

# Acclaim

Be positive, Be respectful, Be your best

Kesgrave High School July 2022

#### **HEAD FIRST**

This has been a remarkable Summer Term (not just for the temperatures in the last few days). Having had examinations curtailed for the last two years and most of our usual summer activities too, we have been so excited to be back to some sense of normality. I fear that in our excitement we might have packed too much in!

What you will see in our summer edition of Acclaim is the range of work that has been taken place this term across the school, within the classroom and beyond. Students can feel proud of their work in so many areas. Whether it is in the theatre, on the sports field, or through their sense of responsibility within our school community, we are delighted with all that they have achieved. Our curriculum is broad and inclusive, with activities beyond routine lessons to enrich students' development. That is why we have been so glad to have back events like the Year 10 Spirituality Conference and performances from visiting theatre companies. We want students to develop in maturity, self-awareness and responsibility, as well as in their subjects.

Over the last few days I have had the pleasure of seeing students immersed in their Activity Week choices. I didn't manage to pay a visit to those in Disneyland and Wales, but I hear they are having a great time. Those in school and on local excursions have used the opportunity to try something new, make new friends and build relationships with staff outside the classroom setting.

I wish all our students, staff, parents and carers a refreshing summer holiday. Miss Upton, Headteacher

### Meet the Prefects

Our new prefect team will be in place from September, helping with the day-to-day running of the school as well as leading activities across all year groups. This year's candidates were chosen for their positive contribution to school life and ability to be excellent role models both inside and outside the classroom.

We have made some changes to the contribution that our prefects make across the school for the year ahead. Each prefect will contribute to the school community through a strand of service. Their choice of strand allows them to make a commitment to an area of interest, uses their strengths as individuals, but also allows them to grow in a leadership role. The areas of service are: Literature, Media and Tech, Community, Environment, Extra Curricular and Standards.

Congratulations to all who went through the selection process. The following students were selected:

Head Boy and Girl: Thomas Argeles-Stewart and Inez Manning.

Deputies: Sian Perkins, Madison Debnam, Katie Lister, Freddie Dowdswell, Reggie Steward, Yanis Kerampran.

Senior Prefects: Amy Cooper, Lauren Reavell, Lacey Jones, Dio Wright, Harrison Green, Ehsan Ahmadzai, Bethany Wildon, James Lobley, Ella Luetchford, Imogen Warren, Reuben Phagura, Ellia Luxmoore, Mario Salter, Joey Edgerley

Prefects: Georgia Moss, Rachel Fanshawe, Amy Brunning, Aaradhaya Pandey, Kai Hearn, Dylan Smith, Marc Harfield, Violet Hardman, Teagan Hines, Carys Burch, India Thiruchelvam, William Finbow, James Fidler, Liam Allen, Amy Gibson, Drew Robinson, Amrit Purewal, Jonah Richardson, Jex Zeng, Reuben Andrews, Faye Chappels, Amiee Baynes-Robsinson, Grace Hatton, Cameron Saxton, Xanthe Tate, Abdullah Kose, Hannah Page, Hope Howard.

# Meet the Prefects



# Top Achievers

There are a myriad of ways in which we acknowledge the hard work of our students. Through our 3Bs students are awarded achievement points for being their BEST, being RESPECTFUL and being POSITIVE. Alongside this, students can be awarded points for good work, community action or indeed extra-curricular engagement. Congratulations to the following students; the top 50 in each year group.

YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11
Elizabeth Tink	Hannah Read	Louis Hood	Thomas Argeles-Stuart	
Fedra Inansci	Micah Tate	Isla Groom	Bethany Wildon	Euan Kiernan
Annabelle Cockerill	Jenna Baker	Harrison Arch	Chloe-Marie Coates	Elliot Pomroy
Lucas Bourne	Faryl Hillebrandt	Clara Majeed	Will Finbow	Rory Jarrett
Poppy Rush	Matti Goffin	Ella Derrick	Joey Edgerley	Chloe Theobald
Dharshini Radhakrishnan	Niamh Cobain	Annabel Race	Finley Read	Callum Hood
Jack Lees	Kate McCloud	Imogen Oldman	James Fidler	Daisy Linassi
Sanjana Rajesh	Lilia Tuck	Maria Georgalas	Amy Cooper	Poppy Brown
Jacob Bland	Isobel Sutherland	Fenella Noble	Teagan Hines	Aidan Shaw
Darcey Peck	Matilda Woollard	Ava Crown	Yanis Kerampran	Freya Hadgraft
Haiden Hall	Callum Peck	Olevir Frith	Lilli Gardiner	Emma Buckley
Emily Margaret Blake	Connie Read	Indiana Rivers	Charlie Parr	Joseph Hayes-Gonzale:
Mia Smith	Kate Fulcher	Ayton Kilfoyle	Harry Bradbrook	Karys-Rose Bunn
Jessica Fiddaman	Lucy Briggs	Aditya Nair	Sofia Day	Emily Pearce
Elliott Parkin	Riagan Huq	Amelia Downing	Faye Chappels	Lucy Jones
Morgan Goodrich	Jake Severwright	Isabelle Craig	Nyasha John	Abi Wagstaff
Mollie Edgerley	Jack Davies	Charlie Markham	Rachel Fanshawe	Hannah Nilsson
Nell Mills	Joshua Hagan	Daniel Ringland	Noah Wright	Millie Howard
Emily-Rose Hollinsworth	Phoebe Knock	Bella Rice	Marc Harfield	Ben Mercer
Emily Soanes	Rhia Baker	Joshua Emmerson		Rosie Wilkinson
Alexis Ramsey	Katie Ryan	Ruby Farrell	Finn Seaman	Erin Keating
Hermione Himsworth	Lilia Watts	George Whinney	Leo Elliott	Daniel Pryke
Zane Khan	Caleb Vince	James Day	Poppy Manson	Harvey Yellop
Joshua Beards	Jessica Phagura	Ewan Niblock	Katie Lister	Kiana Williams
Harriet McCart	Tia Fleming	Iona Tait	Dylan Smith	Elise Allard
Abbey Sorrell	Jack Robinson	Barnaby Mann	Hope Howard	Benjamin Batho
Jessica Collinson	Livio Johnson	Alfie Dunkley	Jex Zeng	Ethan Cory
Elsie Almond	Mia Paton	Holly Cant	Amy Gibson	Amber Rippeth
Amber Clark	Darsh Rippeth	Anna Day	Megan Perkins-Abudu	Tarek El Husseiny
Eloisa Kitson	Isabel Williamson	Ethan Linsell	Dziugas Simkus	Phoebe Collinson
Isaac Kerry	Josh Hennon	Eliz Fleming	Freya Bell	Chloe Goodchild
Leona Groom	Caitlin Lummis	Harley Rush	India Thiruchelvam	Olivia Catley
Honey Sardar	Ella Line	Isobel Horne	Charlie Finbow	Erin Chappels
Zac Evason	Charlie Ruddell	Finley Craven	Daniel Robb	Abigail Terry
Rosie Mayhew	Hannah Squire	Katie Christison	Carly Cotton	Milly Ward
Florrie Noble	Ella Skirrow	Kieron Holland	Lewis Rose	Oliver Marriott
Lila Knights	Matthew Pearce	Oscar Parkin	Thomas Gill	Jensen Harper
Rosemary Mboma	Myonie Saunders	Matthew Peck	William Bolton	Max Brundell
Tilly Mae Stewart	Pippa Gibbons	Owen Cook	Harrison Eley	Lushan Maudhoo
Freddie Hopson	Nicole Richardson	Chinmay Kakatkar	Freya Knight	Calum Thompson
Diego Cunha	Henry Cornish	Olivia Oakenfull	Abdullah Kose	Oscar Munday
Phoebe Thorpe	Andrew West	Ellen Moss	Mario Salter	Carmen Giner
Iona Hadgraft	Gwyneth Albins	Samuel Squire	Isobel Haste	Ellen Morden
Rhys Black-Swallow	Ella Case	Amelie Armes		Harvey Jennings-Black
Estelle Smith		Maria Luisa Catania	Ilaria D'Angelo	Oliver Youngs

# KS3 Awards Evening

The Key Stage 3 Awards evening is an opportunity to celebrate the wonderful achievements of our young people across their subjects. In June, students were rewarded for hard work, dedication and commitment, as well as contributions to school life and creative endeavours to name a few. This event was one that enabled parents and carers to come back into our school setting with their children to mark these accomplishments.



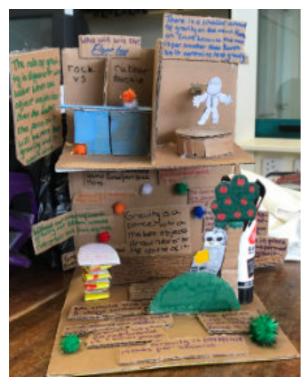
# KS3 Awards Evening

Learning Coordinator, Mrs Suett, spoke about her pride in the accomplishments of the year group, before each Form Tutor read the names of their tutees who had won awards. It was lovely to hear the personal connection of all staff to these fabulous young people and their achievements.



## PhysiXFactor

PhysiXFactor is a competition run for Years 7 and 8, focusing exclusively on an aspect of physics that the students are interested in. Students were asked to select a physics-related concept and then create an interactive model. Although the inter-school competition did not go ahead this year, students still presented their work in a lunchtime and it was an absolute pleasure to see the students' work and hear them talk so confidently about their projects. An incredible amount of work had gone into the projects, but also what depth of understanding that the students showed.













### **KS3 Computing Competition**

This year pupils in Year 7 and 8 were invited to take part in computing competitions. Students were asked to use their creativity and programming skills to produce an entry linked to their current topics of study. Year 7 were asked to create an amazing piece of artwork using Python Turtle Programming and Year 8 were asked to create an app using App Lab on code.org. We had some amazing entries, and it was very difficult to decide an overall winner for the year groups.

#### Year 7 winners

1st Place went to William Deer for some complex





2<sup>nd</sup> Place went to Tilly Mae for recreating the school's logo!

3<sup>rd</sup> Place went to Emily Sones for her scene of a house and lawn.



Special Recognition to Thomas Deer and Alex Georgalas.

#### Year 8 winners



1st Place went to Riagan Huq who created a Star Wars themed game.

2<sup>nd</sup> Place to Kate Fulcher who created a fun movie app.





 $3^{rd}$  place to Jessica Roper who created a Harry Potter themed app.

Special Recognition to Ava Melton

## Maths Challenge

At the end of April we saw another strong performance from Kesgrave pupils, this time in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge.

