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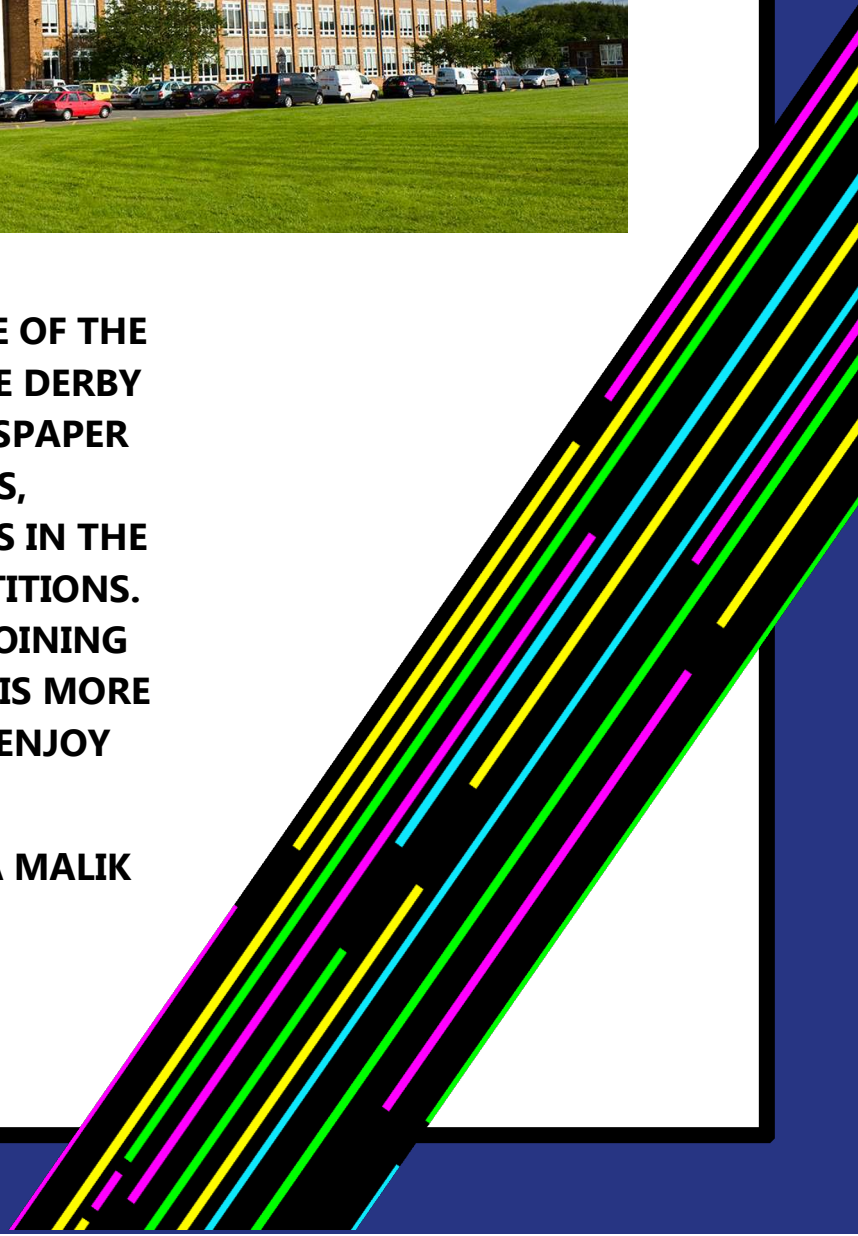


The Derby Times



**WELCOME TO THE FIRST ISSUE OF THE
STUDENT NEWSPAPER AT THE DERBY
HIGH SCHOOL. IN THIS NEWSPAPER
WE HAVE WORLD NEWS,
INFORMATION ABOUT EVENTS IN THE
AUTUMN TERM AND COMPETITIONS.
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING
STUDENT NEWSPAPER THERE IS MORE
INFORMATION ON PAGE 5. ENJOY
READING!**

BY STUDENT LEADER AREEBA MALIK



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Each month, we will ask your head of years to nominate a student for their hard work. This is Student of the Month, and they will receive a certificate with achievement points.

