



POMPEII TRIP





DANCE SHOW

WELCOME

Dear Readers

Another busy time since our last Neatherd Hi! Inside you will find articles about the important aspects of Neatherd that make children's

experience at school so memorable – those things that happen outside the classroom which bring students and staff together as a resilient, happy community. Of course, our focus on excellence in learning remains, and our thoughts are particularly with our Year 11 students, who are well into their GCSE examinations, as we go to press. I wish you all a very happy peaceful half term holiday. We look forward to welcoming students back to school on Monday 6th June.



Yours

Peter Devonish, Headteacher

·YEAR 11 LEAVERS' DAY -



IGNITE SUCCESSES

Neatherd's outstanding dance troup Ignite continue on their successful journey. During the February half-term holiday they travelled to Disneyland Paris to compete in EquityandUltimate's Dance Championship. Although the competition was tough, they managed to bring home 11 trophies. Abi Davies: Second place hip hop solo, Zac Fisher: Second place contemporary solo Maddie Palmer: First place contemporary solo AND highest scoring solo of the day Mallory Bush and Emily Gibson: Second place contemporary duet Zac Fisher and Ciaran Coupland: First place contemporary duet AND highest scoring duet of the

day Ignite (Latasha Charlie Ward. Dickerson, Ciaran Coupland, Zac Fisher, Alicia Randall, **Emily** Gibson, Mallory Bush. Charlotte Canham, Emily Hill, Abigail Davies, Lucy Callaby,

Maddie Palmer, Jordan Fennah): First place contemporary group. Ignite: Highest scoring group (all categories) Maddie Palmer: Senior Star Rachael Harris: Choreographer Award

They also brought home the most coveted



prize, a giant cup that was awarded to Ignite for having the highest score of the whole day for their group dance

about prisoners of war.

Their next massive achievement was to be selected by Rambert dance company to perform at a national showcase at The Peacock Theatre in London's West End. They managed to come out on top in a tough competition against

36 groups from all over the country who were competing in regional showcases. Ignite was selected after performing at The Playhouse in Norwich. Their dance teacher Miss Harris says "I am so impressed with the students in Ignite. The piece of music

we were given was a mammoth 11 minutes and I am overwhelmed by how positively and creatively the students the undertook challenge. I can't wait to see them perform in London on 28th June on such a prestigious stage. They are all fantastic dancers and will do Dereham proud!"



POMPEII TRIP



At the start of the Easter holidays, a group of our Year 11 pupils embarked on our annual visit to the Bay of Naples, to visit a wide range of amazing sites. group left Dereham in the middle of the night and flew from Stansted airport to **Naples** airport. After landing,

we were whisked straight to the Naples Archaeological Museum, one of the greatest museums in the world. Students explored the different exhibition galleries,

seeing some of the most famous finds from Pompeii and Herculaneum. In the afternoon we visited the lesser visited excavation at Herculaneum. Far smaller than Pompeii, the site was home to the rich and

influential when the eruption covered the site. Pupils were guided around the site and were shown how Herculaneum was preserved; being destroyed by a violent pyroclastic flow, which was then covered by ash and pumice. Last stop on the day was our hotel in Sorrento. The pupils were

amazed by the clifftop somewhat roads, different to the A47 between Dereham and Swaffham.

On the second day of the trip, we visited Pompeii and were given a guided tour in the morning. Pupils visited places of

entertainment (amphitheatre, theatre and odeon), a range of temples, shops, bathhouses and a range of private houses. Many students studying GCSE Classical Civilisation found this incredibly

> useful as it allowed them to see the we have sites studied in class. Mr Mayhew offered key advice to one of heading back, "keep Vesuvius apparently



group in terms to your right and you will be fine"; got confused as there were "many Vesuvii"!!! Spending the whole day in

Pompeii was a great experience for pupils who got time to explore the site in small groups.

On our third day, we visited the beautiful remains of the rich villa at Oplontis and then were driven along the Amalfi coast to

the remains of the Greek settlement at Paestum, a peaceful and beautiful site.

