



# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Students seem refreshed and raring to go after a relatively sunny October break. Coming up this term (as well as mock examinations for Year 11 and formal assessment weeks for Years 12 & 13 ) are lots of opportunities to shine in and out of the classroom. I am particularly looking forward to watching the KSHS version of *The Tempest* at the Shakespeare Schools Festival at the Drill Hall in Lincoln next week and from the sounds coming from the 90 students in the rehearsal space after school each week Rock Challenge rehearsals are going well!

Congratulations go to our Growth Mindset nominees from the past two weeks; there are certainly lots of students giving their all, whether that's in class, during educational visits, on the stage or on the sports field. I hope you enjoy reading about what we have all been up to.

Mrs J Smith  
Head of School

## Useful Dates

6 Nov	Shakespeare for Schools Dress Rehearsal
6 Nov	PTA Meeting 7.00pm
7 Nov	Year 12 & 13 Senior Maths Challenge
7 Nov	Shakespeare for Schools Festival Performance, Lincoln Drill Hall
8 Nov	Careers and Further Education Insight Event
8 Nov	Year 13 Joint Sixth Form Parent's Evening
9 Nov	Year 12 & 13 A Level EP Conference Cambridge
9 Nov	Youth Council Meeting at NKDC
10 Nov	Question Time NK Event
14 Nov	Duke of Edinburgh Celebration Evening
17 Nov	Children in Need Day

## KSHS Food Bank Collection

This year the school's Interact club has offered to put its efforts behind the food bank collections which are being led by the charity captains of 9A, Ellie Carleton and Libby Cawsey. Thanks to all of their efforts we got off to a good start with our first collection of the year. Forms 7L and 9F especially brought in a fantastic number of items and have set the bar high for next term's collection.

Watch this space as we will be doing a regular push every term but thank you to everyone who contributed something as this will have a huge impact for those who need help in our community.

Mrs H Megginson  
Form Tutor 9A



# Geography Fieldwork

## Focus – Autumn Term 2017

The Geography department have been busy getting their students out of the classroom and experiencing fieldwork this term. During the autumn term we have run 5 fieldwork days to ensure we meet the curriculum requirements at Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5.

During the term Year 11 Geographers visited Hunstanton to study the impacts of tourism on the land use as well as studying the effectiveness of the sea defences in this coastal town. The data they have collected will now be used as part of their GCSE studies and students have been busy preparing graphs and presenting the data in their Geography lessons.

The new Geography A Level requires students to complete several days of fieldwork as part of their studies. In order to meet these new requirements Year 12 and Year 13 have had a range of fieldwork experiences. In Year 13 the fieldwork depended on the

focus of their Non-Examined Assessment (NEA) which constitutes 20% of their overall A Level grade. This is the first time that A Level students have been able to devise their own individual investigation and they chose to investigate a range of questions/hypothesis which vary from deprivation and crime in a local town to issues associated with coastal management and protection. Finally, in the last week of term Year 12 visited Boston, Freiston Shore and Skegness to explore both the physical and human aspects of Geography. They examined the diversity of land use asking members of the public about perceptions of their town and practiced both old and new data collection methods which included beach profiles, pebble surveys and vegetation sampling using quadrats.

The next exciting adventure will be our Iceland visit in February 2018 where we have 53 Year 12 and Year 13 students from across the Robert Carre Trust on a 5 day expedition of the glaciers, volcanoes and coastal landscapes of this unique island. The trip will include an exciting opportunity to swim in the world renowned Blue Lagoon with visits to glaciers, volcanoes, geysers, geothermal greenhouses and geothermal power stations.



Special thanks to all the students involved in the field visits this term as their behaviour and conduct has been exemplary even members of the public commented on how polite and courteous they were!

Mrs D Collett  
Assistant Headteacher and Subject Leader  
Geography



# It's all been happening in the Library...

## French DVDs

We're delighted to offer a new service in conjunction with the French department – a range of French DVDs can now be borrowed by students for a week at a time completely free of charge! Pictured are Mrs Wallis and Miss Beckitt with some of the titles available, which are already proving popular.

