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Congratulations Class of 2017



above: Class of 2017 celebrate their GCSE successes.



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Above: Highest achieving girl and boy. Gabrielle Clare and Martin Warner



GCSE Results at St Clement's High in Terrington St Clement. Reiss Shepperton (top) and Ryan Lomas celebrate their results.

Headteacher Nigel Willingham said: "We are very proud of our [students](#)."

"They have worked exceptionally hard to meet the challenge of the new tougher GCSE [courses](#)."

"Ed Weightman, chair of governors, congratulated both pupils and staff in achieving another good set of results at St Clement's High School."



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Trustee of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE), HRH The Earl of Wessex visited Springwood High School on 10th October 2017 to speak to students from across four Norfolk schools about their DofE achievements.

Marshland, Smithdon, St Clements and Springwood High School all come under the umbrella of West Norfolk Academies Trust which holds the licence to deliver the DofE across all schools.

Founded by HRH The Duke of Edinburgh in 1956, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is the world's leading youth achievement programme that develops over 400,000 young people for life and work every year in the UK, including nearly 50,000 from disadvantaged backgrounds. HRH The Earl of Wessex has been deeply committed to the Charity's work since achieving his own Gold Award in 1986. The following year, His Royal Highness became a UK Trustee of the charity and of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award, and



was chair of its International Council for 17 years.

The Earl was escorted by The Lord Lieutenant Richard Jewson, the Executive Head Andy Johnson, whilst meeting with dignitaries, including the High Sheriff



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James Bagge, the Mayor of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk and the Director of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award for the Central Region, Mr Phil Brown.

HRH visited different stands throughout the school, depicting all sections of a DofE programme, including volunteering, skills, physical, expedition and residential. The Earl spoke to groups of Gold Award participants who have recently completed their Expedition section in torrential rain in Yorkshire as well as some who have also completed their Residential section.

DofE participants from Marshland High School and Smithdon High School showcased expedition training and route planning. HRH The Earl of Wessex was invited by Bronze participants to take part in a game of badminton as part of their Physical section.

St Clements High School DofE participants showcased their volunteering whilst students from Alysham High School read out a poem and sung to HRH. The Earl unveiled a Licensed Organisation plaque at Springwood High School and congratulated the school on becoming an organisation that is now licensed to run the DofE to its students. In his closing speech HRH spoke about the way that gaining a Duke of Edinburgh's Award ensures

that any challenges of the future can be overcome and that Award holders will now have the confidence to take future opportunities.

Executive Head Andrew Johnson concluded the afternoon by thanking the volunteers and the DofE Manager, Pauline Petch for their time in making the DofE such a success for the students across the trust.

There are three progressive levels of a DofE programme which, when successfully completed, leads to a Bronze, Silver or Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award, participants choose their own programme of activities and set themselves objectives.

It's not a competition or about being first. It's all about self-development and its balanced programme develops the whole person - mind, body and soul, in an environment of social interaction and team working.



Meeting Phil Brown, Olympic Silver Medallist 4x400m relay (1984)



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Bronze Final Expedition



On Saturday the 14th of October 14 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh participants set out to complete their final expedition weekend. Each participant carried a 65 litre ruck sack weighing approximately 25kg and walked a total of 28km over two days. They set up camp at Heacham Junior school and cooked an evening and breakfast meal. All participants completed the expedition successfully and demonstrated great team work in the process.



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| George Arnold | Cora Hunter |
| Luke Calcutt | Paulina Juskaite |
| Lucie Canham | Megan Mitchell |
| Adam Bocking | Nicholas Powell |
| Ethan Bullock | Yasmine Twaite-Smith |
| Bradley Clarke | Jacob Valentine |
| Kyle Collison | Stacey Watson |

A big thank you to the following staff for giving up their weekend to help: Ms Follen, Mr Williamson, Mrs Brassett and Mr Wood



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As part of their geography studies about shanty towns; students were asked to make models of the types of homes that the people live in. The photograph above shows a small example of what students produced. Materials were all recycled waste which is exactly what is used for the real thing.



Gcse History students will soon be offered the opportunity to visit Berlin to experience what life was like during the Nazi domination era.

Last year's students all thoroughly enjoyed their visit and learned so much about why, what and how the Nazi regime came to power.

The photo on the left shows the students standing outside the infamous Wannsee House. The site where the Nazi leaders decided how they would 'deal' with the people they had in the concentration camps.