YEAR 7 **MICHAEL WITHERS**

YEAR 8 **JAYDEN BUTTERWORTH**

YEAR 9 **RILEY BAKER**

YEAR 10 **HAMZA SHAMIM**

YEAR 11 **AMAIMA HUSSAIN**

**WELL DONE TO
YOU ALL!!!**



Your Student Council

Year 7

D= Katie Stephens & Saqib Baig

E= Hassan Irfan & Zaria Bajwa

R= Ezra Isaac & Alwaz Khan

B= Madhi Abbas & Amina Khalid

Y= Brooke Moulding & Habiba Imran

S= Tabeeb Ahmed & Ameera Zafar

C= Laraib Malik & Anaya Shabir

H= Lexi Gould & Abu-Bakr Farooq

Year 8

D= Aram Saleh & Max Long

E= Arishah Hussain & Erin Burns

R= Leigh Oli Bebb & Phoebe Burrows & Fahmeed Sultana

B= TBC

Y= Esa Khan & Scarlet Poxton

S= Mia Baker & Georgia Fenton

C= Lillie Lord & Zeenat Ahsan & Zara Nazeri

H= Eliza Ali

Year 9

D= TBC

E= Hollie Burke

R= Ibrahime Archie & Fatima Abrar

B= Arqam Chaudhry & Imaan Maqsood

Y= Olivia Bridge & Riley Baker

S= TBC

C= TBC

H= Luke Gallagher & Jerome Bell Nixon

Year 10

D= Areeba M & Amelia H

E= Emily B & Wilbur L

R= Anjalin H

B= Imaan U & Evelyn W

Y= Mohammad R & Samantha F

S= Israr A & Feeza A & Harvey D

C= TBC

H= Inaya J

Year 11

D= TBC

E= Amira Ali & Alina Bakhat

R= TBC

B= TBC

Y= Ethan Edge & Yousuf Ahmed

S= Miley Gopal & Lily-Mae Topkins & Hashim Ali

C= TBC

H= TBC

PEER MENTORS

2022-2023

Each Year 7 form has been assigned up to a minimum of 4 Peer Mentors. Year 10 Peer Mentors will help Year 7's to easily transition into the Derby Life. They are there to support you and have recently introduced a new scheme Peer Paired Reading which allows the Peer Mentor to connect with a Year 7 student. They will work closely with the Year 8 Buddies too. Below is a list of the Year 10 Peer Mentors.

Year 7 with Year 8 Buddies and Year 10 Peer Mentors

<u>7D</u> A2 E Valentine	<u>7E</u> A7 J Ormrod	<u>7R</u> B6 A Higgins	<u>7B</u> B4 Z Khan	<u>7Y</u> A3 B Majeed S Abdullatif	<u>7S</u> IN1 A Woods H Henrys	<u>7C</u> B7 S Ashworth	<u>7H</u> B9 S Hardicre
<u>8D</u> Buddies C8 Z Mohsan	<u>8E</u> Buddies A9 J Bramwell	<u>8R</u> Buddies C10 R Chapman	<u>8B</u> Buddies B2 D O'Brien	<u>8Y</u> Buddies A5 S Siddeka	<u>8S</u> Buddies B8 A Schofield	<u>8C</u> Buddies B5 M Hall	<u>8H</u> Buddies A6 E Johnson
<u>Peer Mentors</u>	<u>Peer Mentors</u>	<u>Peer Mentors</u>	<u>Peer Mentors</u>	<u>Peer Mentors</u>	<u>Peer Mentors</u>	<u>Peer Mentors</u>	<u>Peer Mentors</u>
Kaitlyn Brennen (10R) Mc Kenzie Razaq (10R) Maha Ali (10C) Lucy Corrigan Freeman (10C)	Anjalin Hyder (10R) Scarlett Brown Hallie Warriner (10) Abdula Jiyad (10Y) Zahra Iqbal (10R)	Wilbur Lomax (10D) Amelia Horne (10D) Hannah Pycroft (10R) Jack Dryng (10R) Momina Murad (10R)	Imaan Uddin(10B) Evelyn Wood (10B) Minahil Qarnain (10Y) Jack Bethel (10R) Aiden Garford (10R)	Zilpah Fletcher (10E) Naseem Mehmood (10E) Maliha Ghous (10C) Trinity Headley (10R) Feeza Ali	Liam Hunt Areeba Malik (10D) Lucy Willcock (10H) Hibba Naveed (10B) Ali Muhammead (10Y)	Ryo Bower (10E) Harley Farrugia (10E) Marissa Bridge (10E) Onisa Moin (10C) Tayab Shahbaz (10B)	Minnal Asjed (10D) Mia Godfrey (10D) Inaya Junaid (10H) Ishaa Iqbal (10C) Ahmed Ali Mehmood Shaheen (10B)

WELCOME TO STUDENT NEWSPAPER

By Areeba Malik

As part of the Derby Diploma, we offer every student to participate in the enrichment activity: Student Newspaper. Student Newspaper is an exciting activity which gives you journalism skills, opportunity to share your voice and to be part of a team. This club is a real-life experience. It is Student-led by Areeba Malik. Students can write articles, interview different people, do photography and organise competitions. In the end we would collate everything work the students have produced into one full newspaper. There will be three Newspapers per year, one for each term. However, we will release one article each week.

If you would like to join Student Newspaper, we meet every Wednesday lunchtime at our new facility Sustain Bus. You can do journalism and photography.

However, if you would like to write an exclusive editorial only once then you are absolutely free too!

Please email lprovoost@thederbyhighschool.co.uk for more information or if you would like to write an editorial.



REMEMBERING QUEEN ELIZABETH II

BY MILLIE WOOD 7C

Elizabeth Alexandra Mary, commonly known as Queen Elizabeth II, has sadly passed away at the age of 96 and to commemorate and celebrate her life here at the Derby High School, we will be dedicating this article to her.

Queen Elizabeth was seen as one of the greatest icons of the United Kingdom. During and after her life, Queen Elizabeth has been one of the most widely popular person in Britain and the rest of the world.