In Year 7, Joshua Beards won a Gold Certificate and Best in School: along with Freddie Meyer-Swift and Jamie Crouch (who also won Gold Certificates), Joshua qualified for the renowned follow on Kangaroo round. Sanjana Rajesh also earned a Gold Certificate; Jason Georgalas, Amogh Mahajan, Lily Parr, Harvey Mills, Alex Georgalas, Tilly Mae Stewart, William Deer, William Minns, Zara Mahmood and Sophie Stevens won Silver Certificates; Bronze Certificates were awarded to Daisy Parker, Emily Sones, Rahul Bhoola, Lelani Brink, Nathan Todd, Amelie Zackrisson, Dharshini Radhakrishnan, Ethan Pitt, Josh Caley, Annabelle Cockerill, Lily Munday, Millie Simpson, Dhanya Balakrishnan, Leona Groom and Francesca Le Marrec. Congratulations to all the year 7s who took part in this event, their first individual maths challenge.

In year 8, Lily Trill won Best In Year and a Silver Certificate; Silver Certificates were also awarded to Livio Johnson, Milo Wade, Patrik Blaga, Lukas Stewart, Isabel Williamson, Ella Case, James Hall, Ethan Rawlings, Hannah Read and Rhys Deex. Bronze Certificates were awarded to Evan Oldfield, Micah Tate, Jay Mahajan, Andrew West, Thomas Elmy, Nicole Richardson, Ayush Arora, Emily Hawes and Nathan Guilder. A super effort from our year 8s, who we hope to see having a go at the Intermediate Maths Challenge next year.

It is worth knowing that whilst the questions are multiple choice, there are negative marks for the wrong answers. This means that guessing really isn't an option!

Our KS3 pupils were faced with questions such as:

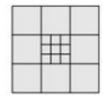
9. How many squares of any size can be seen in the diagram?

A 25

B 27

C 28

D 39



25. In the number pyramid shown, each cell above the bottom row contains the sum of the numbers in the two cells immediately below it. The sum of the numbers in the bottom row is 17.

What is the central number of the bottom row?

A 2

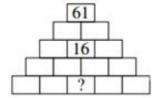
B 3

C 4

D 5

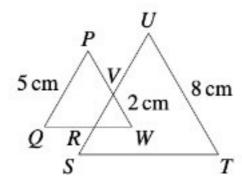
E 6

E 40



16. The diagram shows a seven-sided polygon, PQRSTUV. It is formed by two equilateral triangles PQW and STU of side-length 5 cm and 8 cm respectively.

The two triangles overlap in an equilateral triangle of side-length 2 cm.



What is the perimeter of PQRSTUV?

A 27 cm

B 30 cm

C 33 cm

D 36 cm

E 39 cm

Answers to JMC question 9: B = 27; question 25: C = 4; question 16: C = 33cm

# Maths Challenge

#### **Kesgrave Primary Maths Challenge for feeder primary schools**

We were very pleased to welcome mathematicians from Birchwood, Cedarwood, Heath, Martlesham and Waldringfield primary schools on June 14th to take part in our annual Maths Challenge. Pupils worked in teams of 4 and had to decide on their strategy for tackling each round of questions. We started with a gentle "Group" round, followed by a "Logic" round; the "Cipher" decoding round was next, and we finished with a very animated "Speed" round. All 8 teams showed great resilience and it was a close-run competition right to the end. "Heath's Cool 2.0" secured 3<sup>rd</sup> place, whilst Birchwood "Crisps" who had been leading from the start, were nudged into 2<sup>nd</sup> place by Cedarwood "Cooler than You" who snatched 1<sup>st</sup> place in the final round. Huge thanks to the primary schools for coming and joining in.

Mrs Excell



### **Crochet Club**



This term's Crochet Club has seen some great creative successes, including these gorgeous bees from Edie Walkling and very on-trend shopping bag from Hannah Read, both in Year 8.

If you would like to learn more, or even try your hand at a new skill, Miss Hartill will be running Crochet Club again from September.



### Success at Maths Competition

Three teams of Year 9 students showed excellent teamwork and problem-solving skills at the AMSP Ipswich Summer Snack hosted at Westbourne Academy. The students were put into teams of four and performed admirably on some tricky tasks finishing 1st, 2nd and 4th out of 8 teams.

The activities were taken from the Year 10 summer feast (held earlier this year) which makes it even more astonishing that one of our teams managed to get 100% of the answers correct in one of the rounds. Students had to discuss and solve problems, complete a tricky card sorting comprehension task and take part in a maths relay.

The students who took part thoroughly enjoyed the competition and were praised for the way they conducted themselves and how well they worked together by the organisers and other teachers in the room.

A huge well done to: Harrison Arch (E9), Mia Bobusic (CO9), Katie Christison (E9), Maria Georgalas (CW9), Louis Hood (N9), Mrunal Kakatkar (K9), Clara Majeed (GO9), Ewan Niblock (K9), Daniel Osborne (CR9), Leah Phelan (K9), Daniel Ringland (GO9) and Jacob West (N9).



### Success at Maths Competition



# Music Concert

May saw our first school concert in two years, which was a resounding success! The broad range of music included several rock bands from a variety of years, some of which, unusually, comprised a mix of year groups as more experienced students stepped in to help support the efforts of the younger ones.

