

Heartbeat



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Year 9 Review

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Japanese jolly for scouts

January



In our final 2014/15 review from Upper School, we look back at some of the events that shaped our Year 9's calendar
From Japanese jamborees to stepping in to John Craven's shoes, it has been an action-packed time for our Year 9s

In January, two of our Y9 students, along with Emily Shields from Y11, staged a fundraiser in a bid to raise £3,300 each so

they can jet off to Japan to represent their country in an international event.

Elspeth McCauley (9E) Jenny Woods (9C) and Emily (11T), gained highly sought after places at the 23rd World Scout Jamboree.

The ten-day event, which sees thousands of Scouts come together to experience different cultures, takes place in July.

The first World Scout Jamboree took place in London in 1920 and has continued since with the aim of uniting Scouts and Guides with messages of peace and global understanding. The theme of the Japanese Jamboree will be 'Wa', meaning harmony, unity, friendship and peace, allowing a 'spirit of unity' to share cultures and faiths.

But the trip is not cheap and the Scouts

have had to raise their own travel funds in order to take part.

The three youngsters took part in numerous fundraising activities, such as car boot sales, cake sales and even baby sitting.

Maths' Mrs Shields, mother of Emily, said: "For three girls to be selected, all from our school, is an amazing achievement. They had to go through such a big process to get selected, it's massive and we are all so proud of them."

Emily Bird, inset, (12H), who featured in Heartbeat in November 2013, will also be jetting off to Japan after successfully reaching her fundraising target last year.

Campbell's scoop on Newsround

December

In December, Campbell Wallace swapped the classroom for the small screen as he presented a piece for CBBC's Newsround. The budding Trevor Macdonald presented a piece about Liverpool's Everyman Theatre winning the prestigious Stirling Prize for being Britain's best new building of 2014.

Campbell (9D) said: "I explained how the Everyman re-opened this year after a big refurbishment and beat the likes of the Shard and the London Aquatics Centre to the Stirling Prize, which is a massive deal in the world of architecture."

As part of the theatre's young acting group for the last three years, Campbell has appeared in many performances and has played a role in the Liverpool Empire's stage production of Lord of the Flies.

If any other Middle School pupils are interested in current affairs, you can contribute to the weekly news PowerPoint by contacting your Head of Year.



February



During February half-term, our Year 9s swapped their classrooms for the ski slopes of Austria. For many, this was an entirely new experience but, before long, all the youngsters were whizzing the slopes like seasoned veterans. Among those who accompanied the students was Mrs Hannigan, who commended all on their trip for their bravery and behaviour throughout. She said: "This was a wonderful week, with so much opportunity and every one of our students rose to the occasion and all were great ambassadors for Sacred Heart.

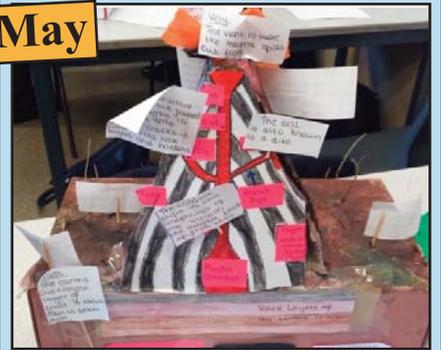
April



Just before Easter, students in Mrs Morgan's Year 9 class were set a GCSE extended writing task about climate change and ways in which we can reduce our carbon footprint. Mrs Morgan explains: "All the students produced work at a C grade or above, which is to be celebrated at this stage in Year 9. So well done to all. There were three pieces of work that were outstanding, demonstrating a firm grasp of the scientific principles behind the task."

Prizes went to Robert Waterman, Cameron Lythgoe and Leah Gillam.

May



Homework had our Year 9s in a lava during March, as they had to make model volcanoes.

Their volcanoes came in all shapes and sizes but all were done to an extremely high standard. Pupils had to assess each other's work, giving it a grade and then explain their reasoning for that mark. They then produced a self-evaluation of their own work, considering what went well and what they would do to improve their level.

News in brief

A 6th Form Heart of Crosby Festival takes place throughout the week. There is a screening of *The Theory Of Everything* in the Drama Studio from 3.30pm tomorrow. Tuesday also sees the launch of a Pop Up Art Gallery & Fashion Boutique. The Year 11 Prom takes place from 6.30pm on Friday at Aintree Racecourse.