

# Carre's Grammar School

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#### Foreword by Mr Wilkinson, Assistant Headteacher

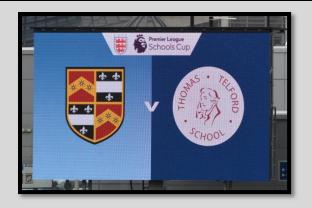
It is with huge pride as a teacher and a parent that I write this foreword following the amazing achievement of our Year 11 footballers in the recent National Schools Elite Cup Final at the Manchester City Academy Stadium. Cheered on by 300 very noisy Carre's students, plus parents, the boys started the game defensively against a very strong Thomas Telford School team. Thomas Telford were overwhelming favourites as they have formal partnerships with a number of football league clubs. The second half continued in much the same vein until Carre's took the lead with ten minutes to go from a well taken penalty by Haydn Tear. The last ten minutes seemed to drag on for ages and with less than a minute of injury time to go Telford equalised from the penalty spot.

Despite the disappointment the Carre's team regrouped and won the penalty shoot-out 5-4.

Throughout the game the Carre's boys played with a desire, determination and team ethic that has been their hallmark since the very start of the season. They have overcome adversity in many of their matches, actually winning on penalties in two previous rounds plus coming from 1-0 behind in the quarter-final to win 4-1. They have also won the Lincolnshire Schools Cup Final as well as fielding a large number of other boys in the non-elite National Cup competition to enhance their opportunities for competitive football.

This has been a fantastic achievement that will live long in the memory for all of the boys who played and spectated. Congratulations gentlemen, you have done yourselves, your parents and the school proud.





















#### **Useful Dates**

Year 8 Black Country Museum Trip Tuesday 11 June

Year 12 Geography Field Trips 11, 13, 17 and 21 June 2019

Year 9 Battlefields Trip Friday 14 June – Monday 17 June

Rewards Trip – Lincolnshire Show Wednesday 19 June

**Sixth Form Induction Days** Tuesday 25 – Wednesday 26 June

Year 7 Humanities Trip to Lincoln Friday 28 June

> Year 8 Trip to Skegness Monday 1 July

Giant Orchestra Music Day Tuesday 2 July

Open Morning and Evening Wednesday 3 July

Year 11 Prom and Harry Potter Studio Tour Tuesday 9 July

> Year 10 Holocaust Centre Trip Thursday 11 July

> Year 7 and 8 Cote D'Opale Trip Friday 12 July – Sunday 14 July

Year 12 Work Experience Week Monday 15 July – Friday 19 July

**Global Action – Trip to Nepal** Monday 15 July - Wednesday 31 July - Group A Saturday 20 July - Monday 5 August - Group B

> Rewards Trip – Alton Towers Monday 15 July

End of Term and Junior Prizegiving Friday 19 July

#### **New Site Update**

You will be aware of the ambition of the Robert Carre Trust to move to a new site and create an 11-18 co-educational Grammar School on the outskirts of the town adjacent to A15 and the Sleaford West Urban Extension. This is an artist's impression of what it could look like.



We remain committed to this project and the DfE has confirmed the policy decision that approves the merging of the two schools into one school on one site. However, there is the issue of funding to resolve. As such we are continuing to seek funding from a range of sources to present a financial model that is acceptable to the DfE. This involves discussions with a range of potential partners to create innovative and acceptable financial models.

The formal Option to Purchase of the land has now been agreed and is in the hands of the solicitors awaiting its final sign off. This will mean the school has a legally binding contract giving it first refusal on the site for our potential development.

Nick Law June 2019

#### New Prefect Team

I am delighted to introduce you to our new Senior Prefect Team for 2019 - 2020. The Head Boy is Joe, the Head Girl is Phoebe, and the Deputy Heads are Alex and Alice, with Jonathan and Amelia also on the Senior Prefect Team.



Jonathan, Sixth Form Ambassador, Alex, Deputy Head Boy, Phoebe, Head Girl, Joseph – Head Boy, Alice – Deputy Head Girl, Oliver – Head of Student Council, Amelia – Sixth Form Student Council Lead

The process of selection to secure a position on the team is rigorous. Candidates were informally interviewed by the current Senior Prefect Team and they gave presentations to their peer group. Taking Year 12 student and staff support into account the shortlisted candidates were then interviewed by me, Mr Law and Mr Pickard, Head of Year 12. Congratulations to all of them and I am sure that they will make a great team as they represent the school at public events, work with students across the town, fundraise, liaise with younger students and keep staff and governors informed of student views.

