



Castle Views

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CONGRATULATIONS KIERAN

The photo depicts Kieran Parker, former Year 11 student at Castle View Enterprise Academy, receiving his award from Michael Gove at the Lord Glenamara Memorial Award ceremony in London.

The Lord Glenamara Prize recognises and rewards young people in the North-East for outstanding academic achievements and civic contributions, as well as an active interest in history, politics, or public service.

Lord Glenamara (Ted Short) became MP for Newcastle Central in 1951, until his retirement from the House of Commons in 1976. He held the position of Secretary of State for Education. As a former teacher he was committed to making education accessible to all, and the Lord Glenamara Memorial Prize has been set up to honour his memory, by encouraging students to pursue careers in public service and in education.

Kieran Parker was selected as one of the nine runners-up and invited to London to attend the awards ceremony at the London School of Economics in February 2014, attended by several former Secretaries of State. Kieran, accompanied by his mother and Mr Marsden, was given his certificate by the current Secretary of State, Michael Gove MP, in recognition of his outstanding academic achievement and contribution to the community.



Kieran achieved A*s, As and Bs in all of his GCSEs and also was a great role model for others in the way he conducted himself at all times. As a Lead Student, he mentored younger children and supported others whenever he could. Kieran was an eloquent speaker and used these skills when presenting to the North East Chamber of Commerce to urge local businesses to get more involved with schools and offer more opportunities to school children. Kieran is passionate about politics and languages and hopes to study International Relations at university and hopefully go on to a job in the civil service.

Everyone at Castle View Enterprise Academy wishes Kieran the best for his future studies.

DONATIONS SINCE WE OPENED IN SEPTEMBER 2009

We are proud to inform everyone that since we opened in September 2009 our Academy has raised the following:-

- A whopping £15,335
- 640 shoeboxes
- 2497 store vouchers

This is down to the generosity of our students and surrounding community.

Events held have been:-

- Macmillan Coffee Mornings
- Wear it Pink Day
- Shoebox Appeal
- St Benedict's Hospice
- NSPCC and Childline
- Christmas Jumper Day
- Help for Heroes
- Children in Need



The pictures above show our students helping with activities for charity.



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

On Friday 20 September 2013, Year 7 students took part in the Academy's fifth World's Largest Coffee Morning for Macmillan Support.



Students worked in their tutor groups to produce posters to publicise the event and used their enterprise skills to organise raffle draws and various other competitions to help raise funds for the charity.

The students invited their family members to the event which was held in the main hall. The students were able to develop their customer service, and sales and financial knowledge, as they escorted visitors to the hall and encouraged them to buy, buy, buy!

Year 7 students overwhelmed staff and visitors with their generosity and cake-making skills; they provided a huge variety of beautifully decorated cakes and biscuits

for the event. Mrs Spoors made the biggest chocolate cake and people were encouraged to pay a donation to guess the weight. The lucky winner was Bridey Andrews.

The winner of the Guess the Name of the Bear competition was Natasha Applegarth.

The students worked very hard all morning making sure visitors were served with tea and coffee, and clean crockery was available.

The event was a complete sell out and everyone left having enjoyed the morning.



DESIGN A CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION WITH SAINSBURY'S

Sainsbury's staff came into the Academy to judge the Sainsbury's Christmas Card Competition.

From approx 200 entries there was to be one winner, however the three staff from Sainsbury's found it difficult to choose only one from the fantastic art work submitted, and decided on one overall winner and three runner-up entries.

