



Castle Views

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Castle View Enterprise Academy Combined Cadet Force Formation Day Parade – 22 May 2015

Castle View Enterprise Academy conducted a Formation Day ceremony for its new Fusilier Combined Cadet Force Contingent on Friday 22 May. The opening ceremony was attended by Brigadier Strickland of 4th Infantry Brigade, who is responsible for all cadets in the North East. The new Mayor and Mayoress of the City of Sunderland, Cllr Barry Curran and Mrs Carol Curran, in their first official engagement after only 41 hours in post! There were a number of other VIP guests, including the Commanding Officer of the Cadets Parent Regiment FIFTH FUSILIERS and Mrs Heidi Mottram the current Chair of Governors and Chief Executive of Northumbrian Water.

After opening addresses from Mrs Janet Bridges, the Principal, Mrs Heidi Mottram and finally, the Mayor, the cadets conducted a full military parade watched by over 100 people including some very, very proud parents! Brigadier Strickland, acting as the Senior Inspecting Officer, said *"I am genuinely delighted to be here and see these young people forming part of a fantastic organisation and within this fantastic environment that is Castle View Enterprise Academy. These cadets will achieve significant success and be armed with a variety of relevant and useful Life skills"*

Mrs Bridges has been part of the schools life since it was in the planning stage back in 2009. She was on the design team and set up the curriculum, then ran the setting up of the school and oversaw its population with children and stands today overlooking another great success – The Fusiliers Cadet Contingent. Mrs Bridges said *"I've lived and breathed Castle View since 2009 and every day I'm proud of the Academy, especially today. These cadets will really gain a lot from this experience and gain vital life skills which will last long into the future"* The day was summed up perfectly by the Head boy, Matthew Wilkinson and Head Girl, Kyra Bell *"They look great and will be great. Not only that, they are getting really useful life skills that will propel them to success"*

The cadets will now embark on a period of first aid training, which will see them all gain official qualifications as first responders, capable of providing life saving first aid to the same standards as British Heart Foundation medics.

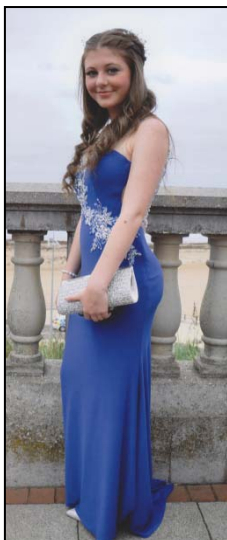


Year 11 Prom—25th June 2015

The Year 11 Prom Evening at the Best Western Roker Hotel was a huge success and supported by over 150 students and staff. It was lovely to see all of the families, friends and ex students welcoming the students as they arrived in style, everyone had made great efforts to look smart and glamorous.

The Prom Committee of 2015 should be very proud of their efforts in planning the wonderful venue, meal and various finishing touches for the event. It was certainly one of the highlights of the school calendar and enjoyed by all who attended.

On behalf of all at CVEA and Year11 students thank you for a fantastic evening.





National Schools Sports Week 2015

CVEA took part in National Schools Sports week 2015. The aim was to encourage students to participate in one hour of exercise each day. Lots of students took up the challenge. Staff and outside agencies delivered many sporting activities before and after school. The whole week was a success and great fun.



Peer Supporters

Our 2013 - 14 Peer Supporters all received a Diana Award a couple of months ago which they each received a certificate for. This month they have each received an invite from Earl Spencer for themselves and a plus 1 to Althorp, Princess Diana's childhood home in Northamptonshire.

They are as follows:

* Jamie O'Donnell	* Kyra Bell
* Bethany Copeland	* Morgan Ozuzu
* Kacey Atkinson	* Connor Ewart
* Jessica Fraser	* Ethan Crossby
* Rhys Nichol	* Ben Grant
* Chelsea Downing	* Connor Leighton
* Alex Copeland	



Year 9 GCSE Dance Students performing at Pulse

Year 9 GCSE students Beth Cutter, Brooke Davies, Victoria Hutchinson, Shannon McManus and Leah Nelson represented CVEA in April at PULSE, a dance event that saw dance schools from across Sunderland perform. The students were very nervous backstage but did really well, especially as for most of them it was the first time they had performed in front of an audience of 100 people and parts had to be choreographed again on the afternoon due to a student absence.



