

NEATHERDHI



HARRY POTTER NIGHT



A FINCH'S
TALE



STEM LEGO
LEAGUE



SPRING CONCERT

WELCOME

Dear Readers

Since the last Neatherd Hi! so much has happened in school, as you will see on the following pages. I am very proud of our students and the way they 'fly' with what staff offer them in enrichment, whether in sport, STEM or the Creative Arts, to name a few memorable opportunities. I can still remember the fantastic Harry Potter evening where owls flew down the front corridor – not many schools where I guess you could say that!

Today, I have just spoken to the EDP about school under-funding and we have just held a minute silence to remember those in the Manchester attack. I reflect that these are not the most settled or happiest of times and yet, at Neatherd we are very proud to be a resilient and positive 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 5th June.

Peter Devonish
Headteacher



GEOGRAPHY TRIP

On the 4th and 5th May Year 10 GCSE Geography students went to Holkham Beach on a field trip. We had a great day, collecting data about sand dunes succession and learning new skills whilst seeing and understanding the development of sand dunes in nature.

"It was really good to get out of the classroom and get some real live examples of things we have been learning in lessons", says Harry Gagen. "This was more hands-on than Geography at school," says Lauren Brown, "we got to see the different types of sand dunes and learned how they form and also saw the human influences and compared this to the natural formation of sand dunes."

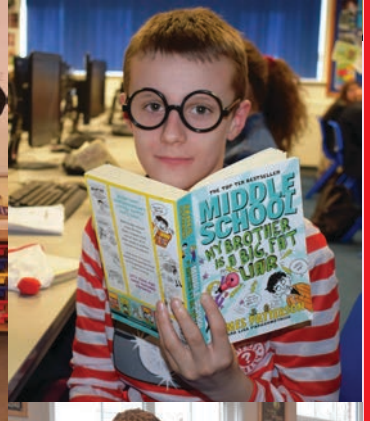
Alice Bridges, Year 10



WORLD BOOK WEEK

In March we celebrated World Book Week with an amazing array of authors and events. Author Julian Sedgwick made a welcome return visit to entertain our Year 7s and visiting Year 6s with his mystical adventure series, *Ghosts of Shanghai*, set in China. The climax of his talk was the nail biting knife juggling act, followed by creative writing workshops during the day. Our very own artistic Mrs Slater from the LINK engaged students in workshops throughout the day with an enlightening presentation on illustrating book covers and the importance of Visual Literacy. World Book Day saw the school transformed into a literary world of characters as staff and students raised money to fund our Patron of Reading (PoR) during a 'Character Dress-up Day'. The canteen also got bitten by the book bug as they changed their menu to book inspired options. Alex Scarrow (PoR) spoke to pupils at the Lower School assembly on the importance of reading then gave a blood curdling talk on his latest virus controlling book 'Remade' to Y10 students followed by various creative writing workshops with Y9 and 10. It was a week dominated by male authors as we ended the week with the superb Alexander Gordon Smith. Gordon (as he prefers to be called) gave an inspiring speech during Upper School assembly followed by an entertaining talk to all Year 8 and Year 9 students plus creative writing horror workshop throughout the day. The week also included a

'Preloved Book Swap' every lunchtime, a form book quiz, whole school 'Neatherd Reads' for the last fifteen minutes every day and the scrumptious and imaginative Literary Cake Bake where judges Mrs Holmes, Mr Smith, Mrs Patterson and Mrs Gill had the arduous task of choosing the winner- Lily Passam and runners up Holly Gibson and The Link.



SCHOOL PRODUCTION



On the 3rd and 4th of February, Dereham Neatherd High School performed their annual school production at the Memorial Hall in Dereham. This year, the director (Miss Harris) and the cast wrote their own story called Finch's Tale. It was a dark tale about an orphaned boy named Finch who embarks on a fantastical journey with his best friend Tabitha to search for hope and happiness.

The main characters were brilliantly performed by Finlay Reid, Y10 and Emily Gibson, Y11. Their adventure was full of magical and strange characters that either helped or hindered the young pair. From Kings and Queens to monsters and pirates, the show was stuffed full of extraordinary creatures!

The performance was greatly received by the audience who said "it was haunting

to watch but at the same time, had a gripping storyline where we didn't want to take our eyes off the stage". Full of dance, theatre and music, the production involved over 100 students who created moments of humour, horror and mystery. It was a scary but enchanting event!



