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Thanks to the Art Department for submitting this beautiful work from year 13 pupil **Rebeca Sergeant**. This highly skilled A level student wishes to pursue criminal law and we hope this kind attention to detail continues to serve her endeavours so well.

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A Message from the Head Teacher

Kimberley Sixth Form – High Performance and an Exciting Future

In January the Department for Education published details of all secondary schools' and sixth form colleges' performance. Those of you who have had sight of this information will have noted the remarkable achievements of our sixth form students last year. In particular, the data showed us that in 2018 our students performed brilliantly when compared against other students from Nottinghamshire. In particular, out of **49** schools and colleges they were:

- **5th** for the progress they made from their GCSE results;
- **1st** for the progress they made in Applied Subjects;
- **2nd** for the proportion of students gaining AAB or higher grades in facilitating subjects.

Nationally out of **4434** schools and colleges they were:

- **284th** for progress they made from their GCSE results;
- **80th** for progress they made in Applied Subjects;
- **296th** for the proportion of students gaining AAB or higher grades in facilitating subjects

As the contents of this newsletter reminds us, there is much more to the Kimberley School than exam results. However, I am sure that you will be as proud as I am of our students' achievements last year.

Our Sixth Form enjoys a strong reputation for high academic achievement, strong pastoral support and personal development. We have now secured funding and planning permission for a brand new, **£1 million sixth form centre** that is scheduled to be completed during the 2019-2020 academic year. This combination of high academic achievement and state of the art facilities will mean that the community of Kimberley School and beyond will have access to the outstanding sixth form provision that it deserves. This is an exciting time to be a part of this school and its community. If you want to find out more about joining the Kimberley School Sixth Form, then please do not hesitate to contact the school reception on **0115 938700**.

Taking the time to say thank you

In the last newsletter I set out to you how lucky I feel to work with such a wonderful group of teaching and non-teaching staff. I don't think that there has ever been a more challenging time to work in a school and yet every day I am amazed by the staff across the school who are determined to take every step to ensure that the children in their care are safe, happy and successful. I cannot tell you how important it is to individual colleagues when parents or carers contact us to say thank you. If you think that someone deserves individual recognition for their work, then please do send us an email to officemail@kimberleyschool.co.uk and we will ensure that this is passed on to them. Please do not underestimate the impact that it can have on individuals when you take the time to do this.

Thank you for your continued support.

Andrew George
Head Teacher



EXTRA EXTRA



KS3/4 LAMDA students will be performing their monologues (scripted & singing), duologues (scripted) and devised work at a public performance later in the Spring/Summer Term. Feel free to come along to D1 and support them once dates have been confirmed, they've worked incredibly hard and it will be a work-in-progress showcase of their upcoming examinations. The Drama department is also asking for any donations of hangers of any variety: normal, clip, trouser, shoes etc, for our large collection of costumes. For more information/tickets, students can go and see Mr. Howes/Miss Brechin at break in D2 and donations may be brought to Drama or Reprographics at anytime.

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A big thank you to OMC Joinery, a local firm who have given us some valuable materials to help toward our many workshop projects.

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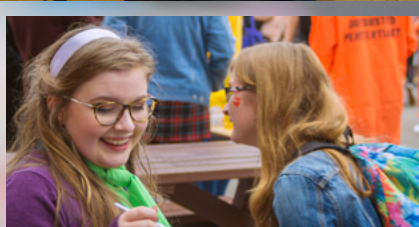
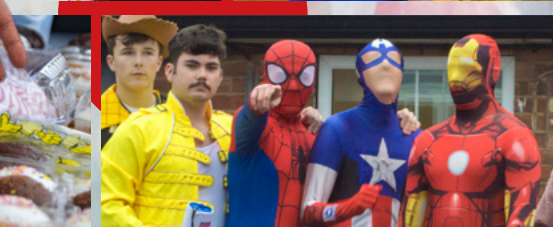


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WHAT'S IN THE BOX?
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HOTDOGS
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Raised!