On our final day, pupils had the opportunity to carry out some last minute gelato eating and last minute present shopping. Hopefully pupils did manage to bring some presents home and didn't just fill up on gelato! Mr Mayhew

BRILLIANT CLUB



Neatherd pupils started the Brilliant Club's Scholars Programme in February with a launch trip and the first tutorial at the UEA, Norwich. The Scholars Programme aims to inspire pupils and raise their aspirations to apply for highly selective universities. Since the launch trip, pupils have enjoyed five tutorials in school from their own PhD Tutor and Oceanographer from the UEA. The students have now completed a university style assignment of over 1500 words based on the topic "A changing Arctic Ocean: What happens when the ice is gone?" All pupils passed the assignment, with most achieving a 1st, or a 2:1! Therefore all pupils were able to attend

the graduation trip which took place on Thursday 12th May. After a tour of Cambridge the group walked to Gonville & Caius College, University of Cambridge. The Brilliant Club Graduation Day started with a welcome talk from the Regional Director of the Brilliant Club outlining the activities for the day, as well as congratulating all the pupils in graduating from the Scholars Programme. Neatherd pupils enjoyed a guided walk around the college to look at some of the university buildings. In the afternoon a study skills session looked at the importance of SMART targets before the graduation ceremony began. Neatherd were up first and all received their certificates. Emma and Sarah received an extra Distinction certificate which was awarded by Max Thomas, our PhD tutor. Hopefully the trip, as well as the **Scholars** Programme by the Brilliant Club, has inspired Neatherd's pupils to believe very top selective universities are not only possible, but attainable. Mr Sinclair

BAE SYSTEMS ROADSHOW

In March Neatherd was visited by the BAE are used within so many areas. Systems STEM roadshow with a focus on Pupils learnt about the different types

waves. BAE Systems plc is a British multinational defence, security and aerospace company, based in London, with operations worldwide. The event took place in collaboration with Royal Academy of Engineering, BAE Systems, Royal Air Force, Royal Navy and Tomorrow's Engineers. **Pupils** from Years

and 8 were treated to an hour long display of experiments, equipment and demonstrations of how waves



of waves: light and sound. They also covered the power of waves at sea and the devastation they can cause. With snippets hard facts (speed of light, time taken for light to travel

to earth, and force of waves at sea) pupils were able to relate the theory to the practical demonstrations.

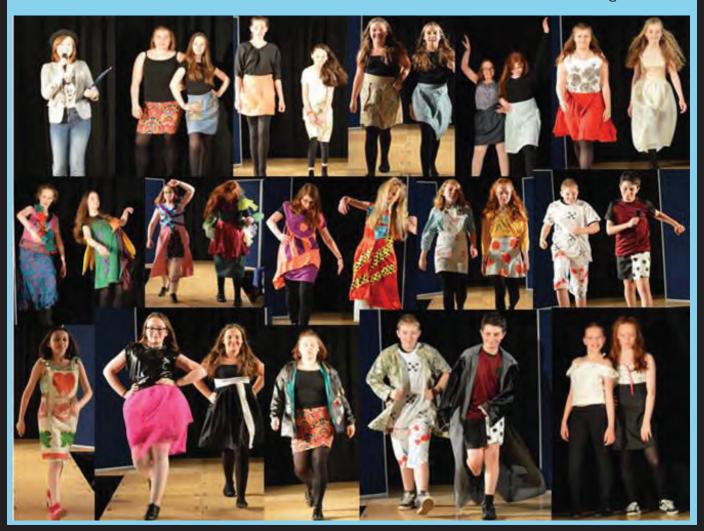
FASHION SHOW

Dereham Neatherd High School recently Easter school workshop. The students invited pupils and parents for another spend every lunchtime making garments

exciting event. This time it was in the form of a glamourous Fashion Show, showcasing over 80 garments made by the students both inside school, during lesson time and lunch time clubs, and outside school. Neatherd fashion show has been an annual event for the last four years and is a collective event that allows students of all abilities and all years to express themselves through fabric. The GCSE pupils exhibited garments their and shown their versatility. The fashion show also allows the pupils to show off the wide variety of students' work from Year 7 print Club, "Gifted and Talented" Club, Year 8 & 9 Lunch Club, After School Textiles and Gifted and Talented

The GCSE group this year spent 60 hours designing, making and refining their garments leading to some of the most successful pieces. "This year we were able to have A - level students take part and also a visiting student from Norwich city fashion course came to present his work", says Mrs Norwood, **Textiles** Teacher of organiser of the Fashion Show. "I am extremely proud of all the students who took part and hope that they continue to sew, showing their passion for new and exciting trends."

for themselves and friends.



