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It is hard to believe we are at the end of the academic year. It has been an incredibly rewarding time thanks to our superb staff and students and the support and encouragement given by you, our parents and carers. There have been a huge number achievements, too many to list, and some of these will be recognised in our celebration assemblies. Recent highlights have been 'Excellence Weeks' and Year 10 completing a successful work experience. Our departing Year 11 students looked very excited as they came in for their leavers' assembly and then transformed themselves to look stunning for a brilliant Prom. I would like particularly to thank Year 11 parents for the support you have given these young people and to the school in successfully navigating the exam period, where students have sat more hours of exams than ever before. The students' behaviour was absolutely outstanding throughout this period.

I would also like to thank the school Governors who give a huge amount of their time to support the effective running of the academy and who have been working hard to monitor standards across all areas of the academy.

Finally, I would like to thank parents for their continued support over the course of this year. I wish you all a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing our new Year 7 & 12 students at 8.30am on Tuesday, 3 September, and all other students at 8.30am on Wednesday, 4 September. Kinds Regards, Mrs Kerry.

NEXT GEN LEADERS FUND RAISER

A group of year 10 students were asked to take part in Enactus, NextGen Leaders programme. The programme was launched in Nottingham on October 3rd at Capital's One HQ. During the event, the students were provided with an overview of the programme and the different phases it would involve. Our students were able to speak with the students that are currently involved in the existing Enactus university programme in the UK. The focus of it is to promote and help facilitate youth social action amongst students between the ages of 15-17 years. The programme has three main themes (Community Engagement, Technology for Good and Tackling Hunger/Food Waste) and students are encouraged to discover and see how best they can work with community partners to solve certain challenges within their local community.

Our students formed Helping Hand and project partnered with a local homeless complex, supporting families and vulnerable people when leaving the complex and moving into their own accommodation. The students have been fund raising and applied for grants in order to supply a 'starter pack' containing high street gift vouchers to enable the purchases of essential items such as bedding, kettles, toasters and many other products to aid the homeless.

The Students have embraced the challenge, shown maturity and professionalism and have been a credit to the Academy. Great work girls! You should feel proud of your work in the community. You are a lovely group of kind, caring individuals.



ELLIE AND BECKY SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

Ellie and Becky Cartwright have both had huge success in the sporting world. Firstly Becky has recently been taking part in the Nature Valley Nottingham Open Tennis tournament as a part of the ball crew. Becky is passionate about tennis and is part of the Lawn Tennis Association, playing four times a week in Nottingham. When she was given the chance to be part of the ball crew at the tournament, she was eager to earn her place. There were over a hundred applicants but Becky was impressive in her try outs and was then chosen to take part. Four training sessions later and she was ready for the big stage! Becky was involved on centre court for the semi-final and met some world ranked players.



Secondly, Ellie competes in track events at a high level and she has now been selected to be part of the English Schools Athletics Association and is taking part in a prestigious event in Birmingham on the 12th/13th July. This means that she will be racing against the best 100m sprinters from England, and Ellie is one of them! She has fought off good competition, taking part in the Mansfield District competition and the Mason Trophy, competing against 8 counties across the Midlands.



We would like to congratulate you both for your achievements. You should be really proud of what you have taken part in already and we wish you all the best for the future. Keep it going girls.

TRANSITIONING

The week commencing the 17th June was focused around students transitioning, whether this be from the early years transition from primary school to secondary, or planning and choosing their career path into further education.

Year 4 students from the local area came to Manor Academy on the 18th to take part in some vocational activities, to get a feel for what it is like to be in secondary school.

In addition to this we were joined by ex-student Daryl Fletcher who works for Preconomy, a local engineering company. He gave our Year 10 students some insight into the engineering world and gave students advice on apprenticeship schemes that are available to them.



LOUIE, KICKBOXING STAR

We would like to congratulate Louie Mallatrat in Year 8 for his recent success in his Kickboxing competition. Louie is proving his skills in Kickboxing by coming 1st and 2nd place in different events at the Peterborough Championships, on the 23rd June, against some tough opposition.

Louie has always been devoted to Kickboxing since the age of 8 and is currently levelled at purple belt. His ambitions are to earn his black belt and compete in Cage Warriors or UFC at a professional level. He trains three times a week at the Ravens in Pleasley Vale and enjoys working with his trainer.

Mum and dad are extremely proud of Louie and his positive attitude towards his goals. We wish you all the best in your pursuit towards earning your black belt. Keep up the hard work Louie, you are doing really well and deserve your achievements.



