

Year 11 Prom

The Year 11 prom took place on 21st June at Wingate and Finchley Football Club. The proms are always a fantastic way for the Year 11s to celebrate the end of their GCSE exams and, for some, a chance to say goodbye to their friends as they move onto new pastures; this year was no exception.

The Year 11 students looked amazing and clearly a lot of time and effort was spent on choosing outfits and accessories. It made me very proud to see the students enjoying the night, each other's company and looking like the young adults they now are. Former staff, Mrs Chawla and Miss Sheehan, also attended to celebrate with the students. They along with the Hendon staff present were blown away by how fantastic the students looked and how well they enjoyed the night.



We handed out some awards on the evening. Best dressed female went to Nancy (11.7) with Jedaiah (11.1) taking the male award. The best dressed staff awards were scooped up by Miss Samaroon and Mr Jennings and the main prizes, Prom King and Queen went to Chidi (11.2) and Pharrelle (11.1)

A very fitting way to end Year 11 for these young people, I hope they all enjoyed it as much as we did.



Mr Dickie - Head of Year

GCSE Drama Trip - The Play That Goes Wrong

On the 15th June, Eleven GCSE Drama students, lead by Mr Chappel and accompanied by Ms Barron, went to see 'The Play that Goes Wrong' in London's West End. This was vital for the GCSE Drama students as they need to be able to talk about a piece of live theatre within their written exams, it is also important to see as much professional theatre as possible.

'*The Play That Goes Wrong*' is a comedy about an amateur dramatic company attempting to put on a murder mystery play. However, everything that can go wrong does so in spectacular fashion. Actors are accidentally knocked unconscious, vital props are missing or falling off the walls, parts of the set collapse, and a dog and a Duran Duran CD goes missing. The play comes from the creative minds of Mischief Theatre Company, the same people behind '*The Goes Wrong Show*' on BBC IPlayer, and '*Magic Goes Wrong*', and has been on in the West End for the past seven years.



The trip was a tremendous success and highly enjoyed by everyone who went, and, despite the title of the play, everything went alright on the night.



Mr Chappel and the GCSE Drama students who went on the trip

Mr Chappel -Drama Department

Creative Tasters Week at City, University of London

In the week beginning the 2nd May, I had the opportunity to spend the week at City, University of London for a Creative Tasters week. Over the course of the week, I had the opportunity to speak to current students about their courses, job opportunities and student life and I also had a tour of the campus.

I along with others who attended took part in Ice breakers, a workshop with a professional actor who has been in West End shows, made a music video with professional editors and photographers and got to have a tour of Urdang City, University of London which is a Performing Arts School. It gave a good insight to what life in university is like and I had the opportunity to ask people who have worked in the performing arts industry what it is like to audition for musicals and how to apply for university. On the last day there was a graduation where everyone got a bag filled with memoirs of the week at University.

Casey 10.3

Chess Club



After an enforced break because of Covid, I am pleased to be able to report that our Chess Club is back up and running again, and is going from strength to strength. The number, the enthusiasm, and the ability levels of students who come every week are most encouraging to see.



Our school-wide tournament, launched last term, was a great success. The final took place on 8th June between Philip (9.4) and Simon (7.6), pictured above. Congratulations to Simon, who emerged victorious. Chess-themed prizes were awarded to the last four who got through to the semi-final stage.



Chess Club is open to anyone at the school who enjoys playing and would like to improve their game. Players are encouraged to write down their games for me to analyse. I send the best of them to FIDE chess master Dr Philip Corbin, an Old Hendonian and former classmate of mine, for him to provide even better feedback!

Alan Freedman - Chess Coach

Library Ambassador and EAL trip to the Charles Dickens Museum



Charles Dickens lived for two years at 48 Doughty Street in the Bloomsbury area of central London. The house where he lived is now a museum and the library ambassadors and some of the EAL students visited to discover more about how Dickens and the Victorians used to live.



They successfully looked for and found Scrooge's heart in an escape room activity (not an easy task!) and in a visit to all six floors of the house from the nursery in the attic to the wash room in the basement they were able to smell the coal fires of London, touch the original bellows used to stoke the fire, see how butter was made as well as visit room where Dickens locked himself away to write *Oliver Twist* when he was just 25 years old. We even did some celebrity spotting as Dickens's great-great-great granddaughter, the writer Lucinda Hawksley and patron of the museum, was visiting herself!