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 opportunities to serve the school for these students.

The Senior Prefect teams across the three Sleaford Joint Sixth Form schools work together throughout the year to organise a variety of events. They have already begun to plan a charity fun event to be held at St George's Academy on the penultimate week of this term before the whole of Year 12 are involved in a week of professional work experience.

In May the new Senior Prefect Teams met to take part in a public speaking workshop run by Cathy Mellor. The students thoroughly enjoyed this event and stated

"Cathy and her story of how she became a practical consultant was truly inspiring: even in her introduction we could see, and learn from, the techniques for becoming a better orator. Not only did we learn about public speaking and its growing importance in any walk of life, but her workshop was fun and engaging. Additionally, it was also a great chance to meet with the other Senior Prefect Teams".

Our new team will have a challenge before them to continue the fantastic work done by the retiring Senior Prefect Team, Ewan, Chloe, Travis, Emily, Dominic, Olivia and Amy, who 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. Thank you!

Mrs Hickmore, Director of Sixth Form



Olivia – Sixth Form Student Council Lead, Travis – Deputy Head Boy, Chloe – Head Girl, Ewan – Head Boy, Emily – Deputy Head Girl, Dominic – School Council Lead, Amy – Student Ambassador

# **History Quiz**

On 15 May, a history quiz took place. It was done in the style of the popular TV game show 'The Chase;' however, instead of a chaser, we were chasing each other. There was a variety of different questions, all from different periods of history. Examples of the questions are 'Who was the only English King to be called 'the Great?' and 'In which year was the Magna Carta signed?'



The answer to question 1 is 'King Alfred the Great' and the answer to question 2 is 1215. King Alfred ruled the Anglo-Saxons from 886 to 899. The Magna Carta (if you didn't already know) was signed to prevent the monarch from having too much power.

Anyway, there was a great atmosphere at the quiz. Lots of people turned up to cheer on their respective houses. Even the House Captains for Welby and Lafford, Jack Turner and Alex Mantle, turned up to show support for their houses. The winners of the quiz were Lafford, Welby came second and Bristol came third. Unfortunately, there were no teams from Carre. Everyone who took part got house points and some sweets as prizes.

All in all, the quiz was a great success and I'm sure that everyone who participated had as much fun as I did. Also, on behalf of everyone who took part, I would like to thank Tom McDonagh (the Head Boy of History) for asking the questions and Miss Mills for organising the whole quiz.

By Alexander Corbould - 8L





### Year 10 - Maths Feast

Four of our brightest mathematicians took part in the Maths Feast at North Kesteven School on Friday 8 March.

They went up against many different schools within the county, answering a wide variety of challenging Maths questions.

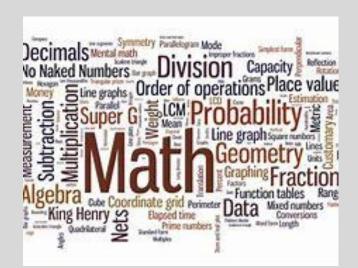
The boys competed well and came first in the whole day.

Huge congratulations to:

Joseph Parsons Tumboon Thamsuhang Hari Solanki Sam Thompson-Dowse

We look forward to sending another team from Carre's to take part in 2020 Maths Feast and hope they will enjoy the same success as this year's team.

Mrs Mahoney Head of Maths



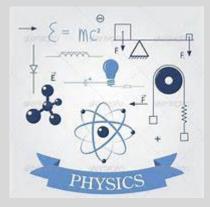


In March, our Year 12 Physics students took part in British Physics Olympiad AS Challenge. They completed a very difficult set of problem solving questions based on the Physics they have been studying in Year 12. Despite the very complex nature of the problems, several of our students managed to achieve awards (see below). Matthew Hammond scored the top mark in the school and gained a Silver Award, putting him in the top 15% of students who took the paper.

Well done to all the students who took part who have set the bar quite high for next year's students!

Student	Award
Matthew Hammond	Silver
Ellis Collins	Bronze 1
James Andy	Bronze 1
Yasmin Bettles	Bronze 2
Natasha Errington	Bronze 2
Oliver Pallister	Bronze 2
Thomas Beacock	Bronze 2

Mr Whiting, Teacher of Physics







We took 35 students from the RCT Sixth Form to New York for 5 days over February half term. The trip was a fantastic experience and enjoyed by all.

