

Carre's Grammar School

NEWSLETTER

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Useful Dates:

Battlefields Trip 10 – 13 June

Year 12 UCAS Evening Monday 20 June

Reward Trip – Cricket at Trent Bridge Tuesday 21 June

Reward Trip – Lincolnshire Show Wednesday 22 June

Sixth Form Induction Days Tuesday 28 and Wednesday 29 June

Open Day and Evening Wednesday 6 July

Year 10 Visit to the Faculty of Divinity at Cambridge University Monday 11 July

Rewards Trip – Alton Towers Tuesday 19 July

Junior Prize Giving and End of Term Thursday 21 July

Outlook Expedition to India 14 July – 3 August

Autumn Term 2016 Starts Tuesday 6 September

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Foreword by Mr Law, Headteacher

I am delighted to announce the appointment of the new Senior Prefect Team to serve for the next 12 months. The Head Boy is Matthew Priestley, the Head Girl is Ellie Baumber, the Deputy Head Boys are Cameron Coomer and Austin Jakeway, and the Deputy Head Girl is Amy Bennett. Congratulations to all of them and I am sure they will serve the school with distinction. I am sure that they will make a great team as they represent the school as public events, work with students across the town, fundraise, liaise with younger students and keep staff and governors apprised of student feeling. Congratulations to all students who put themselves forward for positions in the Senior Prefect Team. We are very proud of them all, and there will be many other opportunities to serve the school for these students. Our new team will have big boots to fill! The retiring Senior Prefect Team, consisting of Head Boy Tom Dean, Head Girl Anna Albuixech, Deputy Head Boys Robert Gray and Jack McGinley and Deputy Head Girl Jess Mitchell, along with the other members of the Senior Prefect team, have made a huge contribution to the life of the school. They been a great asset to the school as well as a credit to themselves; they have our appreciation and admiration.



2016/2017 - Incoming Senior Prefect Team

Austin Jakeway - Deputy Head Boy, Amy Bennett -Deputy Head Girl, Matthew Priestley - Head Boy, Ellie Baumber - Head Girl, Cameron Coomer - Deputy Head Boy



2015/2016 Outgoing - Senior Prefect Team Jessica Mitchell - Deputy Head Girl, Cai Green - Head of School Council, Jack McGinley - Deputy Head Boy, Tom Dean - Head Boy, Robert Gray - Deputy Head Boy and Anna Albuixech - Head Girl



The outgoing Senior Prefect Team wishes the incoming Senior Prefect Team good luck for the coming year

Music students visit RAF College Cranwell



On Thursday 21 April, six students from Carre's and four students from KSHS joined students from other local secondary schools in an opportunity to rehearse with the RAF College Band in their band room at RAF Cranwell. The students were all made to feel very welcome by the band members and were supported as they rehearsed four pieces ready to play in a concert in the afternoon. The students really rose to the standard, having to sight-read some new pieces as they rehearsed. During the morning they were also treated to a drill display and a tour of some of the camp's fitness facilities as they learnt about life in the RAF.

The afternoon performance was attended by many students from local primary and secondary schools (including 100 students from the Robert Carre Trust). The musicians who had rehearsed with the RAF College Band performed in the final four pieces of the concert.

The event was both exciting and inspiring for all of those involved both those who performed and those who watched the concert. It was great to see such musical talent in Sleaford.







Geography Trip to the Lake District

On Wednesday 16 March, 52 A/S Geography students set off for 3 days of fieldwork in the Lake District, with a stop in York on the way. The purpose of this fieldwork was to

collect data and prepare students for their A/S exams being taken in May.

The focus for the first day and the visit to York was to look at the flood defences along the River Ouse. The group walked along the banks of the Ouse, field sketching and assessing the sustainability of the defences seen at the Foss Barrier, North Street and Bootham. After that it was time for a spot of lunch and then back on the coach for the long and twisty drive to Ambleside in the Lake District. On arrival at the youth hostel in Ambleside the group settled in quickly and were able to watch a magnificent sunset over Lake Windermere before tea. It was then time to do some preparation for the next day, reminding the students about methods of data collection and geographical theory.