Special mentions go to Louis Hood in Year 9, who performed a song he wrote himself; and lean Duffy in Year 11, who selflessly filled in with many of the bands that night. Another mention must also go to James Evans in Year 13 who created a rather complex arrangement of 'Favourite Things' for the 6th Form Jazz Combo to perform.



## Music Concert



### Year 10 Spirituality Conference

This year we were able to run our Spirituality Conference for Year 10, an opportunity we have not been able to do for the last two years due to COVID. The aim of this conference is to give Year 10 the chance to experience different activities around the topic of Spirituality. This includes physical activities such as yoga, qigong and meditation or more creative options within art, creative writing or crafts. Through these options pupils were able to experience and understand the term 'Spirituality' from different perspectives.

Some of these activities were run by outside speakers who were able to bring knowledge and understanding of these practices. Although students may have been a bit apprehensive about some of the activities, feedback from both staff running the sessions and our Year 10 was very positive, with many pupils surprised by what they learnt during their session. This is a really valuable opportunity for our Year 10 to step out of the classroom environment and embrace ideas beyond their normal lives.

Mrs Korbani



### Year 10 Spirituality Conference



### Duke of Edinburgh - Bronze

32 Year 9 students completed their final assessed expedition:

Emily Agnew Florence McKay

Mia Bobusic Ellen Moss

Hepsie Capey Madi Murphy

Kiara Cracknell Ewan Niblock

James Day Genevieve Padman

Lyna Ducatel Sulaiman Qureshi

Joshua Emmerson Amelia Ramos

Maria (Panagiota) Georgalas Isabella Rice

Amit Gonen William Shaw

Grace Hayward Finlay Snowdon

Riley Howell Jess Steward

Adam Hunt Reece Summerhill

Mrunal Kakatkar Isla Trenter

Chinmay Kakatkar Magnus Vincent

Louis Lawson Riya Wawdhane

Ledger Madison Zoe Wildon

This was a two-day expedition where students were required to carry all of their expedition kit, food and safety equipment in large rucksacks. They cooked a hot meal on Saturday evening and breakfast on Sunday. They navigated the route independently and were faced with hot temperatures during the day and a thunderstorm on Saturday evening. Every single student completed the expedition with a positive attitude and a smile on their face!

Route: Melton Riverside car park to The Orchard Campsite, Wickham Market: 18th-19th June

Students submitted their own photos of their experiences:



## Duke of Edinburgh - Bronze



### Duke of Edinburgh

Skills, volunteering and physical sections:



Hepsie Capey: Artwork for skills section

> James Day: vector (digital) drawing for skills



Under 14's
Division 3 Runners Up
2021-22

**Riley Howell:** Runners Up in the football league for physical



Sent to all cycle camp attendees,

Dear Reece Summerhill,

Congratulations on completing the 2022 Cycle Camp.

A massive achievement of around 80 miles for the scouts and 90 miles for the explorers. There are not many young people or even adults who can make this claim. You should be very proud of your efforts, both physical and mental, to get through to the end and it just shows that if you put your mind to something you can achieve great things.

I hope you enjoyed the event and have all now recovered and even looking forward to next year's cycle camp!

I would also like to thank both the adults (leaders, helpers and parents) and young leaders who supported the camp by creating the routes, cycling over the event or being part





**Reece Summerhill:** Learnt to cook a variety of dishes for skill, was a Young Leader at 4YP for volunteering and cycled 80 miles for the Scouts 2022 Cycle Camp.

### Year 7 Disco





On 5 July Year 7 had an awesome time at their end of year disco. What a great (if rather hot!) way to celebrate their hard work and commitment to their first year in high school. It was a privilege to see them enjoying themselves in this environment - lots of sweets were consumed and lots of dance moves were performed, just perfect!

Mrs Wheatley and Miss Rush





# Wellbeing Champions

Year 7 students Morgan, Chloe and Zane all attended and represented the school at the Emotional Wellbeing Festival 2022 in May with Miss Rush. This was attended by various schools across the county and enabled schools to meet and look at support around mental well-being and listen to presentations from local professionals. The students really enjoyed the day and were keen to come back and make a difference

They came up with an idea to run a session for the new Year 6 joining us in September and specifically the nurture group as they understood that their transition maybe needed more support that they were now keen to offer.

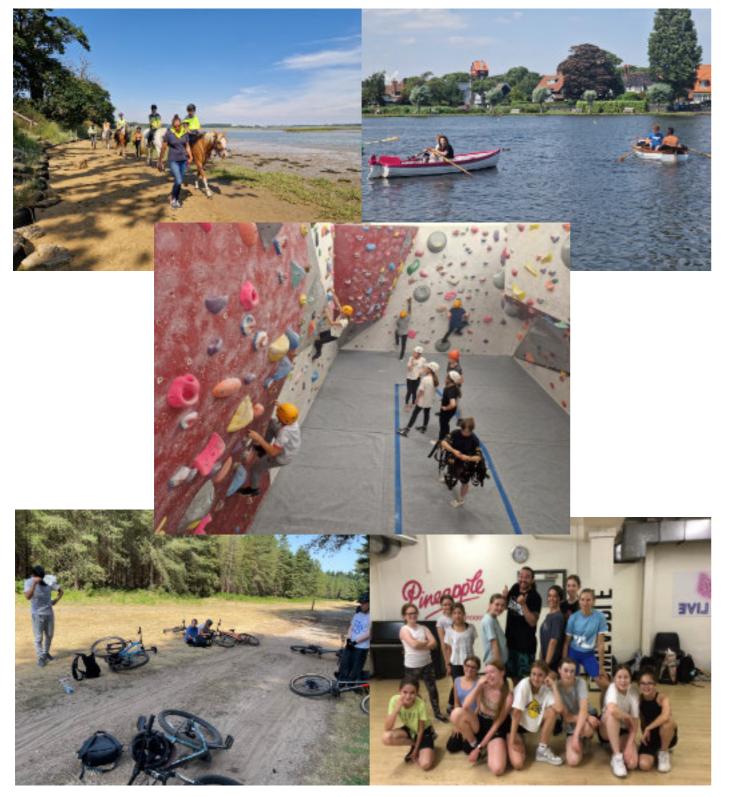
They put together their own presentation and delivered it very professionally to each group on the nurture visits. As part of the sessions, they are teaching the students self-help strategies including breathing, grounding and positive thinking techniques. They have also given the Year 6 students summer treat bags to take away with lots of goodies in.