DANCE SHOW

On Thursday, 17th March, Neatherd held its annual dance show, DYNAMIC, celebrating all of the many talented and choreographers performers Dereham at the Memorial Hall. This was the first time Neatherd had ever taken their show to a professional working theatre. Students from Dereham Neatherd High School, Toftwood Junior School and Scarning Primary performed a selection of dance pieces, from heartfelt duets to upbeat and funky large group dances. Months of hard work went into the choreography to make the dance show a truly high quality experience. Dance pieces were impeccably performed by all year groups, including members of Dereham Sixth Form, who study the new A Level Dance course. Notable acts were Sparks who performed a beautifully elegant piece to the hit song "Livewire" and the two Primary Schools who joined us. Their work was colourful and impressive as some of the dancers were as young as 7 and many had never danced before! Also, the Year 10 GCSE dance class from Neatherd had their first live performance which took a lot of guts and bravery, considering many of them had never been on stage before! Outstanding performers included the whole Year 11 GCSE Dance cohort of which some had many dances to perform. There were also a number of solos performed – it was so lovely being able to see such confident performers dancing on their own under those lights. The dance show was an opportunity for the 13 Gifted and Talented dancers from Ignite who went to Disneyland to showcase their routine performed at the Equity and Ultimate Dance Competition in Paris. The piece displayed the theme 'prisoners of war' and clearly warranted the four trophies they brought home for it! evening was a huge success The both the performers audience had a wonderful evening, full of movement, music and smiles.



SCHOOL PRODUCTION



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February 5th and 6th marked Neatherd's second production at the Dereham Memorial Hall. Students, along with their creative director Miss Harris, took the classic Disney tale about a lady who looks after two naughty children as their starting point and created a performance that focused on a woman with magical powers. Months of hard work went into the choreography and devising process

make the production truly original and jaw-dropping experience. Dance impeccably woven into the dramatic action with a smattering of magic spells performed with ease Maddie **Palmer** playing Marilyn.

Other notable characters were the unruly children, Jack White and Isabella McEwen-Hull. The kids created characters that mesmerised the audience with their clever dialogue and loveable personalities. The show's cast was truly collaborative as over 100 students took part in an ensemble that formed strange locations with their

bodies and bizarre characters through movement. In this way, the Wild West, a tree scene, an enchanted living room and an animal derby were all created smoothly so that action the was fast paced slick. Outstanding included actors the ice-cold

Matthew Hartley as the children's father who had a distinct personality change by the end of the performance and Charlotte Canham as the mother who was delightful to watch striving for equal rights for all. Outstanding dance choreography was created by Miss Harris and many cast members. Live singing was provided by the hauntingly beautiful voices of singers, Emily Gibson and Charlie Bunting.

Weird. wonderful and bizarre costumes and props were provided by Mrs Norwood and her Textiles Team and Joy Bolton – Miss Harris's mum! High points the action were made even more visually gobsmacking through the ingenious costumes. These included a whole troupe of crazily dressed wobbling figures and twitching their way

across the stage to circus-like music. Audience comments were unanimous praising the high in standard of performance achieved: "Is this not a performing arts school?" "This showwas more professional than many of the professional productions I've seen!" look forward next year!



BAKER STREET BULLETIN-

Accelerated Reader Programme

Recently many students received a prize from the school because of their amazing achievement on the Accelerated Reader Programme. To receive a book and a highlighter/book light, the students had to reach their target by reading a certain amount of books. Each book was worth an amount of points, and those points were added together to reach the amount of points they needed to reach their targets. Some students also got a certificate and a badge because they had read one million words or more.



MISSION POSSIBLE

Abby Neale was our first student to complete the Bronze, Silver and Gold Award in the Year 9 Mission Possible Reading Challenge.