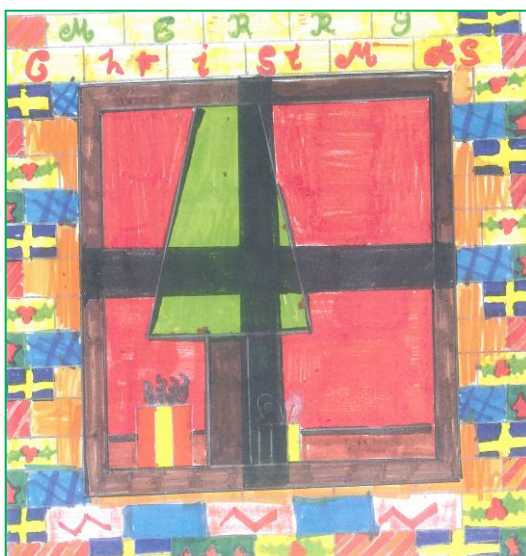
Overall winner	Lauren Taylor	7GBE
Runner-up	Imogen Hindmarch	7SKi
Runner-up	Andrew Dawson	9GDj
Runner-up	Christopher Appleby	8LFo



Lauren Taylor



Imogen Hindmarch



Andrew Dawson



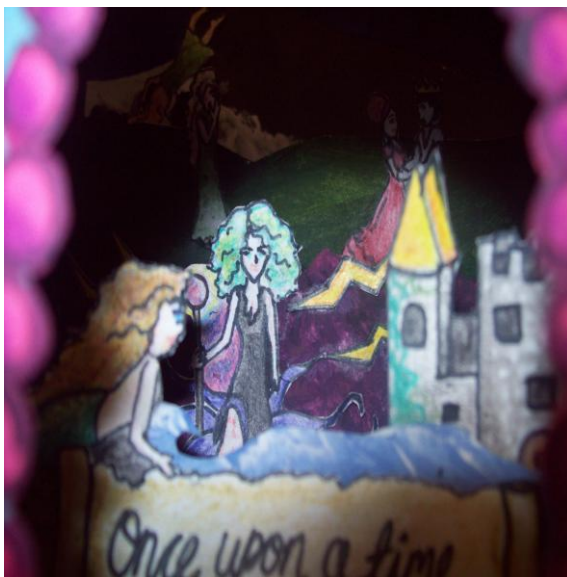
Christopher Appleby

Thank you to everyone who encouraged participation.

Mini Sagas A Twist in the Tale

Recently over 100 students from the Academy entered Young Writers' Mini Sagas - A Twist in the Tale creative writing competition. I am delighted to inform you all that most of the students' work has successfully been chosen for publication in a national anthology, which will be sent to the British Library and further libraries across the UK and Republic of Ireland.

Hopefully this achievement will encourage confident participation in future creative-writing activities...watch this space for future competitions!



PEER SUPPORTERS

Our new peer supporters are the students listed below and they are doing a fantastic job already.

Jamie O Donnell
Casey Atkinson
Chelsea Downing
Morgan Ozuzu
Kyra Bell
Ben Grant
Connor Ewart
Connor Leighton
Ethan Crosby
Rhys Nichol
Beth Copeland
Jessica Fraser

They have been working with year 7 students helping them to settle in, working with all sorts of issues and Jamie has been especially good at working with students with challenging behaviour.

They received their Anti Bullying Ambassador training (Princess Diana Awards) at Hetton School on 8th October and have received peer support training already.

All Peer Supporters are wearing their green 'Peer Mentor' badges.

All students who require support can go to see a Peer Support Mentor.



Spotlight on... Young People's Mental Health

Schools and sports clubs across the North East are working to improve the mental health of young people by using Youth Mental Health First Aid (MHFA). A celebration event was held on 19th September to celebrate those organisations who earned the Youth MHFA Mark of Excellence.

The project, which has 40 schools and 30 sports clubs signed up, has seen 229 Youth Mental Health First Aiders trained.

The organisations awarded the Mark of Excellence are setting a prime example to other schools, sports and youth clubs across the country.

The celebration event, at the Middlesbrough Institute for Modern Art, saw six organisations awarded with the Mark of Excellence. The awards were presented by Andy Flockton, on behalf of Mental Health First Aid England and Mrs J Bowe from Castle View Enterprise Academy received one of these awards.