## Open Mic(s) for National Poetry Day

As in previous years, the library hosted an 'open mic' event over lunchtime to mark National Poetry day on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September. Students read their own poetry or prose, or favourite works by others. The event proved very popular, and we had so many contributors, that we had 'Open mic part 2' on Friday 29<sup>th</sup>! Thank you to everyone who contributed, especially the Year 7 readers (pictured) who read so enthusiastically, and Scarlet Desorgher (11F), who again was a very able co-host.



## Electronic Resources

Recent Year 7 Library lessons have been about getting access to the Library Catalogue, and the range of eBooks available through the school system. This means that every student is now able to reserve a book, submit a book review, and read up to 2 titles at a time from a range of eBooks! If you want to know more about these services, please ask Mrs Wallis or a Library Captain.

## New Books

Did you know that there are lots of new books ready to borrow in the Library!

These include thought-provoking non-fiction. Pictured is new Year 7 Library Captain Emma Johnson (7F) with a non-Fiction display she helped to create.



There are also a number of new novels by well-known and up and coming authors, and a collection of 'quick reads' which can be seen near the 6<sup>th</sup> form office in a display created by the Friday Library Captain team of Elizabeth Keetch (11L), Amecia Ruddle (11L) and Mia Zadora-Chrzastowska (7W).

## New Library Captains!

We have a great team of Library Captains helping every day at break and lunchtime. We'd like to welcome the following trainees, to our growing team: Evie Sanger-Davies (8W), Emma Johnson (7F), Isabel Lyle (7F), Samia Khan (8F), Amy Walsh (8W) and Mia Zadora-Chrzastowska (7W). They have already made a great contribution – well done!



Keep reading!

Mrs Wallis and the Library Captains



# My Poppy Run

During the last week of term I sold cakes at the Year 7 settling in Parents' evening/afternoon and in school to raise money for the 'My Poppy Run' which will be taking place at school on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

The 'My Poppy Run' is a 5km run which raises money for the Royal British Legion alongside their poppy appeal. We raised £43.35 from the bake sales. The British Legion is a British charity providing financial, social and emotional support to members and veterans of the British armed forces, their families and dependents. We have a number of students taking part in the event, both members of the school running club and other runners.

If you would like to sponsor the runners please ask your son/daughter to come along to the school field on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November to support and donate or there are some sponsor forms around school. Thank you.



Phoebe Last (8F)



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THE CHALLENGE: 5km Run - Solo or Relay  
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## Spotlight on Sport

The Under 14 and Under 16 Netball teams have played well so far this year in the KSSA league. Both teams were runners up in their Kesteven School Sports Association (KSSA) tournaments and have been selected to play in the County tournaments in November.

Congratulations to the U13 Football team who won against Priory Ruskin in a friendly competition; they continue to prepare for their continuation in the English Schools Football Association (ESFA) where they will play Skegness Grammar School next.

Swimmers will have the chance to represent the school in November in the local Rotary Swimathon and KSSA Swimming Gala at Stamford School.

The annual KSSA Cross Country competition is taking place once again at Burghley House in Stamford.



Results				
Age Group	Opposition	Date	Score	Result
<b>Netball</b>				
Year 9	KSSA zone tournament	Away Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> October		2 <sup>nd</sup> place
Year 10	Priory Ruskin	Home Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	8-29	Lost
Year 11	Priory Ruskin	Home Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	29-10	Won
Year 11	KSSA zone tournament	Away Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> October		2 <sup>nd</sup> place
<b>Football</b>				
U13	Priory Ruskin Academy	Home Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	3-1	Won



Year 11 Netball Team

Upcoming Fixtures		
Age Group	Opposition	Date
<b>Football</b>		
U13	ESFA at Skegness Grammar	Away Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
U13	County Cup - William Farr	Home Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>Futsal</b>		
Year 7	KSSA Tournament	Away Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November
Year 10 & 11	KSSA tournament	Away Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November
Year 9	KSSA tournament	Away Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>Cross Country</b>		
All ages	KSSA tournament	Away Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>Swimming</b>		
All ages	KSSA tournament at Stamford	Away Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November
All ages	Swimathon - Sleaford	Away Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> November

# My day at the Mark Foster Swim Academy

In half term, I attended a 1 day swim camp in Nottingham with world champion swimmers Mark Foster and Katy Sexton.

Mark Foster swam 50m Freestyle and Butterfly, breaking many world records. He made his 5<sup>th</sup> Olympic Games appearance in Beijing in 2008, being given the honour of leading the GB team out as flag bearer.