MUSIC CONCERT

This year's Spring Concert showcased the work of our very talented musicians including the school's vocal group Kaleidoscope, rock bands, our own blues band, the newly formed orchestra – Neatherd Buskers, strings group, solo instrumentalists and singers. Students were supported on stage by staff: Nia Howe, ex-Head Girl and current vocal teacher and Ms Slater: strings and woodwind teacher and our own Mr Owen and Mr Willis. The usual mixture of styles gave the



evening a really eclectic and fun feel to it. A particular highlight that brought some audience members to their feet was the ska band's rendition of Madness numbers that took some of us right back to the 80s. For some of our much loved and appreciated Year 11s, this will be the final time we see them perform together – unless of course they manage to carve out careers as professional musicians and form a band – now there's an idea! The fantastic Emily Gibson, Harrison Matwij, Liam Hubbard, Nathan Codling, Harry

Sutton, Ellie Jackman, Sophie Ebbage, Cerys Blake, Hannah Bavage, Lucy Kirk, Alex Rukaber, Charlotte Taylor, Jess Irving, Beth Windle, will be truly missed.

Luke Maxwell, who won the judges vote at Neatherd's Got Talent back in the autumn hit the high notes again with his amazingly mature singing voice, this time dueting with Jess Irving. Other singing highlights included Lillimae Nicholson and the soulful Katie Lee who will be in Year 10 next year, stepping into the vacated shoes of Emily, Hannah, Carys, Lucy and Jess as they leave us.

Classical instrumental performances were provided by Naomi Vogel on her flute, Ellena Meachen on clarinet, Alex Sidney on keyboard and Lizzy Vogel on more

instruments than I can count on my hands! George Crisp, also Year 9 played rock guitar and shortly afterwards left for a gig in the United States apparently! Another guitar talent to watch is Luke Sewell, also Year 9.



As always it was such a delight to see and hear our talented musicians playing together in front of a naturally appreciative audience of family and friends. With so many of our Year 11s leaving us this summer, next year's concerts will be challenging but we are sure that many more gifted musicians will step up to take their place.

DANCE SHOW

On Thursday 23rd March, Dereham Neatherd High School hosted their annual dance show "Dynamic" at Dereham Memorial Hall. Hockering Primary School, Scarning Primary School and Downham Market Academy joined Neatherd to perform their outstanding dance work from this academic year. Highlights were the GCSE Dance performances and routines from the competition team Obsidian. There was even comedy interval entertainment

from two male students in luminous tutus! 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. Truly inspirational!"

The evening was a huge success and both the performers and the audience had a wonderful evening full of movement, music and smiles.



DANCE COMPETITIONS

If you are involved with the dance industry at school, you will know that it brings many opportunities. Whether it is performing or competing, Miss Harris takes students to do it all. If you didn't know, Miss Harris is the amazing dance and drama teacher who leads many dance groups such as: Sparks, Ignite and Hofesh.

Recently the dance groups were involved in two dance competitions. The first

this time, we had many rehearsals where we watched our competition perform. After that, it was time for us to hit the stage.

Once everyone had performed, we had the nerve racking results. We had the honour of winning the senior category meaning we will go on to perform at the O2 on the 2nd July.

CYD is a dance competition that runs every

year. This year Miss Harris took Obsidian and Ignite on the 30th April to take part. The event comprised of master classes and the main competition. The three master classes were of different genres of dance, contemporary, commercial and musical theatre/jazz and everyone got to complete these.

In the competition, Obsidian competed with a shorter version of the refugee dance which we had used for "Make Your Move" the day before.

Once again Obsidian won the

seniors competition so we will compete in Liverpool at the finals.

Overall it was a really successful weekend, achieving so much. We are very proud of our accomplishments and have fingers crossed for the finals of both competitions.

Beth Payton, Year 8

one was called "Make your move" and it took place in London and our second competition was CYD or also known as "Can You Dance", at the UEA in Norwich. Miss Harris and Miss Smith took the dance group called Obsidian to London on the 29th April to compete in "Make your move". This competition was all about the Red Cross and how the charity changes peoples' lives. Our dances had to connect to the Red Cross somehow, so we choreographed around the subject of refugees and how the Red Cross helps them. Our goal was to win this competition and compete in the finals at the O2 in London.