Queen Elizabeth II was the longest reigning monarch in British History of United Kingdom and 14 other countries in the commonwealth including Australia, Canada or New Zealand. Born in 1926 on the 21st of April, the Queen was the first-born child of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother and King George VI. Four years after her birth, her sister Princess Margaret was born.

In 1947, Prince Phillip Mountbatten married the Queen. The happy marriage lasted for over 70 years until 2021 when the Prince unfortunately passed away. Before his death, Phillip enjoyed spending time with his 4 children and creating memories which he shared with the Queen.


Elizabeth became the Queen after the death of her father in the year 1952. Her coronation was held on the 2nd June 1953 at the age of 25 in Westminster Abbey.

This year we celebrated the Queen's platinum jubilee celebrating 70 years of her reign. There were remarkable performances honoring her hard work and her resilience as a monarch.

Overall, the Queen was and still is one of the most inspirational figures of our generation. She has inspired many and will be remembered by our generation.



THE DERBY DIPLOMA

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8-8:30	Basketball at Breakfast	Breakfast Sports – Sports Hall	Breakfast Sports –Sports Hall		Library Assistants' Club
8-8:30	Library drop in	Library drop in	Library drop in	Library drop in	
Lunch	Ethos Charity Group-SUSTAIN	Spellinators & Spelling Bee – Library (JF)	Student Newspaper Y7-11 (SUSTAIN)	Basketball (JEB) Sports Hall	Mindfulness Meditation (AH) B
Lunch	Debate Club (EB) B3	Games Club – A16 (GD)		Year 11 Art Club A8 (HB)	
Lunch	Library Y7-11(JF)	Year 8 Art Club A8 (HB)	U-Dance Urban K33 Dance (MH)	Key Stage 3 Drama Club- Dr Studio	Chess Club 7-11 Lib (JF)
Lunch	Games Club – A16 (GD)	Year 11 Art Club A10 (SL)	Quickfire Quizzers –Lib (JF)	Silent reading & Book Café – Lib	Year 9 Art Club A8 (HB)
3-4pm	Science Intervention (Y11) C floor	Maths Intervention (Y11)A Floor	English Intervention (Y11) Bf Floor	Chess, Scrabble & Jigsaw Club WA	
3-4pm	Badminton SportsHall (HHU, EV)	Year 7-9 Netball – Courts (EJK)	Maths Mentors Canteen		Y10&11 Music (IM3)
3-4pm	Concert Band – M2 (TR)	Inspire Choir – All years IM2 (JH)	Shrek Production Rehearsal 7-11		Non-squad Football -WeekB
3-4pm	Move It Mondays Y7-9 (MH) Dance Studio	Keyboard Club – All years IM3 (TR)	Design & Technology Club 7-10 Girls Gym/ CREATE		Running Club (Week A only) Field
3-4pm	Great Hair Days (HD) Drama Studio moving to INCLUDE	Cookery – KS4 Sept–Dec Y9 – Nov–Dec, Y8 Jan-Mar, Y7 May	Magical Maths Y7-9 A1		Science Olympics (Y9&Y10) AP/BN C Floor
3-4pm	Year 7&8 Football –Sports Hall/Field	Media Club IM1 (HH)	Further Maths – Mathematics Beyond GCSE Y10 & 11 A floor		Key Stage 4 Drama Intervention & rehearsal
3-4pm	Year 7 Art Club A10 (SL)	Science Spectacular (Y7&8) C floor	Photography Club Y7-11 A9/A12) (PK/DH)		Key Stage 4 Dance Intervention & rehearsal (MH)
3-4pm	Silent Reading & Research – Library (until 3:40pm)	Year 9 Football (JS Sports Hall)	Years 10 Football (JO Field)		Year 11 Art Club A10 (SL, HB)
3-4pm	Passion for Poetry B5 (SST)	Girls' Rugby (EV Field)	Girls Football (All years JEB)		KS4 Photography (A9/A12) (DH)
3-4pm	Netball 10& 11 (SLE) Courts	A Matter of History Club KS4 (B13)	Year 10 Art Club A10 (SL)		Silent Reading-Library (3- 3:40pm)
3-4 pm		Bollywood Dance Studio (SA)	Silent Reading & Research – Lib	Colour coding for DofE Sections: Volunteering Physical Skill	
3-4 pm		Eco Club – Y7-11 (LI)	Yoga & mindfulness CH/JS A16		
3:15 -3:45	Quick Fire Quizzers Lib (Y7)	Spellinators & Spelling Bee – Library	Year 11 Football (SS/JEB)		
3:15-3:45		Languages Club (Y7-9) C2			
3:00- 3:40pm		Silent Reading & Research – Library			
3:00-4:00pm		knitting/cross stich – Tuesday 3-4pm A9 (GD)			

With over 50 enrichment activities, The Derby High School has much to offer. Enrichment is incredibly important because you can explore various activities for your interest, meet new people and a bonus for your C.V. It would be great if you could attend one health and fitness enrichment and one of your own interests. Why don't you take a chance and who knows it may be one of the best things you have done?