## **Activities Week**

In the final week of this term, students from Years 7 to 10 have been able to finally return to Activities Week, having not been able to enjoy the vast array of opportunities for a while, as a result of Covid. This week saw students taking part in a huge numbers of activities, including things like boating, dance, obstacle courses, drama, art and crafts and retro gaming, as well as trips to the cinema, Colchester Zoo, The Playground and Disneyland Paris, to name a few! Year 10 were also invited to attend workshops delivered by representatives from the Careers and Enterprise Company, supported by local employers, and 7 Resourcing, a recruitment agency specialising in supporting young people with work-related skills.

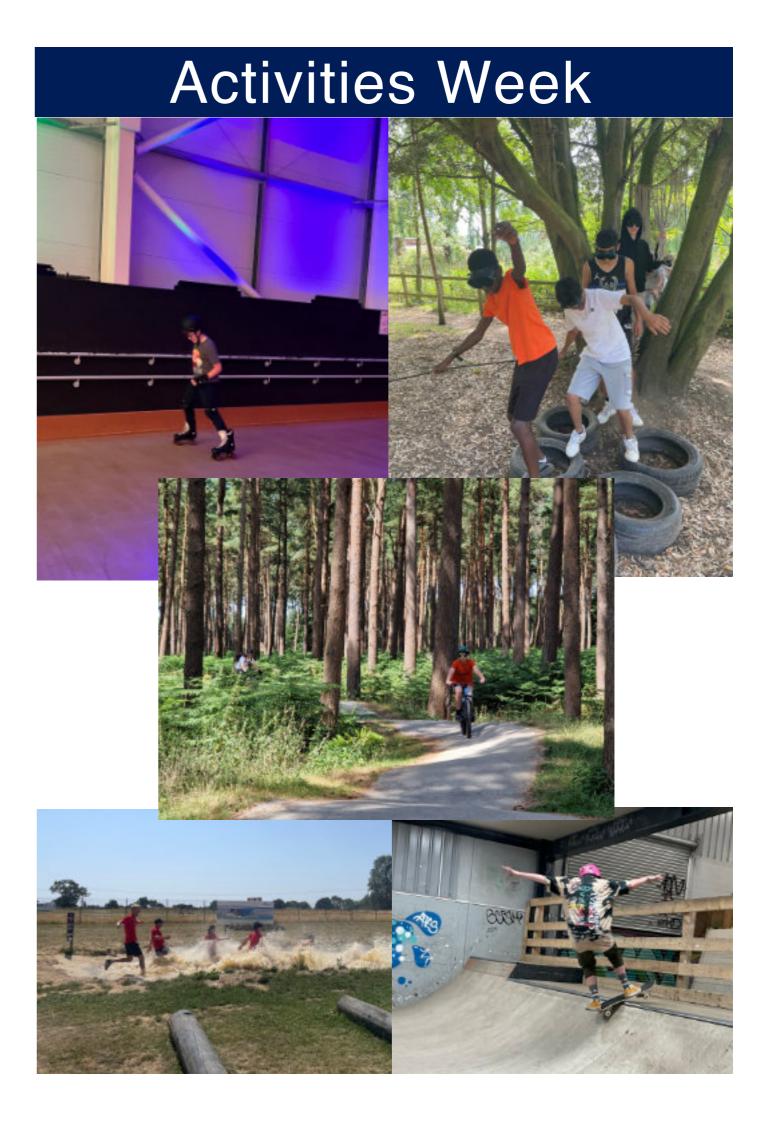
We hope everyone had a fantastic week and thanks to all the staff who organised, lead and helped with activities.



## **Activities Week**







## Bake Off

In the penultimate week of this half term, students from Years 7 to 10 were busy baking for the KHS Bake Off competition and cake sale, organised by the school council, in order to raise funds for a variety of charities chosen by our five houses.

In the morning, a representative from each form group who entered the competition brought their potential-prize winning cupcakes to be judged as the 2022 Bake Off winner. It was a tough decision, but the following students were selected, gaining them a Bake Off apron as a prize.

- 1. Harriet McCart (HU7 Nuffield)
- 2. Samay Rippeth (SH7 Keller)
- 3. Alex Abbott (GW7 Nuffield)
- 4. Iona Tait (M9 Royal)
- 5. Finley Green (CU8 Hillary)

Congratulations to other bakers including Bethany Villiers O7, Verity Andrews HA7, Sanjana Rajesh M7, Lilia Tuck LY8, Myonie Saunders SU8, Emily Deer E8, Jenna Baker LE8, Isla Trenter C9, Ruby Farrell N9, and Sadie Wilkins TI10.

