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Issue 4

As the school year comes to a close, we would like to wish all our students, families, and staff a wonderful summer holiday. This has been a year full of hard work, achievements, and memorable moments, and everyone deserves a well-earned rest. The summer break is a chance to recharge, spend time with family and friends, and enjoy the longer, warmer days. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, refreshed and ready for another exciting year ahead. Have a safe, happy, and relaxing summer!



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Art Shine Session

15 Year 6 students attended. The time in the academy and the relationships they make with peers and staff has a huge impact.



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Barcelona

We had a lovely time in Barcelona and did lots of activities! We visited the CosmoCaixa science museum, went shopping on Las Ramblas, went on a boat trip and a cable car. We also went to Hard Rock Cafe.

Barcelona 2025



Barcelona

el restaurante



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Big Careers Day

Well done to all involved in our Big Careers Day and Ms Milner for the thorough planning and implementation. It was a great success for the students with aspirational talks and engaging sessions supporting our students in preparing for life after school.



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Big Malarkey Trip!

What an inspiring couple of days our students have had at The Big Malarkey Festival! They took part in three fantastic workshops: A Comedy Writing Workshop led by author Simon James Green, where students explored how humour can be used to tell powerful and relatable stories. An Art Masterclass with the brilliant Kev F, full of creativity, comic books and character design. A “What If?” Animation Masterclass that encouraged students to bring imaginative ideas to life through animation. All of our students were a credit to the academy — showing exemplary behaviour throughout the two days! We’re incredibly proud of them all!



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Celebration Event

Ten students attended a Celebration Event. They were chosen for their outstanding work throughout the year while accessing the Tigers Trust Program.

Special mention to,

Lillie J- Most improved award.

Ellis A - Tutor award

Mason C - Active Participator award

Jessie-Leigh H - Person Skills award



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DNA Lesson

As part of our inheritance and evolution unit we extracted DNA from kiwi fruit and made models of DNA.



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Duke of Edinburgh

Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh students prepared for their expedition and camp by completing an eight mile walk across the Humber Bridge and around Barton.



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IPASS Presentation

IPaSS students Riley, Dawood and Lexi presented to the Bridge students all about their deafness. They told them about the different hearing technologies that are available to them and even did a true/false quiz! The Bridge students asked some very good questions and enjoyed looking at the different hearing technologies.



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Oliver Production

THAT'S A WRAP!

The cast and crew for our production of Oliver Jr. enjoyed a party to celebrate their hard work! They put on a fabulous show, and they deserved this reward! It was lovely to see everyone back together and enjoying each other's company again - this year's team was so kind and helpful to one another and it's clear that friendships have been formed throughout the process.

As a CAPA team, it's not just the end product of the show that is important to us. The connections and memories that we see being made throughout the process are what make us the most proud of our young people. Well done, everyone!



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Transition Week



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Year 5 Visit

We had a brilliant day in the Academy with our visitors in Year 5 from Francis Askew and Paisley. Lots of activities were going on with rockets launched in Science, a scavenger hunt in Humanities, Dragon's Den plans being drawn up in Business, some imaginative writing in English and some delicious quesadillas being made in Food Tech!



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York Dungeons

Year 8 had a brilliant time on their English reward trip to York Dungeons. We travelled through time and experienced the dark history of York. We learned about the gruesome battles between the Saxons and the Vikings, heard Guy Fawkes, himself, talk about his failed Gunpowder Plot (...well, his severed head) and listened to local witch, Isabella Billington tell her side of her gripping story.



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A Fun Filled Day

A fun-filled day was experienced with visitors in Year 5 from Rokeby Park, Newington and Acre Heads Primary Schools. Pupils enjoyed a taste of life at Secondary School here with us, taking part in Food Technology, Art, Humanities, English and MFL sessions.



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Academic Excellence KS3

Our KS3 students have received Academic Excellence rewards again for hard work in lessons. We work hard to ensure that success does not go unnoticed and our students are rewarded for the superb work that they do with our staff.