Once again our Year 7 and 8 students submitted brilliant entries for the BBC Radio 2500 Words competition. They should be on display at the UEA Festival of Literature in June.

TEACHER RECOMMMENDS:

Mr O'Brien: The Perks of Being a Wallflower is a "coming of age novel" by American writer Stephen Chbosky. Many of you will have seen the film, but the book is also worth checking out. Its narrator is an introverted teenager known as Charlie, who describes his experiences in a series of letters to an anonymous stranger. In an often cynical world, Charlie comes across as a genuinely engaging person.

It's especially rewarding to see Charlie grow over the course of the book and make friends, go to parties, participate, fall in love and come out of his shell. There is also a very emotional and surprising twist at the end.

Growing up can be really difficult and reading this book will make you feel like you've got a friend to guide you through the darkest moments. It also makes clear that people and situations can and do change. Do come to the library and check out other books in our Shelf Help range.

The Library Catalogue is now available for all students to view a school, home and on the move using theirsmartphone. This allows students see new resources, videos, write reviews, reserve books access ebooks, view top reads and keep up to date with library news and competitions whilst keeping an eye on their account to ensure their books don't go overdue! All students have been given a barcode and details on how to access the homepage. More details are available from the school library.

BAKER STREET BULLETIN-



of 30 students went

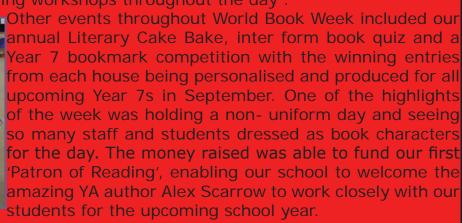
Norwich to see "The Biggest Book

Show on Earth", featuring quests such as Martin Brown, Holly Smale, Liz Pichon and Julian Clary. The students were able to get involved and watched a spectacular performance of "Roald Dahl and the Imagination Seekers" Before the show, children were able to buy books written by the visiting authors, and get them signed at the end. World Book Day tokens were also given out at the event and a great day was enjoyed by all.

We had a return visit from the talented author Julian Sedgwick who astounded Year 7s with his sword juggling and tales from his latest book, "Shadow of the Yangtze" before engaging Year 8 and Year 9 students with creative writing workshops. Year 10s were given the opportunity to listen to award winning Manga illustrator Sonia Leong followed by Manga Shakespeare workshops. We have never had such an exuberant illustrator and her obvious passion for art and books shone through her energetic talk.

In conjunction with Dereham Library we were also able to offer workshops from "The Book Doctor" which explored different ways of thinking about and writing poetry.

Our week of author events finished on a high with the outstanding Carnegie Medal Winner 2015, Tanya Landman, speaking to the whole school. Following the talk and book signing, Tanya held informative and inspirational creative writing workshops throughout the day.







MUSIC CONCERT

The Music Department's Spring Concert took place on Thursday 10th March. A range of acts played to the delight of families and friends and managed to

played the ukulele.

The concert gave the Blues Band the opportunity to reunite with Mr Moore in a very lively and slick set. We also welcomed our new Subject Leader for Music, Mr Owen, who will be joining Neatherd after



the half term break.

raise over £100 to help the department

pay for much needed equipment, including a batch of sturdy music stands to replace the ancient ones that have plagued performers with their collapsible antics in recent concerts!

For the Spring Concert seasoned performers were joined by new faces in Katie Lee, who played keyboard and sang in her surprisingly rich and mature voice, and Year 7, Oscar Futter, who sang and

Our next concert will take place on June 30th at the Memorial Hall. Information about ticket sales will be published on the school's website nearer the time. The concert will showcase the work of our very talented musicians including rock bands, the newly formed orchestra, strings group,

solo instrumentalists and singers, GCSE Music students, the school's vocal group, Kaleidoscope. We also hope to welcome back students from last year who are now studying at Dereham Sixth Form College.



