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Y10 football team
defend premiership
crown in the
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league for 3rd year.

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BARCELONA 2018 FOOTBALL TOUR

Students visit iconic sporting City of Barcelona for a four day football tour.

Football students at Lymm High School had the opportunity to experience the rich Catalan culture and iconic sporting history during an educational visit to the city of Barcelona. It was a dawn chorus start for the 45 students

as they arrived at Manchester Airport at 4am.

After a short flight students arrived at the fantastic Cambrils Park Family Resort, located in the province of Tarragona, sporting brand new BLK kits and eager to pull

on their boots to play football in the sunny climate of Spain.

The resort, just a stone's throw away from Salou, offers guests a range of sporting facilities during their stay including basketball and volley ball

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courts, swimming pools, football pitches and even a crazy golf course. Mixed with free time to relax, recover and explore, students were coached by the Catalonia Football Federation, the association responsible for administering football in Catalonia. Sessions provided students with an insight into the Spanish way of playing football with an emphasis on keeping possession, toning, individual skills and reaction training. Students played against three Catalan teams at their respective sport during the four-day visit.

Firstly, a fixture against local opposition Nastic Inf, with the Spanish side unfortunately taking the win with an end score of 8-4.

A mixed Year 8/9 side beat Catalonian opponents Salou Inf 3-2 in a thoroughly exciting and competitive game.

However, it was the Year 9 team who really flew the flag for England as they easily beat an organised Mas Iglesias team 13-1, putting the game to bed quickly. Footage of the training and matches can be seen on the schools Youtube Channel.

Amongst sightseeing across the city

the boys got access to the Camp Nou, Barcelona FCs infamous stadium where they were shown around with access to the dressing rooms to follow in the footsteps of the likes of Messi, Suarez and Coutinho.

Students got to feel the history of the club, see the players past and present while also seeing the accolades collected over the years.

The boys were outstanding and a

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credit to not only school but to family. Everyday staff were greeted by smiles and excitement for the tour ahead.

Gareth Powell, Teacher of PE said, “The result and performances are one thing, but the main purpose of the trip is for the lads to develop themselves.

Some have never been on a plane or had a passport and through the Lymm High School Sports tour they have had the chance to see other cultures, make new and lasting friendships and fly the flag for England as they played Spanish teams at their sport”.

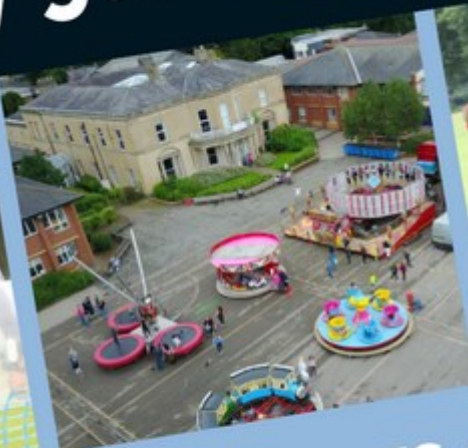
Planning for the next sports tour is now underway for 2020.