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Academic Excellence KS3 Art

We wanted to celebrate the Artwork done by Emma G in Year 9 for the Junior Ferens Exhibition. Such a wonderful talent! She has painted this in Oils over a number of weeks and Mr Rickard took the piece down to the Ferens Art Gallery to enter it in the Open Exhibition. She has painted something from her culture and celebrated her heritage, showing amazing technique to build up layers of paint to create the textures you can see.



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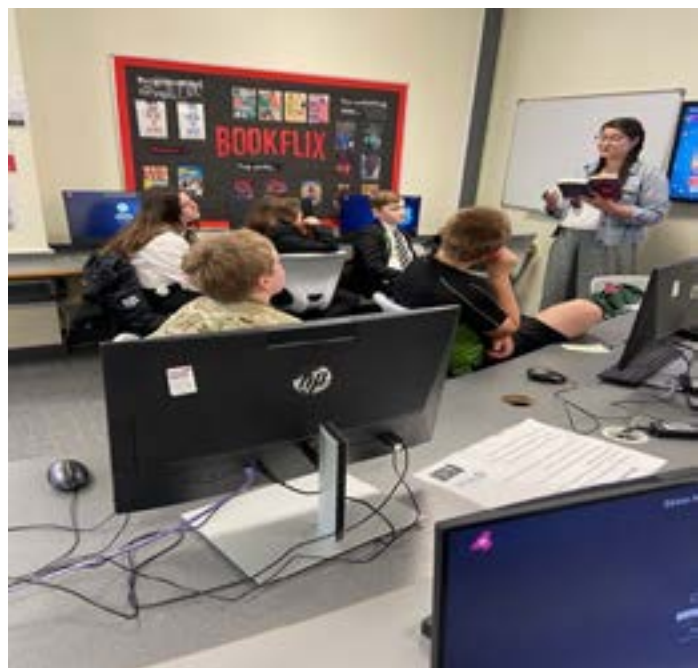
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Author event

We absolutely loved our author event!

Our Reading Ambassadors really enjoyed being involved - thank you to them.



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Year 10 Work Experience

Our Year 10 students worked hard completing their Work Experience programme. Students went out on some fantastic placements including the University of Hull, the NHS, Hull Royal Infirmary, Thoresby Primary School, Tilson Scaffolding and many others. Feedback from employers was really positive. Well done to our students!



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Life Skills

A picture of our Y11 Life Skills class after receiving their official AQA Unit Award Scheme Certificates from the Head. They all worked really hard to achieve the three certificates and should feel proud of this achievement as they are the first ones to do this.



Samsung Tech Competition

Year 8s are in it to win it! The SAMSUNG Tech Competition was launched and they used their creative powers to come up with the latest gadget ideas and designs to meet the Samsung well-being brief. Good luck Y8! You can do it.



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Bishop Burton Trip

Year 10 Bishop Burton College Careers trip – Year 10 were able to visit Bishop Burton College to look at some of the courses they offer.



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Year 10 – Health and Social Care trip

Students were able to work with NHS staff on simulation patients looking at paramedic care, radiography, surgery, post operative recovery on a ward, dietary support and occupational therapy.



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Year 7 Boys Rugby

Thank you so much to everyone at Hull FC for making it an extremely special morning for the Sirius Academy West Year 7 Boys Rugby Team at their training session at the University of Hull.

Some inspirational words were given by Gaz Ellis in preparation for their National Final at Wembley before the Hull FC players presented the Sirius boys with their new training tops and an opportunity for a big squad photo. The Hull FC players took time out to talk to the boys about how to prepare for big games, congratulating them and wishing them the best of luck for their final. There was even time for shirts to be signed and passing / kicking the rugby ball with their heroes. Special thanks to Tom Gooch for the invite and organising such an amazing experience for the boys. Massive thank you to Callum Kemp and Logan Moy for that extra added touch of giving a pair of their boots to Mason and Max.



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Ex Students

Congratulations to ex-students Mikey Lewis (Hull KR) and Liam Harris (York City Knights) who both proved to be the match-winners for their teams at Wembley. Enjoy your celebrations!



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Sports Scholarship

The Year 8 sports scholarship students spent time baking a healthy chocolate cake and trying different protein snacks.



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U13s Girls Football

A huge congratulations to all the girls who have taken part in the U13s Girls football this year.