The itinerary included:

- Ferry to Liberty and Ellis Island
- Top of the Rock
- 9/11 Memorial Museum
- American Museum of Natural History
- Natural History Museum
- Fifth Avenue
- Grand Central Station
- Central Park
- Meal at Hard Rock Café
- Broadway Theatre Show to see Kinky Boots
- Guided Movie Tour of New York

#### Mrs Seymour, Trip Leader





















#### Student responses to Feb 2019 trip

"New York as a city was rich in iconic buildings and places, a memorable place to visit and share with friends in Year 13."

"Overall, it was an amazing, once in a lifetime trip."

"A very good experience which helped me build my confidence and feel more independent. It is something I will remember and value for the rest of my life!"

"Lots of bucket list things; nice to tick it off with my mates."

"An eye-opening trip that gives you a fantastic taste of life and culture outside of the UK. It's a trip that gives you experiences you will treasure for life."

"An amazing experience to a city I otherwise may have never seen....I came home having learnt so much history, and was so glad to be there with the group who I went with."



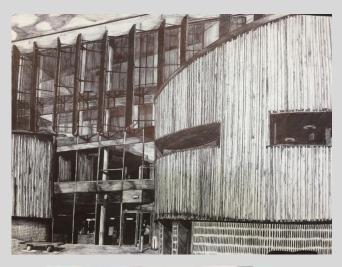
## **Exam Moderation Art Work**

















We are mid-way through our busy expedition season having completed two Bronze and one Silver practice expeditions during March, April and May.

We have just completed the first of two Bronze assessed expeditions with all 25 students completing and passing. They are now working on eDofE, kit return and aim presentations to complete their awards in full.

The remaining 53 Bronze students are out on their assessed expedition on 15 - 16 June, closely followed by the 25 Silver students completing their assessed expedition on 29 June - 1 July.

July is a very busy month, with the arrival of the Canadian student for the first of two Gold expeditions being held in the Yorkshire Dales seeing 17 students (including 7 being assessed) taking part.

Also in July, we have the Year 5 Open Evenings at Carre's and KSHS, where you are welcome to come and find out more about DofE and sample bacon butties cooked on Trangia stoves.

On 10 July, we have our registration evening where new or existing students can come along to find out more about the award and to enrol for next year (open to all Yr 9 + students).

If you need any information, please email: <u>dofe@robertcarretrust.uk</u>

Mrs Mel Walker, DofE Coordinator



Victoria Bishop and Abbie Seymour were the first girls from Carre's to receive her Gold Awards at Buckingham Palace in May.

Well done Victoria and Abbie



#### CGS Outreach

Although the last term was short, the Outreach team delivered eight events across the five weeks for the local primary schools. This included the tennis qualifiers, the tennis final at Sleaford Tennis Club, three individual cricket events at Sleaford Cricket Club, Pop Lacrosse, a cricket festival and kabaddi festival for KS1 children.

Tennis:	1 <sup>st</sup> Brant Broughto	n <b>2</b> <sup>nd</sup> Leasingham	<b>3</b> <sup>rd</sup> Osbournby
Y4/5 Cricket:	1 <sup>st</sup> William Alvey	2 <sup>nd</sup> Navenby	<b>3</b> <sup>rd</sup> Church Lane
Y5/6 Cricket:	1 <sup>st</sup> Leasingham	2 <sup>nd</sup> Navenby	3 <sup>rd</sup> Cranwell
Girls Cricket:	1 <sup>st</sup> Navenby	2 <sup>nd</sup> Leasingham	<b>3</b> <sup>rd</sup> Caythorpe

Over Term 5, 104 children were engaged in tennis, 117 for Years 4 and 5 cricket, 145 for Year 5 and 6 cricket, 129 for the girls' cricket, 157 in the pop-lacrosse, 119 in the KS1 Cricket Festival and 163 in the KS1 Kabaddi.

The events were thoroughly enjoyed by children, staff and coaches and there were some fantastic demonstrations of skills and team work. This term will see children participating in sports like British American Football, Ultimate Frisbee, Tchoukball and many more, including our showpiece event of the year; the annual Mini-Olympics and Athletics.