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English Department Marks National Poetry Day

Thursday 28th September 2017

Poet Sarah Day visited us on Friday 21st September. She ran a workshop for a group of year eight students.

Sarah began the session by teaching the children a short piece of philosophical poetry which they had to repeat several times.

The students were then asked to imagine what it would feel like to be a creature that was about to face something unknown. Sarah encouraged them to think about all five senses to 'paint' an image of this creature's world. Following this initial brainstorming the students went on to write their own poems about their chosen creature. They ranged from a cheetah in the hot grasslands who was very hungry to a virus who contemplated it's own powers. The current concerns about the environment were voiced in a clever poem about a chameleon living in a forest that was rapidly disappearing. The students demonstrated an enormous capacity for letting their imaginative thoughts create poetry. It was remarkable how much was happening in just one hour.

"I personally quite enjoyed the event as I am a great admirer of poetry and to meet a great poet in the flesh and to speak and take instruction from her was great and inspiring. My poem idea for a virus inside a human's body was an idea which I would never have thought of without talking and meeting Sarah Day. I hope to continue the poem and eventually finish it. I read poetry when I can and don't mind whether it rhymes or not. The snippet from Theodore Roethke's poem that she shared with us seemed like good advice, and something we should listen to and think about. Sarah Day seemed very kind which made the event even better. I personally really enjoyed participating in the workshop and I am very pleased that I was chosen to attend the event." - Charly Spurge, Year 8



"I wake to sleep, and take my waking slow.

I feel my fate in what I cannot fear.

I learn by going where I have to go. "

- "The Waking" by Theodore Roethke

'Dear Miss Bird,

Your students were an utter delight – eloquent, enthusiastic, bright, courteous – such a pleasure to meet. All good wishes to you in your work and do send my best wishes from Tasmania to them!

Kind regards, Sarah '



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The Beach

If I drown on the beach
If the sea sweeps me away,
At least I'll of been swept off my feet
For once in my life.
I've been taught that I live in the world
But I feel isolated,
Alone.
The water dominates the sand,
Attacks it, attacks me.
Red roses.
The blood that's under my skin,
The same as you
Yet I'm so different.
Strawberry juice,
In a lemonade bottle,
Bitter, unexpected.

By Jasmin Elise Chapman

This poem by Jasmin was selected as one of eighty five commended poems for Foyle Young Poets of the Year 2017 Awards. It was chosen from thousands of entries from across the world.

Jasmin attended the Awards Ceremony on Tuesday 17th October 2017 at the Royal Festival Hall in London where the winners were declared.

"We all arrived at 11.15 am and given a 'goodie' bag containing books which included poetry and help for writing poems.

The judges came in and introduced themselves and read the top 15 poems to us. Sadly, I was not in this group but I believe I was closed to being included.

We were introduced to some other poets who read their work and we learned more about the judge's poems.

It was a fun day, I had a great time and has inspired me to write more poetry.

Lastly, I would especially like to thank Miss Bird. Because of her English Club; I had this great experience.

Thank you Miss Bird."

Report by Jasmine





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Jeans for Genes

On Friday 22 October during break-& lunchtime the school council team sold sweets, crisps and lollies. They sold out of stock and made an amazing £36.70 clear profit. The following students were responsible for this sterling effort.

Molly Chase

Charly Spurge

Raven Wales

George Willingham

Jess Middleton

Lucas Hicks

Elizabeth Wood

Osman Muraz



On Friday 6th October the school council organised a bake sale open to the students. The enthusiasm for the cakes was quite over whelming. At the end of the day a grand total of £109 was made. WOW!

The School Council would like to thank all the students who purchased cakes and all the students and parents who donated a wonderful collection of bakes.

All the money raised was donated to the Macmillan Appeal.





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Caring Student Takes Action

12 year old Elaine Defty had 12 inches of her hair cut off to raise money for charity.

Elaine and her cousin raised £150 for the Little Princess charity who make wigs for youngsters who have lost their hair through illness or treatment.

Well Done Elaine!



The students and staff paid £1 to wear jeans on Friday 21st September. They raised a grand total of **£546.65** to be donated to the Jeans for Genes Charity.

Notice for Parents/Carers and Students.

Extra booster sessions during half term are as follows.

