



# Castle Views

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## OUTSTANDING SUCCESS AT CASTLE VIEW

A recent in-depth analysis of official Department for Education data on all state-funded schools in England by SSAT, the national schools' membership organisation for improvement and collaboration, identified our success.

Castle View Enterprise Academy has qualified for two SSAT Educational Outcome Awards by being in the top 20% of schools nationally for progress made by our students between key stage 2 results at primary school and GCSE results at age 16, and in the top 20% of schools nationally for continuous improvement of results year-on-year from 2010-2013.



## DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

Castle View Enterprise Academy is proud to announce that it has become a Direct Licence Centre to run the Duke of Edinburgh award.

CVEA has become the first school in Sunderland to be awarded the accreditation and will be offering current year 9 students the chance to be the first year group to be part of the award, which is a nationally-recognised award by employers.

The Bronze Award requires students to develop their skills, practical ability and offers them a chance to help others by working in the community.

To complete the award the participants will spend two days walking in the hills and camping overnight which will give them a chance to experience the outdoors and develop team work, fitness levels and navigational skills.





## LET'S GET COOKING

On Friday 16 May, four students from the Let's Get Cooking Club took part in Jamie's Live TES Cooking Lesson for Food Revolution Day and helped break the record for the world's biggest ever cooking lesson.

Hundreds of thousands of teachers and students around the world took part and cooked, along with Jamie, and made a delicious Rainbow Salad Wrap.

As a memento of the day, the students received a certificate for their participation, pictured with Mrs Gill are Bridie Andrews 7NRe, Michael Scott 7NOc, Stacey Harding 7DRo and Abbey Anderson 7DRo.



## CASTLE VIEW CHICKS

I thought it was a very fun experience having the chicks and I would highly recommend having them again next year (or more this year).

It attracted people to come to Science Club and in general was fun. We did many different activities with the chicks.

My favourite activities were the chicken racing and weighing them. Their weight rapidly changed over the time we had them, doubling from what they had started at.

To conclude it was an extremely fun experience and I would love to have them again next year.

**By Jack Munslow 7SKi**





## YEAR 7 FOOTBALL

Football has been a very popular extra-curricular activity for Year 7 this year in the Academy, with over 26 pupils regularly attending the club. All the players have shown lots of commitment and determination when training and on the field during matches.

It is because of this that the boys in the year 7 football team have had a very successful year both in the League and League Cup.

The team finished 3rd in the League after many convincing wins over teams such as Red House Academy and Venerable Bede to name but two.

The team also worked extremely hard to reach the finals of the League Cup where they suffered defeat to a very good St Aidan's side.

All in all it has been a very good season for Year 7 football at CVEA and a massive well done to all of the boys involved and the parents who have regularly come to support the team throughout the year.



## YOUNG QUILLS COMPETITION

Some of our G&T History students are participating in the Historical Association's Young Quills competition.

The competition is held annually, in part to recognise good historical fiction writing, and in part to encourage youngsters to develop a love of history and a feel for the period they are studying.

For this, our students have read an historical fiction novel and written a review of their book.



Some previous winners include Jacqueline Wilson, Jill Harvey and Theresa Breslin.

I am pleased to say that four of our students have had their reviews listed by the Historical Association and they are available to view online .

The students are Harrie Jackson, Elise Hunter, Jenny Bolln and Adam Murphy.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

Five year 9 students visited Warwick University on June 11th as part of the DfE's Future Scholars project. This is a nationwide project which helps students to find out more about studying at a Russell Group university.

The students, along with year 9 students from schools across the country, participated in a series of university lectures in subjects ranging from business studies to physics.

What the students had to say about their visit:



'A great experience which has really opened my eyes to the prospect of university' Nathan S

'An amazing experience! I really look forward to going to university in a few years' time.' Paul S

'An enlightening experience which has given me an insight into a sophisticated and thriving university'. Ryan E

# SKI TRIP 2014 - COURMAYEUR

This year's ski trip to Courmayeur was 'unreal'.

The journey was long but well worth it in the end.

The skiing was exciting, especially with all the falls! Everyone made great progress and were awarded with badges and certificates at the end of the week.