LYMM
HIGH SCHOOL

Summer Fayre

Saturday 9th June 2018



**ADULTS £2
CHILDREN £1
BABIES FREE**

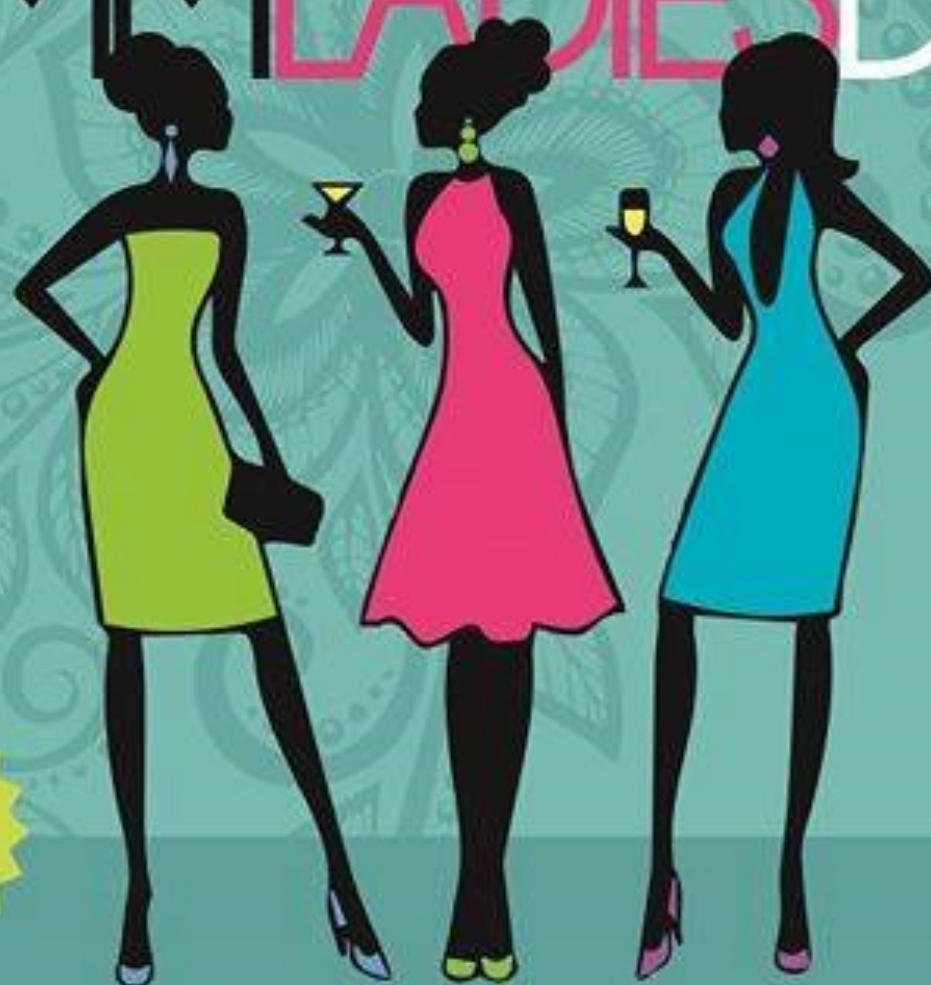
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*All
Welcome!*

FAIRGROUND RIDES |
TRADITIONAL GAMES | RODEO
BULL | ZORBING | STALLS | BAR |
FOOD AREA | COMPETITIONS | ITS
A KNOCKOUT | PHOTOBOOTH |
DANCE TENT | FACEPAINTING

Lymm Rugby Club & The Schools Of Lymm Present

LYMM LADIES DAY



Hurry!

Last year's
event
sold out...

LYMM RUGBY CLUB FRIDAY 15TH JUNE

A day of indulgence for the ladies, from 10:30am-5pm

Tickets
£32.50

Includes fizz on entry,
2-course lunch, browsing
lovely boutique stalls,
fashion show and
fabulous goody bag

Shop!

Browse an array of gorgeous
stalls, bubbly in hand...

Fashion

Enjoy a suitably glamorous
fashion show

**Dress
to impress!**

BUY TICKETS

through your school PTA,
Lymm Rugby Club or Lymm High
School uniform shop



NOTICES

PARENTS FORUM

The last parent's forum event had to be postponed due to the visit of Ofsted and we have rescheduled it for Wednesday 23rd May, from 6-7.30pm. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible.

The main focus of the evening will be on the Ofsted report itself and, in particular, gathering feedback from parents and carers about what you feel the priorities for the schools should be over the next three years.

If you have not been to a parent's forum event before, please do consider coming along; these are informal, friendly events and a great opportunity to hear from senior leaders about how well things are going at the school, as well as giving you the chance to make sure your voice is heard.

If you are able to attend, please let Mrs Headon know (hheadon@lymmhigh.org.uk) so that we can ensure sufficient refreshments are available.