After an early start and breakfast on day two, the group headed out to collect data for their river investigation. After a walk down what seemed like the longest road ever, the group reached their first sampling site. With wellies on and Mr Wilson's risk assessment in mind, 52

students plunged into the (30-40cm deep) river! The students collected data on river velocity, width and depth, pH and load size using a variety of methods and equipment. Once finished at the first site there were two more sites to sample before the walk back to the bus. The students had worked quickly and efficiently and thought they would be back at the youth hostel in good time to have a bit of a rest before tea, but the bus driver had other plans and took the group on an impromptu tour around the north Lakes. This was due to a couple of road closures because the roads had washed away in the winter floods and meant that a 20 minute trip turned into a 2 hour journey! Mr Holland really enjoyed this part of the fieldwork! When finally back at the youth hostel, the group had tea and then processed their results.







The third day was all about glaciation. The group were taken into the Langdale Valley to study landforms of glacial erosion and deposition. Field sketches and photos were taken to help remind students of the formation of these landforms for their exam. Finally for the third year running, everyone was able to make the steep climb up to Blea Tarn for the obligatory group photo. It was then time to head back to Sleaford. Once again this trip has been one of the highlights of the Geography Department's

trip calendar; it is always a pleasure to take our students away on fieldwork.



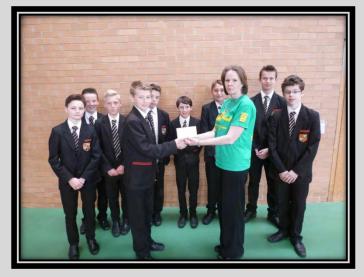


Mrs Brook, Mr Holland, Mr Wilson and Miss Chaddock









The Tenner Challenge was a four week long challenge to start a business with just £10. The aim of the challenge was to encourage team work and to develop entrepreneurial skills. In groups of 9 or 10 people the objective was to create a business idea and see how far we could grow the £10.

Donating a cheque to Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance

The total raised from all Tenner groups was around £762 and the groups chose who to donate the money to. So far £184 has gone to the Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance but other charities include Parkinson's, Prostate Cancer, Cancer Research and Crohn's and Colitis.







Year 7 student Kieran Fowler won double gold recently at the Welsh Open Tae Kwon-Do tournament in Cardiff. His first gold medal came in the Lightweight Black Belt category (individual) and his second in the Team Sparring. This has set him up well for the World Championships in July, and we look forward to hearing all about his progress when we return in September.

Good luck Kieran.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Year 10 Bronze Expeditions

Practice – June 24 / 25 – camping in Ancaster Assessed – July 15 / 16 – camping in Scopwick

Year 12 Silver Expeditions

Assessed July 7 / 8 / 9 in Derbyshire



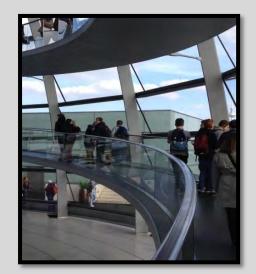


Berlin 2016



At the start of February, a group of nearly 50 students from Years 10 and 11 went on a GCSE History trip to Berlin, Germany. With only the weekend (including Friday and Monday) we had a lot to see and just enough time to see it in.

On Friday morning (early morning, 2:30 am to be precise) we left Sleaford and had made it to our hostel in Berlin by 11:00am. Straight in and out again, we took the train to central Berlin to visit the German parliamentary buildings, namely the Reichstag building. We were taken on a tour of the roof and dome, which had superb views over the whole city and a history of the building itself. That was it for the Friday; we returned back to the hostel to unpack and have tea, it had been a long day with a very early start and we were all glad to go to sleep at the end of it.