BAKE OFF



This year, we held our first ever Great Neatherd Bake Off! It has been a really exciting opportunity to involve

parents, staff and students in a competitive to cooking event. We had 6 teams enter our offirst heat where the requirements were to bake one savoury and one sweet product. All of this was to be done using one volocal and one organic ingredient. Over two evenings we had a variety of baked goods on offer, from a full "Teddy Bear Tea Party" to Cricket lunches. Families and staff competed to win over the judges and to see who was to be going through to the next

round, the Technical Challenge! The

second round was to gain an idea of

each team's pastry technique; the

pastry bake. Again, we had a delightful collection of Bakewell tarts, cheese straws, Cornish pasties, baked apple pies, chicken pies, and the most

pies, and the most delicious chocolate pecan pie! The judges then had to make the very difficult decision of

who we were going to let through to the final. After half term, the three finalists will be competing to win the prestigious Bake Off prize. Their guidelines were to create a colourful and creative version

requirements being one sweet or savoury

of an Afternoon Tea or the traditional, savoury High Tea. We are now waiting to see what delicious goods will be baked this time and which team will become the first winners of the Great Neatherd Bake Off!



BBC SCHOOL REPORT

In March, students from the Year 10 GCSE Media Studies class spent a day as reporters for BBC School Report. This day sees students from across the country racing to complete their stories and upload them by the deadline - which is an enormous challenge! The GCSE Media Studies option group had previously visited the EDP offices in Norwich to learn what life as a reporter is like, they interviewed an editor, created news stories for Mustard TV, and examined the morning news agenda! "It was good as it taught me how

newspapers are created.

I enjoyed interviewing the editor and seeing how Mustard TV worked!" said Jamie Benbow. After their visit students divided into teams to choose the focus of their stories for BBC School

Report Day- these ranged from the future of Dereham Football Club, mental health issues amongst teenagers, and the future of libraries in Norfolk. Once they had researched and planned, they then started work as reporters: questions were written, phone calls made and interviews were set up. Alistair showed his talent as an interviewer whilst interviewing members of Dereham Football Club board, whilst Patrick confidently quizzed a librarian at Dereham library. The teams filmed, interviewed, edited and rushed to meet

their deadline at 3pm. The students worked really hard completing their stories-they can be seen at http://schoolreport.neatherd.org/

MONITORS AND PREFECTS-

Well done to the following students who applied to become successful Monitor Prefect and first or were in their application. To be accepted, they each had to submit an application form outlining what they are already involved in within school, have at least 95% attendance, and ATL grades 1 and 2 in all of their subjects. Those students who were unsuccessful this time around will automatically be considered each time teachers update their ATL data, and those of you who didn't apply but would still like to, need to get an application form from Mrs Jacobs!

Carter Year 10

Hannah Bavage
Carly Bradish
Sarah Constable
Smith
Rachel Cremin
Sophie English
Ellie Jackman
Emily Jessop
Chloe Mayes
Erin Mobbs
Jasmine Munt
Alice Older
Lewis Read
Megan Reid

Carter Year 9 Jenna Vit

Lauren Richeda

Evie Williamson

Joseph Wade

Cavell Year 10

Nathan Codling Sophie Ebbage Liam Hubbard James Kimber Harrison Matwij William Payze Alex Skinner Charlotte Taylor

Cavell Year 9
Emily Best
Alice Bridges
Holly Grant
Rebekah Hartley
Jack Thomas
Jenny Tooley
Elizabeth Vogel

Fry Year 10

Erin Cooper
Georgia Crowley
Alice Elliott
Lauren Ellis
Gintare Kucinskaite
Thomas Moye
Lauryn Neil
Thomas Partridge
Abigail Street
Harry Sutton
Jack White

Fry Year 9
Leah Stubbs
Alice Styles
Ellena Meachen
Luke Keeley
Jamie Harding
Ellie Foster

Kett Year 10

Bethany Windle
Sam Westgate
KaitlinWebster
Harlie Scott
Alex Rukaber
Alicia Randall
Thomas Prothero Gibbs
Yvonne Penvenne
Courtney Manley
Moira Maguire
Ewan Lait
Kieran Lake

Kett Year 9 Kallum Brown Charlotte Welling

HARRY POTTER NIGHT

A magical evening was once again enjoyed in February as we celebrated 'Harry Potter Night of Spells and Potions'. Invites arrived by Owl Post encouraging our Muggles to dress for the occasion, bringing a homemade potion for the competition.



