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THE MINSTER SCHOOL
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"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord."
Colossians 3.23.

INTRODUCTION

At this time of year it would be easy to think that examinations are the key priority within schools. Although we are obviously supporting Year 11 and 13 as they prepare to sit their GCSEs and A Levels, we are also immensely proud of the wider contributions that students in all years continue to make to our school.

In the last few weeks we have had numerous sporting achievements for individuals and teams, have launched our Year 8 community volunteering project and have seen Year 10 students come back from work experience enthused. We even had a visit from Baroness Stowell who spoke to Year 12 about her experiences as a member of the House of Lords.

As we move towards the final half term of the year we have many more opportunities planned for each year group to ensure learning continues and extends beyond the classroom.

Andy Wall
Deputy Head Teacher



Pictured above: Baroness Stowell who spoke to Year 12 about her experiences as a member of the House of Lords.

TATE MODERN DISPLAYS STUDENT WORK

We are delighted to share with you a story of great success for our fabulous Yr12 Photography and Art student Jess. She entered her photograph 'Clock Watching' into the Tate Modern's #EverydaySurreal competition and it was picked from thousands of entries to be shown at the Tate Modern Gallery, London. Her artwork was in the digital display at the Surrealism- themed 'Tate Modern Lates' evening event! Jess and her Mum were specially reserved a ticket for this sold out occasion and The Bramley newspaper also published an article celebrating her achievement. We are so proud of her, and know she had a great time at the evening. Well done Jess!

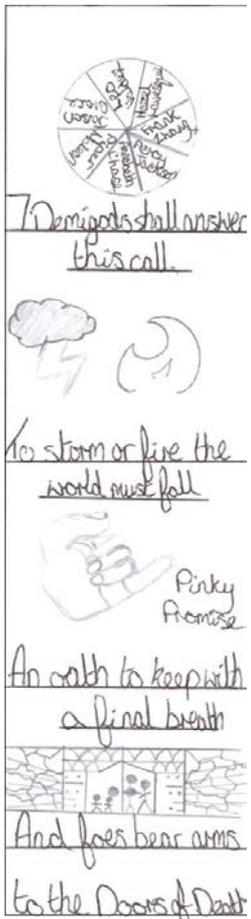


Clock Watching on display at Tate Modern



BOOKMARK COMPETITION WINNERS!

At the end of the Easter term we announced the winners of our bookmark competition. Our winners were Freya (year 7), Clara (year 8) and Poppy (year 9). Our runners up were Lydia (year 7), Natasha (year 8) and Remko (year 9). A huge well done to them, and to everyone who entered the competition. There were so many magnificent entries, it was incredibly hard to judge. You can see the winning bookmarks and some of their designers below.



WHAT'S ON IN HISTORY?

The History department is very proud of the work that our students have produced this academic year and we are delighted to share with you some of the current topics being covered in our classes along with some examples of innovative and outstanding student work. Look out for more articles across the rest of the Summer Term.

Year 7 have recently been covering the Tudors in their History classes and tackling some really difficult questions about Henry VIII and the break from Rome. All lessons are linked to the enquiry question 'Did the Tudors break the Church?'

Year 8 are currently finishing their topic on Britain during the 1800's and answering the enquiry 'Did life improve before 1914?'. They've been investigating the Peterloo Massacre, the creation of the Peelers and trying to decipher why the police were unable to catch Jack the Ripper!

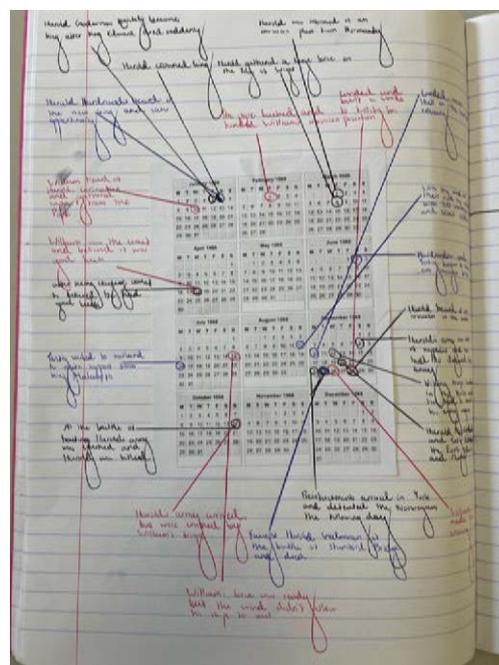
Year 9 have impressed us greatly with their work on their current topic 'Civil Rights: did challenge lead to change?' covering events such as the Montgomery Bus Boycott along with tackling landmark Supreme Court cases such as Plessy vs Ferguson and Brown vs the Board of Education. The maturity that year 9 have shown this year has been fantastic.

