



Newsletter

21st June 2021

The week before last 36 Year 9 students and 8 members of staff took part in a very successful Bronze DofE training walk in the area around DSHS. This saw 7 DofE groups navigate along circular routes around Salwarpe, Churchfields and beyond whilst being taught skills in teamwork and emergency situation response as well as navigation by their instructors. The students took a great deal from this preparation for their qualifying expedition.



This was followed last weekend by the Bronze DofE Award qualifying expedition. The students coped really well with challenging navigation and adverse weather conditions on both days, and aside from one withdrawal due to injury, they all completed this section of their Award.

Congratulations to those listed below:

Sally Baker, Beatrice Boutayre-Burrows, Joseph Bradbury, Erin Brodrick, Emmie Clarke, Joseph Connolly, Charlie Crutchley, Billy Deacon, Emily Dutton, Isabelle Edwards, Sophie Gomersall, Chloe Hodgson, Madeline Holyfield, Bryn Lambe, Sam Milligan, Briony-Mai Newman, Bruno Osman-Hopes, Ellison Priest, Alice Ralphs, Izzy Rollit, James Rudkin, Bea Rusby, Grace Rusby, Catherine Sandell, Sylvia Scattergood, Jack Sherry, Izzy Sprague, Emily Sprague, Molly Still, Ben Tandy, Chelsea-Leigh Thom, Owen Throssell, Sophie Watkins, George Wharton and Harvey Winter





Year 10

Well done to 10BA French who have worked with their French partner school in Aix en Provence to produce a presentation about their school day. (Screenshots below)



In History **Abi Davis** has produced an excellent piece of work examining the relationship between Edward I, and his father, Henry III.



Mazie Downes has completed excellent History homework on Edward I.

The task in lesson was to take pictures of the key events within the reign of King John and Henry III using Lego figures. The students were then tasked for homework to use these pictures within their groups to create a storyboard showing the timeline of their reigns.



Year 10 “Choux”ting Stars!

Last week, Year 10 food students demonstrated their mastery of the skill of choux pastry. Their Chantilly cream filled chocolate covered profiteroles were a thing of beauty and drew gasps of delight across the Home Economics department. Well done to:

Sofie Berry-Morris, Freya Brindley-Jones, Leanne Dearing, Abi Eversham, Leon Hancock, Dominic Harrison-Taylor (who cooked them at home), Rico Holloway, Holly Hulston, Jack Millwood, Amy Pullen, Megan Randle, Emma Sable, Priya Sharma, Jade Weston, Rhys Anstey, Paige Dandridge, Hattie Grainger, Brandon Hey, Holly Jackson, Ciaran Luscott, Tibor Maguire, Luke Morris, Lakeisha Perry, Codie Pomeroy, Ellie-May Preston, Charlie Rowe and Molly-Anne Webb.



Leanne Dearing, Kimberly Hussey, Lucy Earl, Skye-Marie West, Phoebe Davies, Brandon Connaire and Cerys Masters have all attended after school rehearsals in preparation for their upcoming practical assessment in Drama. They are commended for their attitude and self-motivation.

Year 9

Pleasing progress in their attitude to learning this week in English has been made by Jodie Homer, Mischa Sorrell, Jamie Lea Tasker, Owen Smith and Stanley Broadway.

Sonny Priestly, Leona Calder, Kiera Nicklin and Mia Lloyd made very good progress in their poetry assessment.

9LR continue to display an excellent attitude to learning. In particular, Katie Blackmore, Jacob Bastock and Jasmine Crawford all gained high marks on their ‘quotation quiz’, based on their exam text Of Mice and Men. Well done to James Lettis for winning this week’s Positive Prize Draw for his attitude and efforts in English.

Freddy Fletcher, Ashton Hughes, James Rudkin, Alesha Bennett, Grace Rusby, Isabelle Edwards, Emmie Clarke and Summer Goodwin, Flynn Hatfield-Evans and Harry Clarke have all demonstrated an excellent attitude to learning in History throughout the year.



Year 8

In History, 8LW and 8LR have done some excellent work as historical detectives this week. Their investigation of the death of a local woman during the 1800s was very impressive for the effort and enthusiasm both classes showed throughout the lesson.

In Year 8, Joshua-James Evans, Kian Taylor, Cartell James, Hannah Carter, Thomas Smith and William Miles have been working excellently during their Industrial Revolution topic, especially in their work on trains

8RW, 8RR and 8LC French classes have studied French film and music over the past term and have approached both topics with enthusiasm and maturity.

Callum Lewitzky and Amelia Chahal have demonstrated sustained focus and good work in English.

Olivia Traynor, Rachel Mandic and Cerys Jones are commended for an outstanding presentation in Geography on China's Belt and Road Initiative.

Next academic year, up to 12 students in Years 10-13 will have an exciting opportunity to take part in The National Theatre's 'New Views' playwriting programme. Every year hundreds of students from across the country take part in writing workshops with professional playwrights and theatre trips and develop their own 30 minute plays. At the end of the year, 9 scripts are chosen for a shortlist with 8 of these receiving Rehearsed Readings and 1 selected to be fully staged at the National Theatre with a professional director, designer and cast.

More information can be found at: <http://www.new-views.tv/> and from Mr Izod or Miss Lapsley.



And Finally...

We had some unexpected visitors last week.