At breaktime and lunchtime, students battled it out the sell as many cakes from their form group stall as possible. There was a wonderful buzz in the air and a vast array of home-baked goods for students and staff to enjoy.

The total amount raised from all sales was £421.17 with forms from Nuffield House topping the charts with the highest level of sales from 4 form groups. The tutor group with the highest level of sales was H7 with £44.79 raised. Well done!

Thanks to everyone who supported this fantastic school event and raised funds for Macmillan Cancer Support, Yellow Door, Alzheimer's Society, Aspire and Versus Arthritis.

Mr Ozanne and the School Council



### Bake Off



### Year 10 - Macbeth

Back in May, Year 10 were given the opportunity to watch a theatre performance of the Shakespeare play 'Macbeth', as part of their GCSE studies in English.

Performers from the Young Shakespeare Company visited the school and delivered two sessions to Year 10, during periods 1 and 2, in which they sampled particular scenes and then discussed possible ways of directing characters, before performing the entire play. Given that there were only four members of the cast, they had to play several parts in the play, using costume, props and varied acting styles to convey the different characters. The Witches for example wore boiler suits and bloodied hoods, giving them a modern, yet disturbing appearance.

The actors started off by reminding students of who the characters are in Macbeth and their roles in the play. They also acted out a few scenes, such as Act 1, scene 7 where the relationship between Macbeth and Lady Macbeth is conveyed, discussing how the scene could be performing differently, to communicate meaning to the audience.

Their acting style was unique to each character being represented and their outfits were reused, quick to get on and off for scene changes and suited a contemporary depiction of this famous play set in the past. By cutting the play down and only performing significant parts, it helped Year 10 visualise the key scenes better whilst enhancing their understanding of the plot, character and themes being presented.

Drafted by Madison Debnam (TI10), Hannah Fray (D10) and Mrs Tighe



### Trip to Cambridge

On Tuesday 28 June a group of Year 10 and 12 students visited St. Catherine's College, one of the 31 colleges that make up the University of Cambridge. The trip was extremely beneficial for us in the sense that we were able to see first hand what it would be like to study at Cambridge. We visited the college's accommodation, learned about the application process and received many opportunities to have any questions answered by St. Catherine's students themselves. We were also able to see the city itself, allowing us not only to see where we could be studying, but also the area and atmosphere where we could be living - a lively city with much to do.

This trip was a great motivation for me, it also proved to many of us that despite stereotypes, Oxbridge is more attainable than you realise and there is immense support out there if Oxbridge is the pathway you want to go down. I do believe that looking into studying at Cambridge and courses available online gives you a good insight into life there however, nothing compares to visiting the university first hand, it truly is a great eye opener.



### County Lines Theatre Production

We welcomed the INK theatre company into school at the end of June to deliver two performances of their commissioned play Cuckoo. This play aims to illustrate how young people are targeted by exploitative drug traffickers, and what the consequences are for individuals who find themselves caught up in these dangerous networks. The play evokes the way that the teenage need for friendship, excitement and independence can be exploited and, even in rural counties such as Suffolk, can lead young people step-by-step into a dangerous lifestyle.

These performances were given to Years 9 and 10, complimenting the work done on such issues in our PSHEE curriculum. The performances were very powerful, punchy and had relatable characters. Students were captivated by the story of a brother and sister duo and how their normal lives unexpectedly spiral out of control. Students engaged well with the live performances and the Q and A section afterwards. We also welcomed PC Hannah Canning from the Schools Liaison team, who spoke to students about how to report any concerns they have for themselves or others. These performances left our students talking about the issues covered and how great the actors were. A real success!

If you would like support with understanding the issues surrounding County Lines, you can find more information at: https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-we-do/our-work/child-criminal-exploitation-and-county-lines/what-is-county-lines





### Jubilee Celebrations

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee saw fantastic celebrations throughout our community this term. Two of our Year 7s got into the spirit of the occasion with some very creative commemorations.

Hayden Leeks in M7 entered a pencil sketch of a young Queen to the Ipswich Jubilee Art Competition. His fantastic drawing was selected for the Platinum Jubilee Display, running in the Town Centre. Well done Hayden!

Meanwhile, Elizabeth Tink in S7 was busy designing an impressive card to send to the Queen. Her efforts were rewarded with a very special thank you letter from Buckingham Palace featuring a picture of Her Majesty. What a wonderful keepsake of the happy event.



# Billy Elliott





We were treated to an absolute tour de force with the return of our annual production. There have been challenges across the year to us getting this to the stage, but we were determined to bring back live theatre into the school.

Audiences were delighted by three nights of wonderful performances from students from Year 7 to Year 13. On stage, in the pit and backstage, students showed their dedication and craft.

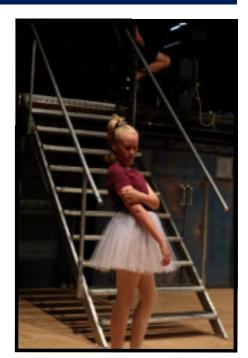
Our farewell to Daniel Sones, Finn Lawley and Lottie Woodley in their last show. They most certainly ended their Kesgrave High School journey on a high.