The après ski was fun too. Especially the disco, seeing Mr Dugdale perform 'the worm' was a treat.

Everyone loved the ice cream and the crepes.

*By Georgia, Shannon  
and Ellie*



## Primary Cricket Tournament

After weeks of intense coaching, the CVEA Primary School Cricket Tournaments kicked off with a bang in February.

Six primary schools; Bexhill, Castletown, Redby, Seaburn Dene, Dame Dorothy and West Boldon, were involved in an exciting week of cricket, which also included extra coaching from John Windows, Liam Simpson (Durham CC Academy Coaches) and Chris Rushworth, who is currently Durham Jets' premiere fast bowler.

The week culminated in a tense final affair where Castletown were victorious over Dame Dorothy. It was a close final which required some late six-hitting and clever batting to get them over the line. All of the children who represented their school showed great improvement and potential throughout and should be very proud of their efforts.





# House News



## Dodgeball

This year's House Dodgeball has been won by Fontburn who go top of the House league table with 45 points.

They beat Kielder in a thrilling final that went to overtime.

Pictured are the players from Fontburn with Cameron Douglass holding the trophy.



## Bowling

This year we have a winning House for the Ten Pin Bowling after so many tied competitions.

Fontburn won by three points from Kielder.

Pictured are Jack and Toni, the House Captains with their best bowlers.



## The Big Quiz

The Quizmasters for 2014 goes to Derwent House.

They beat the other two Houses and pictured are the team of Dylan Rush, Laura Amer, Terri Topping, Chloe McArthur and Owen Kincaid.



## Table Tennis

Derwent are trying their hardest to play catch up in the House Cup competition.

They have won the Table Tennis competition with a 16—12 victory over nearest rivals Fontburn, with Kielder scoring three points.

Pictured are new House Captains Amy and Kyle with best players George Atkinson and James Bland.

# UKRAINE VISIT

Eleven students aged from 11 - 16 and four staff from the Ukraine visited our Academy at the end of March to continue the international link programme that was set up between the schools in 2011.

The visitors enjoyed various activities, visiting local places of interest during the week. They sampled traditional English cuisine courtesy of the Castle View Enterprise Academy restaurant including a 'full English breakfast' each morning, roast beef and Yorkshire puddings, fish, chips and mushy peas.



The visit commenced with a trip to Dukeshouse Wood where the group stayed for the weekend and had a fantastic time participating in various activities including; high ropes, 3G swing, climbing wall, fencing, archery and zip wire.



On the Monday morning, the visitors were welcomed into the Academy by Castle View Enterprise Academy students and staff, some of whom had visited the Ukraine in the previous year; it was lovely to see the exchange and welcome between familiar faces.

On the afternoon, the visitors joined the Performing Arts department and took part in a

talent show. Castle View Enterprise Academy students, and students from our feeder primary schools, gave some wonderful performances showcasing their talents to the large audience. The Ukrainians also performed a variety of song and dance routines including a display of traditional work in their national costume.



Throughout the week the visitors enjoyed trips to Beamish Museum, Theatre Royal, Newcastle to see 'Rooster' (which was kindly arranged by Northumbrian Water), London for the day, Metro Centre, and a visit to the Northumberland coast where they enjoyed traditional fish and chips.



The week was a great success with our visitors being able to take part in Academy life, exchange typical daily routines with our students, sample traditional English cuisine and visit local attractions and places of interest.

At the end of each day the visitors returned to the Academy and the students took great pleasure in visiting the music department classrooms and playing the many instruments.

The Ukrainian students were quite overwhelmed by the resources we have available in the Academy and expressed how lucky our students are – it was a moment for us all to reflect and appreciate our wonderful school and community.



"I think Great Britain is a great country. The Academy is fantastic and big. Beamish showed us the life of English people many years ago."  
Oleg Nemyrovskyy

"Our trip to England was awesome the students and teachers were very hospitable. I enjoyed all of the visits from the beginning to the end. I would like to return in the future." Sasha



## YEAR 7 HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

The hockey tournament took place on the 13 March 2014 and in their first-ever tournament, the boys came second by winning one game and drawing two.