Year 10 are already onto Paper 2 of their GCSE curriculum and have been studying the Anglo-Saxons and Normans, understanding how and why William was able to conquer England and beginning to study how he was able to consolidate his power post 1066. Drew in Mr Barnes class produced this fantastic overview of the year of 1066 and the fight for the Crown.

Year 11 are diligently revising and we've seen great attendances in our weekly Wednesday after school revision sessions. Their two years of hard work will soon pay off and we can't wait to see them show off all their ability in their upcoming exams.

Year 12 have been working hard on their A Level topics and will soon begin working on the Non-Examined Assessment which is a 4,500 word essay that assesses a wide range of skills. They've also been working hard on both the Tudor and Russia course, having fun along the way creating rebellion board games, as seen in this image of 'Tudor Risk' created by some of our fantastic students.

Finally Year 13 have been revising hard for their upcoming A-Level exams and we could not be prouder of the work they have put in. Weekly revision sessions have been well attended and students are making every minute count!



NEW S.T.E.A.M. CLUB PROJECT

Scalextric4Schools, originally a partnership between Hornby, the parent brand for Scalextric and PTC, the Product Development Company. The project was very successful some time ago but unfortunately ended.

Now a motivated group of Design & Technology teachers are bringing it back though an online forum. This is being used in primary and secondary schools across the UK within lessons and extra-curricular clubs.

The Minster School D&T Department would like to offer this opportunity to our pupils through our extra-curricular S.T.E.A.M. club.

We are therefore asking that if anyone has any old Scalextric parts, in whatever condition, that they would be happy to donate to the project they would be very gratefully received.

If this is you, then simply send them with your child to Mr Ward in D68 with a note attached so that we can send our thanks.

We feel that this is an exciting opportunity for our pupils to be in at the beginning of a potentially very beneficial and rewarding national S.T.E.A.M. project.

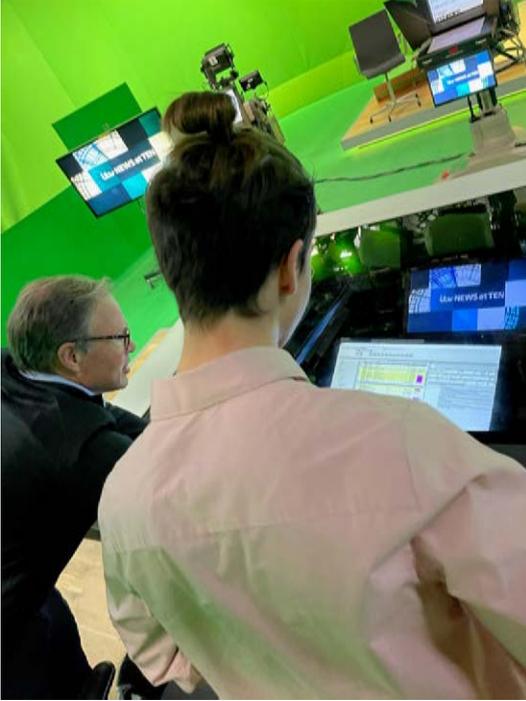
Thanks again

Mr Ward



YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

Our Year 10 students went out on work experience from 27th-29th April and had a fantastic time working in businesses across Nottinghamshire and beyond! We've received lots of lovely feedback about the students' hard-work, behaviour, politeness, their maturity and them being an all round credit to the school - well done everyone!