# "The world is grey enough without making it worse. What we need is individuality."











## Football County Finals

Six Year 9s and a year 10 pupil completed sports leadership training as part of the Schools Games programme to get more young people involved in a wider range of roles in sport. Pupils developed skills in organisation, communication and officiating within either Netball or Cricket alongside pupils from other schools in the area. They all very quickly gained a very positive reputation and were invited to help run a local Primary schools' festival/tournament in their chosen sport. This provided them with the opportunity to utilise their skills and begin building experience in roles of leadership and responsibility. All of our pupils received glowing comments and feedback from the organisers as well as parents of the primary pupils, and they should be very proud of their contributions to what were really successful events. I am sure they will all have gained confidence and benefited from these experiences as they continue to volunteer and take on other challenges in the future.

Very well done to:

Lily Burton, Ella Derrick, Lauren Hammond, Harriet Sheppard, Caitlin Davies, Faye Chapples (Netball)

Reece Summerhill (Cricket)

Mr Roberts and the PE department



Well done to the whole team: Amelia Cudworth HU7, Iona Hadgraft GW7, Tilly Steward SH7, Poppy Berry T7, Brook Taylor T7, Everlyn Butcher T7, Neve Melville M7, Lilly Parr T7, Lilly McQuillan R7, Emily Sones M7, Isla Bell HA7, Rosie Bradbrook T7, Sophie Kent GW7.

### Football County Finals

**U14 Boys Football - KHS 3 - 0 Copleston High School** (H. Stiff, M. Hunt 2)

The Year 9 boys were crowned county champions at the end of the 2021/22 season wrapping up a very exciting set of fixtures which tested and challenged the whole squad in many ways. All members of the team not only showed their footballing talents but developed a formidable togetherness which was often the difference in close matches. I have thoroughly enjoyed being a part of this year's journey and seeing the boys characters mature with; commitment, determination and resilience. Their ability to handle pressure, support each other and stay composed is at the heart of their success.

The cup final was played on the excellent 4G pitch at Needham Market F.C. against a strong Copleston team, with a brilliant crowd in support. An incredibly tight first half saw Kesgrave maintain the majority of possession and control, but could not make it count. Confident goal keeping and a solid defence limited Copleston's chances yet both teams were very well organised and were effective in cancelling out each other successfully. Copleston came out with intent in the second half and Kesgrave rode the storm showing great composure and patience as well as confidence in their own game and ability. Very soon, Harvey Stiff scored with a clinical finish from an excellent though ball, and although settled nerves a bit, it just fired Copleston up more and they raised the intensity further, as was to be expected. The game took many turns from here with both teams creating chances and forcing some incredible defending and goalkeeping, highlighting the commitment and determination all players were showing. With less than 5 mins on the clock Milo Hunt scored a fantastic goal, striking the ball sweetly from well outside the box and sending it into the top corner. This was followed by another from Milo in the final minute to consolidate the win. All players showed their class in celebrating passionately yet with respect, knowing they have been a part of something very special this year. Putting Kesgrave onto the county cup and having their achievement displayed in the PE "hall of fame" is something they are all very proud of.

It has been a pleasure and privilege to work with these boys and I very much look forward to next season.

Mr Roberts



Congratulations to the whole team: Harvey Brooks CW9, Brandon Ndlouu CW9, Harry Aldous CW9, Charlie Laws CW9, Alfie Skinner CR9, Okeri Hambira CR9, Milo Hunt CR9, Jake Adams C9, Ricky Nicholls C9, Josh Earye C9, Will Sansom K9, Elliot Ferguson K9, Harvey Stiff K9, Jake Parker M9, Herbie Ellis R9, Sam Ashcroft E9.

MOTM—Brandon Ndlouu & Okeri Hambira Player of the season - Brandon Ndlovu Most improved player - Okeri Hambira Most valuable player - Harry Aldous Top goal scorers - M. Hunt 9, H. Stiff 8

### Football County Finals

#### KHS U16 Girl - 1-1 Chantry Academy after full time.

Lost on penalties to Chantry academy (a very narrow defeat!)

Good effort team: Amy Brunning M10, Millie Howard JH11, Sky Bostock HU10, Emily Buck D11, Charlotte Meers HU10, Molly Nicholson A11, Charlotte Sayer L11, Katie Yorke JH11, Lottie Barker T10, Emma Drake LE11, Kim Stock S10, Kara Bradbury D10, Sophie Willson D11, Jessica Reed P11, Maddison Butcher L11, Freya Hadgraft JH11.



#### U15 Girls Football 0 KHS 5-3 Copleston High School

The U15 girls finished off our week of county finals last night. The final score was 5-3 to Copleston but the players were an absolute credit to the school in how they performed and how responded to the loss showing great sportsmanship.

Well-played team: Amy Brunning M10, Kara Bradbury D10, Sky Bostock HU10, Jessica Steward C9, Charlotte Meers HU10, Ellie Baystead D10, Magdalene Ryan R9, Kim Stock S10, Lottie Barker T10, Madison King N9, Taylor Blake CR9, Natalie Tyler H9, Charlotte Albins CR9, Nicole Davies CW9, Ruby Goodin CW9, Carly Proud H9.