For year 9 students, this will support you in your Duke of Edinburgh because you can participate in volunteering, physical and skill activities.

There are many students led activities too therefore if there is an enrichment you would like to begin, talk to Mrs Provoost and you will have an enrichment for your own interest too!

SUPPORTING THE PAKISTAN FLOODS

By Areeba Malik 10D

Supporting the Community is key to our school. This doesn't just mean our school community or local community but the wider global community. It is also important that students at The Derby High School are aware of any world issues.

Pakistan located in Asia have areas which have been severely flooded and the people there are being deprived of having a good standard of life. Hence why the Ethos Group decided to fundraise to support the Pakistan Floods in the beginning of September.



WINNERS OF THE COMPETITIONS:

- Reyaan 8S
- Aram 8D
- Inaya Junaid 10H
- Leigh-Oli Bebb 8R
- Fahmeed Sultana 8S
- Wilbur Lomax 10E

Well done to everyone who has won a prize!

We were able to fundraise for the Pakistan Floods through a Raffle and Guess the Teddy Bear Game. We were able to raise around £70 which will be used to fund resources for those who need it in Pakistan.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this cause. You are supporting a community!



ANIMAL QUIZ

Here are some riddles on the topic Animals for you to solve. Try them just for fun!

1. I have four legs, I live in the field, I am cunning or sly, what am I?
2. It's a very small animal, is red or black and has six legs and likes sugar, what is it?
3. I live in China, I'm a kind of Bear, I eat bamboo, what am I?
4. I live on a Farm, I look like a horse but have longer ears, what am I?

BY Hamida Ahmed 7C



Changemakers Success!

At the Derby High School, changemakers have been working extremely hard for over two years in order to become Zero Waste and to make their school more sustainable. In June 2022, they were able to accomplish their climate mission by opening the new carbon-neutral facility, Sustain Bus, a space for changemakers. This bus will be home to the Student Newspaper, Ethos, Anime Club and more. It is a space where we can train students for the real world, providing them with real-life skills so they can effectively create change.

In September, the changemaker's dream and success was recognized by the BBC, and they were awarded the BBC Regenerators Sustainability Award. The BBC came to the Derby to record and celebrate this outstanding achievement.

We are incredibly proud of the Changemakers and the teachers that supported them. However, it could not have been possible without the support of their peers and the wider community. Their work will not stop here as they will continue to strive to be more sustainable.

This is the link to the BBC video, which can be watched on BBC Bitesize.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zj6c8p3>