HAYFEVER

Now the weather has warmed up can we please remind all pupils to bring a refillable water bottle to school to keep themselves hydrated.

The hay fever season is also upon us. As a school we are unable to provide any medication so please can you insure your child has either taken or has the appropriate medication for that day on them.

END OF YEAR ASSESSMENTS

Preparing for assessments is a skill that will help your child throughout their education, especially for their GCSEs and any qualification routes they choose post-16. The end of year assessments for Y8, Y9 and Y10, that they will be sitting after May half term, are an important part of this learning journey.

The assessments will take place in lesson time during the weeks beginning the 4th June and the 11th June.

The English and maths exams will take place in a more formal exam venue.

These assessments will allow us to see what your child has learnt this year, and most importantly, what we need to ensure they know next year in order to achieve the best that they can.

Please click [here](#) for further information.

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LYMM LADIES DAY

Ladies' Day brings a touch of elegance for the ladies of Lymm High School, providing the opportunity to browse an array of gorgeous boutique stalls and enjoy a suitably glamorous fashion show, followed by a two-course lunch.

Taking place at Lymm Rugby Club, tickets are £32.50 and include a glass of fizz on entry and a fabulous goody bag, available to buy through the Lymm High School PTA and the school shop.

Make Ladies' Day the one time in 2018 that you get together for a truly memorable celebration.

SUMMER FAYRE

Roll up! Roll up! Why not join us for a Summer day of fun for all the family?

Our annual Summer Fayre is one of our biggest fundraising events of the year and takes place on Saturday 9th June, 12pm, at Lymm High School.

There will be games organised by students and staff as well as stalls run either by Lymm students or local community enterprises.

The day includes all the traditional attractions of a fayre including raffles, rides, inflatables, music, hot food, bar, face painting, craft stalls, music, performances from our talented students....and much more!!

Local businesses are invited to sponsor a stall at the Fayre. These donations help us cover the costs of attractions and in exchange your business will be promoted to all who attend the event.

We also welcome donations of raffle prizes. All are welcome to join us for what promises to be a great day.

Y8 HPV VACCINATIONS

The School Nurse and a team of immunisation nurses will be in school on Tuesday 15th May 2018 to offer the HPV Vaccination to Year 8 girls only.

To see a full list of form groups and time slots please click [here](#). Please contact the School Nurse if you have any queries.

STAFFORD MEMORIAL ARBORETUM



Students visit Staffordshire Memorial Arboretum to learn about the end of the British Empire in India.

Two year 12 classes took a trip to Staffordshire Memorial Arboretum to enrich their learning and understanding on the end of the British Empire in India. Students study the end of the British Empire in India as part of the new A Level Course. Situated in Staffordshire on the edge of the National Forest, the Arboretum is a year-round centre of Remembrance with its surrounding woodland home to over 330 memorials.

As part of their visit, students enjoyed a lecture based on the contributions of Indian

soldiers during World War One, along with a tour of Indian war memorials connected to colonial contributions during both World Wars.

The morning lecture, presented by Stafford Memorial Historian Dr Irfan, gave students insight into both the economic and military contributions of Indian soldiers with a particular focus on the Dulmial village where his ancestors originated from.

Students learnt about the pride of Indian troops during the war as well as the theatres of

war they experienced including the Middle East (Mesopotamia) and the Western Front (Ypres).

During the A Level History course, students are expected to look at the increase in Indian Nationalism during the WW1 period up to the partition of India in 1948 as part of the new curriculum. A first-hand account meant students were able to ask Dr Irfan about whether his family became more nationalistic after World War One and also if younger ancestors fought in World War Two later.

SCHOLARS

LEARN ABOUT WW1

As part of the guided tour, students were told of soldiers who had received the Victoria Cross (the highest military award in the British Military) including a sepoy during World War One called Khudadad Khan.

They also visited the Sikh memorial that commemorated the 124,245 Sikh soldiers that fought in the 'Great War'.

