



HARTBEAT

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FAMILY NEWS

Mr Rooney, Head of Whitehall Family, writes: The [Family Festival of Football](#), inspired by the Euros, has taken over this week! On Monday, Year 7 kicked things off with a competitive show full of energy, leading to a Riddings win to maintain their position at the top of the Family leaderboard. On Tuesday, the brilliant atmosphere continued with some very entertaining games; Lydia Almond scored the winner in a tightly-contested final to hand the Year 8 trophy to Hollies!



On Wednesday, Riddings again claimed their second title of the week in the Year 9 tournament which saw our students manage through the beautiful, but very hot weather (a big thank you to our spectators who filled up water bottles to keep the players going). Thursday saw the final tournament go to Riddings again for Year 10...Apparently Riddings *really* want the inaugural Family Cup!

Thank you to all students who took part and to form tutors who came to watch their students play, and a final big thank you to Mr Hardwick for organising and leading the event, it has been thoroughly enjoyed by staff and students alike!

VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE

In other news, today I led a Year 10 assembly which introduced the new [Family Representatives](#) roles. Next year, two Year 11s from each tutor group will lead the school in competitions, charity work, rewards and expectations. These students will be role models to all others, bring a student voice to the Heads of Family and support in the running of events and rewards. This position is also fantastic evidence to put on College applications. Students should have put forward their intention to run to their form tutors this morning, however, I will still accept applications by Monday. If your child is interested, please can they see me on Monday tutor time in Veritas canteen. If any students are on the Spanish trip next week, do not worry, they can still apply, and Mr Perry will support their application whilst they are out in the sun! Good luck to everyone who applies, and I look forward to the elections in school next week!

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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Mrs Kelsall, Attendance Officer, writes: Thomas Rawlings (8T) represented the North West at recent Hockey Regionals at the Nottingham Hockey Centre. His team, Tensworth, came 6th overall (W4, D1, L2). Their biggest win was with a huge score of 10-0! Congratulations, Thomas!



Mr Boys, Head of PE, writes: Sharna Jepson (11R) boxed in the Midlands Box Cup Final, and won, giving her opponent two standing counts. Congratulations, Sharna...nice belt!



WELL DONE WEDNESDAY!

Mr Mason, Head of Year 9, writes: Well done to the following students for displaying our HART values this week: Ruby Stanway, Isla Tomkinson and Kara Wood (9D), Daisy Stagg, Kai Brocklehurst (9S), Harry Leigh, Jack Winnington (9R), Jamie Butterworth, Kole Hatton (9F), Ziggy Lockett (9C), Michelle Liang, Benton Tong (9A), Dan Green, Alfie Dillon (9H) and Grace Bannister and Lilly Marsh (9T).



GEOGRAPHY



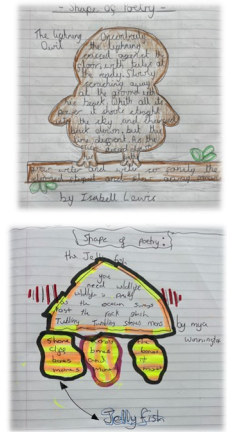
Mrs Carnell, Head of Geography, writes: On Monday and Tuesday the Year 10 geographers went to Llandudno to complete their compulsory fieldwork component.

For the first time in a few years we had dry sunny weather and no seagull attacks (not counting the deposit on someone's fringe)! They worked on the beach in the morning, collecting data to test their theory that longshore drift is moving sediment along the coast, and worked in teams to complete their beach profiles and sediment samples.

In the afternoon, we went into the town to complete our human fieldwork. The students collected data to determine if the urban environment changed as you moved away from the north shore. The students were excellent and worked so hard to complete all the data collection which is so important for their GCSE paper 3 exam. A huge thank you must also go out to all the staff (including from St John's Church!) who came with us and supported the students.

ENGLISH

Miss Gregory, English teacher, writes: In their poetry topic this week, Year 7 have been looking at the technique of zoomorphism, using it within their own poems. Students also had to display their poem in a more interesting way that reflected what their poem was about. It is clear to see from the work produced that our fabulous Year 7's have an abundance of creativity and loved sharing their work with each other in lessons. I feel it definitely deserves to be celebrated. Well done to all of Year 7!



SCIENCE

Mr Taylor, Science teacher, writes: Last week, Year 9 students Jonathon Merton, Elsie Shaw, Jack Webster, and Gwendolyn Thomas participated in the STEM Olympics held at the Grange School in Hartford. They participated in six events using skills that they have learnt from areas across the curriculum to solve problems and complete tasks.

It is my pleasure to report that the group came first in the "Solar Farewell" challenge where they had to build a solar rechargeable boat to move over a distance in the shortest time. Other activities included dissection of a rat, a rocket challenge, a computer maze, a chemical analysis challenge and a maths estimation challenge. Well done to the group who competed against 22 other schools, many from the private sector!



CHESHIRE SHOW



Ms Daniels, Year 6 Transition Lead, writes: The Science department and I took students to the Cheshire Show last week to work in the 'Schools Out' marquee. The theme was 'From Farm to Fork' and we had various activities for the public to participate in. There was soil testing and testing of other items you would find in the kitchen for the levels of acid or alkali.

Thank you to Mr Wootton, Mrs Keegan and Ms Roberts for their hard work over the 2 days and also to the following students for their help: Katie Burstow, Max Noden, Ruben Ennis, Jacob Harrison, Ellen Burstow, Ruby Stanway, Kadie-Lea Brown, Julia Hardy-Baker and Rafi Ali!

BAKING CLUB



Mrs Jones, Baking Club Lead, writes: This week's bakers made Viennese finger biscuits! As you can see, some students chose to make theirs chocolatier than others! Yummy!



PERFORMING ARTS

Ms Philippou, Head of Performing Arts, writes: I cannot be more proud of our staff and students this week as we showcased the arts.



On Monday and Tuesday Mr Williams and Miss Bates directed 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' with a strong cast of Shakespearian actors. The experience for both audience and pupils was Globe-like, being a 'Theatre In The Round' as Shakespeare intended. Our students, as always, were brilliant.

On Wednesday our artists experienced an industry tradition by exhibiting their work in our very own Art Exhibition.

Members of our school and local community attended the event in which we shared some fabulous student art work.



Yesterday over 100 students received a Creative Arts Award for being most improved or stand-out in the following subject areas: Creative Writing, Acting, Music, Dance and Art. Our HART awards were for students who demonstrated our values, Happy, Achieving, Ready and Together, and finally, our 'Service to the School' awards went to Ellie Lewis in Key Stage Three and Miles Marshall in Key Stage Four. Well done to all our students who received nominations and awards.

Tonight, to finish off the week, we have our event 'Musicals Through the Ages!'

OPENING OF THE NEW BUILDING

Mrs Ganderton-Burns, Assistant Headteacher, writes: Yesterday, on a beautiful morning, we were delighted to welcome Bishop Sam Corley, Bishop of Stockport, to officially open our new English building. Bishop Sam prayed with us for our school and community, blessed the building and cut the ribbon!

On this momentous occasion, governors, staff and students were present not only to listen to Bishop Sam but also hear the creative and inspirational poem written by some of our students about the life and sounds of the English building.



Bishop Sam spent the morning in school, leading assemblies, touring our school and taking lots of challenging questions from students. It was a thoroughly enjoyable morning and Bishop Sam said he would love to come back!

AND FINALLY...

As I write this, I have just returned to my office following a wonderful sports day event. The students participating were brilliant, as were the staff who gave everything in the relays and tug of war! We will tell you more next week...

Have a happy and relaxing weekend!

Rachel Pickerill