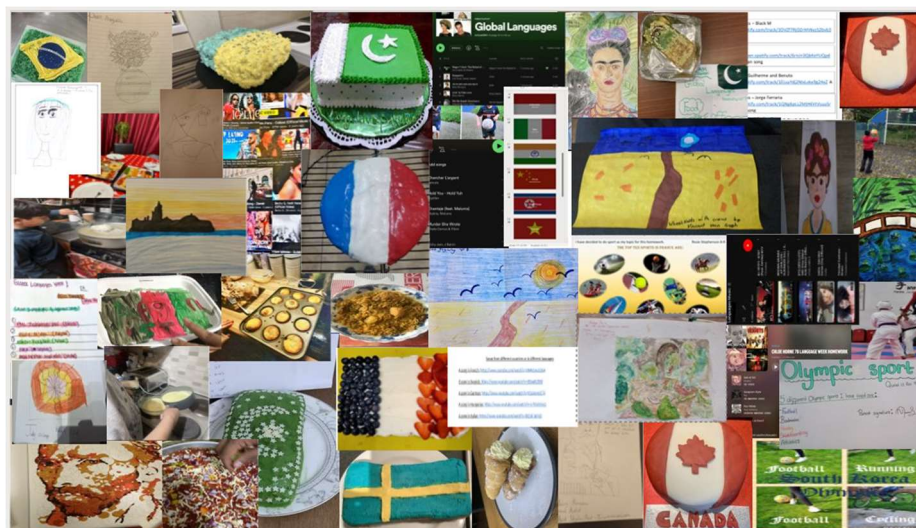


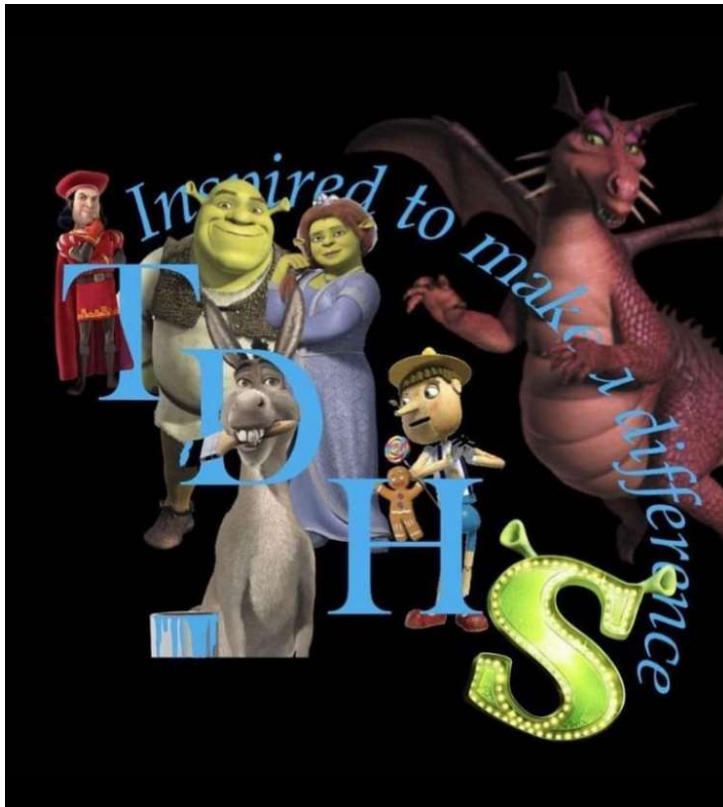
GLOBAL LANGUAGES WEEK

The Derby High School recognizes the importance of culture and language and celebrates this through Global Languages Week. This amazing event took place the week commencing the 17th of October. All year groups received an assembly in order to educate and explore all world cultures as well as languages. Following this, KS3 Languages Students within their lessons celebrating world languages, involving 7 reasons to study languages, and understanding how the world has influenced the English language. Furthermore, these students were then challenged to complete a set of activities based on the topics of Art, Food, Sport and Music. This is an extremely valuable week because not every school receives the same opportunity to perhaps celebrate their own culture and display their skills through one of the challenges. A huge well done to every student that participated and a thank you to all Language teachers ensuring this week was perfect for the students.

Below are the winners of the Challenge who have been awarded a prize and the entries that were submitted:

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Art	Jennifer Ogbuniro	Anusha Noor	Amina Ahmed
Food	Oliver Degera	Scarlett Poxton / Keira Thirkell	Alex O'Sullivan
Music	Amelia Turner	Charley Waters	Harry Green
Sport	Mohammad Farooq	Rosie Stephenson	Ani Qurat
Overall winner	Laraib Malik	Zoya Zul / Harmony MAddock	Mairah Ahmed





Shrek the Musical 2023!

Performance dates:

15-17th February

All performances start
at 7pm

Adults £6

Children £4

Family ticket- £18 (x2
adults x2 children)

SHREK The **MUSICAL**

Open evening at The Derby High School!

By Anjalin Hyder 10-R

The Derby High School community celebrated another huge success with the special open evening event to promote all of the exciting opportunities and activities that are taking place. Cars lined up for miles and eager families were raring to see what awaited them at the magical school.

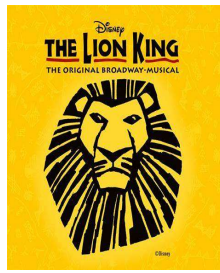
There were many different things to do from making your own keychain in the Technology department to watching a spectacular dance performance in INSPIRE. Or setting fire to bubbles in the Science classrooms as well as testing your physical abilities in the Sports Hall. The possibilities were and are still endless!

I had the opportunity to talk to a kind mother who had this to say about our significant community.

“It seems like such an amazing school and the things that I have heard about it has really persuaded me to enroll my children here. I especially love the idea of a sustainable bus for charity and community projects!”

Overall, many families left satisfied with the event and congratulations are due to the teachers, organisers and students who put in their time together to help as one! The Derby does it again!



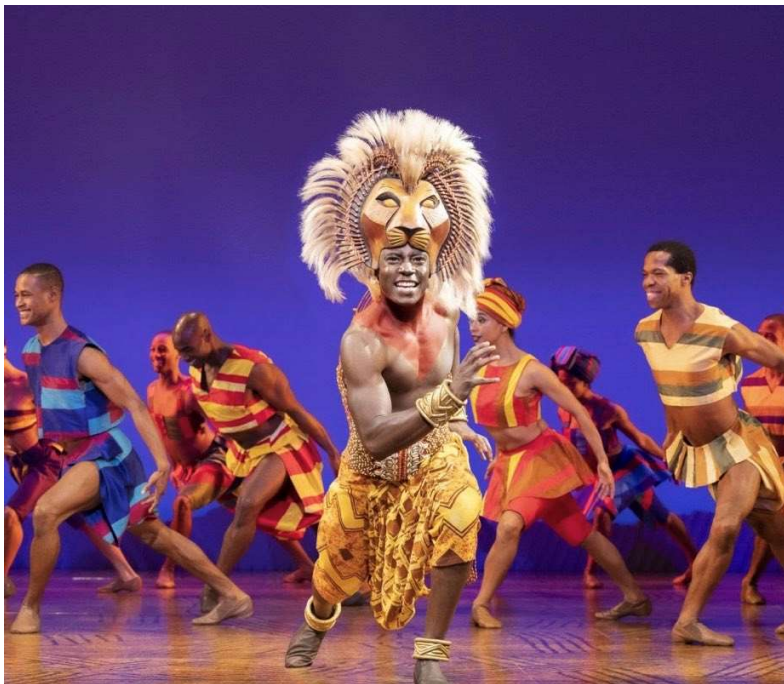


A LION KING PRODUCTION

On the 9th November, the cast of Shrek had the privilege to watch the Lion King musical at the Palace theatre. It was a remarkable performance because the Set design, the actors and props used were all exceptional. It was extremely entertaining, and the Shrek Cast were inspired by their skills.