Year 7

It has been a busy half term for Team 7. During tutor period they have been discussing the importance of online safety, the need to keep each other safe in school and recently we have discussed the need for Holocaust Memorial day. We have also been looking at ways to help get more organised and developing a "Growth Mindset".

Year 7 also celebrated the first wave of achievement awards with the following students receiving recognition:

Morgan Mellors – MATHS
Tom Doolin – ENGLISH
Lucas Ellis – SCIENCE, HISTORY
Devon O'Kane – D&T, Citizenship Award
Joshua Cocker – FRENCH
Isaac Warner – GERMAN, DRAMA
Sarah Pickard – SPANISH, Presentation Award
Morgan Adams – RE, Achieve Award
Lara Dye – GEOGRAPHY
Casey-Gem Woods – MUSIC
Luca Lacovara – ART
Daisy Gillaspay – ICT
Lewis Mayfield – PE
Charlie Kidd – LRC
Phoebe Bateman – Inspiration Award
Kian Bunhejee – Motivation Award
Ethan Brown – Caring and Kind Award
Alfie Saxton – Tenacity Award
Finley Burrows – Tenacity Award

They have all had their photographs taken and will be shown in main reception.

Students have also been introduced to the TOP 100. This is an awards assembly that reflects on the whole year group and we look at the top 100 based on their current level, attendance, punctuality, IMPACT points and number of behaviour points. Well done to the following students who made the top 10:

Oscar Jaggard,
Ellie – May Hughes
Isaac Warner,
Hannah Delgado
Tamiya Blair-Sinclair,
Holly Newcombe
Niamh Hutchinson,
Devon O'Kane
Tom Doolin,
And finally huge congratulations to PHOEBE BATEMAN for being number 1!

Illia Bashari and **Kian Papp** have got the whole year tracking how much walking they do and earning points for their tutor group for being healthy.

There have been changes to the **morning assembly**. We still celebrate good behaviour, attendance and IMPACT points as a tutor group but we also look at the student who has achieved the most IMPACT points individually, earning points for their group. A fantastic year group who always surprise and dazzle me.

Mrs Blacow



Year 9

Year 9 are choosing their options soon so that is the key focus of this half term. Members of staff from each subject have been coming into morning assemblies to provide some information about their subject. Alongside this, Options Evening was on 13th February which gave the opportunity for parents to come along and learn about what each subject entails. Our students have been very eager to discover more about their potential options.

Alongside options, year 9 have also been looking at Democracy and the holocaust. They have had some fantastic workshops from external providers on "Where will my Options take me?" and "The modern world of sex".

Students and tutors alike have continued their competitive outlook when it comes to **golden tickets**. These are awarded for each tutor group who gets the most of each IMPACT point, attendance and punctuality. The current number of tickets per tutor group are shown below.

NDH- 20	LVM- 19	LSA- 18
BMXB- 17	CJEW- 16	BSSU- 15
CJXC- 13	NEU- 8	HXL- 1

Mr Tuck and Miss Hanks



Emily Giddings, Y12

Year 10

Year 10 have made a great start to 2019! As always we are impressed with how hard working and focused they have been as they are settling in to their GCSE choices. Our tutor program has focused lots around organisation and revision skills as pupils have told us that this is something they want to work on. We've also had sessions on varied topics such as knife crime and democracy.

Just before Christmas we had a speaker in from the University of Nottingham to talk to pupils about their options after their GCSE's and what pathways lay ahead. This was a great opportunity for pupils and we hope to do more like this throughout Y10 and 11 to help pupils gain a clearer idea of what they would like to do in the future.

It's a close call for the top tutor group with IMPACT points this year, with 3 out in the lead! But at this stage any tutor group could win.

