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...ESFA National U14 Football Champions



A massive congratulations to the Year 9 boys football team for their well-earned victory at the English Schools FA National Final on Wednesday at the home of West Brom, The Hawthorns Stadium. Becoming National U14 Champions was the result of a fantastic run throughout the six rounds of fixtures leading up to the final. The team made a real statement in their semi-final, clinching a massive 8-1 victory. Throughout the tournament, they managed to score a total of 28 goals, keep three clean sheets and only concede 8 goals overall. The final was won by 1-0 with the goal scorer, James, also taking player of the match. Congratulations to the whole squad, and of course to their coach Mr Conchie for a fantastic achievement and thank you to the fans who travelled with the team to support them at the final and to many more who watched the match live on YouTube.

...LFC Onside Programme

The LFC 'Onside' Project has been working with a number of students over the past year. The coaches use the power of the LFC badge to engage with students and provide them with key skills, confidence and the resilience needed to overcome obstacles and choose the right pathways in life. This term students involved (from across Years 7-9) took part in an enterprise project to try to raise money for charity and collectively decided to do a bake sale to raise money for the Children with Cancer charity. Students worked as a great team to plan, manufacture and sell a range of baked treats from chocolate brownies to gingerbread, all looking and tasting delicious. Students made just under £100 which is a sweet achievement; well done to all involved!



...LFC Foundation Champion of the Month

Gracie May (Year 9) is one of the students who has been taking part in the LFC Onside Project and in February was recognised as 'Champion of the Month' by one of the coordinators for the incredible difference in her confidence and outlook on life across the 12-week programme. Gracie completed two qualifications, both at the interval verification stage. She has learnt and developed skills and techniques such as self-belief, self-management and the importance of communication skills that allow her to explain herself eloquently and without getting frustrated. Gracie has made a huge difference to the group as it has

helped the other students see the true value of the work they have completed. The LFC Foundation said that *'Gracie May reinforces the club's values, showing dignity in the face of adversity, commitment to the programme, never giving up when she could easily do so, ambition to do well in school and be the best person she can be, and unity by working together to bring the best out of everyone. Gracie is an inspiration to staff and students alike, she inspires people to be a better person and not take anything for granted.'* After winning Champion of the Month, Gracie said "After I completed this LFC course it's made me much more confident in myself, and if I had the chance to do this again, I would definitely do it!" Well done, Gracie May; we are very proud of you!

... Library Corner

Sticking with our final big book haul of the year, we have an eclectic collection of biographies to choose from. From Alan Turning to Beyonce, David Attenborough to Kamala Harris, there is literally something for everyone! Who knew that Sir Captain Tom Moore had been on TVs 'Blankety Blank'? That Tom Daley qualified for the Olympics when he was only 10 but couldn't go as the rules stated you had to be 12? Who knew that animal activist Jane Goodall hid her money under the living room carpet until she had saved enough for her first flight to Africa? For these and many more facts to learn about some of today's trailblazers, pop up to the library!



This week our Tech Crew had the fantastic opportunity of attending a backstage event held at the Everyman Theatre in Liverpool. The crew got to meet industry professionals, have a backstage tour and were even able to demonstrate their high level of skill during a lighting workshop! The professional lighting designer commented on how the boys would be his boss in the future! We have also just completed our GCSE Drama devised component where Year 10 students were able to demonstrate their excellent level of performance and technical theatre. Miss Donley says "You should all be really proud of yourselves as you have now completed 40% of your overall GCSE!"

...Fit for a King!

To celebrate the King's Coronation, Southport College organised a baking competition which our very own Sophia (Year 9) was shortlisted to enter. This was a great opportunity for Sophia to experience a commercial kitchen; she made a traditional Victoria sponge cake, decorated and shaped into a crown. Southport College said she was an absolute credit to FHS and created a beautiful cake; judges were so impressed with her technical skills and the quality of her sponge cake. Well done, Sophia, for finishing in second place – Mrs Lloyd sampled the cake and said it was absolutely delicious!



...Punctuality Matters

Whilst attendance has been a main priority for us this year, we understand the role good punctuality plays and after half term will be making some changes to ensure students finish the year positively. Students should be in their tutor rooms, or at assembly, for 8:50am. We will continue to have staff presence at the school gate each morning and students arriving after this time will be sent to our 'late room' to be marked as late, ensure readiness for the day, and share any important notices. If a student arrives after 9:10am he/she must sign in on the InVentry system at the main office. In consequence for arriving to school late, students in Years 7 and 8 will continue to be issued with a behaviour point. Those in Years 9 and 10 will be issued with a breaktime detention. To ensure parents are able to support these efforts, from Monday 5 June we will be sharing 'live' attendance on the Class Charts app, allowing fingertip access to your child's attendance and punctuality in school.

...Sixth Form Matters

A few weeks ago, six Year 13 students (Isabella, Alex, Daisy, Conor, Hattie and Holly) took part in the Lessons from Auschwitz programme with the Holocaust Educational Trust. This involved them participating in several seminars about the Holocaust, including the opportunity to hear witness testimony from a survivor, and visiting Auschwitz-Birkenau to further enhance their understanding of the events which took place there. As part of the 'Next Steps' part of their programme, they shared information about their experience / learning with Year 9 History students who have just studied the Holocaust. The Year 13s provided an insightful view of the Holocaust, and it was great to see the younger students so engaged with such an important topic.



On the Horizon...

- ★ Half Term Holiday – 29 May to 2 Jun
- ★ Y10 Geography Fieldwork – 6 Jun
- ★ Y12 Subject Consultation Evening – 7 Jun
- ★ DofE Gold Qualifying Expedition – 8 to 12 Jun