A not so early morning call on the Saturday, but still early enough. We had breakfast and took the train back into the centre of Berlin. The two year groups split up, and were taken on a Third Reich guided tour of the city. Later that afternoon, after the two groups met up, we hightailed it to a lunch ready and waiting for us (everything had been planned to the minute by Miss Mills, it was brilliant) and then walked down the road to the Sachsenhausen concentration camp. We spent a couple of hours going round the camp with a guide, and we were told all about the camp's history throughout Nazi Germany and the Holocaust as well as during the East German regime. A very interesting but harrowing experience.

On Sunday, the penultimate day of the trip, we set off in the morning to visit the 1936 Olympiastadion, home to Hertha Berlin FC. We were taken on a stadium tour and were told how the stadium had changed from its origins in Nazi Germany, to the stadium that stands today; an

impressive stadium with an impressive history to say the least. Later that afternoon, we were taken back into central Berlin, and met back up with our tour guides. We were taken around the city again, and shown the Berlin Wall and Checkpoint Charlie, all relevant to the Cold War. Later that night we took the train back into Berlin to go bowling, not relevant to history, but who doesn't like bowling?

Finally on the Monday, we took the train one last time into the centre of Berlin, this time to Alexanderplatz. We were given a few hours to explore the city, to visit various department stores and try the food. Unfortunately the exchange rate was not heavily in our favour so not many splashed out on designer brands, but we all still enjoyed the novelty of a currywurst (or two). It was then a rather half-hearted trip back to Sleaford as all of us had the prospect of school the next day looming over our heads, and no one wanted to leave the beautiful city.





Overall, it was a brilliant trip that successfully covered all the interesting parts of Berlin. There were no catastrophes so the weekend was enjoyed by everyone. The agenda was great, and missed out nothing we wanted to see. A thoroughly recommended trip for everyone studying GCSE History, you would be a fool not to go.

Thank you very much to all the staff that looked after us for the weekend, they all did a brilliant job and we were all very grateful for that. Thank you to all the staff at the Industriepalast Hostel in Berlin for accommodating us and feeding us in the morning and evening. Finally a very special thank you to Miss Mills, who arranged the whole trip, every detail planned perfectly; without her none of this would have happened.

Written by Callum Bland 11L



TECHNOLOGY NEWS - BBC MICRO:BIT

During April our year 7 students received their BBC Micro:bit computers and they have been providing an exciting new challenge during computing lessons. Joel Pontin, 7L has provided this report:





Micro:bits are the newest instalment in programmable technology. They have been sent to every year 7 student to help encourage them to learn more about computers and computer programming. On the Micro:bit website there are four different editors you can use to create and change scripts of code and create a special .hex file which then has to be transferred to the Micro:bit. It's really easy to get the hang of.

You can also connect the Micro:bit it to your phone via Bluetooth and this, once again, is a very simple and easy process. You can program your Micro:bit to do all kinds of things such as light up LEDs when a call is made, take a photo when someone calls you and even alert you when you turn your phone off. You can also make small games to play on it; the Micro:bit has two programmable buttons and an accelerometer which detects movement.

There are lots of tutorials on the Internet which can teach you how to use your Micro:bit and inspire you to try different projects.

If you want to know more, the Micro:bit website is the best place to start https://www.microbit.co.uk/about

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Year 8 STEM event with the Red Arrows at RAF Scampton on Monday 13 June

Literacy Focus for the Summer Term

Years 7 and 8 - the focus for the first couple of weeks will be understanding exam commands, in preparation for their internal exams this month.

Years 9 and 10 - (7 and 8 after exams) will be homophones i.e. words that sound the same but are spelt differently - your/ you're, whether/ weather etc.

LRC News

As David Walliams is such a popular author at Carre's, we thought it would be a good idea to contact him to ask him to visit us in his helicopter! However, he was unsurprisingly too busy to fit us into his diary, but very magnanimously sent us a signed photo which has taken pride of place on the front desk in the LRC. Maybe next time!!



Our school needs you!

Help us win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the school library - and get £100 for yourself! Just enter the following competition online, it only takes a minute!

http://po.st/schoolprize

Apparently, the more nominations a school gets via the competition, the higher the chance it has of winning, so please, please, enter and pass the details onto friends and relatives. Many thanks!