A massive well done to the top IMPACT points scorers in each tutor group:

BBC- Lily Orme

BPC- Grace Bromley

CEW- Andrea Hallam

CCS- Harriett Cross

LLJ- Ella Maher

LSJC-Luke Brown

NMF- Ellie Whitlam

NJDW- Katie Rose

Well done Year 10- keep up the hard work!

Miss Cooper and Miss Brett

Year 11

Year 11 had a challenging end to the Autumn term. They applied themselves impressively through the course of their mock exams, making use of study periods and their study leave effectively. We were proud of how the year group adapted to the pressures and expectations required during a testing few weeks. Mr Allen and Miss Williams wish the whole year group good luck with their results!

Leading up to the final part of the calendar year, our Year 11 students were rewarded for their excellence across the curriculum and for their performance as senior pupils in the school.

Senior Student ties were awarded to: **Sam Marshall, Ewan Towle, Ryan Patel, Megan Pearce, Abi Skinner, Sean Belfield, Reuben Singh, Nesha Landa, Megan Mather, Jai Bali, Billy Watson, Emma Millington Clarke, Eve McGrenaghan, Jack Cutler, Daniel Marriot, Anya Deegan, Olivia Layzell, Molly Dineen, Bethany Howard and Charlie Harrison.**

Achievement awards for excellence in subjects across the curriculum were presented to: **Jayden Smith, Jacob Jennet, Oliver Tuman, Imogen Spouge, Paige Wilson, Abi Langton, Isaac Wilde, Natalie Singleton, Hannah Wells, Jai Bali, Emily Smith, Holly Read, Jimi Knowles, Hannah Whitt, Zoe Surgay, Antoinette Lao and Naomi Wilsher.**

A massive congratulations to all of our award winners!! Mr Allen and Miss Williams now look forward to seeing how Year 11 meet the demands and challenges of their GCSEs exams, learning from their mock results and applying themselves through the next term.

Mr Allen

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MUSIC

2018 Christmas Concert



On Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th December, the Music Department held two Christmas Concerts in the school hall. These were two brilliant nights featuring school ensembles, student bands, soloists and staff performances. Students from year 7 right up to the sixth form took part, showcasing their various musical talents with performances of popular Christmas songs.

On the Monday night the hall was packed full of parents and carers who had come along to support, and there was definitely a 'buzz' in the atmosphere! The students gave fantastic performances throughout the night, ending with our year 8 boy band performing 'Merry Christmas Everybody' which got the audience clapping along. By the Tuesday night nerves were starting to calm a little, and the students once again gave it everything they had! This night also saw some brilliant performances, and the staff band finished off the two nights with their fun rendition of 'Step Into Christmas'.

A huge well done to all the students that performed – you worked extremely hard and each one of you should be proud of your performances. Thanks also to all the staff who helped make these nights a success!

If you are a student and would like Music Tuition lessons, please visit our Music Web Page at kimberleyschool.co.uk/music to apply or speak to Mr Warrender or Miss Calder.



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On Monday 10th December the school choir took part in a Christmas event at the Royal Concert Hall in Nottingham, ran by the National Youth Choir of Great Britain. This festive night featured a capella performances from Nottinghamshire Schools, who had created vocal ensembles with NYCGB workshop leaders in the lead up to the event.

On the day the schools joined together to take part in a vocal workshop led by NYCGB, where they prepared two festive pieces that the choirs would sing together. The workshop involved some fun vocal exercises, some rhythm work and learning different parts to the pieces. The choirs picked up these arrangements incredibly quickly, and produced fantastic performances on the night! Each school had also prepared their own piece to perform, and The Kimberley School Choir performed a piece called 'Somewhere in my Memory' from Home Alone. This was a huge opportunity for the choir, and the students pushed through their nerves and performed beautifully. A huge well done to all the students that bravely took on the challenge!

