

Sir Robert Pattinson Academy



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Newsletter

Students Get Travel Tips From The Experts

Travel and Tourism students took a holiday from the classroom to learn about long-haul destinations from the experts at Lincolnshire Co-operative.

The pupils from the Sir Robert Pattinson Academy in North Hykeham visited the Society's Tritton Road Travel branch in Lincoln. They took part in a workshop led by Manager Liz White.

Part of the group's Year 13 Coursework for their BTEC qualification is to plan a month-long trip to Australia. Liz was able to give them some pointers during the session.

It's not the first time colleagues from Lincolnshire Co-op have helped the class - Travel Area Manager Wayne Dennett has also talked to students about motivation.

Programme Leader for Business and Travel Mrs Gilbert said: "It's great for the students to get the information

from an expert in the field like Liz. It's given them a lot to think about."

Emily Robinson-Benstead (17) said it had been a good learning experience.

"It's good to get out of the classroom and into a



working environment. It makes the task more real. It's also good for getting careers information about the travel industry."

Lincolnshire Co-op staff often support education projects in schools by giving their time and expertise.

BOULOGNE 2012

This year's Boulogne trip was a fabulous experience, which helped us understand that there are lots of different cultures in the world. On the trip we visited great places, such as a bakery, a sweet factory, a WW2 museum, a WW2 cemetery and a market. In all these interesting places we either met amazing people, ate fantastic cuisine or we heard great languages and learnt about their culture. We



think it was a once in a lifetime experience. One we did with great pleasure was looking further into French culture. We would like to thank every member of staff, who organised this trip, but especially Mrs Davison, Mrs Brooks, Mr Curtis, Mr Burr, Miss Jarvis, Miss Welby and Jason the bus driver, who drove us everywhere!



By Lewis Tinley and Michael Hendry Year 7

Year 6 children and their parents are invited to our

Open Evening

on

Thursday 13 September
from 6pm until 8pm

Students at this academy are challenged to:

- Achieve their best
- Develop individual strengths and enthusiasms
- Promote a sense of security, mutual respect and tolerance





Fond Farewell

I should like to take this opportunity to thank all students, parents, staff and governors both past and present for making the last 19 years the best and happiest of my working life.

It has been great to share the good times with everyone and I have been grateful for the support I have received in my dark times.

Much as I have enjoyed working here I am very much looking forward to spending some quality time with my horses and, of course, my husband.

I am sure the academy will go from strength to strength and wish you all well for the future.

Mrs Brown, Deputy Head

ACADEMY SAILING CLUB

The sailing season started after the Easter holiday with some unseasonal weather – very cold, wet and windy. Despite the weather, 12 intrepid sailors ventured onto the water, some of them to dust off the cobwebs, whilst for our Y7 students this was their first time in a sailing boat. All the students must have enjoyed the challenge as they returned the following Wednesday eager to practise their new skills!

Since Easter we have had a mixture of different sailing conditions, from quite a lot of wind which is always exciting and often involves more than a few capsizes, to very little wind, which also seems to involve the students capsizing but usually because the students want to! All students have risen to the challenges given and succeeded in developing their boat handling skills with most now able to navigate a triangular course and take part in some boat racing.

Our novice sailors have been learning how to sail with an instructor in a two man boat and are now keen to practise what they have learnt by helming their own boat.

SRPA sailors will be taking part in the Lincolnshire and District Schools Sailing Regatta on 5 July where they will compete against other Lincolnshire school sailors in a number of different races. Sailing takes place on Wednesday after school until around 6pm. We usually start after Easter and try to sail until October half term – weather permitting.



Y9 Goals for Life STEM Bridges Challenge

Using Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematic skills, Y9 students learned about structures and competed in teams to build a bridge made of paper to support a mass over a distance of 350mm. Students' skills were put to the test to see who could build the most cost effective bridge. Congratulations to Morgan Donnelly, Chloe Frecklington, Gemma Atkin and Danielle Freeman who built a bridge for £46,300 which supported a mass of 10.5Kg!

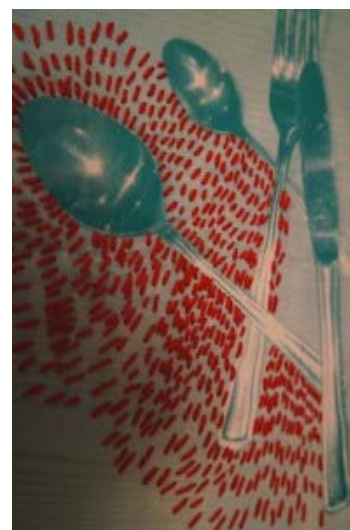
Lincolnshire Show Trip

Year 10 Business and Year 12 Travel & Tourism Students visited the Lincolnshire Show on 20 June to conduct research into local business and the impact of tourism on our local economy. Excellent weather and thorough enjoyment by all resulted in an extremely positive, productive day.