#### Basketball Report (June 2019)

#### Lincolnshire Under-13 Squad



The Under-13 Lincolnshire basketball team arrived at the Leicester Morningside Arena, home of the Leicester Riders, on Saturday 1 June to go through their warm up routines prior to the regional tournament against Northamptonshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire. Three Carre's students were successfully selected to represent the County in April at the trials: Archie Russell, Samuel Durham and Joseph Foston, with Archie captaining the team. The

other members of the squad included Lachlan Peck, Alistair Dresner and James McSourley (Stamford School), Charles Maidment (Sir William Robertson Academy), James Carter (Lincoln Minster), Indy Chandler (Spalding Grammar), Elod Nadasdi (St Andrew's Primary), Thomas Littlecott (King's School), Adam Bedford (De Aston). The team was excited about the prospect of representing Lincolnshire but would have to wait until 11am for their first game against Derbyshire. The team improved with each game as the tournament progressed and enjoyed the challenge of competing against players who regularly play in the National League for their clubs. The team was young by comparison to their opposition, with most players being in Year 7, but they were no less determined. I have been fortunate to coach the Lincolnshire junior squads for the past 5 years and I can assure you that Lincolnshire has talent. Congratulations to the Lincolnshire boys who finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place overall.

#### Year 7 Junior NBA

Carre's has had another sensational year on the basketball court, finishing at County Champions in 3 of 4 age groups and runners-up in the other. The Year 7s won the County Cup on Wednesday 15 May against Lincoln Minster School and then looked forward to competing in the western Conference Final of the Jr. NBA at Loughborough University on Friday 17 May. Carre's has represented the Denver Nuggets all year and went head-to-head with Ellis Guilford School, who was representing the Dallas Mavericks. Carre's was slow to start, with nerves of competing on such a big stage getting the better of them and only scored 3 points in the first half. As the third guarter started, the team soon found their groove and outplayed their opposition for large periods of the second half. Unfortunately, it wasn't enough to overcome the Mavericks, who earned a 17-11 win to progress to the final, with Carre's progressing to the 3<sup>rd</sup> place play off.



The 3<sup>rd</sup> place play off was against the Cleveland Cavaliers (West Park School), with both teams showing energy and commitment from the start. The Cavaliers was on top and were on the front foot for most of the game and led by 7 points at half time. Carre's were not going to lay down easily and produced a thrilling comeback in the final period. The team was trailing by 5 points going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and drew level with just under a minute to go. Team captain, Joe Foston, received the ball and was fouled in the closing moments and converted a key free throw to win the game in dramatic fashion. Carre's secured a 14-13 victory and finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall.

In the final, Northampton School for Boys' (Washington Wizards) beat Ellis Guilford School to become Junior NBA Champions.

Mr Smith, Teacher of PE











































The Sports Day themed bake off winner was Elliot Clark.

#### School Trips

The Chill will be open early on school trip days so that students can purchase items (sandwiches and drinks) to make up a packed lunch. This includes students on Free School Meals.

#### Vericool - Cashless Catering

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

#### PE Kit and School Property

Please label all PE kit and school clothing/property. Thank you.

#### Wishing all the students, parents/carers and staff



Term dates for 2020-21 have been agreed by all 3 secondary schools. For your information, these are:

Term 1	Wednesday 2 September 2020* to Thursday 22 October 2020
Term 2	Monday 2 November 2020 to Thursday 17 December 2020
Term 3	Tuesday 5 January 2021 to Friday 12 February 2021
Term 4	Monday 22 February 2021 to Wednesday 31 March 2021
Term 5	Monday 19 April 2021 to Friday 28 May 2021
Term 6	Monday 7 June 2021 to Wednesday 21 July 2021

\*students in Years 7, 12 and 13 will return on Wednesday 2 September and students in Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 will return on Thursday 3 September

#### **BANK HOLIDAYS**

Friday 25 December 2020 Monday 28 December 2020 Friday 1 January 2021 Friday 2 April 2021 Monday 5 April 2021 Monday 3 May 2021 Monday 31 May 2021

#### SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING DAYS

Tuesday 1 September 2020 Friday 23 October 2020 Monday 4 January 2021



Sleaford Youth Club (school years 7-13) is held every Friday from 7-9pm at

Sleaford Youth and Children's Centre, Money's Mill Complex, Carre Street, Sleaford, NG34 7TW. It's a space to meet with friends, play games and explore life's issues. Friday night activities at the Youth Club include games, table tennis, games consoles, pool, tuck, music room, trips away, projects, issue based discussions, cookery and much more! £1 entry.