Y7 Lunchtime Concert

Due to its popularity, the first lunchtime concert of 2019 was elevated to the main hall on the 29th of January and kicked off with three solo piano pieces from A.Robinson, C.G.Woods and J.Inquieti-Lamb. A full band performance (an encore) of Trouble Maker (Olly Murs) from D.O'Kane, C.GomezDiCosimo C.G.Woods & G.Broker wrapped up the show brilliantly. We look forward to hearing more such well executed renditions in the many mini concerts to come and of course the summer showtime special here at Kimberley School.

Miss Calder



SIXTH FORM NEWS



Children In Need

This year's Children in Need fund raising amassed a staggering **£2770** which beat all our previous totals. It was an amazing day with a wonderful fun-filled atmosphere with 6th Formers and staff setting the tone in fancy dress. The DT department came as the cast of Holby City and won the best fancy dress amongst the staff!.



Students ran the ever popular cake and sweet stalls as well as selling hot dogs and hot chocolate drinks and cookies. Once again we had an open mic in the school gym where talented students from across the school displayed their talents. There was also a tombola stall and several fun activity stalls for students to take part in, including, 'What's in the Box?', 'Sweet Pong', face painting, 'Pie throwing at the Teacher' and a photo booth. During the week we also held netball and football matches between staff and sixth form students. In the week following Children in Need Day to raise even more money Sixth Form students ran a film evening for younger students in the main school hall. It was a fun way for our younger students to get to know our sixth form students and see what good role models they are! All these activities, plus the donations by students, who paid to wear their own non-uniform clothes for the day, went towards raising our best ever total.

Charities, Achievements, Visitors & Ventures



Children In Need 2018

Poppy Appeal

To commemorate a 100 years since the end of World War One, Sixth Formers raised money for The Royal British Legion by selling poppies in school. On Remembrance Sunday, as a mark of respect to the servicemen and women who lost their lives our Head Girl, Abi Harvey, and Head Boy, Tom Hall, attended a service in Nuthall and laid a wreath at the war memorial. Deputy Head Girl, Sian Langham, and Year Captain, Ben Newton also laid a wreath at the War Memorial in Kimberley on behalf of Kimberley School students and staff.

Save the Children

The **National Christmas Jumper Day** is always an opportunity for staff and 6th Form students to raise money for Save the Children and the jumpers didn't disappoint again this year. What a great idea to enjoy the festive season whilst raising money for such a good cause. A total of £140 was raised this year with Sophie Holmes in Year 12 winning the best homemade jumper award

More to Come

We then have a major fundraising day on 15th March to support the national Comic Relief charity. Plans are already underway for a talent show and the usual stalls and sporting challenges.



The Leavers' Certificate & Awards Evening

On Wednesday 19th December we held our second Certificate and Awards Evening for the students who left us last summer at the end of their Year 13. We invited the students back, with their parents/carers and all students received their exam certificates. There were also subject awards and special awards for outstanding achievement and contribution to the school. It was a really lovely event and very well attended. Janet and Steve Barker, parents of Emily Barker, a previous Head Girl, who sadly died of bone cancer 3 years ago aged 22, came to the evening and presented **The Emily Barker Award**. This is an award to recognise someone who, throughout their time in school has shown a love of learning and who staff believe will go on to touch many people's lives. The award this year went to Eleanor Knapton who is studying to be a primary school teacher. Janet Barker also thanked the ex-students for all their charity work for the Bone Cancer Research Trust and explained how the money raised is used. The feedback from our lovely ex-students and their families about the evening was very positive, so we look forward to repeating the event next year.

Outside Visitors

This term we have already welcomed the organisation, 'Think for the Future' into school twice, giving talks on 'Money Matters' and 'Positive Mindsets' to our 6th Formers. This term also saw the return of Mr Keith Sudbury who raises awareness of the need for blood donors and donors of bone marrow as part of the Anthony Nolan Trust. Following this moving presentation, several students gave up their own time to attend a recruitment session and to be registered with the Anthony Nolan Trust. Later in the term we are welcoming both the University of Nottingham and University of Cambridge into school to talk to students about areas of student life. We also continue to welcome the Careers Service in to school to work with the 6th Form on an individual basis as well as to run apprenticeship workshops for both Year 12 and 13 students. The work they do on apprenticeships has been complemented by visits from ex students who are now involved with successful apprenticeship programmes. We were also very fortunate to have a workshop for Year 13 students run by Rolls Royce, explaining the types of apprenticeships available to students who gain excellent A levels but don't feel university is the best route forward. As a result of the talk some of our students have applied for apprenticeships at the company.