FAREWELL YEAR 11

This section is all about our wonderful Year 11 students who have been with us since the start of their journey all the way back in 2014. They have had the time of their lives over the past month, having their final assembly as Year 11 students, visiting Alton Towers and finally, topping it off with an incredible Prom held at the John Fretwell Centre.

The leavers' assembly had it all: laughter, tears, signing, photos and, most of all, smiles on the students' faces as they embarked upon their next journey in life. Students and staff gathered in the Forest Theatre to listen to words from Mrs Kerry and Mrs Redfern before enjoying performances from Mr Sully and the 6th form band, Libby Millott, Sam Morrell and a group of Year 11 boys. Mrs Redfern (Head of Year), could not hold back the tears on their final day, as she watched them leave the school grounds.

On the 26th of June they had their trip to Alton Towers, where they had a great time enjoying what the theme park had to offer, even though they had to cope with the rain at times.

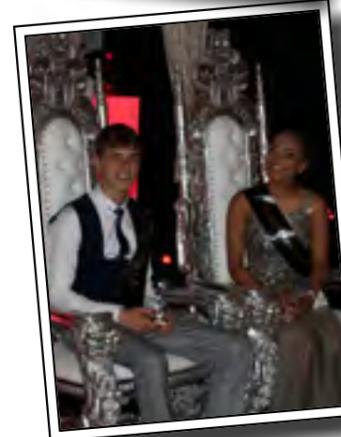
Finally, they had their Year 11 Prom on the 28th of June. The theme for this year's Prom was Glitz and Glamour and every single student looked absolutely stunning. Students arrived in some great cars and were then treated to a three course dinner along with a disco and some interesting dancing from staff, as they bonded for one last time. Awards were also given out on the night, including prettiest girl, biggest ego and of course the special one... The Prom King and Queen of 2019. Congratulations to Will Cook and Kadie Tingle for winning the awards. Everyone had a fantastic time and it surely was a special night to celebrate the success of a special year group.

Mrs Redfern has taken some time out to say some final words to you all.

'It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know the Year 11 students over the past 3 years. This is the first year group I have taken through as a Head of Year and I have absolutely loved it. The year group is full of outstanding students and I wish them all the best for their GCSE results and for their chosen paths from September. Good luck in everything, and stay in touch.'



PHOTOS OF OUR YEAR 11 STUDENTS FROM LEAVERS' DAY AND PROM



YEAR 10 STUDENTS VISIT SLOVAKIA

On Monday the 17th June a group of Year 10 students travelled over to Bratislava, Slovakia's capital city, as part of a business enterprise trip.

Whilst on their trip they travelled to two towns, Nitra and Martin. Whilst in Nitra they completed their first market day at the Nitra's Business Academy, where they sold all of their 'Fabulously British' products to the students in Slovakia. After their market day students went to Land Rover Jaguar, where they met the British Ambassador and Operations Manager, whilst learning about the production and marketing tools used by such a large company. Finally, they got entry into Nitra's castle, learning about life and culture, living in Slovakia.

Martin was their final destination and they stayed here for the rest of the week, taking part in educational workshops, developing their personal attributes, working on leadership and improving their skills in creating a CV. Students were also able to walk around the beautiful country roads and fields of a medieval village, experiencing a traditional bonfire, with live music and dancing, before visiting Martin Grammar School and being inspired by the 81 year old astronomy professor. He took them around his observatory, allowing students to look through his telescope. Finally, their second market day came around and they sold their products to over 400 Slovakian students and socialised with the locals.

We would like to thank NGi Limited for their organisation of this wonderful opportunity.



GIRLS' ENGINEERING VISIT

On Monday the 1st of July, Mr Hall and 11 Year 7 girls visited King Edward VII School in Sheffield for a Women in Engineering Day. The day consisted of girls interacting with all elements of engineering and meeting inspirational women that work and are successful in the engineering world.

There were representatives from McLaren, Rolls Royce, Savellec and many more, who are at the forefront of industry and innovation. The girls were given the opportunity to build model Rolls Royce engines and look at the real McLaren 720 and learn all about carbon fibre and its importance in automotive technology.

Overall, the girls absolutely loved the experience and came away with a great insight into the engineering world.



ARMY BARRACKS VISIT

Friday 17th of May was the launch event for the Y8 Manor Men project at Chetwynd Army Barracks in Nottingham. The 13 young men who attended the trip developed key skills in teamwork, problem solving and cooperation during their command tasks throughout the day. They got the opportunity to wear and carry the equipment as well as control a robot designed to disable explosives, worth over a million pounds!