We had an early start, meeting at the school for 7.30am. Once we got to the venue we made our way to check in and we were guided to our dressing room. We had time to get ready and dressed. During



FLEXIBLE LEARNING DAY



Our second Flexible Learning Day of the year took place on Tuesday 14th March 2017. The day involved an array of exciting, creative and challenging activities for the pupils. Some Year 7 pupils had a day at JDT Music Academy where they wrote the lyrics and music for a piece of music that was then played and recorded! All of Year 8 carried out geography fieldwork in Wroxham, looking

at the development of Tourism. Lots of Year 9 pupils enjoyed a workshop with STOMP, a musical company who use a unique combination of percussion, movement and visual comedy and have taken the world by storm. Year 11 had a couple of external speakers use their expertise to help our pupils with revision/study techniques. The feedback from the pupils about the day was incredibly positive!



BRILLIANT CLUB

A select group of Neatherd pupils started the Brilliant Club's Scholars Programme in February '17 with a launch trip and the first tutorial at Trinity Hall College, Cambridge University. The Scholars Programme is a comprehensive course aiming to inspire pupils and raise their aspirations to apply for highly selective universities such as Oxford, Cambridge and Russell Group universities. The programme is run by the Brilliant Club, an award winning charity that exists to broaden the access to the top universities by closing the gap between privately educated and state educated pupils.

On the launch trip at Trinity Hall College, Cambridge pupils got a comprehensive tour of the grounds, an 'Information, Advice and Guidance' session talking through every aspect of university and a chance to talk with a current student. Pupils also had their first tutorial which introduced them to their topic based around the question "How do we tackle the biggest killer of humans: the



mosquito" and also set the pupils their first of four weekly homework tasks. Pupils then enjoyed four tutorials in school from their own PhD Tutor, Rebecca, who is a graduate Scientist from the UEA. She is using her specialism to deliver fun, small group sessions to our students which culminated in preparation for the 2,000 word assignment answering the topic question. All of our pupils have passed the assignment with a 1st or a 2:1, which is absolutely SUPERB!

At the graduation ceremony on Saturday 20th May pupils enjoyed a sun filled day at the UEA, for the first time the ceremony took place on a Saturday which meant that parents and siblings could be at the graduation day. Pupils enjoyed a study session, a tour and a general university session. Parents joined pupils for a couple of the sessions, but also had their own tour and an information session about university! The formal graduation ceremony was long, but a fitting end to the outstanding achievement of our Neatherd pupils.



BAKER STREET BULLETIN

Tantalising tales

Once again we were entertained with some brilliant short stories entering the BBC Radio 2 500 Words Competition. Out of the 38 entries we also chose school winners –Harry Sheffler, George LeBon and Ashten Hopcroft and KS4 Maisie Passam.

“EGGCELLENT” READERS

During the week up to the Easter break anyone who took a book out on loan was entered into the Easter Draw - Cameron Hodgson was 'eggstatic' to be the winner receiving the collection of books and Easter chocolate.



Spotlight on the teacher:

Mrs Sanderson, Head of Creative Arts:

Currently Reading: “I’m reading Testament of Youth at the moment – an autobiographical account of a woman who nursed her way through the 1st world war. It gives a harrowing, no holds barred account of a life lived in traumatic times.”

Favourite children’s book: – “The Dark is Rising series by Susan Cooper – adventure, mystery, magic and King Arthur.”

Favourite author: “ Jane Austen because she is quietly and subtly funny.”

Desert Island Books:

What three books would you happily be stranded on a desert island with? Persuasion by Jane Austen, Mist Over Pendle by Robert Neill and The Dark is Rising by Susan Cooper”



Accelerated readers



A total of ninety six Year 7 and Year 8 achieved their personalised reading targets this term and were awarded prizes of books and chocolate, the perfect combination! Keep up the good work for the Summer term.



Mission possible



Year 9 students are steadily completing their Mission Possible Booklets. Many have achieved their Bronze and Silver Award with five also completing Gold now heading for Diamond! The booklets are designed to widen the genre of books read by Y9, thus preparing them for the wide and varied form of text they will study for GCSE.