They were also lucky to receive the opportunity to have a Zoom meeting with the Stage Manager of Lion King and were able to ask questions including what advice he could give to us, how the props worked and what his role as Stage Manager would involve.

They thoroughly enjoyed the show!



Halloween

BY WILBUR LOMAX 10E

Halloween is a spooky time of year when people of all ages take part. It takes place on October the 31st annually. One of the most iconic parts of Halloween is probably trick-or-treating. This entails people going to different houses and receiving sweets dressed in costumes (this could be why Halloween is so popular amongst children!). Another factor of Halloween is carving pumpkins. What is your favourite part of Halloween (if you celebrate it)?

Halloween originated many years ago (roughly 2000!). The tradition originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off ghosts. This is where the routine of wearing costumes at Halloween comes from. Trick-or-treating evolves from a custom called 'souling'. During Samhain, it was customary for children to beg for money and food and in return pray for the souls of the dead. This is how 'souling' coined its name.

Fun Facts About Halloween

- The word Halloween translates to Saints' Evening.
- Finding a spider on Halloween is considered good luck.
- The first pumpkins were actually carved from turnips.
- In some American cities, Halloween was originally called 'Cabbage Night'.
- Ireland is believed to be where Halloween originated from.

QUIZ

Now, time for a quiz! All of the answers can be found in the article. Email your answers to lprovoost@thederbyhighschool.co.uk for achievement points!

1. Roughly how many years ago did Halloween originate?
2. What date does Halloween take place on?
3. What is believed to be good luck to find on Halloween?
4. What tradition did trick-or-treating evolve from?

BBC: SHARE YOUR STORY

By Areeba Malik 10D

The Derby High School was privileged to participate in the BBC SHARE YOUR STORY Event. The BBC is a key media organisation who have provided all students at The Derby with a real-world experience. Hosted by Nick Bright, this event was designed to teach young people how they can share their stories because every person has a story, and each is meaningful and powerful. At the end of the event, each year group had the opportunity to ask questions. In addition, this event was to celebrate the BBC turning 100. We were also honoured to talk to special guest Ruth Madeley, A BAFTA Award-winning actress.

As Nick Bright stated, "Events like this are important for young people because they need to hear stories from people who have come before them so they can start believing in themselves." This event was truly inspirational, and we thank The BBC for giving us this opportunity.

NICK BRIGHT

Nick Bright is the radio presenter for Radio 1 Xtra. He works with a fantastic team and has been travelling all around the country on his Share your Story Tour. For those of you who are Arsenal fans, you will be happy to know he supports the team and often presents with them. Graduating from University, with a degree in Radio Presenting, he has had many experiences, including working with Mister Jam and speaking on air. He comments that he's grateful to be doing this event and will never forget the feeling of inspiring young people. He would like to share this advice with young people: "If you want to do it, then just do it, don't overthink because you're already over a hurdle and you're passionate. We have created this prison in our minds trapping our belief, and we should break it and share our story."

In the future, he hopes to continue inspiring young people and hopes to do more T.V presenting on shows. To conclude, Nick said: "Hard work never stops because you will always have to prove yourself."

RUTH MADELEY

RUTH MADELEY

"When I was your age, I would have wanted to learn more about the world." Ruth Madeley is a BAFTA Award-winning actress. Although she was born with Spina Bifida, she never let that stop her from achieving. She has overcome many challenges and donated her time through youth work to Whizz Kids (a charity that provides wheelchairs and helped her too). In university, she studied scriptwriting when the BBC offered her a role in a CBBC show. Since then, she fell in love with acting even though she might not have planned that. She said, "You end up where you're meant to end up" and now she enjoys her life. She loves collaboration in her acting life, working with different people. Her latest show is a comedy The Cleaner. Ruth feels proud that she can help more young people and advises them to focus on themselves through self-belief. Her life motto is "Don't be so hard on yourself". We are grateful that Ruth could share her story with us.



Light Up the sky!

BY LARAIB MALIK 7C

Some may hate loud noises and bright scenes, and some may love that. Everyone has their own opinions just like the group of provincial English Catholics and most importantly Guido Fawkes (also known as Guy Fawkes). On the 5th of November, a historical and vibrant event takes place lighting up the United Kingdom with appreciation for stopping an assassination attempt to kill King James I by Guy Fawkes and the provincial English Catholics. Luckily, he was stopped and sentenced to death. Some people make scarecrows of Guy Fawkes and burn that in a fire whilst some watch or actually do fireworks.