Career Thinking

On Jan 8th our Work Experience programme was launched to Year 12s. All Year 12 students partake in a week of Work Experience either in July or in February depending on their courses. Year 13s spoke about their experiences and Year 12s are now busy writing letters to companies and organisations. **If you are in a position to offer a work placement to a student we would be really pleased to hear from you.**



Alongside various trips within the local area sixth formers have already ventured outside of the UK in 2019. Mr Wharmby and Miss Fletcher took the ever popular annual trip to Krakow early in January and one of the Year 12s in the party, Faith Banks, has very kindly written about her experience on the trip.

On the 10th January, I flew out to Krakow, Poland along with 15 other History and RE students in Years 12 and 13. We arrived around 1pm in Poland, and immediately it was so beautiful as there was about 2 inches of snow on the ground - completely different to the slightly warm Nottingham we had flown from.

We started the trip by taking a walk around the Jewish Quarter, with a tour guide who told us all about life for the Jews during the war, as well as showing us areas shown in Steven Spielberg's 1993 film Schindler's List. She told us about different Jewish traditions and events, before we visited a synagogue in the square. After learning more about the Jewish religion itself, we went to the museum of Oskar Schindler's factory, where we learnt more about the movement of Jews into ghettos, and the incredible work of Oskar Schindler, who saved 1,200 Jews during the War.

On the second day, we visited Auschwitz1 and Auschwitz - Birkenau. At a time so close to the Holocaust Memorial Day, it was already a time in which we were all thinking about the horrible events that had taken place here. We visited Auschwitz first where we saw the collections of confiscated possessions of the victims, such as suitcases and shoes. It was absolutely heartbreaking, but insightful into the powers of destructive authority. The hardest part was seeing the belongings of young children, who we learnt rarely survived due to their inability to provide the work that the Nazis wanted. On the way to Auschwitz

II - Birkenau, the air dropped a lot colder, and I hadn't noticed how much snow there was until we were in the open spaces there. We walked around the site, seeing the remains of the gas chambers and entering the wooden barracks where prisoners slept. The snow made the experience more real, for we were all freezing when in multiple layers of warm clothes - and the people in the airy barracks had nothing but thin pyjamas to keep them warm. It was an eye-opening experience that made the events that took place here come to life in front of us. I found it hard to stomach the thoughts of what had happened in the Second World War and how evil people can truly be.

On the final day, we learnt more about Krakow's history, visiting the Salt Mines and being given a tour of the beautifully crafted underground space - 130 metres below the surface! We walked through the Chapel of St. Kinga, which was stunning, with everything crafted out of salt, even the chandeliers. After the salt mines, we were given some time to explore the square, and even heard the Pied Piper playing from his spot there.

Overall, Poland was a once in a lifetime experience. Everyone we went with was respectful and open to learning, and we even found time to have some fun - playing bowling in the hotel just before we returned home. Thank you to Mr Wharmby and Miss Fletcher, who organised the trip and ensured we had a safe and amazing experience whilst we were there. I'm incredibly grateful to have had the opportunity to learn about the different cultures and the importance of love, respect and equality in the world - no matter gender, race, religion or age. It showed me how important it is that we stop prejudice in the world, and I will carry the lessons I learnt there for a long time.

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CAREERS FAIR 2019



Local professionals, businesses, colleges and universities will be in attendance and will provide a great opportunity for our year 10 & 11 students to gain insider insights of life after GCSE.