YEAR 7 ATHLETICS TEAM



We entered a year 7 indoor athletics team into the Sainsbury's School Games and out of 12 competing schools from the Washington and Sunderland area we came in third position (first out of the Sunderland schools).

On top of this, the boys' team came second overall and have therefore qualified to represent Sunderland in the Tyne and Wear finals at South Shields in the new year.

The boys' team consisted of Thomas Green, Jamie Turnbull, Dylan Clark-Rich, Aaran Cappellar and Dean Hartill.

Castle View's GOT T★LENT

Well Castle View has done it again. On Thursday 24th October 2013 we were all blown away by the spectacular talent on offer at CVEA. The night was judged by Mr Marsden, Mr Robinson, Mrs Steel and Mr Travis.

Kicking off the show was Bethany Wallbank who sang "I Need Your Love". The show had the audience gripped for a couple of hours and it was then time for the judges to decide the top three.

During this time, the audience enjoyed performances from the CVEA choir and the Ukraine dancers.

The time eventually arrived and third place was taken by Leoni Taylor who sang "Take A Bow". Now I'm sure the audience participants were thrilled when they had the opportunity to decide their winner, a new feature to the CVEA talent show and a very good one at that.

It was a relatively close call, but finishing in second was Ellie Booth who sang "Jar Of Hearts". However the outright winner was the very deserving Laura Amer who sang (for her first time in a CVEA Talent Show) her rendition of "Fix You".

Everyone cannot wait for next year, I wonder if the competition will be so exciting? I guess we'll have to wait until next year to find out! (Mr N Travis).



YEAR 9 FOOTBALL

A group of Year 9 students attended a football tournament hosted by Bede College.

The A team came second in their group to qualify for the semi-finals but just lost out 5-4 to eventual winners St Aidan's. Disappointed, they lost the 3rd/4th place play off to Oxclose.

The B team won their group, winning every match but again just lost out by the odd goal to eventual winners Monkwearmouth, 2-1 in their semi final. They picked themselves up to beat Thornhill 5-3 in the 3rd/4th place play off.

CROSS COUNTRY WINNERS

Fontburn have secured this year's Cross Country competition with a victory over Kielder and Derwent.

They were consistently good in the twelve races and were either first or second in all but one event.



Ready Steady Cook

Congratulations to Mrs Marshall and Hannah Marshall for winning this year's Ready Steady Cook competition for Derwent House.

They beat off stiff competition from Mr Marshall and Kieran Ramsay in the final technical challenge of Decorating a Christmas tree and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.



PARIS 2013 – MAGNIFIQUE

The October combined Business/French trip to Paris was simply *fantastique*! We were graced with good weather to enjoy the sights, sounds and tastes of the French capital.

Our whistle-stop tour included a river boat cruise on the Seine where we watched the Parisiens taking time off work to wander along the rive gauche.

Following a wander along Paris' premier shopping street, the Champs Elysees, we climbed the 284 steps to the top of the Arc de Triomphe where we enjoyed breath-taking views of the city bathed in sunshine. Before a train ride around the exotic districts of Monmatre and Pigalle we had time to look for conkers in the Tuilerie gardens and take in the Mona Lisa with her hoards of visitors at the world's biggest museum, the Louvre.

During our stay the students were able to enjoy French cuisine. Whilst lunching in the Latin quarter with its North African restaurants and kebab shops, students tried the Algerian speciality Jalebi, a battered honey treat!

Our final day took us to EuroDisney as a reward for outstanding behaviour, where we stayed late to watch the *son et lumiere* fireworks show before trooping tiredly to our beds.

A great time was had by all, with memories to cherish forever!