We finished the morning with a complimentary meal in the Army canteen which was gratefully received by all the Manor Men, 13 clean plates! We hold a huge debt of gratitude to Mick Hancock and his team for offering us such a great opportunity, and we hope to continue this positive working relationship in the future.



WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK FOR YEAR 10

Year 10 students took part in their work experience week starting on the 1st of July. Work experience is a great chance for students to gain an insight into the world of work, and it will inspire them going forward into Year 11 and beyond.

One local company, Preconomy have taken on five of our students who are keen to get into the engineering world and are working there this week, machining, testing, inspecting and assembling. Daryl Fletcher has praised the students on how they are getting on as they are really immersing themselves into the experience.

We have also had students working here at the Academy in a number of different roles, including Library Assistant, Caretaking, Teaching Assistant and Farming. Students have really got to grips with the roles and responsibilities of their jobs and taken to tasks really well.

Congratulations on completing your work experience week Year 10. You should be really proud of how you have prepared for and conducted yourself this week. You have worked hard to earn your work placement and you are now moving closer to being the oldest GCSE students in the Academy, and we are confident you will set a perfect example to our new Year 7 students in September.



YEAR 6 TRANSITION WEEK

On the 3rd, 4th and 5th of July, we have had Year 6 students in from around the local area, enjoying taster days at The Manor Academy. This gives them a feel for what it will be like when they join us in September as our new Year 7 students. The taster days are a great opportunity for students to get to know the school grounds, meet the teachers and socialise with the rest of their year group.

On the first day they were involved in a sports event on the rugby fields, taking part in dodgeball, tag rugby and many other sports. On the final two days they were in lessons from all subject areas, enjoying building castles in History and making food in our Food Tech classrooms.

Year 6 you have been fantastic visiting us this week and we can't wait to start you off on your time here in September.



HAGG FARM RESIDENTIAL

On Friday, 10th May, Manor College students in Year 12 attended the annual Hagg Farm residential, located in the Peak District.

During their stay, students had the opportunity to take part in a variety of activities such as, caving, wall climbing and hiking up the highest peak in the midlands. Students also got given the task of cooking meals for the group at breakfast and dinnertime, including a cooked breakfast and spaghetti bolognese.

Year 12 would like to thank all staff at Hagg Farm and Manor for making it an unforgettable experience.



HARRY PICKED FOR ELITE TRAINING

We would like to congratulate Harry Faulkner, in Year 7 for his remarkable season, representing Nottinghamshire County Hockey at under 13 level and helping Nottinghamshire achieve 2nd in the County Tournament.

In addition to his successful season Harry has also been selected to attend Midlands Elite training, again competing against other players at an under 13 level and he will also be representing Midlands Marauders on June 21st, in a prestigious regional tournament featuring North East, Tensworth and many others.

Harry is an outstanding player and has started as captain for his local hockey club North Notts, helping them qualify for the England Hockey Midlands regionals as the strongest under 12 team in the county!

However, Harry's talents do not end there, as he has also been selected for Sub County Cricket, representing the North of the County as wicket keeper and being awarded his first cap whilst also playing for his local club Cuckney at under 13 level!



We wish Harry all the best for the future. You should be really proud of what you have already achieved and we hope you can continue your success. Good luck!

MRS CROSBY - CHAMPION

On the 12th of May, Miss Crosby and her team at Barnsley FC were crowned champions of the County Cup, beating Huddersfield in a tight cup final on penalties, at the New York Stadium in Rotherham.

Miss Crosby has been playing football since she was 7 years old and was part of the Lincoln Centre of Excellence, playing teams from all across the country until the age of 16, when she then signed for Lincoln Ladies First Team. She has previously also played for Notts County Ladies and Sheffield Ladies FC. This is her first year playing for Barnsley after making a move from Nettleham Ladies, along with her manager Chris Hamilton.

We would like to congratulate Miss Crosby and Barnsley FC on the victory and wish her and the team all the best next season.



SOCCER AID 2019

During tutor time on Friday 21st March, a selection of students and staff took part in a football match, in order to raise money for Soccer Aid. Soccer Aid pairs with the charitable organisation UNICEF, to help raise money towards helping children around the world living in poverty. Students paid £1 to purchase a ticket to watch the match and all monies donated will go towards making children's lives happier and healthier.

At the full time whistle it was staff who came away with the 2-0 win, despite students giving it all they had got. Thanks to those who took part and came along to watch.



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