TUESDAY 5TH MARCH
10.00am-12.20pm



THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

We have an enthusiastic group from Year 9 who have signed up for the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award this academic year. So far, they have made a start on their three sections: volunteering, physical and skill. We have seen a wide range of activities: helping elderly neighbours; improving badminton ability; assisting younger students with reading; dog agility training and many more.

We sometimes meet after school to update eDofE evidence and pass on important messages and letters. These sessions are put on Student Notices at least a week in advance and on the display near the PE office. We are starting to use Instagram (@kimberley_dofe) to communicate reminders and motivation for the students who are completing the award.

As we move into the spring and summer, students will be completing preparation for, and completion of, their expedition section.

Key dates:

Saturday 2nd March – Training at The Mill

Saturday 27th a.m. – Sunday 28th April p.m. – Training and Practice Expedition

Saturday 18th May a.m. - Sunday 19th May p.m. – Qualifying Expedition

Our Silver Award group this year consists of Year 10 and 12 students and they have been working hard to complete their three sections in a range of areas such as cooking, learning an instrument, helping in lessons with younger years and sports leadership.

We have carefully planned the Silver training and expeditions so that it has a minimal impact on exams and school work.

Key dates:

Saturday 23rd March – Training at Kimberley School

Friday 7th June p.m. – Sunday 9th June p.m. – Practice Expedition

Friday 12th July a.m. – Sunday 14th July p.m. – Qualifying Expedition

Having a clear out?

If you have any waterproofs or warm outdoor clothes (fleece etc), please consider donating them to our emergency kit bag that we take with us on expedition.

Donations can be brought by students to Miss Iwanczuk in S1 and would be gratefully received.

E.Iwanczuk





MEL NEWS

Last summer, for a whole week in July, 39 students from Years 9 - 12 went on a study visit to Munich in Southern Germany. On the outward journey (Tuesday night - Wednesday), we watched a film about the Munich student, Sophie Scholl, and the White Rose resistance group, who would be a major focus for us the next day. We stayed in a tranquil suburb called Thalkirchen in a youth hostel rated the best in Germany, next to the river Isar and Munich's zoo. Many in the group had football glory on their mind, as England were to play a World Cup semi-final for the first time since 1990 that Wednesday evening. We took a walk down by the wide, shallow and rushing pale green river, settled the nerves by saying a prayer in the small and beautiful church of St. Maria, whose bells would rouse us the next five mornings, and enjoyed a pre-match meal together... but it was not to be. Mandzukic, possibly the worst player on the pitch, won the game for Croatia.

Thursday it was down to our own business. First stop was Munich's Palace of Justice and its memorial room to the White Rose activists. We also saw the location of the court room where the screaming Nazi judge Roland Freisler passed the death sentence on Sophie Scholl and others, whose 'crime' was to resist Hitler mainly by secretly printing and distributing a series of leaflets documenting the evil impact of the Nazi war effort and urging the German population to come to their senses. We made the short trip to the newly constructed and recently opened Documentation Centre for the History of National Socialism, where we had talks and tours with Dr Ulrike Ehret and colleagues. This centre is on the site of the former Nazi HQ in Munich, the 'Brown House'. Next door is the former Führerbau building (very much as it was and recycled into a prestigious music school), where Hitler, Chamberlain, Mussolini et al signed the Munich Agreement in 1938. In front of these buildings, the students were struck by the Temples of Honour,

MUNICH

Germany Trip 2018

now dismantled and overgrown, where the 'blood martyrs' of the failed Munich Putsch were buried and commemorated. The German academics were greatly impressed with our students; we had learned a lot and left for lunch in and around the Marienplatz and Viktualienmarkt.

We zipped up to the main building of Munich's Ludwig Maximilian University to see the atrium where Sophie and her brother Hans Scholl had dropped the fatal leaflets in February 1943, imploring the German population not to go along with Hitler's war effort. Both were arrested on the spot, interrogated by the Gestapo and – after a show trial where they scored many points against Roland Freisler – executed, along with their friend Christoph Probst. It was quite something to stand in the very atrium where this courageous act of resistance – one of many – had taken place; this location was used for the feature film we had seen just the day before. We were amongst the first visitors to a new and extended information centre about the White Rose group, just beyond the open entrance hall.