BAKER STREET BULLETIN

BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK

Love was in the air with the run up to Valentine's Day as students were invited to choose a 'Blind Date Book'- deciding on their choices by brief descriptions before 'checking the book out'. Each book that was taken out over the week – 218 in total- was entered into a draw to win their Valentine treat. Congratulations to Sarah Mander from Year 7



Homework help

Our Patron of Reading, Alex Scarrow ran an afterschool workshop for Y7s who wished to have a head start in their history homework project. Alex provided a unique experience of working with a published author to give advice, guidance and ideas in their creative writing project to ensure the characters and setting stayed true to the time period they chose.



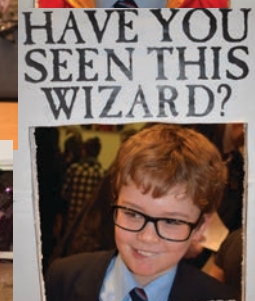
LGBT Month

We were delighted to welcome transgender author, Juno Dawson to give a Stonewall presentation talk about her experiences as a transgender woman. Juno held three sessions to Year 8, 9 and 10 pupils and had lunch with the schools Strive 4 Pride group. Feedback from students found her 'inspirational' and 'fascinating' and one Year 10 student said "It was great to meet a less conventional author and it clarified issues that many people may have been confused about relating to the LGBT community. "It was really inspirational and told us it's okay to be different –to be whoever you feel you want to be," was the verdict of a Year 8 student.



HARRY POTTER NIGHT

Alohomora! Another fantastic evening was enjoyed by staff and sixty four students celebrating Harry Potter Night . Once again the library was transformed with Hogwarts house colours and artefacts, Platform 9 3/4 and floating candles. This year we were treated to real owls swooping down the corridors and across the library in-between magical moments marvelling at our muggles, witches and wizards. Staff and students were dressed in their wonderful magical robes waiting to be sorted into Hogwarts houses before relishing in an evening of potion making, owl designing and wizarding wand duelling. As the candles flickered an excerpt from Philosophers Stone was read, HP treats eaten and Butterbeer drunk, finishing with the ultimate Harry Potter Quiz, won by Gryffindor who all received a golden snitch. Before 'disapparating' with their brooms, young Hogwart students were all treated to a chocolate frog. Mischief Managed!



SNAG UPDATE

The SNAG team has been very busy this term, a food culture review is currently underway. The pupils have been brainstorming and coming up with ideas as to how we can improve Neatherd's attitude and actions towards eating healthy and responsibly. Once the food culture ideas have been drawn together, SNAG will be releasing an action plan of the steps going forward. We have already agreed that promoting healthy pack up lunches are a priority, keep an eye out for the campaign soon!



form.

The poly tunnel has been fixed and is now up and running, water is our biggest priority right now. SNAG has ordered two aqua rollers to carry the precious substance, if you have any old watering cans abandoned in sheds or garages that could be donated that would be very appreciated! If any parents or community members would like to get involved with the gardening club, please feel free to get in contact with a member of SNAG or Mr Anderson. We are also looking forward

The Bake off competitions have been very popular as usual, a meat free meal for four was especially inventive ranging from homemade pizzas to pesto pastas. Before the May half term we will be hosting a Summer Spice theme, make sure you get your hands on a house team application

to a busy summer term with visits to local farms and food manufacturers. Norton's Dairy which is just North of Norwich has agreed to give a special insiders tour which will allow pupils to really understand how their food gets from the farm to their forks.

FAMILIES COOKING TOGETHER

As part of their many activities as a Food for Life Gold school, Neatherd High School continued with their community engagement. In order to get adults and pupils involved with cooking healthy and nutritious meals, the school is offering adult community cookery lessons free of charge. They recently held another session in which dads got involved in cooking up tasty treats with their children.

The meal of the day was a chickpea and coconut curry which the pupils really enjoyed creating and cooking. They were amazed at the reduction of spinach and thoroughly enjoyed picking out new and exotic spices to use (smoked paprika). Connor Webster and Emily



Aldus braved a teaspoon of chilli powder which required a gallon of squash to ease the pain – they had been warned! All pupils involved got to take home their meals for tea, as well as a goodie bag of ingredients to cook it again with a recipe card. "My daughter asked me to join in with the cookery session. At home I don't always have the time to do some cooking, so it is nice to now cook together," says Gavin Norton. "Healthy eating is so important", says Mr Anderson, Environment and Sustainability Co-ordinator, "at Neatherd we are trying to get students involved with cooking from a young age so that they can make use of these important skills."