23/10/17—English 9—12 pm Mrs Russell and Miss Bird. Music 12—3 pm Miss Kemp

24/10/17—Maths 9—12pm All staff. Music 12—3 Miss Kemp

25/10/17—Drama all day Mr Schwarz

27/10/17—Drama all day Mr Schwarz



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On Wednesday 11 October 2017 a Year 9 netball team took part in the U14 tournament at KES. There were seven teams taking part so the girls played six matches. They won five of their matches, and the one game they lost was very close, ending at 1-0 to Springwood. The other games were all victories for the girls;

	KES	Litcham	Sacred Heart	Smithdon	Marshland
St Clement's	9-1	6-1	10-0	10-0	14-3

This is a massive achievement for the girls as it means they have qualified for the County final, which is on 11 of November at the UEA.

I am incredibly proud of this team; they have shown dedication, passion and hard work, and they deserve this success.

Congratulations to the following girls:

- Beth Mallet
- Lizzie Wood
- Libby Poole
- Libby Edwards
- Holly Evans
- Ellie-Mei Shepperson
- Molly Chase
- Fay Penny
- Ilenia Freeman
- Ruby Schwarz



Report by Mrs s. Wood



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Above: under 13 rugby team

LOKI WALES TOM ADAMS
HARRY DAVISON GEORGE SHACKCLOTH
OSMAN MURAZ JAMES COOK
SHANE ROTHWELL LOGAN RUST
JAMES LAWRENCE LUKE HAYES
ED MELTON DENNIS HAMMOND
HARVEY COUNCELL



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NEWSLETTER; PHYSICAL EDUCATION

It has been a very busy start to the academic year for Physical Education. New clubs of hockey & basketball have added extra depth to the already full programme covering rugby, football, netball, trampolining & badminton. It is great to have support from staff outside the department; Mrs Wood & Mrs Drake (netball), Mr Bailey (football), Mr Brooks (hockey), Mr Feaviour (basketball), Mr Wood (badminton), along with Mrs Dexter (netball), Mr Pack (football) and Mr Clarke (rugby). Also Mrs Spurrier & Mr Bennell helping out when required.

NETBALL

Large numbers of students have attended the weekly training sessions and we have teams in years 7, 8, 9 and 10, with the year 11s entering the WN Netball tournament after half-term. This terms fixtures have been against Marshland, Sacred Heart, Smithdon, KLA, KES & in the last week of term; Springwood. The year 9s have continued their unbeaten League run which stretches back to the beginning of year 7, winning all matches played. The year 7 & 10 teams have won 3 of their 4 matches. In the U14 WN tournament on Wednesday 11th October

FOOTBALL

Once again, football is proving very popular with teams competing in the WN leagues in years 7-10. The year 7s is the stand out team in the first half of the season. They have two wins from their three matches and narrowly missed out by the odd goal in nine against KES. The county cup draws have just been made and they see the Year 7s play at home against Langley School. The Year 9s travel to Wymondham High School and the Year 10s to Reepham High School. (Also results table to follow)

RUGBY

Dave Clarke continues to develop rugby at the school. Numbers at training are consistent and they competed in Norfolk's U13s Emerging Schools Rugby Festival, held at Wymondham College on Friday 13th October. They performed well against much more experienced squads and the team was made up of predominantly year 7s.

HOUSEMATCHES

The first of the years house-matches are due to take place in the last week of this half term. Netball and football competitions will be overseen by the year 10 sports captains in two age groups; years 7 & 8 (U13s) and years 9 & 10 (U15s).

SPORTS LEADERS

Students in year 10 are completing and those in year 11 finishing the Sports Leader Award. Those year 10 students aiming for the higher level 2 award are already gaining experience by helping out at clubs in school, at Terrington Primary and at Primary Cluster events. The first of these, tag rugby, was held on Wednesday 11th October at West Lynn Primary School. Four students, Adam Bocking, Kieran Woolard, Aaron Runyard & Ethan Bullock officiated and received much praise from Tracy Bower, the School Games Organiser for the St Clements Cluster Primary Schools. Up and coming events include cross country and sportshall athletics, both being stage at St Clements High School.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

When we return after the half-term holiday, most activities will change from the traditional outdoor sports to indoor activities (clocks going back and less predictable weather!!). It is hoped that this will include table tennis, badminton, trampolining & archery. The new list will be published at the start of the half term and will start the week beginning 6th November.