Our final stop for the day was the Allianz-Arena, home of 1. FC Bayern München. We first had our full tour of the stadium with some mind-blowing statistics as to the scientific and technical achievement of this ultra-modern stadium, visits to the changing rooms, press conference areas and even the tunnel, where we walked onto the pitch to the tune of the Champions League music. Our guide revealed himself to be half-Croatian at the end of the tour, and expressed sympathy with England for the defeat the night before. He really hoped his countrymen could now go all the way for this would be great for the confidence of the new Croatia.



Ulli Hoeneß, president of Bayern Munich football club, has promoted a philosophy which gives wheelchair users, for example, one of the best views in the stadium, and offers good seats at low prices for fans on ordinary wages whilst absolutely clobbering the corporate guests. It was a huge shock for the whole of Germany when Hoeneß was convicted of tax evasion in 2013; he spent some time in Landsberg Prison but was re-elected as the club's president in 2016. Hoeneß was tried in the same court house as Sophie Scholl and served time in the same prison as Adolf Hitler. Small world.

We entered the Bayern Munich museum – an array of installations, displays, photo opportunities – and emerged in the club shop, where a few members of the group blew their budget on shirts, training kits, scarves, slippers, caps... who knows. As we left and made our way back to the coach, it was rumoured that a couple of our boys had been scouted and had signed for Bayern. They had all the right kit, at least. Back at base, an impromptu football match developed in the park next to the youth hostel.

Friday was an early start for the drive south to the Alps and the very pretty market town of Berchtesgaden. En route we watched a documentary about the local people, many of whom were displaced and forced to sell their homes to the Nazis in the 1920s and 30s. Hitler had first come here on holiday in the 1920s, staying in a mountain chalet just outside the town called Haus Wachenfeld, and had taken rather a shine to the place. We arrived in time to take in the clean, crisp air of Berchtesgaden, explore the narrow streets and quaint sights, and buy an early hot lunch at our leisure. At midday, expert local guide Tom joined us on our coach and guided us up and around the Obersalzberg, an especially picturesque mountain side which the Nazis had made their second power base in World War Two. Hitler, Göring, Bormann and Speer all had luxury homes here, and the mountain is still riddled with bunkers and escape tunnels. We drove past Tom's own house, originally part of a settlement for SS officers and their families, then pulled up at the famous Hotel zum Türken. From here we walked down to the site of Hitler's house, the Berghof (once the humble Haus Wachenfeld, which he had acquired and vastly extended), where he spent so much time and entertained so many foreign heads of state and diplomats. Very little remains of the Berghof but from the pictures and plans it is easy to know you are standing in the large front room, enjoying the same panoramic view through the mountains towards Salzburg... The best was yet to come as we then made the spectacular ascent, by special bus and then a lift up the centre of the mountain, to the Kehlsteinhaus, or Eagle's Nest, as it has become known. This was Hitler's tea house on the top of a mountain, famously seen being liberated in Band of Brothers. It was given to him by the Nazis as a 50th birthday present but it is thought that he only went up there a dozen or so times. The tea house building itself is very much as it was, you can see the red marble fireplace given to Hitler by Mussolini, and at 1,834 metres above sea level, the views here over Austria and Southern Germany are breathtaking. After snacks, ice creams and many photos, and further bulletins from Tom, we began the descent. On our own coach again, we wound down to the centre of Berchtesgaden to Tom's car, as he concluded his potted and slightly grizzly histories of the leading Nazis whose presence still haunts this tiny corner of Germany. We finished our long day with a cold supper back in Munich.

A.Vinter



MFL AT HOME

"Das Grosse Backen!"

