

Heartbeat



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Sixth formers take in emotional Holocaust trip

Last month, our Year 12 students spent a week taking part in the National College Open Network (NOCN) course for General Religious Education.

The Year 12 students explored themes of justice, creation and prejudice through activities such as film, discussion, art, games and problem solving.

Among the activities was a trip to the Beth Shalom Holocaust Centre in Nottingham to remember those who died in acts of genocide. All visitors to the Centre are asked to place a stone in memory of the 1.5 million children who died in the Holocaust.

Lewis Daniels (12E) spoke of the emotion he felt as he placed his stone: "I felt sorry for all the children that had lives taken away from them. It was unnecessary and didn't need to happen."

Ciara Taggart (12D) added: "I imagined how I would feel if my loved ones had been in the concentration camps and I will never understand what those people went through."

Whilst there, Beata Uwazaninka told the students how she found herself caught up in the Rwandan Holocaust in 1994, when she was 14-years-old.

Jacob Draper (12A) appreciated Beata's courage. He said: "It was very emotional, inspirational and powerful, listening to Beata's story. It tells us that, no matter what, you should stay strong."

Emma Fraser (12R) echoed Jacob's sentiments by saying: "I think her view on remaining grateful for just being alive is very important because we should all be thankful for the life we have been given."

Head of RE, Mr Moorhead, said: "It was a great trip and the students were moved by the experience, especially Beate's talk."



College's night at the opera

Our College went classical recently as St Edward Hall hosted an opera supper.

The ever popular Una Voce Opera Company performed in the presence of The Mayor of West Lancashire, The Deputy Mayor and Mayoress of Wirral and the National Operatic and Dramatic Association's North West regional Councillor.

Among those at the event was Director of Operations, Mr Langton, he said: "Una Voce has a mission to bring opera to all at reasonable prices and in accessible places. With that in mind, we were pleased to be able to offer our facilities to them, which included use of the newly refurbished entrance hall, stage and auditorium."

Among the array of performers was former pupil, Danielle Thomas, who is a mezzo-soprano.

Danielle has had a glittering career since leaving Sacred Heart, singing at many civic events, working with Liverpool City Council at Freedom of the City Ceremonies and Citizen of Honour Ceremony and Remembrance services that have been attended by more than 9,000 people.

Mr Langton added: "Our own pupils not only enjoyed an eclectic evening of opera but also volunteered to help with the serving of drinks and looking after our guests. "The College will also be hosting other opera events throughout the year and I would urge you to come and sample opera at first hand, you might be surprised at how good it is."

News in brief

The Great Gatsby is showing at tomorrow's Sixth Form Film Night. Year 7 Consultation Evening is on Thursday. The Year 8 Ypres trip leaves on Friday.



Sacred Heart Catholic College



Open Evening

— Thursday —

23rd October 2014

— 6.30-8.45 —

Upper Site • Liverpool Road



Headteacher's Welcome
7pm and 7.45pm



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