Katy Sexton swam 100 and 200m backstroke and was the first British woman to win a gold at the World Championships and was awarded a MBE in 2003 for her achievements.

The group was split in two and I was in the pool first for a 2 hour session. I learnt a lot about streamlining and breathing technique and watched demonstrations from Mark and Katy.



After lunch, the group received a presentation from the coaching team on mindset, diet/hydration and fitness and how all three are equally important when competing.

In the afternoon, I had a land based training session with Anthony and Rob, who are both Personal Trainers. I learnt about the importance of warm up and cool downs to prevent injury, we did some resistance training and had lots of fun, finishing off with a game of tug of war.

It was great to meet two swimming champions, hear their stories on commitment and belief and listen to their advice on how to be the best you can be. The day taught me so much but the main things were that 'nerves are good' if they are managed in the right way and you can never FAIL. Instead, 'FAIL' stands for 'First Attempt In Learning. I will try to use this advice in everything I do, not just sport.

Abbie Wilkinson (8W)

# House Football

## 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017

As House Captains we organised a 7-a-side House football competition for Year 7 and 8. Each House entered and played against all of the other Houses in the competition.

The winners in Year 7 were Aveland!



*Aveland Year 7 Football Team*



*Year 7*

In second place were Flaxwell, then Loveden, then Winnibrigg.

First place in Year 8 were Winnibrigg!



*Winnibrigg Year 8 Football Team*



*Year 8*

It was very close; in fact the winner was decided on goal difference. Close behind in second place were Flaxwell, then in third was Aveland and last but not least, Loveden.

All students from both year groups were very enthusiastic, and competitive. Everyone had a really good time and luckily the weather stayed dry and the sun shone for us! Each team will be awarded House points for their participation, and a prize will be given out to the winning teams in the upcoming weeks. We would like to thank everyone that took part and hope they enjoyed the event. We hope to run more House sporting events in the near future.

Chloe Ridley (13L) and Matilda Wyatt (13L)  
Loveden House Captains

# GROWTH MINDSET NOMINATIONS

9<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Staff are invited to nominate students who have demonstrated a Growth Mindset in the past couple of weeks. This might have been in lessons, in clubs, in tutor time or simply around school.

Please note we already award bi-annual subject badges and merits for good academic work, effort and improvement. These Growth Mindset nominations recognise those who show resilience (academic or otherwise); who aren't afraid to get things wrong and learn from it; those who have a go, take themselves out of their comfort zone or show that even if a task is tough they will persevere.

Subject area	Student being nominated	Tutor Group	Staff nominating
Biology	Taya Lee	10KG	Mrs L Martin
Chemistry	Clary Burn	11L	Mr N Periam
Drama	Sophie Halse	12L	Miss T O'Leary
English	Francesca Holmes	13F	Mr J Cassidy
EP	Alexia Johnson	9F	Mr C Savage
Food	Hazel Richard	10MLA	Mrs J Pankhurst
French	Bethan Andersen	11A	Mrs C Curran
French	Amy Moat	7L	Miss A Beckitt
French	Emily Shaw	11A	Mrs C Curran
Geography	Aneeka Manocha	7F	Miss R Grindey
German	Olivia Allen	9A	Mr L Rooke
History	Sian Whitford	12L	Mr D Dennis
Interact Club	Lauren Addison	10NP	Miss E Turner
Maths	Lucy Blair	8A	Mrs K Green
Maths	Jersey Case	7A	Mrs K Green
Maths	Liv White	7W	Mrs H Megginson
PE	Amber Parker-Worthy	9L	Mrs J Stacey
Physics	Rebecca Hebden	10JC	Mr D Spafford
School & Student Services	Becky Creedon	7A	Mrs P Robertson

## PSHE

The Alcohol Education Trust supplies schools and parents with up-to-date information about issues surrounding the use of alcohol by young people and how to help them make the right choices with regards to alcohol consumption.

Their latest newsletter for parents can be found at <http://www.alchooleducationtrust.org/parent-area/parent-newsletter/>. This month's issue highlights some research about the drinking habits of younger people changing and being safer.

Mr L Rooke  
PSHE Co-ordinator



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