Cashing Jumping Final

Leah is the first rider to qualify for the 2015 National Cashjumping finals. Leah Harrison and Bowes Tokyo Drift brought their total winnings in the 80cm class to £500 which gives them automatic qualification for the finals. With only £60 left to win in the 70cm class it looks like Leah will be the rider to beat at the finals. Winning over £1000 in a year Cashjumping, Leah has proved how consistent she has been a credit to her trainer Steve Gair at Bowes Manor Equestrian Centre.



National Science Week 2015

Dr. John Kilcoyne

A selection of Year 7, 9 and 10 triple chemistry students were delighted to be entertained by the sensational Dr John Kilcoyne from The University of Sunderland. He wowed the audience with his humour, scientific knowledge and fantastic chemistry experiments.

Student quotes....

"I enjoyed it when Dr. Kilcoyne made explosions and used the liquid nitrogen to freeze a banana. I found the show exciting and it has made me enjoy science even more."

"I thought the "Man in the Shed" was really good and he was so funny. I think he should come into the academy more often."

"I thought Dr. Kilcoyne put on a very good performance. He was really good and made it very enjoyable as he was so funny. The liquid nitrogen was really good as he got everyone excited and we were all laughing."



Easter Eggs

The science department were provided with a selection of eggs and an incubator to oversee the hatching of Russian Orloffs and we succeeded with a good brood of chickens successfully hatched.



Newcastle University Street Scientists

The four 'Street Scientists' were students from Newcastle University who enthralled and captivated our students over lunch by conducting some superb scientific experiments. Many of our students braved the water in the balloon challenge and thought the optical illusion experiment was awesome. Students also tested their strength trying to separate two interlinked catalogues, but science prevailed and their attempts failed every time.



Young Librarian Award

The latest graduates of the Pupil Librarian Scheme gathered at the Stadium of Light this week to be presented with their certificates of achievement. Since it was launched 12 years ago, 667 pupils have qualified as Pupil Librarians at their respective Secondary Schools after completing a course administered by the Schools Library Service and mentored by Library Services Staff.

Over the autumn and spring terms each of the young librarians develops a range of transferable skills including organisation, presentation, communication, team work and customer service at the same time as increasing their personal self-confidence.



Nine students from Castle View Enterprise Academy completed the accredited training; Atlanta Austin, Lewis Bell, David Child, Alyssa Mahmood-Ewart, Hannah Marshall, Shai Newsome, Sean Porteus, Callum Scales and Cara Tunstall. Students were presented with their certificates by nationally acclaimed author Alan Gibbons. He stated "A reading child is a successful child. According to the National Literacy Trust a child who visits a library is twice as likely to be a good reader. These young people are ambassadors of reading, learning and aspiration. I am delighted to help recognise their achievement."

Esh Group Award

As part of our Information, Advice and Guidance provision, all of our Year 10 students have participated in the 'Building My Skills' project, co-ordinated by the Esh Group. The programme consists of five employability workshops delivered by local employers including Nike, the Foundation of Light, Swinburne Maddison and Jewson. After each workshop, students are tasked with completing a checkpoint to produce evidence for their employability portfolios. This has included work on CVs, letters of application, online appearance and researching the local job market. The culmination of the programme was a mock interview day at St James' Park where students were given the opportunity to experience an interview with a local employer. All five of our students were commended for their exceptional interview performance.

The 'Building My Skills' programme was recently awarded 'The School Partnerships Award' by Business in the Community (BiC). Brian Manning, CEO, Esh Group and Governor at CVEA, said: "Businesses must work together to open student's eyes to opportunity, charge them up and excite them about the world of work. If we do, we can greatly increase a young person's ability to gain better qualifications, aspire to be in employment, and enter the job market."