Warhammer Club

On Friday 29 April, a team from the Carre's Warhammer Club took part in the Games Workshop School League National Warhammer 40,000 Semi-Finals, which were held in Nottingham. For those of you who are wondering, Warhammer 40,000 is a science-fiction themed table-top wargame, involving strategy, chance, and lots of small painted miniatures of fantastical warriors from the far future. The team, consisting of Morgan Bolton (11L), Ewan Kennett, Thomas McDonagh, and Robert Thompson (all 10B), played three rounds against teams from schools from all over the country. After an exciting day of dice-rolling and toy-soldier moving, our team was rewarded with second place out of a field of twenty. This was enough to be sent through to the National Finals, which will be held on Tuesday 28 June.



Sports Day 2016

Princess Royal Sports Arena, Boston Friday 27 May

















































Results

Event	Year	Name	Record	Time/Distance
Hurdles	7	James Neill	-	15.81
	8	Euan Owen	-	14.15
	9	Ellis Collins	-	14.28
	10	Max Baldwin	-	12.87
100m	7	Jack Booth	-	15.16
	8	Arjun Prakash	-	13.56
	9	James Heywood-Holt	-	12.15
	10	Kyle Watkins	-	11.88
200m	7	Harry Denton	-	29.87
	8	Arjun Prakash	-	27.31
	9	Ben George	-	27.25
	10	Kyle Watkins	Yes	24.22
400m	7	Tom Mecklenburgh	-	1.10.31
	8	Luis McGreskin	-	1.05.91
	9	Niall Parsons	-	59.13
	10	Max Searis	Yes	55.03
800m	7	Rafael Ruiz	-	2.47.06
	8	Finlay Welburn Cowell	-	2.33.66
	9	Ben Newell	Yes	2.09.59
	10	Will Tucker	Yes	2.10
1500m	7	Harry Denton	-	5.10.34
	8	Ted Gibbons	-	5.14.22
	9	Niall Parsons	-	4.42.63
	10	Will Tucker	Yes	4.32.78
Long Jump	7	Harry Denton	Yes	4.64
	8	Harley Cullum	-	4.62
	9	Sam Wright	-	5.03
	10	Max Baldwin	Yes	5.49
High Jump	7	Edward Arch	-	1.20
	8	Finlay Sodeau	-	1.25
	9	Ethan Harrison	-	1.45
	10	Bradley Charlesworth	-	1.50
Shot	7	Jarrod Taylor	-	6.52
	8	Lewis Chessum	-	7.15
	9	Robert Singer	-	9.61
	10	Oliver Chessum	-	8.40
Discus	7	Alex Clipsham	-	15.47
	8	Zak Daubney	-	19.96
	9	Tom Martin	-	26.04
	10	Reece Kinsella	-	24.51
Triple Jump	7	Matthew Pepper	-	8.25
, - F	8	Callum Harrison	-	9.20
	9	Tom Martin	-	10.55
	10	Max Baldwin	-	11.30
Javelin	7	Jack Edwards	-	19.35
	8	Tristan Skerritt	Yes	30.30
	9	Alex Clare		23.06

Event	Year	Name	Record	Time/Distance
	10	Sam Goodwin	-	29.08
Relay	7	Welby		
	8	Bristol		
	9	Carre		
	10	Carre		
Victor Ludorum	7	Harry Denton		
	8	Arjun Prakash		
	9	Niall Parsons		
	10	Max Baldwin		

Well done to all the students and staff taking part in Sports Day













Pushing the Boundaries

Recently we had two Year 5 and 6 girls' cricket events

running. We had 12 schools split across two venues; Sleaford Cricket Club and Caythorpe Cricket Club. 20 Carre's Sports Leaders umpired and scored following training from Lincolnshire Cricket.

Sleaford CC hosted the Level 2 event, with the winners progressing to the County Level 3 Finals, and was won by Rauceby, who played St Botolph's in the final. The third place play off was won by Cranwell who saw off the tough competition of Kirkby La Thorpe.