This day was also known as the gunpowder plot, which was led by Robert Catesby, that occurred in 1605. The group of Catholics planned to blow up the houses of parliament in London to kill the King. During the early hours of the 5th of November Guy Fawkes was guarding explosives when an anonymous letter was given to the authorities in order to search Westminster Palace. They found Guy Fawkes in the basement and took him for questioning and was tortured until he confessed to what he was doing there. On the 8th of November he confessed that he wanted the King killed and that someone else should take the throne. He didn't name all of his accomplices but most of them. On January the 27th 1606 in Westminster Hall Fawkes and the conspirators were all convicted and sentenced to death. The executions took place on the 30th and 31st of January where there was hanging, drawing and quartering. Guy Fawkes was killed on the 31st. This is why most people burn effigies of Guy Fawkes in bonfires to signify the events that took place on 5th of November.

**ENJOY
BONFIRE
NIGHT!**

FIREWORK SAFETY

1. Stay 3-5 feet away from the fireworks.
2. Never light any fireworks inside.
3. Wear gloves when holding sparklers.
4. Hold sparklers at arm's length.



Pantomime

Year 7 visited Bury College to watch a Pantomime in December as part of their experience in Drama.

Pantomime was one of the best performances that I have ever seen in a very long time, and I really do mean that; many of my friends absolutely enjoyed it, I especially loved the storyline and the entertaining characters. I hope the next time anyone comes they will be filled with laughter as much as I was.

BY HAMIDA AHMED 7C



Remembrance Day

By Anjalin Hyder

On the 11th of November 2022, The Derby High School came together to commemorate the lives of brave soldiers who risked their lives for us in the past, the present and the future. We observed a two-minute silence and Mr. Ridgley played The Last Post. History is an avid part of The Derby High School so we were sure to remain respectful and thoughtful of the efforts people across the world made to ensure the safety and luxury of our world today.

Remembrance Day not only remembers the lives of the soldiers lost in the world wars but those who have sacrificed their life for their country today and in other wars too. This time is to honor their lives and patriotism.

We were privileged for the Head Student Team to attend the memorial service in Bury representing our school and remember those whose brave lives were lost.



CHILDREN IN NEED

BY LARAIB MALIK

It all started when our schools ETHOS group came together to create new ideas and suggestions of what they could do for Children in Need to raise money for them! Children In Need this year took place on the 17th of November. This is a significant event because it raises money for children who may not have the same opportunities as us.

Similar to every year there was a non-uniform day where children would bring in a pound each and the students could enjoy the day in their own clothes. The effort put in that very day was outstanding as we raised a total of £833.28.

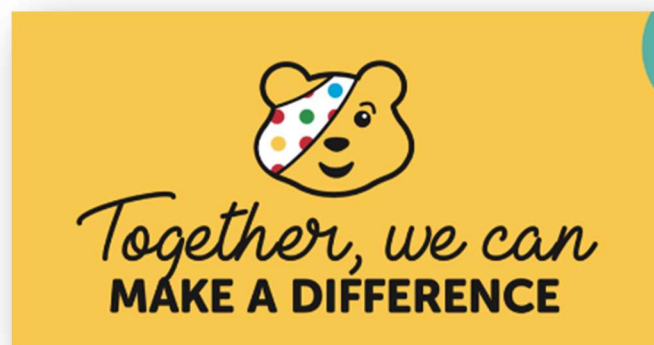
COMMENDED ENTRIES

YEAR 7= 7C,7Y,7D

YEAR 8= Arishah Hussain,
Anusha Noor, Erin Burns,

YEAR 10= Hanae El Hannach
Ajana

At Sustain there were cakes being sold for 50p and a mini book sale was held. Ping pong games were being played and the badges that was sold across the school on the following week for £1 went out of stock within the first 15 minutes ! Many forms took part in the exciting competition to create the best Children in Need piece. Yet another amazing funding event for this charity at the Derby.



Year 7 travels to Yealand Conyers:

BY LARAIB MALIK 7C

On Friday 2nd December 2022, the students in year 7 left The Derby High School to head to Yealand Conyers old school where history revealed itself to the children. Little did the year 7's know that the trip was full of spooky nights, the smell of pizza, strikes, competition and splashes of mystery.

Once arrived feeling exhilarated, they all headed out to play games, discover the history of the old school and the witches of the town. We discovered different stars and planets and enjoyed the night. The next day we went down the same path we did the previous night and explored the depths of the nature starting from the bird watching to the rivers. After a long walk but beautiful views we all took a final stop to the cake and ice cream shop ready to go back to the old school on the minibus. Once returned, we all had the chance to make pizzas! They all turned out brilliant and we enjoyed the taste and the toppings of our pizza's. After we went bowling and there was a little bit of competition between some students and staff and that made the entire game even more great. Afterwards we played games and ate biscuits and drank hot chocolate to warm ourselves up. The next day everyone was getting ready to say goodbye to the old school by packing away and getting ready to go swimming. Before that we played multiple games where the students had their energy raised high and their adrenaline pumping. Soon we got to the swimming baths, and we spent 1 hour with our friends splashing in the water and having fun. This trip has become each of the student's valued memory.



PEER MENTORS, YEAR 8 BUDDIES, AND YEAR 7s WORKING WITH THE GRUNDY DAY CARE CENTRE

Over the past few weeks, Year 10 Peer Mentors have been working with their Year 8 buddies and Year 7 forms in order to help support people in the Grundy Day Care centre. This organisation has been working with the Derby for quite a while!