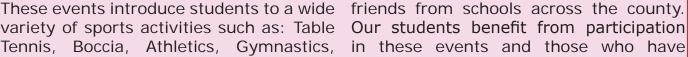
Excited Muggles were sorted into houses with the famous Sorting Hat before gaining House Points in a Spell Duel and Hogwarts Quiz. The Science department provided a wonderful array of hands-on potion making under a floating candle sky.



-PLAYGROUND TO PODIUM —

Tennis, Boccia, Athletics, Gymnastics,

Cricket. Wheelchair Basketball, Mini Tennis, Goal Ball, Badminton and Sitting Volleyball. Each activity is taught by NCC coaches from the various sports disciplines and students learn new skills whilst making new



previously been are first to ask when the next event is and if they can go. As you can see from the students photos, our thoroughly enjoy these events and benefit greatly from the boost to their self-confidence self-esteem



students thoroughly have enjoyed attending the Playground to Podium Events held at the UEA. As a result our continued participation in these events, we were given the

opportunity to host and run a weekly SEND Cricket Club with expertise and support of the Norfolk Cricket Board. This is the first club of its type in Norfolk. This venture has proved highly successful with a number of our SEND Year 7-9 students attending the Club weekly since commencement in January with Mrs Parker and a Norfolk Cricket Board coach. Following on from students' enthusiasm to join the Club, we have purchased our own training cricket equipment to ensure our SEND After School Cricket Club



fun and entertainment on Monday evenings and it has given me friends, new new



skills within cricket and it's fun." teaches us new skills and I help with the younger pupils. My throwing and catching



levels.

has improved and I

hit the ball high on to the back wall." "All students who have participated in the Club have developed greater selfconfidence, receive a boost in personal self-esteem levels, learnt new skills and learnt how to work successfully as a team working towards a common goal. In other words, setting up the Neatherd SEND Cricket Club has been a great success and has proved to be very popular", says Mrs Parker.



-ANGLING COMPETITION-



We recently enjoyed our annual visit to Barford Lakes where nine of our pupils

took part in the Partnership Angling Competition. On a very wet (it rained continually) but warm day our boys, working in teams of three, waited patiently (some very, very patiently) while

the fish decided whether they would take the bait...or not. The perseverance paid off as Zak Worby, Billy Grimes and Jamie Nunn came 1st, (bearing in mind Zak landed 57lbs of carp) with Joshua Richardson, Kane Clark and Jordan Bowie coming second. Our final three, Johnny Keeler, Adam Crowhurst and Cameron Vincent also did a great job. Cameron should have won an award for busiest competitor as he seemed to be landing a fish every 10 minutes! Unfortunately they were rather small, highlighting the quality over quantity theory once again! A sterling effort boys, well done all!



YEAR 8 SPORTS LEADERS

There were Leadership opportunities for our Year 8s as they helped with the running of the Dereham Cluster Primaries Minitennis competition held at Easton College. This has become a bit of a tradition for us, along with the netball tournament, and is an ideal

event for our youngsters to develop confidence in working with younger people. This particular group helped at last year's competition, so we were delighted to be able to attend again. As always, the girls worked with confidence and maturity, officiating the games, working well with the organisers, interacting fantastically



with the youngsters and simply getting on with the job! This is a super group of children who will be an asset to our Sports Leader course in Year 10, if they are to choose that option.



SKI TRIP

Once again Neatherd High took pupils from Years 10, 11 and the Sixth Form to Italy for our annual ski trip. We skied at Passo del Tonale in the Italian alps during the February half-term holidays. The resort also consists of Ponte di Legno which is where we stayed.

At first we had to endure 24 hours on the coach to get to our resort, but with the help of iPods, tablets, snacks, conversations and 2 hours on the ferry, to break it up, the time passed quickly. First stop: ski fit (it's still fun to watch the beginners trying to carry all that gear!) We had quite a spread of abilities, from pupils who have skied many times, GCSE PE students wanting to be assessed for their exams, and some novices who hadn't even tried on a ski boot before. Our hotel was 4 star accommodation, six minutes from the bottom of the gondola. After a good night's sleep, we were up,

had breakfast and got off to the slopes to meet our instructors. Pupils received 6 hours of instruction every day – so they get truly immersed in the experience (some literally!).