Student Success

A number of our Maths students recently entered a Maths Project Competition run by CfBT. We were very successful during the event and our students won a range of prizes: Go Karting Grand Prix for 14 students, Summer membership to Carholme Golf Club, parent and child membership to Burton Waters and two tickets to the Engine Shed for a gig of their choice.

Our congratulations go to the winning students: Danielle Hamilton, Katie Hall, Emran Ahmet, Adam Gray, Louis Deakin, Charlie Harbord, Adam Martin, Yaxmin McGill, Jordan Banks, Tom Clifford, Dom Woodthorpe, Joe Bassett, Ollie Jackson, James Cook, Tom Kinsley, Darren Maurice, Dee Appleby, Amy Greaves, Leanne Morris, Sebrina Fitzgerald, Jadie Coyle, Zara Linney and Lauren Smith.



EMBROIDERY MAGAZINE ARTICLE

For those of you enjoying my ramblings about the work my students create in their Art Textiles lessons, you may like to know that I have been lucky enough to be able to write a small piece for Embroidery Magazine.

The written piece is due to feature in the September/October issue of the magazine and will include some of the rather fabulous work produced by my exam students this academic year.

The work to be featured in the article is predominantly concerned with the use of stitch produced both by hand and machine to create the surface details. Each piece of student work has been carefully considered from personal starting points and drawn inspiration from textile artists such as Lynn Settrington, Claire Coles and Louise Baldwin to name but a few.

The stitch element of the Art Textiles course is something that the students really enjoy and seem to be able to adapt to reflect their research and their own personal practical development. Stitching is a truly versatile textile technique whether it be produced by hand or by machine – The magazine feature discusses the students relationship with this traditional technique and how they utilise it for their contemporary outcomes.

For more information of how to obtain a copy (or subscribe to the magazine) go to <http://embroidery.embroiderersguild.com/> Happy reading!

Mrs G Whitelock - Textiles Teacher

LANGUAGE COLLEGE DAY

At the end of April, students of the Academy were joined by pupils from 4 local primary schools to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Language College.

Students in Y7 and 8 took part in various internationally-themed activities and workshops, including African drumming, salsa dancing, Tai Chi and the "Eiffel Tower Challenge". Y7 students also used their Technology classes to produce Russian, German and Spanish bunting!

The primary school pupils joined in with Y7 until break. Afterwards, they were invited to visit 4 stalls from different countries and were helped by Y9 students to fill in their brightly-coloured passports, and sample food from Italy, Spain, France, Russia and Germany.

Finally, they were given a "goody bag" full of gifts before returning to their schools. One pupil said: "This day was wonderful. Thank you for inviting us". It was a delight to host such well-behaved, enthusiastic pupils and the celebrations was a great success!



SPORTING ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS

Football

Year 7 football - played 7: won 2, drew 1, lost 4

Year 8 football - played 5: won 2, drew 0, lost 3

Year 9 football - played 6: won 2, drew 0, lost 4

Year 10 football - played 8: won 6, drew 1 (final won on penalties), lost 1. Became Lincoln and District Champions in April with a victory over The Priory City of Lincoln Academy.

Year 11 football - played 5: won 3, drew 1, lost 1

Photo shows Paul Logan (ex student) of Lincoln Golf Centre presenting the Year 9 team with their new shirts



Cricket

U-13 cricket – played 4:

won 2, lost 2. Deiton Weeks very impressive 28 not out, 25 not out and 22 in the 3 games he played.

U-15 cricket – played 1: lost 1. Unfortunately the weather has affected the majority of the planned U15 fixtures.

Golf

Josh Hodgson, Ryan Attwell and Matthew Watson won the Lincolnshire Schools Golf Association Founders Cup.

Sport Relief

As reported in the April Newsletter, Mr Bunney and a

group of Year 11 students organised a number of sporting activities to take place during break-time. An impressive total of £1,856 was raised for Sport Relief.

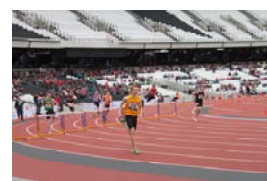
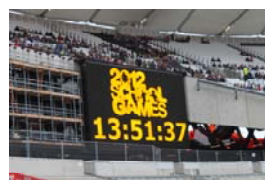
Athletics

The following students represented the district in the County Athletics Championships at Boston on 16 June:

- Georgie Edwards - 100m - 4th/ 4x100m relay - 2nd
- Connor Minett - Long Jump - 3rd
- Jack Fenton - 1500m - 4th
- Adam Lilley 800m - 4th
- Alex Humberstone - 800m - 3rd
- Alex qualified to represent the Lincolnshire at the Anglian Athletics championships where he finished 6th.

Olympic Park Visit

In May the PE Department took a group of 92 students to the Olympic Park in London to watch the School Games. They watched cycling at the Velodrome in the morning and athletics at the Olympic Stadium in the afternoon.



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