YEAR 8 GERMAN BAKE OFF



January saw the return of the Great Bake off competition in the Languages Department, only this time for students of German. To mark the end of their module on food and drink, Year 8 German students were invited to bake a cake according to a traditional German recipe or design Germany themed cakes / biscuits. They then presented them to the class in target language, describing ingredients and who they baked it with. Entries included Apfelkuchen (apple cake); Apfelstrudel; Marmorkuchen (marble cake) and Lebkuchen (Gingerbread) and Schwarzwald Kirschtorte (Black Forest Gateau). Some of our students covered their cakes in black, red and yellow icing in the style of the German flag. Cakes were judged by fellow students according to their originality, taste, appearance and effort. Needless to say the tasting went down very well and everyone agreed they were "sehr lecker"!

L.Moss



ARTS & SMARTS

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MENTAL FLOSS

A brick weighs one kilogram plus half of the brick. What is the weight of one brick?

WORDSEARCH

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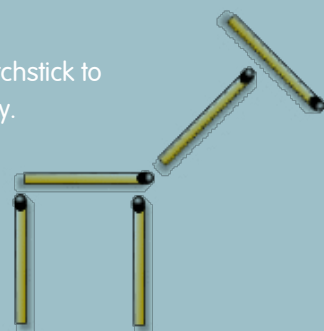
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BOOKS
CRAYONS
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SCIENCE ART
MUSIC

COMPUTERS
PLAYGROUND
CLASSROOMS
BUS GYM
LUNCH

LOGIC

Move one matchstick to turn the donkey.



Guest Speaker



We were joined by guest speaker, ex-professional footballer Chris Freestone this term in the LRC. He talked about the various jobs and qualifications he

needed to achieve for those jobs, both prior to his football career and after he finished playing.

Book Fair

The LRC hosted a half price Book fair in December which proved to be very popular with students and staff who spent a total of more than £500 on some brilliant bargain books and stationery.

Researching Careers in the LRC

All KS3 students have had a careers lesson in the LRC in which they had the opportunity to research information about future education and careers ideas by logging on to eCLIPS. This program is listed on Favourites on school computers or may be accessed from home. The Password is NG16 2NJ (the school post code). This resource is available for all year groups to access.

eCLIPS

Book Awards

December also saw the start of the Brilliant Book Award. Students are challenged to read up to six books, write online reviews and vote on their favourite title in March. Participating students will have the opportunity to meet one of the authors.

Click on <https://bba.inspireculture.org.uk/books/shortlist/> to read the reviews

Come to the LRC to join in and borrow one of these brilliant books!



Freya Davis Y12



Charlie Harrison y11

Farid Ismael, Y12



KEY DATES 2019

MARCH

Thursday 7th - Year 10 Parents' Consultation
Monday 11-15th EXAM WEEK
Wednesday 13th - Year 12/13 Parents' Consultation 2

APRIL

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Friday 5th – Tuesday 23rd
Thursday 25th - Year 8 Parents' Consultation (B&C)

MAY

Wednesday 1st Year 8 Parents' Consultation (N&L)
Monday 6th May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 13th GCSE & A-Level Exams Begin
Wednesday 15th Year 7 Parents' Consultation (B&C)

JUNE

Wednesday 19th - Year 6 Induction Club
Monday 24th - Inset Day
Monday 24th -28th Year 10 &12 Exam Week

JULY

Monday 1st-5th - Year 10 Exam week
Monday 1st-2nd - Year 12 Induction
Monday 8th-10th - Arts Week
Thursday 11th-12th - Year 6 Induction Day
Thursday 11th - Year 6 Induction Evening
Wednesday 17th Sports Day
Friday 19th - School closes at 12:20 pm

SUMMER HOLIDAY

AUGUST

Thursday 15th A Level results to Students

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 3rd - First Day Back for Students

OCTOBER

HALF TERM

Monday 21st-1st

DECEMBER

Friday 20th - Last Day of Term