Mr Osler



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St Clement's High School Football Results 2017-18 Season

St Clement's Age Groups	Smithdon	KLA	KES	Total Points
Year 7	WON 5-2	WON x 2 6-2 & 2-0	LOST 4-5	6
Year 8	LOST 2-3	LOST 0-4	LOST 2-4	0
Year 9	WON 9-0	LOST 1-5	LOST 1-4	3
Year 10	WON 7-5	LOST 3-4	LOST 3-8	3

House Matches Year 7 & 8

YEAR 7 & 8 NETBALL			YEAR 7 & 8 FOOTBALL		
POS	HOUSE	POINTS	POS	HOUSE	POINTS
1 st	DARWIN	12	1 st	BRUNEL	11
2 nd	AUSTEN	10	2 nd	CHURCHILL	10
3 rd	NIGHTINGALE	7	3 rd	NIGHTINGALE	7
4 th	BRUNEL	6	4 th	DARWIN	6
5 th	CHURCHILL	5	5 th	AUSTEN	6



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YEAR 9 & 10 RESULTS

YEAR 9 & 10 NETBALL			YEAR 9 & 10 FOOTBALL		
POS	HOUSE	POINTS	POS	HOUSE	POINTS
1 st	DARWIN	11	1 st	BRUNEL	12
2 nd	NIGHTINGALE	9	2 nd	AUSTEN	9
3 rd	CHURCHILL	8	3 rd	DARWIN	7
4 th	AUSTEN	8	4 th	NIGHTINGALE	6
5 th	BRUNEL	4	5 th	CHURCHILL	5

OVERALL RESULTS

YEAR 7-10 NETBALL			YEAR 7-10 FOOTBALL		
POS	HOUSE	POINTS	POS	HOUSE	POINTS
1 st	DARWIN	23	1 st	BRUNEL	23
2 nd	AUSTEN	18	2 nd	CHURCHILL	15
3 rd	NIGHTINGALE	16	2 nd	AUSTEN	15
4 th	CHURCHILL	13	4 th	NIGHTINGALE	13
5 th	BRUNEL	10	4 th	DARWIN	13

SPORTS & VICE SPORTS CAPTAINS 2016-17

AUSTEN

RHIAN	KINDON	SPORTS CAPT
JOANNA	FOSTER	VICE SPORTS CAPT
ARTHUR	KNIGHT	SPORTS CAPT
JACK	LOOMS	VICE SPORTS CAPT

BRUNEL

ALICIA	LAROSA	SPORTS CAPT
HARLEY	STONE	VICE SPORTS CAPT
HARRY	BLAND	SPORTS CAPT
BEN	PEACOCK	VICE SPORTS CAPT

CHURCHILL

ELOISE	RIX	SPORTS CAPT
KATE	NEAL	VICE SPORTS CAPT
LIAM	WAGG	SPORTS CAPT
ALEX	TOKAJI	VICE SPORTS CAPT

DARWIN

ZOE	GRAHAM	SPORTS CAPT
TIEGAN	BRITTON	VICE SPORTS CAPT
JOSH	BARBER	SPORTS CAPT
NICK	DURRANT	VICE SPORTS CAPT

NIGHTINGALE

ELOISE	CUMMING	SPORTS CAPT
AIMEE	DEXTER	VICE SPORTS CAPT
LEO	RICHARDSON	SPORTS CAPT
JAMES	COOPER	VICE SPORTS CAPT



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The start of an academic year is always a busy time and the first half term has certainly whizzed by this year. Congratulations must go to the Class of 2017 for their great GCSE results, which once again place us among the top schools in the area for progress. The students worked hard, we wish them every success in the next stage of their lives and we all look forward to seeing them again at the GCSE Presentation Evening next month.

The new year 7 students have quickly settled in and they tell us they are enjoying secondary school. My thanks go to all the older students who helped our new students to find their way around while they were getting accustomed to following a timetable. Although the new year has only just started our thoughts have already turned to those who want to join us September 2018. Record numbers of year 6 students attended our recent open evening and many families took the opportunity to see the school during the working day by attending one of our tours. The feedback we received was fantastic and I would like to thank all parents for their kind comments, we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

This year we are looking for people who would like to join our Local Governing Body. A letter has been sent home with all students, so if you are interesting in learning more about this opportunity then please return the slip or email me directly. We are fortunate to have very dedicated Governors and we look forward to welcoming more of you to the group.

Finally my thanks go to the School Council, the West Norfolk Academy Trust, the school site team and the contractors involved for the renovation of the student toilets across the school during the summer holidays. The student council highlighted this need and presented their case to the representatives from the Trust. The Trust provided a significant sum of money, over £70K and everyone worked really hard to ensure this work was completed in time for the start of the new academic year. I know the students are delighted with these improved facilities. Thanks to all involved.