STEM LEGO LEAGUE

Neatherd's own STEM department were able to add some more outstanding achievements to their portfolio of many activities. They were able to host a round of the First Lego League in January as their usual venue, Duxford Aerodrome, had a refit. Mr Chapman, who runs the STEM club, submitted a bid and was successful.



and Olaf Don, managed to impress the judges and qualified for the National Finals in Bristol, competing against 48 from across the Country. On the day they had to compete in four tasks, RobotGame, RobotDesign, Project and Core Values.

Neatherd's team's presentation went well with all members demonstrating a shared responsibility within the team and

The First Lego League competition is run by the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) and sees teams research a real-world problem such as food safety, recycling, energy, and challenge them to develop a solution. They also have to design, build, program a robot using LEGO MINDSTORMS technology, then compete on a table-top playing field.

"The theme of the competition was animal allies and how we can help animals", says Mr Chapman, "it was a really fun day." In a fierce competition the Neatherd team, consisting of Year 9 twins Aaron and Lilimae Nicholson, and Year 7 students Edward Curl, Billy Hall, Sergio Mendes

of the team demonstrating a shared responsibility within the team and



team work. "In the first robot game we were well placed, and even appeared on the IET's live feed of the competition," says Mr Chapman. "The second game unfortunately didn't go so well with a glitch in software, so we worked on refining the problems and came out with our highest score in round three, something the team should be exceptionally proud of."

Neatherd didn't manage to secure one of the top ten places needed to go to the world championships, but the whole team was nevertheless very proud of their achievements.



CAREERS EVENTS



Neatherd's Careers department has been busy as usual with several activities taking place. In January we welcomed over 30 different providers of apprenticeships to the school. Our Year 9 and 10 students had the chance to meet the companies, get

some vital information about different apprenticeships available and to talk to the advisers about possible routes they could take into their profession of choice. Apprenticeships are getting more and more popular with the number of businesses which offer them growing all the time. We understand that apprenticeships are not for everyone, but the Apprenticeship Fair also offered general advice about a variety of different careers.

In co-operation with Breckland District Council we also organised a Business breakfast which Neatherd students from Years 7-9 and local employers attended. The students quizzed the adults about what life at work is like and asked questions like "What do you like about your job?" and "What skills are employers looking for?" while tucking into bacon rolls. The main aim of the event was to allow local employers and students to engage and learn from each other and for the schools to find out what skills businesses are looking for in students", says Fleur Ramm, Business Growth Apprentice at Breckland Council. "I was really impressed with the students", says Phil Hayton from Westcotec, "they seemed so enthusiastic to find out more about what life at work is like." The next big "Careers project" will be the Year 10 Work Experience during w/c 10th July. Most of our students' placements are sorted by now and the pupils are starting to get really excited to be able to experience a week in the "world of work". We were very sad to say "Goodbye" to Mrs Andrea James who has been giving valuable Careers advice over the last 2 1/2 years to our students in Upper School. They really valued her input and it helped them to decide what next steps to take after they leave Neatherd. Mrs James will be taking up a new position with the NHS in Kings Lynn. Our new Careers advisor is Melinda O'Connor who will be joining us from 6th June for two days a week.

FRIENDS OF NEATHERD

The Friends of Neatherd High School were very pleased to be able to distribute the funds raised from last year's activities to the different departments at school which had submitted a funding application for items the school budget cannot cover. They were able to consider all 13 applications favourably with full or part funding. "We had enough money to fund items to the total value of £3180.54, this is a fantastic result and we wouldn't have been able to raise this money without help and support from parents and staff," says Tasha Nicholson, chair of the Friends. In order to be able to raise funds for the school the Friends need continued help. Unfortunately just recently the number of members and volunteers has dropped so much that the committee might have to fold unless they get more support from parents. "You don't have to attend every meeting, we are also looking for volunteers to just help with events," says Tasha Nicholson. The next events coming up will be the Quiz & Chips Night on Friday 23rd June and the Summer Fete

on Wednesday 18th July (from 2.30pm). If you can spare some time please get in touch with Tasha on Tel: 07927495739, or tashanicholson.school@outlook.com.

