

# GREENFIELDS ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

## TERM 5 AND 6 - 2019



As the academic year ends, it is wonderful to see how much the pupils have accomplished this year. Their achievements extend from academics to sport and outdoor education. They have accomplished and achieved so much because of their ability to work together as a team, which is a great strength of the school and our Trust as a whole.



We are extremely proud to be awarded the Silver Sports Mark Award. This represents all the hard work and effort in PE by pupils and staff. Children have been more engaged in physical activity during PE lessons and extracurricular activities such as ice skating and climbing. Various sporting competitions have taken place including the Grantham District Athletics Championships, and we were very proud to finish in 3<sup>rd</sup> place! The children really are a credit to our school.



We are incredibly lucky to now have a sensory room in school thanks to financial support from Lords Taverners! The new facility includes interactive equipment, bubble tubes and fibre optic lighting. Sensory rooms expose children to exciting stimuli in a safe environment and offer different methods for relaxing and calming pupils. The children are enjoying exploring the new facility.

## **English**

In Year 10 and 11 there has been preparation and controlled assessments for Entry Level English exams in writing and spoken language. Pupils have also been revising and undertaking recorded spoken language tasks.

Pupils have been studying novels, poetry and spelling, punctuation and grammar. Writing tasks have included preparing Curriculum Vitae's and covering letters. Pupils have also taken part in careers interviews.

In Year 7, 8 and 9 pupils have been studying novels, poetry, descriptive and letter writing with exercises on spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Pupils have been studying a range of novels including Two weeks with the Queen, Holes, Our Day Out, and Lord of the Flies.

Year 11 pupils have been sitting their exams interspersed with revision periods.

## **Geography**

In Key Stage 3, pupils have been looking at UK tourism and focusing on its growth. There have been some lovely displays of work where the children have created posters of tourism areas across the UK.

## **Food Technology**

Key Stage 3 pupils have been looking at identifying different types of pasta and have enjoyed making pasta dishes such as Spaghetti Bolognese and looking at ways they can adapt their dishes.

The children also looked at different fruits and had a tasting session of various types. The pupils made some lovely fruit smoothies to go with their delicious shortbread.

To finish the topic, children enjoyed a visit to Syston Farm to pick some scrumptious strawberries. They were lucky enough to have a professional baker visit the school who demonstrated to the children how to make fresh fruit tarts.



## **History**

During Term 5 Year 7 pupils studied the Tudors and focused on how Henry VIII increased his power by taking over the Church in England. Pupils also researched why he divorced his first wife Katherine of Aragon and why he married Anne Boleyn. The pupils then studied how the Church changed and became Protestant in England, which led to the difficulties Mary Tudor and Elizabeth faced during their reigns. In Term 6 we moved onto the English Civil War and looked at the causes of this conflict and the pupils investigated whether they would support the Roundheads or Royalists. In the new academic year, pupils will be discovering what happened to Charles I in 1649.

Year 8 have completed their study of World War 1 and its impact on the British people. They looked at the differences between democracy and dictatorship. The pupils produced a profile of the three dictators - Hitler, Stalin and Mussolini. During Term 6, they studied the impact of World War 2 and looked into Evacuation and the Blitz.

All pupils in Year 9 and 10 are following the AQA History GCSE course. They have all completed the first module 'Health and the People', which looks at the development of medicine from Hippocrates to the Modern Day. Currently they are studying the module 'Germany 1890-1945', which looks at the causes of both World War 1 and 2 and the impact on the German people across this period.

## **Key Stage 1**

Key Stage 1 have been learning all about space and have created their very own rocket ship that is currently being painted, ready for take-off. Children were prepared for take-off with their very own space passports. Pupils have enjoyed learning about this topic and completed a range of different work. They have improved their knowledge, learning new facts about space, and created their own alien using the paint software on the laptops. Well done for all their hard work!

## **Adventure Service Challenge Award**



Congratulations to all our Year 7s on completion of their 'Adventure Service Challenge Award 1'. The ASC Award certifies the pupil's learning in Outdoor Education. Since Christmas, pupils have developed their knowledge of basic First Aid and appreciation of the Outdoors at the Forest School. In their physical section, the pupils learned a new physical skill of Wall Climbing.

The culmination of the award requires pupils to complete a residential trekking expedition. Following training expedition sessions; cycling at Sherwood Pines and Walking the Viking Way, pupils then progressed to completing a 7.5Km expedition across open countryside of the South Wolds, camping overnight in Woodhall Spa. The recreational aspect of the expedition saw pupils enjoying

a pizza night at camp, visiting the Kinema-in-the-Woods to watch Toy Story 4, and enjoying a cooked camp breakfast, and Outdoor Swimming at Jubilee Park.

Seeing the pupil's determination in competing their expedition challenge was very pleasing, likewise seeing their pastoral progress individually and as a social group.

Well done to all the pupils on achieving their ASC 1 Award!

## **Sport**



### **Woodlands vs Greenfields** **Demeter House vs Greenfields**

The school football team have played in two away fixtures. The initial fixture was away at Woodlands Academy in Spisby. It must be said, well done to Woodlands on a great victory, but massive credit to the Greenfields squad that dug deep and saw the tough fixture through. Some great moments of play and excellent commitment regardless of the score line. Furthermore, the sportsmanship and fair play was demonstrated throughout the game and awesome to see.

The second and more recent away fixture was at Demeter House in Brigg. Pupils were amazed by the facilities at this location and demonstrated respect and appreciation. The game was played in great spirit with lots of grit, passion and determination on what was an extremely hot day. There was also an opportunity for some debuts and they definitely made the most of their chance. The game finished with a 1-0 victory to Demeter House who scored during the dying embers of the game, just seconds after a late substitution. It must be said though, there were many outstanding performances from all. It is evident that training is paying off and many developments could be seen on the pitch.

Our victory is coming Greenfields!





What an awesome journey many children have had along the way throughout this current term regards Cricket. At the beginning of June, it was soon apparent that very few pupils had ever experienced the game of cricket and those that had demonstrated some basic skills to get by. Six weeks on and a large proportion of the school are engaging in an inter house Cricket tournament which took place at the high-quality function with excellent facilities at Grantham Cricket Club. Three Greenfields Houses battled it out, with runs galore and fours being hit all over the park. There was plenty of respect, fair play and sportsmanship demonstrated from all teams along with some excellent skills demonstrated across batting, bowling and fielding. At the end of the day, all score cards were gathered and positions were calculated. Celebrations took place and Lancaster come out on top. Well done team Lancaster and well done to all those who took part, it was a good day and a great success!

### **Greenfields Sports Day**

We had a very successful sports day this year, in third place was Spitfire scoring 493 points, second place was Lancaster scoring 593 points and in first place Hurricane with a whopping 782 points!

Well done to the children for all working together and to the staff who were involved in organising the day setting up and everyone else involved in making sure this was a fun day for all. Thank you and well done to the staff involved in the staff relay too!

Congratulations to Connor G who scored the most points overall in Secondary, and to Lucas P who scored the most points overall in Primary. What was wonderful to see was all the children supporting each other and cheering each other on during their events, this really does reflect our school ethos and the children did us all proud.



Pupils have worked incredibly hard and had a fantastic academic year at Greenfields. In addition to Entry Level and GCSE exams, pupils have enjoyed numerous sporting events, residentials, trips, outdoor education, Duke of Edinburgh and Forest School. We are extremely proud of all of our pupils and for those who are leaving this year, we wish them all the very best for the future!

**As a school team, we would like to thank all our pupils, staff and parents for all your support this year and hope you have a fantastic summer!**

**We look forward to seeing you all in September.**

