hundreds of food and toiletry items for local refugee charity PAFRAS, while fundraising activities have

already raised over £5,000 in aid of this year's chosen charities, the Teenage Cancer Trust and homelessness charity St George's Crypt.

Events have included sponsored challenges, wristband sales, raffles, a non-uniform day and bake sales. A particular highlight was April's Talent Show, organised entirely by students.

Star performance: Winners of the Talent Show, The Band.





Role models: Eleanor Peel and Isabel Flannery, Year 9, and William O'Neil, Year 10, with Westgate Primary School pupils Eva Kilmartin and Harry Cockerham, Year 3.

# Sports Leaders sharpen their skills

THIS year we have developed our very own Sports Leaders Academy, made up of more than 70 students from Years 8 to 13.

The students have been nominated by PE staff as individuals who stand out as aspirational or exemplary role models, or natural leaders within their PE lessons.

Students meet once a week to develop skills outlined by the Level 2 and Level 3 Youth Sport Trust Sports Leaders Award.

They also help to plan and run sporting events for our partner primary schools across a range of sports including cross-country, handball, athletics, gymnastics, badminton, basketball and cricket.

## Athletes go the distance

IN February, our Year 8 boys and girls qualified for the Leeds Sports Hall Athletics Final, with the boys' team winning bronze.

Fifteen Year 7 girls have joined the Key Stage 3 girls' football squad, which is currently unbeaten. Isla Moor in Year 10, meanwhile, has recently been

selected to trial for the Leeds United development squad.

In girls' rugby, Marion Ridgway and Bea Ellinson in Year 11 have secured places on the Yorkshire squad for another year. Marion has also been selected for the RFU Excellence Programme for Women's Rugby.

# Rugby team rules!



IN March, the U13 rugby 7s team competed in the largest School Boy Rugby 7s tournament in the world at Rosslyn Park, London.

The team topped their group, winning all five of their tournament games and beating some of the best schools in the country.

Of the 158 teams in the competition, only 14 were unbeaten all day – including Prince Henry's. This firmly puts us on the national rugby map!



# Sporting roundup

**Badminton:** Thirty fixtures played, with outstanding performances from Lucas Morris and Jess Reeve.

**Cross-Country:** Will Scrivens, Will O'Neil, Jamie Walker, Isabella Seed and Freddie Roden have qualified to represent Leeds in the West Yorkshire trials.

**Football:** The Years 7 and 8 boys' teams are currently fourth and second in their respective leagues, in the Leeds NW league.

**Netball:** Year 7 A team won the league and came second in both Leeds Schools' tournaments. Year 8 A team won the league and came second in the Leeds Schools' tournament. Year 10 A only lost to Gateways, to come second in the league.

**Table Tennis:** After several fixtures, the U13 and U15 boys' finished second in their Leeds NW pool.



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