Friends of Neatherd High School present:



Quiz & Chips

Friday 23rd June

7pm for 7.30pm start

Neatherd school canteen

Tickets £7 per head – includes a fish & chip supper (different options available)

Teams of up to 6 people (children welcome)

Bring your own drinks!

**For more information and an entry form
phone Neatherd High School on**

01362 697981

FISHING COMPETITION

Eleven children from our school participated in our annual Partnership fishing tournament organised by Mrs Topping. The tournament was held on Tuesday 9th May at Barford Lakes and the weather was dull and cold.

Despite everyone's best efforts the day didn't quite go to plan – no one was catching any fish! All the students were getting bites, however, nothing was landing. As the competition was coming to a close, a lucky Year 8 student, Adam Crawhurst, got a bite and was finally successful in catching their only fish of the tournament.

Year 7 student Ashton Power said: "I'm really surprised that we only caught one fish! I'm a great fisherman, I go every weekend, yet, I only got a few nibbles –

very shocking!" Despite the lack of fish, it was still a fantastic event enjoyed by all. Ashton continued: "It was a fun day and everyone was happy, probably because they didn't have to go to school".

Riley Woodard, Year 7



One they caught earlier (last year!)

BBC MEDIA DAY

Fifteen keen and eager Year 10 reporters from Neatherd's GCSE Media Studies class took part in BBC School Report in March. The students took on the varied roles of reporters, camera crew, editors and production team in order to research, film and produce their own BBC School report by the 2pm deadline! Students chose a diverse and varied range of topics from celebrating Down Syndrome Day, examining mental health in students, exploring the impact of new building work on the infrastructure of Dereham and the use of social media. Students filmed in Dereham town centre and interviewed members of the public who were very helpful. Ellena Meachen from Year 10 said that, 'I think the day has been really useful in order to utilise the skills I

have learnt in Media Studies in a practical way and in a safe environment. I would recommend taking part to everyone!' The students were, as ever, a credit to the school, and worked incredibly hard to complete their stories on time; the reports are available on the BBC School report website if anyone would like to see them.



WARHAMMER CLUB

Warhammer is a table top miniature wargame produced by Games Workshop, set in a dystopian science fantasy



universe. It is very popular with lots of different age groups – and we have got our own Warhammer Club at Neatherd which is held in History 1 every Thursday

after school.

The background and playing rules of each faction are covered in the game's rule books and supplemental army "codex", along with articles in the Games Workshop magazines, White Dwarf and Imperial Armour. The game's miniatures are produced by Citadel Miniatures and Forge World.

I really like Warhammer and games club because of the varying games that you can play. It gives me a chance to meet new people and benefit my hobby. You can also bring your own board games along and in addition you can build and paint your own Warhammer figurines provided that you supply the material.

Joshua Blackburn, Year 7

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

At Neatherd High School we like to hear about our students' out of school activities and achievements and we celebrate them where possible. One of our Year 7 students, George LeBon, has several hobbies which keep him very busy in his spare time and he has been able to celebrate a number of successes recently. One of his big interests is Badminton and he took part in the Norfolk County School's Under 12s badminton tournament on Saturday 18th March. After a string of wins in the singles competition, he finally succumbed 18-21 to the Number 2 seed in the quarter finals. However, along with his playing partner he took the boys doubles by the tightest of margins. At one point the pair were 17-20 (match point) down to the opposition and looked to be heading for defeat. But with great resolve the boys did not allow the opposition to convert their match point to a win, as George smashed home the winning shot to snatch victory 21-20. Other notable performances from Neatherd players in this tournament were from Louis Molenaar, Jess Moore and Abbey Stocks. George has been playing badminton since he was seven and now trains twice a week with Dereham Juniors and once a week with the Norfolk County Under 14s squad. He also helps out in the County Under 12s squad, helping younger players develop their basic skills and improve their gameplay. He was part of the Dereham Under 14 team which won the Norfolk Area League this year. Other Neatherd students who were also part of this team were Jasmine Hudson, Evie Pearson, Matthew Fordham, Katherine Zhao and Jess Moore. When asked about why he enjoys badminton he responded "I enjoy badminton because it is fun and energising



and gives you many boosts such as quicker reactions and better stamina, which are useful skills in other sports."

George's other big hobby is anything IT related. He attends a "Tech Club" every week and has recently been selected to exhibit his new computer game, Fruit Bat Frenzy, at the Norwich Games Festival. This is the second year he has exhibited at the festival, and last year was the youngest designer at the event.