They managed to overcome a stubborn Winifred Holtby side to make their way into the final. That then led them to the HAS Trophy Final at St Mary's College vs a tricky Kelvin Hall side.

Semi Final Result - 4-1 Win vs Winifred Holty

Final Result - 5-0 Win vs Kelvin Hall.



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Hull Box Cup

Finleigh had an amazing weekend at the National Semi Finals and he is now the National Semi Finalist and ranked 3rd in the country for his age and weight. He also boxed in the Hull Box Cup.



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Year 9 Sports

Year 9 Sports Scholarship students exploring some outdoor adventurous activities in Dalby Forest.



We are so proud!

Our student Phoebe has qualified for English Schools with a throw of 29.06m in the discus!

This takes Phoebe to 5th in the country - she will go on to compete with the best in the country in Birmingham in July. Let's wish her lots of luck!



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Sirius Academy West 34 Castleford Academy 14

The Sirius Academy West Year 10 boys managed to win their first major trophy, as they beat Castleford Academy in the Yorkshire Cup final by a convincing 34 - 14 scoreline. This is the first time ever that Castleford have been beaten, and it was a well deserved victory from our boys, with an outstanding team performance.

Sirius started the game strong, as Castleford could not break their defensive line. With ball in hand Sirius were making easy yards forward as Jake F and Noah B were too hard to handle. Sirius broke the deadlock early on, when a pin point high kick from Jacob L saw Ollie B leap above their fullback, take the ball and dive over, Ronnie H converted for 6 - 0. Bosco M and Ronnie H were working overtime in attack, and Isaac L was making good yards from intelligent scoots, as Sirius continued to pile on the pressure and put themselves in good field position. Up stepped the talented Jacob L on the last, for another outstanding high kick to the corner, and once again it was Ollie B that jumped the highest and went over in the corner for his second of the match. Ronnie H kicked a superb conversion from the left edge to make it 12 - 0. Castleford got one back after some slack marker play from Sirius. But right on the halftime whistle, a fine ball to Ashdon O saw him use pure strength and determination to get the ball over in the corner. The boot of Ronnie H was unreal, as he slotted one over from the right edge, to make the halftime score 18 - 6.

The second half started well for Sirius as they went over for an early try, a little chip over on the last from Jacob L saw him follow it up and touchdown himself, a fine individual try from our skilful halfback, 22 - 6. Fair play to Castleford, they fought back with a couple of tries of their own to make it 22 - 14, with the next score being all important. They seemed to have the momentum, and a try saving tackle from Clinton T and also debutant Leo A prevented Castleford from going over again. Sirius managed to settle things down and get the ball back in hand after a few tough defensive sets. Once again, they looked so dangerous in attack, and when a fine ball from Jacob L found Malachy O'D in space for him to go over, it looked like finally Sirius would be victorious against the current National Champions. Another outstanding touchline conversion from Ronnie H to make it 28 - 14. Castleford did everything they could to get back in the game, but Freddie F and Issac L were defending well to ensure they didn't go over again. It was Sirius who rounded off the scoring with another strong run from Ashdon O, as there was no stopping him, as the powerful forward managed to get the ball down to make it 34 - 14. The final whistle went and Sirius celebrating, knowing that they fully deserved to lift the Yorkshire Cup for the first time. They will face Castleford Academy again in the National Cup Final on 2nd July at Wakefield RLFC, 7:45pm KO where they will hopefully make it the double!

Please congratulate the boys on their outstanding performance, teamwork and well deserved victory, they should be extremely proud of themselves. The RFL Player of the Match went to Ashdon O (photo attached). Miss Gays Player of the Match went to Jacob L.

Special thanks to Mr Rogers and Billy S for their support with the team, and to all the parents and family members that came to support. Also a massive thank you to Castleford RLFC for letting us use their stadium for the Yorkshire Cup Final.

Squad: Clinton T, Jake W, Oliver C, Malachy O'D, Enes O, Ollie B, Jacob L, Noah B, Isaac L, Jake F, Bosco M, Ashdon O, Ronnie H, Freddie F, Ethan L, Cameron S and Leo A.

Many Thanks - a very proud Miss Gay!

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