Student, Tabitha Slawther, said 'Viewing the separate memorials for Indian troops is eye opening. Seeing the memorials really gave us a sense of the men and boys who fought for a country that wasn't technically their own, with some of them losing their lives, and others having their lives changed forever.'

During their visit students also had the chance to visit the main British Memorial, with names of active service men and women who were killed in combat or as the result of terrorism.

Students commented on how 'poignant' it was to see the thousands of names of men and women lost in battle as well as the blank space on the memorial for future 'lost' military personnel.



Year 7 scholars have started an enrichment project looking at the significance of World War One.

The first session focused on an introduction to World War One where students had one of six topics to research. These included battles, tactics, influence of war on art and propaganda.

In the afternoon students listened to a guest speaker from the National Football Museum, the aim of which, to give students an understanding of how Pals Battalions were formed and how the role of women changed due to the war.

Students also watched footage

of Dick Kerr women's football team, formed to replace men's football during the war to keep morale high. The team continued after the war and had a record number of 53,000 spectators in 1920. This was a record in women's football that stood until 2012 in the Olympic games!

The project will continue up until the summer holidays where students will have the opportunity to visit the Imperial War Museum, to make a mini-documentary.

A local artist will also be running a session in school on World War One before an exhibition on Thursday 12th July to showcase their work.

THE BIGGER PICTURE

Last December as part of their BTEC Photography coursework, Year 13 students were invited to submit photographs to a national competition for 14-18 year olds run by the Economic and Social Research Council.

Our budding photographers were asked to be creative by using photography to explore the relevance of social science to their lives. The challenge was to take a photograph showing the 'bigger picture' of how the world was changing and how it affected them, their family, friends, community, and the whole nation.

The competition categories were: New World Order; Age of Innovation; Fragile Earth; Being Me; and Society in Chaos. Students were

encouraged to consider how these categories related to a range of subjects such as family, economy, politics, culture, health, technology, climate change, migration and sustainability.

This month one of our students, Georgia Hull, heard the fantastic news that one of her photos had been commended by the judges and will be exhibited alongside the other short-listed photos at the Espacio Gallery in London.

Georgia chose Fragile Earth as her theme for the competition and travelled to Formby Beach to take photos of plastic pollution.

Georgia said, "I was inspired to do this by a newspaper article I read about the dangers of plastic in the oceans."

Her photos of plastic caught on the fence and littering the beach highlighted the destructive impact of plastic. Georgia added "I think they capture the theme of Fragile Earth because they show how plastic pollution is choking the beach and harming the environment."

BTEC photography teacher, Mrs Collins said, "I'm really proud of all our Year 13 students who submitted a fabulous range of photos to the competition.

"Georgia's achievement in having her work recognised in a national competition with over 500 entries, is brilliant and hopefully will inspire her to go on and take more striking and thought provoking photographs."





THEME PARK FUN ALTON TOWERS 2018

Sixth Form students enjoy a fun-filled day on the rides as a reward for their hard-work and commitment to the school and their community

On Friday 4th May a group of Sixth Form students were taken to Alton Towers as a reward for their help in Sixth Form this year.

Mainly consisting of the student leadership team, the students were taken to the popular theme park for organising a number of successful fundraising and community events.

The student leadership team have been involved in a number of positive initiatives this year including; a series of assemblies to lower school

students about LGBT issues; a Senior Citizens Christmas Coffee and Carols morning and a recent musical performance at Keates House.

Students have also been involved in fundraising for a number of charities, holding events such as a MacMillan Coffee Morning, a Children in Need Fancy Dress day, Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children, Wear it Pink for Breast Cancer Care, a Staff v 6th Form Netball match to raise money for Sport Relief and of course the school's 'Pitch In' campaign.

Year 13 Student, Hannah Leighton-Jones has also held a number of assemblies highlighting Environmental issues and raising funds for the foodbank, The Trussell Trust.