KIRKLEY HALL ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS VISIT

On Wednesday 13th November 2013, year 9 science sets one to four were invited to visit Kirkley Hall Zoological Gardens. Kirkley Hall is a working farm run by Northumberland College. Most, if not all, of the guides you will see around the farm, are students from the college who are training to be veterinary nurses or farmers. Therefore many of our students who are working towards a career involving animals saw this as a great opportunity to gain experience. Here is how our day went:-



When we arrived at Kirkley Hall we were first split into five individual groups, each group was assigned their own guide to show you around; our guide was called Katie. Katie first handed us a sheet on animal classification and said our task for the day was to fill in the sheet with the animals and information around the farm. We started with the pigmy goats and finished at the monkeys. The wide range of animals at the farm is astonishing.

After we had seen all the animals at the farm, we went on a country walk. We first had to walk past the sheep in the field, which terrified some members of the group. We passed safely with no casualties! After the field we walked along the river bank keeping an eye open for the wildlife that live in the area; squirrels, otters etc. After the wildlife walk, we stopped for lunch. After lunch we were allowed in the petting barn to see the rabbits and the donkeys. Although we were not allowed to hold the rabbits we were allowed to stroke them which pleased many members of our group. Once we had seen the rabbits, two of the groups were merged making it easier to show everyone the reptile room where we were introduced to Monty the python and a lizard. Most of the group felt both the lizard and the snake but many people weren't too fond of the lizard after it had an accident all over Miss Allen's jumper (good job she had so many layers on due to the cold weather). After everyone had seen the lizard we washed our hands.



Personally, I really enjoyed this trip. I thought it was a brilliant place to go for the topic we were studying. Although it was not my first time at Kirkley Hall I would definitely go again.

By Hannah E Smiles – Year 9



AMSTERDAM TRIP SEPTEMBER 2013

In September 2013 the Art Department hosted an art trip to The Netherlands for the first time.

Twenty-one students from years 8, 9 and 10 spent a cultural four days exploring all the delights Holland has to offer.

Staying in Haarlem at a youth hostel, we visited a wide range of galleries and venues all over the country, including the Van Gogh museum, Rijksmuseum and Anne Frank's house in Amsterdam. This was followed by Escher Gallery and Gemeente museum in the Hague. There were also additional fun activities which consisted of a cinema trip, a trip to the beach in Den Hague, an Amsterdam canal boat tour, a visit to Haarlem market and St.Bavo's Cathedral, and a day spent at the unique Efteling theme park where the students were all treated to a classic savoury or sweet Dutch pancake.



From sampling the delights on offer for dinner each night at the hostel to the simple act of just sharing a room with other students and having responsibility for making their own beds, the trip was infused with new experiences for our students.



Of course let's not forget that the focus of the trip was on looking at the amazing artwork on display in the many galleries we visited, a firm favourite of the students was the Escher Gallery which was full of interactive displays that showed off his amazing technical ability to create optical illusions. Not just looking at the art, the students were each given a range of art materials and visited an area of outstanding beauty at the Kinderdijk to create their own piece of art on a canvas board to take back with them.

The hundreds of photos on display in the school captured just a glimpse of the journey each student undertook; what a fantastic opportunity to explore such a culturally diverse country. The Art Department is hopeful that the trip will run again in September 2015.



POETRY BY HEART

Terri Topping represented the Academy in the Poetry By Heart Regional Finals, held at ARC Stockton Arts Centre, which showcased the skill and talent from young people across County Durham and Tees Valley.

During the evening she recited a selection of Pre 1914, Post 1914 and War poetry, competing to win a place in the National Final in London.

Although Terri did the Academy extremely proud with her interpretations, she unfortunately did not make it through the final this time.

Please congratulate Terri for her efforts, as I feel she did incredibly well learning the three poems, especially considering the pressure she is facing for her GCSEs, at present.



SHAUNA RAE – ALL ABOUT ME!

Hi my name is Shauna Rae and I'm in year 8. I joined press pack because I love writing my own poetry and stories.

I live with my mam and two sisters Bethany (9) and Keira (6).

My nana Linda has four dogs, two of them are three years old and are called Tilly and Toby and their daughters are one year old and are called Skye and Belle.

After school I love to draw and practise my singing. My best friend is Shai Newsome (12) who also goes to our school.



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