YEAR 8 STUDENTS VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY

April saw the launch of our new Minster Cares programme, providing Year 8 students with volunteering experiences within the community. This project aims to help students develop their confidence and communication skills whilst building on their sense of community. The students have done some fantastic work so far volunteering at the Trinity Toddlers Group, Lowe's Wong Infant School and with the Southwell Minster Gardening Team!



GOLF COUNTY CHAMPION!

Huge congratulations to Elizabeth who won the under-16 and under-18 County Schools Golf Championships at College Pines!

What a superstar!



YEAR 7 NETBALL - CENTRAL VENUE LEAGUE COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Massive congratulations to the Year 7 Netball Team who were crowned undefeated CVL County Champions this week!

Well done to the whole squad who played their part in getting us to the finals!



YEAR 9/10 FOOTBALL - COUNTY CHAMPIONS

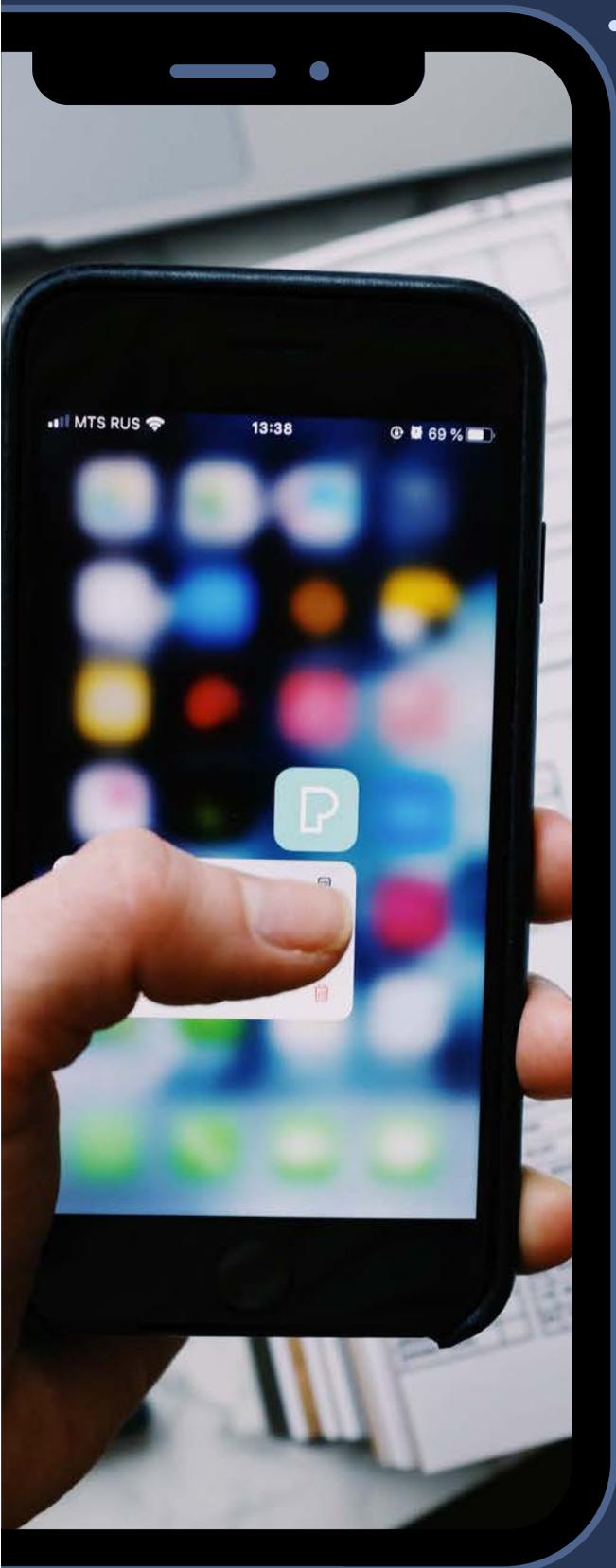
Huge congratulations to the Year 9/10 Football Team who were crowned County Champions after a tough final against Toothill! After the full time whistle the score was 4-4. Minster were victorious in the penalty shoot out! What a team!



TENNIS SUCCESS!

A great start to the tennis season, with some fantastic results against Worksop College!





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