All students enjoyed a fun-filled, thrilling day on the rides and thoroughly deserved the reward for their hard-work and commitment to both the school and their community, and were excellent ambassadors for the school throughout the day.'

Well done to all students who went on the trip!

BEING HEAD OF SCHOOL

While attaining head of school status is far from a simple task, those who take it seriously reap the rewards.

Most schools have them and Lymm High School is no different. The roles emanate prestige and something about the high office they've attained at such an early age stays with them for the rest of their lives.

Of course, we're talking head boys and girls. As the voice of the school, they have the ear of the Headmaster and all the teachers, and what they say and how they say it can really matter.

For Libby Richardson, Head Girl at Lymm High School, the opportunity to become more involved in the running of the school and make a difference to the school community was so appealing that it didn't take long for her to decide that she'd like to step up for the role.

"I've really enjoyed my time at Lymm, I wanted the chance to give something back to the school and to be a good role model to other students."

Deputy Head girl, Alice Craven, wanted the challenge of taking on a leadership role.

"I can remember looking up to last year's student leadership team, organising events for the whole school and thinking, 'I want to be able to do that. I want that to be me.'"



Head Girl - Libby Richardson

For students, it's essential to have a clear idea of what their school wants from their head boys and girls. It's sensible to be realistic – those with a long-term reputation for troublemaking are unlikely to make the shortlist.

Mr Scott, Interim Head of Sixth Form said 'What does help is knowing what their personal qualities are. Being confident, socially "ept" and able to use these qualities in a leadership capacity goes a long way.'

Reassuringly, Headteacher Mr Williams stresses that they're not necessarily looking for A* students whose achievements are universally outstanding. "Academic excellence can help, but it is certainly not the most important factor in being a good head boy or head girl," he stresses.

"You want someone who's going to be confident, a good leader and be really involved in school and school life. What's crucial is that they display the right work ethic and model for our younger students, meaning that they are their best selves, whatever that means for them."

Success may not be a prerequisite, he says, but showing you've got the ability to give back certainly is.



Head Boy - Francis Young

"You have to be someone who puts in the time, demonstrates commitment and makes a difference to the school community."

Once elected, head boys and girls have to juggle their extra responsibilities with high-stakes exams.

As well as the normal round of meeting, greeting and speeches, Libby Richardson is also involved in organising a charity coffee morning as well as designing the school year book, all while keeping on top of her A-Level workload.

"I felt very grown up because organising last year's founder's day coffee morning was the first event I've ever organised, arranging it all was hard but very exciting," she says.

What you get in return, however, more than makes up for the hassle.

Mr Scott said "Students who take on a leadership role are exposed to a considerable range of learning experiences and have to deal with and adjust to challenging or new situations.

"Head boys and girls get a short cut to developing leadership skills that might otherwise take years to acquire."

Head Boy, Francis Young said, "Collaborating with other members of the school leadership team, being a role model for younger students and developing my leadership skills has been an invaluable experience."

"I've really valued the opportunity to engage with a range of people within the school community and discuss ideas on how we continue the legacy of the high standards and professionalism at Lymm."



LYMM ECO-CLUB

Recently there has been a lot of talk in both the local and national press about the effects of plastic on the environment.

In April, more than 40 companies including Coca-Cola and Asda, signed up to the UK Plastics Pact in a bid to cut plastic pollution over the next seven years. These companies alone are responsible for more than 80% of plastic packaging on products sold throughout the UK. Indeed, 99.75% of all plastic coffee cups do not get recycled. As a nation of coffee drinkers, in 2011, 2.5 billion coffee cups were thrown away throughout the year.

At Lymm High School, we think that protecting our environment and being socially responsible citizens is an important part of our school and local community. That is why a small group of eco-warriors have set about making it their mission to achieve the Bronze Eco-Schools Award by this time next year.

Eco-Schools is a globally recognized programme run by Keep Britain Tidy that empowers pupils to improve their environmental awareness, develops leadership skills and also has the possibility to generate financial savings for

our school.