The team comprised:-

Nathan Lukeman  
Kieran Corbett  
Jack Munslow  
Jason Newton  
Jack Parker  
Thomas Rogerson  
Liam Carr  
Liam Lynch  
David Parker



Well done to the team from everyone at Castle View Enterprise Academy.

## And the winner is ..... Ellie Atkinson

Ellie Atkinson, has been selected as the winner of the secondary category of WrestleMania Reading Challenge UK.! The shortlist was judged by the WWE and they were really impressed with the quality of Ellie's writing.

Ellie wins:

- A VIP experience at the WWE WrestleMania Revenge UK live event at the **Metro Radio Arena in Newcastle on Thursday 15 May**, with ringside seats.
- A meet and greet with the stars before the show.
- £50 worth of book vouchers.
- A WWE merchandise pack.



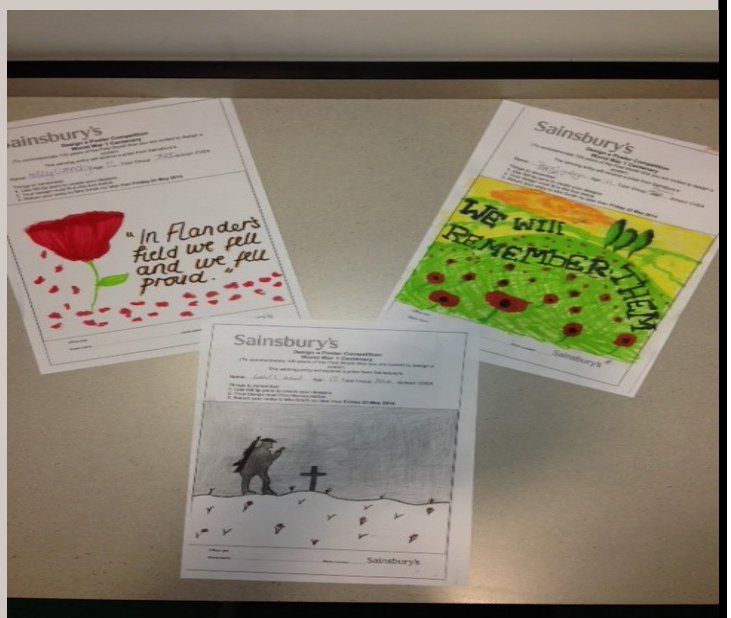
## SAINSBURY'S WW1 COMPETITION

76 students from Castle View Enterprise Academy entered the Sainsbury's WW1 Centenary Art Competition.

The entries were judged by Sainsbury's staff and the 3 winners were:-

- Lewis Wood
- Terri-Leigh Miller
- Holly Connolly

Sainsbury's presented the winning students with an art pack each today.





# HYLTON CASTLE RESTORATION

The ruined Hylton Castle and its chapel are set to be transformed after a design team was appointed with the help of project manager Cheryl Knight.

A number of essential development works will also take place including archaeological and building surveys, along with ecological surveys of the local bat and bird populations.

There will also be community events involving the Friends of Hylton Castle and Dene who have been working with Sunderland City Council and English Heritage for the last several years on a vision to bring the castle back into use.



Castle View Enterprise Academy are also getting involved. Friends chairman Keith Younghusband said:

“It’s vitally important people get involved with the redevelopment plans which our final bid for funds will be based on. We as a group have been working towards this for many years and feel that we are another step forward to fulfilling our ambitions to see the castle restored to its former glory.”

Castle View Enterprise Academy pupils (left to right) Cara Tunstall, Elise Hunter and Jenny Bolln learning about Hylton Castle redevelopment plans with (left to right) Chair of Friends of Hylton Castle and Dene—Keith Younghusband, Lindsey Porter from English Heritage, Sunderland City Council Project Manager—Cheryl Knight and David Brown from Beaumont Brown Architects.

# HOUSE CAPTAINS 2014—2015

## DERWENT



**Amy Cappellar**



**Kyle Marsh**

## FONTBURN



**Chloe Stokoe**



**Danny Daly**

## KIELDER



**Stephanie Seymour**



**Tom Allan**



## Castle View Cricket Academy Tour of Manchester 2014

In order to further promote the social and cultural development of our young cricketers alongside their sporting talent, Castle View Cricket Academy embarked on a tour of the North West of England from 27th to the 30th of June 2014. This tour witnessed 12 dedicated students visiting Manchester and its surrounding area, not only to play cricket, but also to partake in several wider activities.