This is a game designed to primarily be as a tool to KS1 children to encourage their understanding of fruit being good for you. He has done this as a fun maze game whereas different fruits give you different 'power ups' whereby cake holds you back.

He will be exhibiting his game in the Warp Zone on Monday 29th and Wednesday 31st May at the Forum in Norwich and would welcome anyone from Neatherd to pop over and say hello.

The Norwich Games Festival runs from 29th May to 3rd June and is a family friendly celebration of computer games. There is plenty for children to do - and there are also many retro systems to take adults down memory lane!

www.norwichgamingfestival.com



ATHLETICS

May has kept us busy with two qualifying athletic events. The first, the Mid-Norfolk Athletics Championship was held at UEA on Wednesday 15th May. All competitors should be incredibly proud of their achievements particularly when you bear in mind that at this point in the term the weather had been against us and had made practice time a very rare occasion!

Year 7 Girls: Alissia Watson- 200m 1st, Georgina Whitehead -100m 1st , High Jump 3rd, Long Jump 1st. Memphis Symonds - 800m 1st , 1500m 1st. Ruby Needs with the aforementioned girls won their Relay. Ruby Wilson - Shot 2nd.

Year 7 Boys: Ryan Ferrari - Shot 2nd, Lucas Rose - Javelin 2nd, Cailean Fennah - Long Jump 3rd, Owen Brown - 200m 1st. Cameron Hodgson -100m 1st. Callum Scott

800m 1st. The relay team also won their Relay. **Year 8 Girls:** Ruby Chantry- High Jump 1st, Long Jump 1st. Ellie Ampleford- Shot 1st, Javelin 2nd. Beth Barrett - 100m 1st, 200m 1st. Amberly Wright - 800m 2nd. Hallie Taylor-1500m 2nd. Lucy Gedge and Milly Ogden made up the winning Relay team with Hallie and Beth. **Year 8 Boys:** Kayhan Tokbay-800m 2nd, Zak Collins- Idi- 100m, Long Jump 1st. Gwilym Hughes - Discus 2nd, Javelin 3rd. Gabriel Borges - High Jump 1st. Matt Way - Shot 1st. Relay team 1st. **Year 9 Girls:** Tash Ward- 100m 2nd, Long Jump 2nd. Marni Taylor- 200m 3rd. Sophie Green-300m 2nd. Pearl Williams Eley- 800m 3rd. Lily Tarsey -1500m 3rd. Morgan Dorrell - Shot 1st, Discus 1st. Trin Donachie -Javelin 1st. **Year 9 Boys:** Sam Swales - 800m 2nd. Brad Bowie 100m 3rd. Jake Melton-300m 1st. Kane Clark -High Jump 3rd. Charlie Price-Shot 3rd. Relay team 2nd. **Year 10 Girls:** Issy Green - 200m 2nd. Ellie Foster - 800m 1st, 1500m 1st. Eli Plomer - High Jump 3rd. Chloe Webb- Discus 1st. Relay team 3rd. **Year 10 Boys:** Joe Kealey - Javelin 2nd. Kallum Brown - Long Jump 2nd , 800m 3rd. Charlie Dickerson- 1500m 1st, High Jump 2nd. Aaron Duffield - Triple Jump 3rd. Joe Kealey - 400

3rd. Adam Taylor - 100 3rd. Relay team 2nd. If you have not been mentioned above it doesn't mean your efforts were not recognised. Without all of you we would not have been the overall winners of the competition. The following week we went to the UEA again for the West Norwich and Dereham Schools Sports Partnership Competition. Our 60 competitors were up against some very tough competition as pupils from Northgate, Hellesdon, Taverham, Reepham, and Ormiston