# Football County Finals

#### **U18 Boys Football**

Jack Robinson, Ben Meers, Owen Boyd, Tom Humphrey, Charlie Driver, Jack Cotterill, Harry Haste, Matt Williams, Darius Petrea, Sidney Barnsley-Sadasivan, Rory Willis, Tom Linfield, Tom Whelan, Josh Howlett, Hayden Rayfield.



# County Champion

Ricky Nicholls, in C9, competed at The Suffolk County AA Championships on May 15th, which was held this year at Northgate Sports Centre in a joint competition with Suffolk Schools.

Ricky, who regularly runs for Ipswich Harriers, did both his club and school proud in the 100m and 200m events. Not only did he come first in both races, receiving two gold medals; he also earned himself two new PBs 100m 11.9 and 200m 25.1.



# Sports Day

This year's Sports Day was bigger and better than ever before. The annual event saw new additions to the day including the Medicine Ball Throw event to go alongside the very popular Vortex throw and a new format saw record numbers of pupils running the 100m heats. We also saw a superb staff band performing in the main spectator area!

Across all age groups we had record levels of entrants and participation. This was particularly evident in the Millennium Mile, Tug O War, Mini Olympics and 800m events, a reflection that our students enjoy both participation and competitive events.





Well done to all competitors on Sports Day and congratulations to the House winners, Hillary!

# Sports Day

#### A huge congratulations to this year's Victor/Vitrix Lodorum winners!

#### Year 7

Victor Lodorum Jason Georgalas

Victrix Lodorum Nell Mills

Year 8

Victor Lodorum Finley Brennan

Victrix Lodorum Esther Andrews

Year 9

Victor Lodorum Okeri Hambira

Victrix Lodorum Lily Burton

Year 10

Victor Lodorum Connor Sturch

Victrix Lodorum Lola Beaumont





### **Festival of Dance**

We are back! What an evening of live performances. All dancers and the Sixth Form band did themselves proud. Our alfresco festival feel was transformed into the sports hall, but not even the weather could stop such enthusiasm and joy the students had to be back on the stage. The whole evening from start to finish had a relaxed, yet professional feel which left the audience wanting more, and even dancing alongside the performers whilst enjoying their picnic and drinks.

The evening opened with the Y10 GCSE Dancers taking the audience to a carnival in Brazil. Both Y11 and A-Level students jumped at the opportunity to have one final performance and were invited to attend and celebrate such exquisite curriculum work achieved this year. This coupled with Extra Curricular clubs saw dance thriving once again, and an opportunity for everybody with an interest and passion in Dance to take to the stage regardless of ability or experience.

As a school, our partnership with Louise Kate Dance continues to develop with her extensive programme of classes which run at Kesgrave High School in the evenings. We were lucky for her to showcase some of her upcoming show work as part of the festival too! Again, as a way of inspiring our students for additional dancing opportunities – The next platform for more performance opportunities.



### **Festival of Dance**



## Year 12 Art Trip

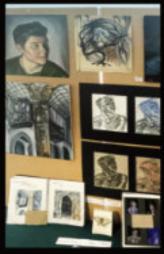


# A-Level Art Exhibition



### A-level Fine Art

This term we were so pleased to see the return of our big Art & Photography end of course exhibitions for the first time since 2019. Our students worked incredibly hard in challenging times to produce a range of fantastic work covering a wide range of themes. Across the next 4 pages you will find examples of the super work produced by our students on our A-level and GCSE courses. Congratulations and well done to all students! Ms Clarke, Head of Art

























### A-Level Art Exhibition



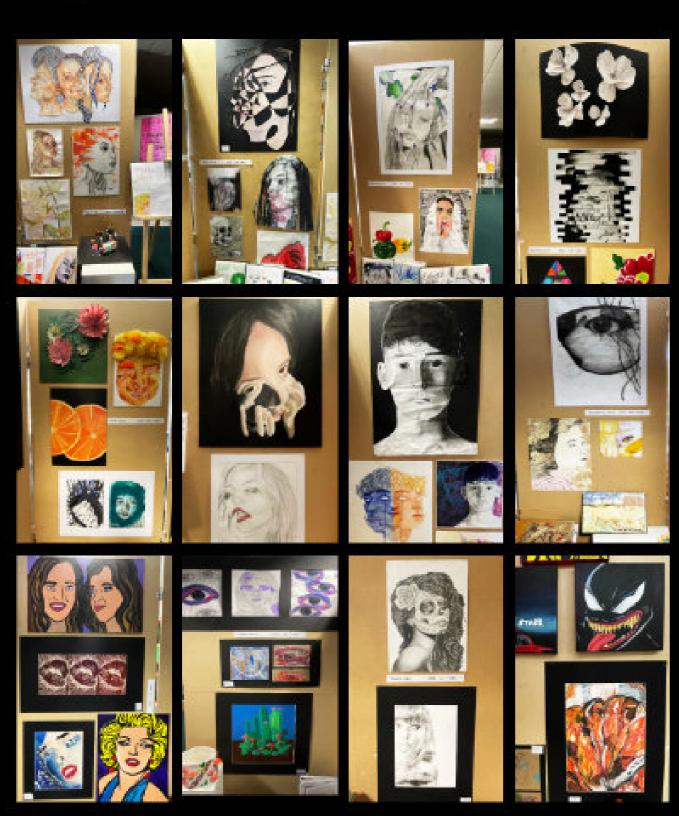
A-level Photography



## GCSE Art Exhibition



GCSE Art & Design



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