Performing Arts Department News

The Performing Arts department have had a busy term including Year 9 and 10 students visiting Sunderland College's dance assessments and an adaptation of Oliver Twist giving GCSE Performing Arts, Dance and Music students the opportunity of seeing live performances and to pick up some useful tips for their own performances.

Our Year 9 and 10 music and dance students attended at matinee performance of "Oliver twist" by Sunderland College second year Performing Arts students. The play was very contemporary and offered the audience a new "Twist" on the famous Charles Dickens novel. The trip allowed our students to see the potential that Bede Campus has to offer Music, Dance and Drama students. With their state of the art facilities the students were able to get a feel for the future they may embark on if they choose to study one of the wide ranges of performance based courses at Sunderland College.



28 Year 7 and 8 students participated in the Sunderland Opera workshop; we were the first school to receive the workshop and sing one of the numbers that will feature in the musical written especially about Sunderland as well as act out scenes that would normally be found at a football match! Hopefully some of the students will go on to audition for the musical and we shall see them in the show which will bring students across Sunderland together to perform.



Year 8 and 9 music students have visited Newcastle University to see a lunchtime concert performed by current students at the University, and many students agreed this was inspirational of what they would like to do in future years.

The Shining Stars Concert brought all our 4 feeder primary schools together as they embark on their journey into Year 7 at Castle View Enterprise Academy. With performances from a selection of our own GSCE, choir and musical students, this fun, interactive afternoon was a big hit amongst new and existing students.

27 students performed in this years musical; CVEA's version of the Wiz based on the 1980's adaptation of the Wizard of Oz. The hard work really paid off with a confident, professional and energetic performance that ran over two nights at the Academy as well as two viewings for our feeder primary schools. A big well done to Mrs Waite, Mrs Coxon and Mr Robinson for all their dedicated work with these students over the year.



CVEA Sport News

CVEA vs Red House Academy

Date: Monday 23rd March

Competition: Sunderland Schools Association Cup Final

Versus: Red House Academy (Herrington CW)

Local rivals met in the Year 10 City Cup Final. Only 5 weeks earlier the two sides met in the league and CVEA ran out emphatic 9-1 winners, however both teams were aware that the chances of a repeat outcome tonight would be very unlikely.

On a bobbly, hard surface both teams struggled to get any passing going in the early stages and it was clear it wasn't going to be a free flowing game of football. A couple of half chances from both sides were dealt with comfortably by the respective goalkeepers before CVEA made the break through on the quarter hour. The ball was picked up in midfield by Duell who played an inch perfect lofted pass over the full back to Mooney who ran through and placed a delicate lob over the onrushing Red House goalkeeper. The pressure was telling and on the hour mark Red House succumbed to a second goal.

CVEA had chances to add to the tally but a mixture of poor finishing and good goalkeeping meant the match ended 2-0 to CVEA and they were the SSFA Cochrane Cup Champions for 2014/15.

Full Time: CVEA 2 – 0 Red House Academy

Scorers: Joseph Mooney, Niall Palmer.



Primary Tournaments

This term we held our annual Primary Football and Cricket Tournaments. All the primary schools who attended played very well. West Boldon Primary won our Cricket Tournament and Dame Dorothy played Redby Primary in final that went down to penalties to win the Football Tournament. A big well done to all the Primary schools who attended.



Under 15's Cricket Team

Batting first, Castle View reached 111 for 9 from their 20 overs, on what seemed like a difficult batting track. Elliott Campbell's 28 had CVEA racing along at six-an-over but when he was caught the rate slowed. It was left to year 8 student Thomas Green to get the innings back on track and his 23 showed maturity beyond his years and experience.

Despite a huge six in the penultimate over it came down to the last six balls with Adam Newton handed the responsibility of defending the five runs required to win. Thorp's opener was duly dismissed with the first ball and Castle View's opening bowler managed to keep his nerve; only two runs came from the final five deliveries. Newton ended with 2 for 10 off his four overs.

The County Cup Final is on Thursday 10 September at Hetton Lyons Cricket Club.



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