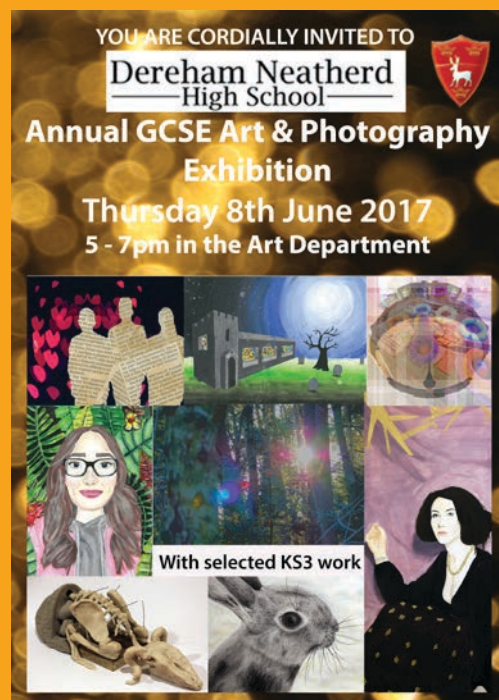
took to the track and field. We had some outstanding results and again each and every one of our competitors should be very proud of themselves.

Alissia Watson- 200m heat 1st, 200m Final 2nd. Georgina Whitehead -100m heat 2nd, 100m final 2nd. High Jump 3rd. Long Jump 1st. Memphis Symonds- 1500m 1st. Tamica Larbie-Shot 2nd. Ruby Wilson-Javelin 3rd.

Ruby Needs- 200m heat 3rd. Ruby Chantry- High Jump 1st, Long Jump 1st. Ellie Ampleford - Javelin 1st. Shot 3rd. Hallie Taylor- 1500m 2nd. Beth Barrett- 200m heat 2nd, final 2nd, 100m heat 2nd. Amberly Wright-800m 2nd. Tash Ward- Long Jump 1st. Sophie Green- 300m 3rd. Trin Donachie- Javelin 2nd. Morgan Dorrell- Discus 3rd. Bethany Hilton- High Jump 2nd. Issy Green- 200m 2nd. Amy Malin- Shot 2nd. Ellie Foster -800m, 1500m 1st. Charlotte Welling- High Jump 1st. Tom Lake - High Jump 1st, Long Jump 2nd. Ryan Ferrari- Shot 3rd. Cameron Hodgson- Javelin 2nd. Callum Scott - 800m 2nd. Kayhan Tokbay-800m 3rd. Bailey Barrett- High Jump 2nd. Jake Melton- 400m 3rd. Brad Bowie- Long Jump 2nd. Charlie Dickerson - 1500m 3rd. Kallum Brown - Long Jump 3rd. Patrick Lee - Shot 3rd. Aaron Duffield- Triple Jump 2nd. Joe Kealey - Javelin 1st. Relays: Year 7 boys 3rd. Year 8 boys 1st, Year 10 girls 2nd. Year 10 boys 3rd. A massive thanks must go to Mrs Twidle who ran the High Jump for us, meaning Mr Barron and I could keep an eye out and ensure all pupils arrived at their events!

Mrs Topping





Calendar dates

Monday, 5th June to Friday 21st July 2017

Year Groups Affected					
7	8	9	10	11	
					June 2017
●	●	●	●	●	Monday, 5th: School re-opens
●	●	●	●	●	Tuesday, 8th: Art & Photography Exhibition
●	●	●	●	●	Thursday, 15 th : Fashion Show
●					Friday, 16 th : Year 7 Full Reports posted
			●		Monday 19 th – Friday 30 th : Year 10 Mock Exams
		●			Friday 23 rd : Year 9 Short Reports Issued
●	●	●	●	●	Friday, 23 rd : Quiz & Chips Night
●	●	●	●	●	Wednesday, 28 th : Creative Arts Evening
				●	Friday, 30 th : Year 11 Prom Night
					July 2017
			●		Friday, 7th: Year 10 Short Reports Issued
●	●	●	●		Monday, 10 th – Friday, 14 th : Curriculum Enhancement Week
			●		Monday, 10 th – Friday, 14 th : Year 10 Work Experience Week
●	●	●	●		Monday, 17 th – Friday 21 st : Charity Week
●	●	●	●		Tuesday, 18 th : Sports Festival
●	●	●	●		Wednesday, 19 th : Rewards Day
●	●	●	●		Wednesday, 19 th : Non-Uniform Day
					Wednesday, 19 th : Inset Evening for New Intake
●	●	●	●	●	Wednesday, 19 th : Summer Fete
●	●	●	●		Thursday, 20 th : Science Fair
●	●	●	●		Thursday, 20 th : Sports Awards Evening
●	●	●	●		Friday, 21 st : Presentation Day
●	●	●	●		Friday, 21 st : School closes for Summer holidays