Caythorpe CC played host to the emerging schools event which was decided on countback! Three schools were tied to win the event, all having won 4 games each. The deciding factor was how many wickets the teams had lost throughout the tournament. Church Lane came out on top, followed by Helpringham and in third, Caythorpe.

We would like to thank all the girls for making the events so enjoyable for all involved and extend thanks to the volunteers at both cricket clubs for preparing such great facilities.

Matt Evans, Alex Smith, Ricky Pledger and Dominic Fieldhouse, Carre's Outreach Team







Team:	Carre's	Grammar	School	U13B
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Opposition: St George's Academy Ruskington U13A

Date: Thursday 26 May 2016

Venue:

Carre's Grammar School

Result: Carre's Grammar School wins 40 - 20

Scores	Carre's Grammar School	St George's Academy
1 st Quarter	10	2
2 nd Quarter	2	8
3 rd Quarter	12	4
4 th Quarter	16	6

Game Statistics:

Player	2pt	FT	Fouls	Pts
Alex Fraser #5	2	/	/	2
Max Ward #6	2	2/2	/	4
Matthew Freeman #7	2	/	/	2
Harry Townsend #8	0	/	/	0
Thomas Wilkinson #9	24	/	/	24
Alex Falconio #10	2	/	/	2
Finlay Welburn Cowell #12	4	/	/	4
Ryan Turner #13	2	/	/	2

St George's Statistics: Dylan Jenkinson (4 pts), Owen Lapington (2 pts), Harry Stewart (14 pts).



Team: Matthew Freeman, Ryan Turner, Alex Fraser, Max Ward, Finlay Welburn Cowell, Harry Townsend, Thomas Wilkinson, Alex Falconio.

Match Description:

Carre's Grammar School hosted St George's Academy (Ruskington) for an U13 basketball game, with each team selecting students who had not yet represented the school in the sport. Carre's started the first quarter extremely well, with Thomas Wilkinson converting 5 baskets in the opening 10 minutes. The Carre's boys have all been training hard over the past few weeks and showed their ability to put key areas of development in these sessions into the game. Carre's led by 10-2 going into the second quarter. St George's Academy seemed to overcome their initial nerves and, after an inspiring team talk by Mr Stainfield, dominated the second quarter. Both teams showed very good ball movement and ability to take the ball to the basket. The quarter concluded with Carre's leading 12-10.

At the start of the third quarter, both teams showed a desire to build upon periods of good play and pull away from the opposition. Carre's took an early lead in the quarter with another basket from Thomas Wilkinson and this was quickly followed by a lovely jump shot from Matthew Freeman and a nicely taken bank shot from Finlay Welburn Cowell. St George's then scored two quick baskets to bring the score to within 4 points, before Thomas Wilkinson and Alex Fraser added further baskets to extend the lead to 8 points with 10 minutes remaining.

Typically, Carre's teams finish well and today was no different. Thomas Wilkinson added a further 8 points to his tally in the quarter, taking his game-high 24 points. Max Ward and Ryan Turner each added a basket of their own, which Max also converted two 'nothing but net' free throws. Harry Townsend was exceptional on defence and was extremely unfortunate not to have a bucket to his name. St George's played their part in the contest and must be complimented for their desire, attitude and effort throughout the closely fought game.

It was a pleasure to see all students from both teams compete in their first competitive fixture and I hope that this gives them a positive experience of the sport. An outstanding performance from the Carre's boys, with particular mention going to MVP Thomas Wilkinson, for his direct approach on offense, hard work on defence and his game-high 24 points.

MVP Tom Wilkinson



On behalf of Boston Rugby Club, we wish to thank your school for excellent behaviour, outstanding manners and for respecting our club house which was left in an immaculate condition. Without a doubt the best school we have had - your pupils are a credit to your school.

Thank you Boston Rugby Club

Thank you for allowing Young Leaders to miss lessons in order to support our primary schools cricket events over the last two weeks. The events ran smoothly and we have received some very positive feedback from Head Teachers and other members of staff.