If you are a pupil interested in helping us to achieve our aim of becoming an Eco-School then feel free to come along to Eco-Club on a Friday lunchtime in A204.

If you own a local business and have already developed some clever ways of saving the planet and would like to share some ideas then please contact kyates@lymmhigh.org.uk.

Or, if you would like to find out more information about the Eco-Schools Award, please visit: <https://www.eco-schools.org.uk>



THE DROP

Students and staff take on 'The Drop' challenge—raising funds for Pitch In!

On the 23rd March we challenged our students to a test of skill.

The challenge was to have a football dropped from a height of over 50ft and for the participant to not only control the ball but catch it before it bounced.

The project was partially down to the amazing help and service offered by UPA United Powered Access who supplied the Skyjack rough terrain scissor lift to help support our Pitch-In efforts.

UPA helped make this a hugely popular and successful event and footage can now be seen on our school's Youtube Channel [here](#).

Students from all sporting and non-sporting backgrounds took part as well as teachers and staff. The total raised will add towards the school's overall target for a 3G Artificial playing surface.

For more information or to help our initiative please contact TMcguffie@lymmhigh.org.uk



WARRINGTON SCHOOLS FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS



Year 10 boys football team successfully defended their premiership crown in the Warrington Schools football league for an amazing 3rd year.

It was on Tuesday 8th May, that Lymm High School achieved the incredible feat of securing a third successive premiership win.

The school's U15 football team successfully defended the overall team title they won in the previous two years, beating Birchwood High School 5-0 in an exciting contest.

The standard of football was extremely high with both sides evenly matched until 15

minutes into the game.

A long throw-in by Wadsworth was flicked on by Dickinson to the back post, where Lymm High School player Carty was found unmarked and able to produce a side foot volley to make it 1-0 Lymm.

Minutes later Lymm found themselves 3-0 up with another two superb goals from Copeland.

The game quickly became competitive, however

defensively, the Lymm side controlled the game, hitting Birchwood with counter attacking football.

Just before half time it was inevitable Lymm would score again with the amount of chances they were raining in on goal.

Playing for the first time after a long injury, up stepped Dickinson, scoring and bringing the half time score to Lymm High School 4- 0 Birchwood High School.

Rain did not dampen the spirits of the team and the second half started with the same fast paced movement as the first half did.

The Lymm team quickly regained possession of the ball and dominated in the right areas. The game, although still competitive, saw Robertson become nothing more than a delighted spectator and a clean sheet more than likely.

On 80 minutes Copeland completed his hat trick of goals with a sublime chip over the towering goalkeeper.

Final score Lymm High School 5-0 Birchwood High School

Mr Powell the team's manager had this to say

"During my time as the coach of this team, I have seen the boys grow as individuals both on and off the football pitch.

I have huge pride in this team and the accolades they have gained, this is our third consecutive league title and we have not been beaten in a Warrington Schools league fixture since 11th January 2016, that's two years, three months and twenty-seven days. A huge achievement that should be celebrated."

SPORTS ABILITY DAY



Students hone their sports skills at Warrington School Sports Partnership Day

On the 2nd May Lymm High School were invited to the second Sports Ability Day of the year at Orford Jubilee.

Warrington School Sports Partnership works hard to provide access to sporting opportunities to all young people in the Warrington Borough.

On the day, ten Year 7

students attended and competed against five other schools. The sports available were Archery, Tennis, Adapted Golf and New Age Kurling.

Our students spent the day honing their skills and learning new sports while in a competitive environment. Well done to all students who attended.

INTERHAL RESULTS 2018

YEAR 7



1st Place
DUNHAM



2nd Place
ARLEY



3rd Place
WALTON



4th Place
TATTON



5th Place
MORETON

YEAR 8



1st Place
TATTON



2nd Place
**WALTON,
MORETON &
DUNHAM**



5th Place
ARLEY



YEAR 9



1st Place
MORETON & ARLEY



3rd Place
DUNHAM & TATTON



5th Place
WALTON





SPORT RELIEF 2018

Students step it up for Sport Relief

During the 17th March to the 23rd March the whole school took part in the Sport Relief Challenge. As part of this event, students and staff were asked to count their steps throughout the week to contribute toward the nations one billion step challenge.