In Year 7, the forms have been putting together hampers of food to give to those at the Grundy. Cans and other non-perishable items have been donated by pupils which we are sure will be appreciated greatly! In Year 8, the buddies have been writing letters to members of the Grundy Day Care Centre. This will help to combat loneliness and help to build community connections. Year 10 Peer Mentors have been working alongside the forms and buddies to ensure the programme is effective and functional.

Thank you to all who have taken part in this project, whether you are a Peer Mentor, Buddy, or a Year 7. We all appreciate your work!

By Wilbur Lomax, 10-E



Y10- A Christmas Carol trip

By Anjalin Hyder

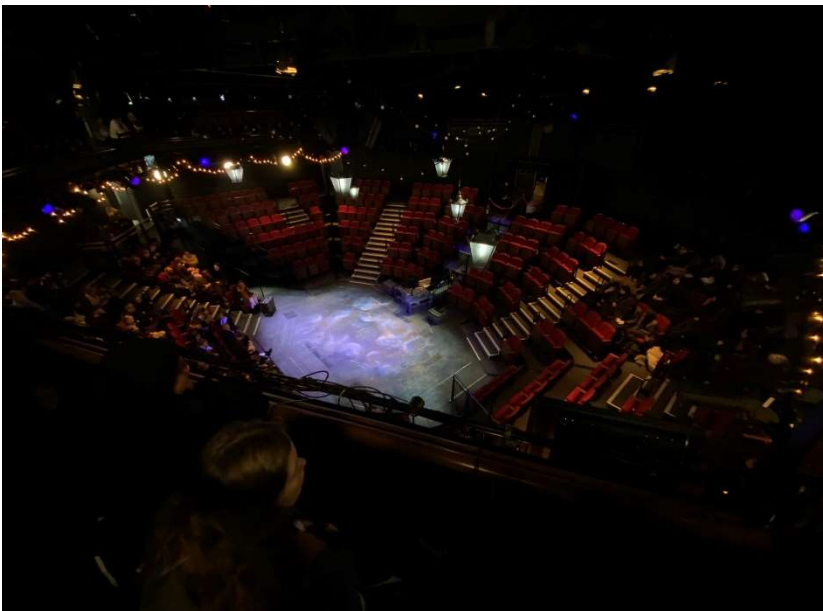
In December , Year 10 students had the exciting opportunity to visit The Pentagon in Bolton for a musical performance of A Christmas Carol. Many students expressed different viewpoints towards the trip ranging from positive to negative.

One student stated:

“It was a fun trip , and I enjoyed the performance immensely. I also liked the interactive aspects of it.”

However, many people mentioned a few critics regarding the show as they found some parts quite different to the book, they were reading which shows how well our Year 10 Students recall the text Christmas Carol.

Overall, Year 10 found this trip quite beneficial because they were able to picture the Christmas Carol which will help them when completing their exams.



The Derby High School Presents

WINTER WONDERLAND



Makers' Market from 6pm
Performances from 7pm

WEDNESDAY 14TH
DECEMBER 2022



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Spectacular Performances, an amazing cafe and proud students going home after exhibiting their extraordinary skills. This Winter Wonderland was one to remember.

Winter Wonderland took place on the 14th of December 2022. The event consisted of Concert Band, Choir, dances (choreographed by Miss Hall) and a small sneak-peak of what our upcoming musical Shrek will be about. There was also a special viewing of two media student's animations on the topic Christmas. With over 100 people in the audience, the students remained calm and resilient, putting on an incredible show. One student commented that they "were lucky to receive opportunities like this."

Before the show, there was a café with raffle prizes, crafts on sale, games, and refreshments for the show. One parent stated, "it was a true Christmas atmosphere created".

Overall, thanks to the students and teachers' hard work this night was a huge success and we look forward to welcoming more for our show in February- Shrek the Musical.



CHRISTMAS

Christmas is a festive celebration that takes place every year on the 25th of December. It commemorates the birth of Jesus. On this special occasion families gather together, with many gifts and memories to cherish. Christmas is the time of year where communities can connect over this joyous event. Celebrated all around the world, there are many traditions as part of Christmas. For example, this may include the putting up the Christmas Tree or the Stockings. Regardless of how you celebrate it, Christmas is that time of year where everyone can enjoy this remarkable time.

Here's a Short Christmas Quiz you can take part in:

- 1. Which country started the tradition of putting up a Christmas tree?**
- 2. How many ghosts show up in *A Christmas Carol*?
In *Home Alone*, where are the McCallisters going on holiday when they leave Kevin behind?**
- 3. Which country did eggnog originate from?**
- 4. How many gifts were given in total in 'The Twelve Days of Christmas' song?**

Send your answers to

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WINTER COMPETITION

Throughout the duration of January , we will be running a competition. We are asking you to submit your own depiction of a winter scene. This can be using any media from painting to sculpture. Please hand it in to Mrs Provoost. The deadline is 29th January 2023. Have fun!!

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