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'There was one leader who was brilliant at umpiring – he umpired our match on pitch 3 with Chestnut Street. Clear, confident, helped the kids – a real credit. Sorry don't know his name but if you do, maybe you could tell him he did a great job!' – Craig Elliott, Navenby. This young leader was Jake Craddock.

We also had a lot of verbal praise regarding a number of other Young Leaders; Tom Wilkinson, Alex Falconio, Max Moor, Oliver Chessum, Sam Courtney etc.

Thanks again. Matt Evans and Alex Smith, Carre's Outreach Team

Well done everyone





Hoax Calls – Advice from the National Counter Terrorism Security Office (NaCTSO)

Following a number of hoax bomb calls to schools across the UK in May, NaCTSO has provided the following update as each call has caused significant disruption to school life, upset to school staff and concern to students, their parents and carers.

The police treat calls threatening bomb attacks very seriously and are committed to working with schools to ensure the safety of all students and to minimise disruption to their learning. The following action will be been taken:

• Every bomb threat will be assessed. Highly experienced officers review intelligence and work with counter-terrorism experts, who have an in-depth knowledge of incidents of this nature, to assess whether a threat is real or not. So far, there has been no credible threat posed to student safety and all the calls have been malicious designed to cause fear and disruption.

• Police are conducting a major criminal investigation. Making a hoax bomb threat is a serious crime punishable by up to seven years imprisonment. Police forces across the country are working together to find those responsible and a number of arrests have already been made.

• Police have refreshed guidance with the Department for Education to share with leaders of schools, other education establishments, and authorities. This guidance also signposts to advice on wider security reviews and supports existing safeguarding plans. Public guidance on how you, schools and the council can prepare for emergencies can be found at: www.gov.uk/local-planning-emergency-major-incident;

• It is important that we are alert but not alarmed. Schools remain some of the safest and most secure public spaces; the wellbeing of students is the top priority of staff.

To help us we ask the following of you:-

• If the school makes a decision to temporarily suspend lessons while safety checks are carried out, do not attend to remove your child unless asked to do so. Schools will keep you informed and always arrange care for students unable to return home or whose parents/carers are unable to collect them. Do not phone the emergency services to ask for updates on your child as it delays genuine people in need from getting help.

• Consider speaking to your child about the consequences of making hoax calls.

• If you have any information about those responsible for the security alerts call police on 101 (999 in an emergency) or the independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Drug Awareness Day – Monday 4 July 2016

A reminder that there are still spaces available on the Drug Awareness Day. Students in Years 8, 9, 10 and 12 will attend the session during the school day and parents are invited to attend in the evening.

Year 8 and 9 parents 5 – 6.30pm Years 10 and 12 parents 7 – 8.30pm

A further session will run in October for students and parents in the current Years 7 and 11

Please support these important sessions, which you will find extremely informative.

Drug Awareness Day letters are available from the school office or from our website – Home/Parents/Letters

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Please ensure there are sufficient funds on your son/daughter's catering account.

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Old Carrensians Association

The Old Carrensian Association currently has 704 registered members. Each year the 'Old Boys' meet at the Carre Arms for the annual dinner, at the Solo Club for Christmas and organize annual football and cricket matches as well as a quiz night. There is an annual newsletter which contains updates about the school from the Headmaster, news on members' achievements and changes of addresses etc.

Life membership costs £20. *Download the Membership Form to join the association via the school website* <u>www.carres.uk</u> and follow the link to Home/Students/Old Carrensians Association.

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Wishing all the students and staff an enjoyable and informative time on the forthcoming trips

Year 9 Battlefields Trip 10 – 13 June

Year 8 Geography Field Trip to Skegness - 20 June

Year 8 Science Trip to the National Space Centre, Leicester - 24 June

Year 7 Humanities Trip to Lincoln – 24 June

Year 10 safeTALK workshop – 24 June

Warhammer National Finals - 28 June

Years 7 and 8 Trip to Côte d'Opale, France 15 – 17 July

Outlook Expedition to India – 14 July – 3 August



Happy summer holidays see you in September!