Students were asked to complete as many steps as possible throughout the course of the week by participating in extra-curricular clubs, table tennis tournaments and walking to school, doing anything they could to try and get their step count up.

During PE lessons, our cohort also increased their step count with girls taking part in a step aerobics class, and boys

completing a 10,000 step challenge whilst split into teams. All students were fantastic and really threw themselves into the activities. Throughout the week there were numerous events and activities on across school which included Table Tennis Tournaments, a Step-A-thon, form quizzes, cake sales and 'The Drop' challenge.

The annual Sixth Form v Staff Netball Competition also took place. After a closely fought match with some excellent shooting from both teams, the game was eventually won by staff in the final quarter allowing the staff team's undefeated run to continue.

On the final day of Sport Relief students were allowed to come

in to school in an item of sporty clothing in exchange for a donation to the charity. We are pleased to announce we managed to raise a fantastic £1638.05 for Sport Relief in total.

Staff Stepathon Winners -

1st Place

Mrs S Williams - 341,411 steps

2nd Place

Mr Hargreaves - 231,496 steps

3rd Place

Mr Pickles - 201,016 steps.

Student Stepathon Winners:

Alex Jones (Y8)

Lizzi Coy (Y13)

TOP OF THEIR GROUP GIRLS U13 HANDBALL



The girls handball team have qualified for the North West Finals in Oldham on the 17th May.

The team finished top of their group and beat Tarporley High School 7-4 in the final with some fantastic goals being scored by Amelia Barker and Ellie Doherty.

Good luck to the girls in the North West finals.

BOYS U15 HANDBALL

The Year 10 boys attended the NW Handball Finals on 10th May. After a slow start to the group stage against Parrs Wood (lost 7-2), the boys began to find some form against Kirby High School. Unfortunately they lost to a last minute goal despite dominating the game.

In the final group match, we had a fantastic win against St. Mary's and qualified in 3rd place.

Unfortunately, despite plenty of endeavor, we were outplayed by an excellent Lancaster Grammar side.

Still, it was a fantastic achievement to qualify for NW final and a nice day



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ACCESS ALL AREAS

School boy gets the chance to Access All Areas at Warrington Wolves

Student Ollie Larkin was given the chance to "Access All Areas" from the viewpoint of the media at a Warrington Wolves' home game. Organised by the Warrington Wolves' Foundation in conjunction with Warrington-worldwide, it provided Ollie the chance to experience a media match day.

About the experience Ollie said "I was given a great opportunity to go behind the scenes at the Wire. I was greeted by Shaun Briscoe with 'access all area' passes and was given the hot off the press team sheets! I was able to listen in on Phil Clarke's pre match interview with the team captains Chris Hill and James Roby.

"I watched the Sky Sports presenters do their tactical game analysis on the touch screen TV and saw all the different TV cameras ready to capture the action.

"After the match, we were able to take some pictures with a number of players, with Benny Westwood still able to raise a smile for us! We then saw the



man of the match trophy being awarded to St Helens player Mark Percival, hat trick try scorer on the night!

"Although the players night was over the managers still had to face the media.

"The assembled press squeezed into a tight room firing questions at both Justin Holbrook and Steve Price. Their assessments of the games were honest and insightful, the time was now 10pm and the press went away to write their match reports.

"All in all a really good night despite the result, thank you to everyone at Warrington Wolves for the opportunity!"

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

DofE Bronze Practice Expedition

Friday 18th May -
Saturday 19th May

Parents Forum

Wednesday 23rd May

Summer Fayre

Saturday 9th June

Ladies Day

Friday 15th June

DofE Bronze Qualifying Expedition

Friday 15th June -
Saturday 16th June

Year 11 Prom

Thursday 28th June

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