Following a very picturesque drive across the Pennine Hill, Castle View arrived at Chapel-en-le-Frith and despite the four-hour journey, the Cricket Academy students restricted the opposition to a mere 82 from their 30 overs. A potent spell from opening bowlers Elliott Campbell and Adam Newton, followed up by a stellar bowling performance from Aaron Mitchell, essentially won the game. Captain Elliott Campbell then also starred with the bat scoring 37 before David Cheverton hit the winning runs to see Castle View Cricket Academy win with three overs to spare.

Day two provided the players with a rest day and saw them test their mental strength on a

high ropes course which served as an excellent team-building exercise. Following the morning activity, Castle View visited Old Trafford to support the England Cricket team in their battle with Sri Lanka.

Unfortunately, the weather took a turn for the worse come day three and the proposed fixture against Ashley Cricket Club was washed out. Thankfully the coaching team hastily arranged more team-bonding exercises in the form of ten-pin bowling and golf which followed the morning training session. All students clearly enjoyed the relaxed yet competitive nature of these spectacles. As evening approached, the party travelled into the centre of Manchester and frequented Annie's Restaurant, owned by the actress Jennie McAlpine, more commonly known as "Fizz" from Coronation Street. The cricketers were fortunate enough to meet "Fizz"; she was extremely personable and held discussion with several of the boys.

The final day of the tour remained dry and enabled the playing of cricket to commence following the two-day break. Castle View travelled to the south of the city to play Whalley Range in an evenly-matched 30-over clash. Castle View won the toss and asked the home side to bat in what appeared to be difficult batting conditions, brought about by the damp wicket following the deluge of previous days. Again, opening bowlers Campbell and Newton created several wicket-taking chances. Unfortunately, a below-par fielding performance saw the tourists drop several chances. These mistakes allowed the opening batsmen to build a steady start to the innings and ultimately these errors cost us the game, despite another mature and consistent bowling spell



from the understated and ever improving Mitchell, who ended with figures of one for 24 from his six overs. The Cricket Academy youngsters were set a challenging total of 110. The conscientious and serious-natured Campbell failed with the bat for the first time this season and, whilst this severely hampered the team's chances of victory, it did allow others the chance to take up the mantle of responsibility. Luke Walmsley delivered with a thundering innings of 40. Unfortunately, his effort was in vain as the loss of regular wickets restricted the capacity to build partnerships and Castle View Cricket Academy fell short by three runs. The tour was an extremely positive experience for all, both in terms of cricket and the continuing personal development of players, and the long-term progression of the Cricket Academy.

## LORD PUTTNAM VISITS CASTLE VIEW

Castle View Enterprise was proud to welcome Lord Puttnam to our Academy.

The event was held in conjunction with Business in the Community where our Academy and students from surrounding schools came to hear a presentation by Lord Puttnam.

Lord Puttnam was the first chancellor of the University of Sunderland from 1997 until 13 July 2007. He was appointed an Honorary Doctor of Education during the School of Education and Lifelong Learning's Academic Awards Ceremonies and in his final week as Chancellor.



Mrs J Bowe from Castle View Enterprise Academy was presented with a Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) England Award at the House of Lords on Wednesday 26 February, in recognition of her exemplary work in the field of mental health. Each award winner was congratulated on their achievement by Professor Lord Patel of Bradford OBE, Patron of MHFA to an audience of 150 people.

**Professor Lord Patel of Bradford OBE who presented the awards said:**

"I am delighted to host the fourth MHFA Awards in the House of Lords, celebrating the success of an organisation that creates positive change in the lives of people with mental ill health. Since its inception in the UK, MHFA has made significant positive changes to how mental health is dealt with in all aspects of society. Last year MHFA was instrumental in the launch of two important new initiatives; the Armed Forces MHFA programme and the City Mental Health Alliance, both of which have been made possible by the hard work and dedication of the many individuals who have been recognised at this year's Awards event. As a Patron of MHFA, I am proud to be involved with an organisation whose actions are consistently improving the mental health literacy of our society."



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