In the evenings we wandered into the village to try excellent Italian ice-cream, walk around the shops, one night was a disco, but generally just chilling and enjoying the experience.

It was good to see everyone enjoying the skiing and making great progress. A special mention must go to the six GCSE students who got maximum marks in their Skiing assessment!

Another really good trip and a big thankyou to the staff who helped organise and run the trip – but I think they also enjoyed it too!

Mr Miller (Trip Leader)



NETBALL LEADERS

To start the Summer Term's Leadership activities, 20 pupils from Years 9 and 10 helped to run the West Norwich and Dereham Schools Sports Partnership Primary Schools High 5 Netball

tournament. Neatherd hosted the event which saw 11 big school teams and 10 small school teams from the Partnership cluster working hard to win a qualifying place at the County Partnership Finals. The Leaders involved had been gaining confidence umpiring and officiating through their **Sports**

Leaders course and many had been confident enough and knowledgeable

enough to be able to help at last year's event. The Year 9s did not have as much experience, but they were willing to help umpire if necessary and took charge of the courts to ensure all ran smoothly.

A big thank-you to the following who could be relied upon to think on their feet and keep things running perfectly, even when 3 teams unavoidably late due to traffic! Harlie Scott, Abi Foster, Katy King, Rachel Harvey, Courtney Manly, Amelia Dorrington, Amelia Hodges, Ella Warren, Chloe Newson, Freya Budgett, Moira Maguire, Grace Brooks, Jasmine Munt, Lauryn Neil, Gintare Kucinskaite, Lucy

Thompson, Chloe Webb, Louise Godin, Eli Plomer, Rhiannon Fleet, Kiera Plumb.

YEAR 11 FOOTBALL

The year 11s played their last game for Neatherd High School the beginning March against Northgate their counterparts. "I was worst fearing the when I found out that we were missing four of our regular players, but all who filled in did absolutely brilliantly", said coach



Mr Barron. The Neatherd squad managed to win the game 3-1 with goals from Chris Broster, Kyle Kerr and Liam Chipperfield.

Well done to the whole team: Ben Jarrett, Zander Berry, Luke Mansfield, Nye Sully, Will Taber, Chris Broster, Sam Burton, Jacob Reeder, Jordan Bowie, Kyle Kerr, Liam Chipperfield

ROUNDERS UPDATE

Our Rounders season has kicked off with a very positive start as usual. Not to be put off by our very temperamental weather, the girls have been attending in abundance, showing commitment and dedication to improving. On some days over 60 girls are out practising at lunchtimes, and again we have teams in each year group. In Year 7 and 8 we could easily field two teams, so we look forward

to our final few weeks of the year when we hope to get the opportunity to play in tournaments so everyone can get lots of games! Their individual skills continue to develop and improve, and with some good hitters,

and throwers and catchers they could potentially be as good as the Year 10s. We have already played a few league games where we have won some and lost some! Our Year 10s are proving a force to be reckoned with and have won all their games but one so far, and that loss was just by half a rounder. They have completely gelled as a team, have been together since Year 7, and they each have strong individual skills, catching, throwing and hitting consistently well. They are a really inspirational team

for the younger pupils to look up to. Regular training attendees include: Year 7 Squad: Jasmine Hudson, Ellie Ampleford, Holly Gibson, Kayleigh Munt, Lily Passam, Hallie Taylor, Louise Tooley, Hannah Reid, Lucy Gedge, Hannah Charman, Grace O'Regan, Milly Ogden, Annet Saji, Holly Broster, Florence Hall, HollyLloyd, Maisie Jessop, Katie Bottomley. Year 8 Squad: Arden Scott (regularly

playing for Year 9s), Maddie Street, Tash Ward, Crystal Kong, Marni Taylor, Daisy King, Amber Macey, Grace Warren, Lily Arnold, Hannah Spalding, Trinity Donachie, Bethany Holland, Jess Egle, Amelia Morse, Rebecca Howard, Charlotte Calvert, Abi Smith, Leah Ellis, Gabby Sharp, Evelina

Kucinskaite, Jess Goodley, Amber Wilson. Year 9 Squad: Ellie Foster, Eli Plomer, Keira Piumb, Louise Godin, Chloe Webb, Shannon Mather, Amy Malin, Izzy Green, Lily Sore, Jessica Moore, Alice Hart, Carrie-Ann Mileham, Gabby Lynch. Year 10 Squad: Harlie Scott, Jasmine Munt, Katy King, Lauryn Neil, Amelia Hodges, Gintare Kucinskaite, Abi Foster, Freya Budgett, Chloe Newson, Emily Jessop, Rachel Harvey, Lucy Thompson, Moira Maguire, Abi Street, Carly Bradish.

GIRLS' RUGBY

For two seasons now, girls' rugby at Neatherd has been increasing in popularity. Regular training sessions and fixtures against other schools have helped shape a skilled and dedicated female rugby team. This culminated in an end of season Norfolk tournament where an U15s team represented Neatherd

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with pride and ambition. A great muddy, wet, and aggressive day was spent at the Norfolk county tournament. We

took 15 girls who played their socks off in the group stage, reaching the semi finals, but losing unfortunately to the overall winners. We couldn't be prouder of a group of ladies who have been dedicated to training week in week out.





GIRLS' HOCKEY

Recently, two Year 7 girls' Hockey teams were invited to Northgate for a mini-



tournament. They also had two teams so we played 3 games of 12 minutes each way. All 14 girls worked really hard to get the ball and try to use the space available, working together as a team. The channelling of players and

effective tackling was a joy to watch from our youngsters. For some of the girls

it was the first time they had played competitive Hockey for school. Elisha and Holly were our goalkeepers, and as two inexperienced 'new to the job' players, they did a sterling job.

Neatherd "A" were winners on goal difference; scoring 1 more than Northgate "A" and Neatherd "B" came in 4th, again on goal difference, scoring just 1 less than Northgate B. This all bodes well for the 2016/17 season! Well done everyone!

Neatherd squads: Elisha Smith, Ellie Ampleford, Jasmine Hudson, Isla Reid, Bethany Payton, Kiera Stubbs, Milly Ogden, Katie Lockhart;

Holly Lloyd, Molly Ashton, Katie Bottomley, Lucy Gedge, Kayleigh Munt, Bronwyn Neil, Hannah Reid.

Calendar dates

Monday, 6th June to Wednesday 20th July 2016

Year Groups Affected				ted	
7	8	9	10	11	
					June 2016
0	0	0	0	0	Monday, 6th: School re-opens
0	0	0	0	0	Wednesday, 8th: Art & Photography Exhibition
0	0	0	0	0	Wednesday,8 th : Presentation Evening: Sports Awards
0	0	0	0		Monday 20 th – Friday 24 th June: Curriculum Enhancement Week
			0		Monday 20 th – Friday 24 th June: Year 10 Work Experience
		0			Monday 20 th - Friday 24 th June: Year 9 Battlefields Trip
0					Monday 20 th - Friday 24 th June: Year 7 trip to Normandy
0	0	0	0	0	Thursday, 30 th June: Music Night at the Memorial Hall
				0	Thursday, 30 th June: Taster Day at Dereham Sixth Form College
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				0	Friday, 1 st July: Taster Day at Dereham Sixth Form College
0	0	0	0		Monday, 4 th – Friday, 8 th July: Charity Week
0	0	0	0	0	Wednesday, 6th: Creative Arts Evening
0	0	0	0		Thursday, 7 th : Sports Day
0	0	0	0	0	Friday, 8 th : Science Fair
			0		Friday, 8 th : Year 10 Vaccinations
					Wednesday, 13 th to Friday, 15 th July: Inset Days for New Intake
					Thursday, 14 th : Inset Evening for New Intake
0	0	0	0		Monday, 18 th : Rewards Trips (selected students)
0	0	0	0	0	Tuesday, 19 th : School Fete & Football tournament (2.30pm-6pm)
0	0	0	0		Wednesday, 20 th : Year Group Presentations
0	0	0	0		Wednesday, 20 th : School closes for Summer holidays