Mr Barnes - Head of EAL

Year 9 Activity Week - STEM

This year the Hendon School Science Faculty invited Year 9 to take part in a celebration of STEM during Activities Week. Our students, with the use of forensic techniques like fingerprint analysis, chromatography, cryptography plus many more, were tasked with the analysis of a crime scene to solve the *whodunnit* mystery. Year 9 also got the chance to flex their engineering prowess with a Rube Goldberg challenge! The challenge was to create a sequence of chain reactions that culminate at a fairly regular task. Students encapsulated the imagination of Rube Goldberg with machines that took on twists and turns and, in some cases, even a loop the loop. The groups with the best efforts throughout the week have been entered into a prize draw taking place during celebration assemblies.

Mr Connage - Science Department



From circumnavigation to decapitation, the Year 10 History trip to the Golden Hinde and Westminster Abbey was truly an informative and intriguing one.

On the ship of the Golden Hinde, we surfed the grounds of the ship and sought the facts and details behind Francis Drake's circumnavigation around the world. We listened to an insightful tour commentary about weapons and what it was like to be on the Golden Hinde



at the time of circumnavigating the world. It was really mind blowing exploring the boat. As we went lower down the ship you were able to imagine what it was like being a member of the crew where space was limited; there were no beds and the floors were rock solid where crew members would often sleep with farm animals such as chickens and pigs near them. My favourite part of exploring the Golden Hinde was being able to see the weapons like the guns, arrows and cannons and things used to load it. It was really fascinating.



From monks and monasteries to Kings and Queens, our trip to Westminster Abbey was one to never forget! Year 10 History students got to see and comprehend stimulating and enthralling things at Westminster Abbey; including Elizabeth I's tomb (our subject of study at the current moment) and her reign, Mary Queen of Scots' tomb and her challenge to become Queen, monks and their lifestyle, Shakespeare's memorial, the Coronation



chair and much more. Our tour commentaries were engaging us in different sites and we even got to light candles! My favourite part of being in the Westminster Abbey was looking at the "Oldest door" in Britain which has been there since the 11th century. With high ceilings which hold symbols of Tudor rule and eye-catching designs, my time at Westminster Abbey was awe inspiring and academically helpful.

Our History Day out helped me understand and connect my thinking when continuing to learn about the Elizabethan era. As well as assisting me during my exam while being a fun trip out, it was away from textbooks and writing!



Hamira (10.4)

Jack Petchey Step Live Dance Show

On the 4th July, the Dance Department represented Hendon School and Barnet at the Jack Petchey Step Live Dance show. A number of schools, who take part in the RAD Jack Petchey Programme, attended.

Thank you to our highly dedicated Crew who performed their Breakdance piece: Grace (8.1), Qaseh (8.1), John (8.3), Bodgan (9.2), Rayyan (9.5), Sneha (10.1), Ciaran (11.5), Pavlo (9.2), Dante (9.5), Matei (10.1), Ivan (9.7), Nabil (9.2).



You have worked so hard this year and your time and dedication is appreciated. We are looking forward to building and developing our Breaking Crew with you next year.

Ms Choolun - Head of Dance



Y9 National Grid workshop

On Monday 26th June, several lucky Year 9 students took part in a National Grid workshop focusing on energy resources and engineering skills. The students first discussed different energy resources and their benefits and drawbacks, before being given a case study and a brief to design and build a method of supplying these homes with electricity.



In groups, the students had to use their engineering skills to create a functional wind turbine and solar panel, as well as a set of pylons to supply their model house with power. It was amazing to see the effort and teamwork that went into building the models, and myself and Miss Ubwa greatly enjoyed helping to glue gun everything together! Well done to everyone who took part, and particularly to the two groups who managed to create a working model.



Miss Hern - Science Department



Some of the clay skulls that Year 9 students made as part of their response to the 'day of the dead' scheme of work. *Ms Cowles - Art Department*

Y12 A level Photography trip

We visited the Camberwell University of Art & Design in South London to explore the degree show which showed work by painting, graphic design, illustration, photography and spatial design students with a special guided tour by Eddie Zhang, an alumni who is currently studying BA Architecture at Central St Martins.

Our photography students also had the opportunity to see the amazing video installation by Sarah Sze, in a former Victorian upper class waiting room at Peckham Rye train station.

<https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/2023/may/18/sarah-sze-the-waiting-room-review-peckham-rye-station-london>



As part of their A01 analysis module in preparation for their forthcoming Personal Investigation, they had researched Sze's work beforehand and were fortunate to experience this fascinating large scale artwork on site and gain further understanding on the link between photographic practice and conceptual ideas.

Ms Schmid - Head of Photography

Student Voice



This term the Student Voice Team have been working extremely hard to implement a House system into Key Stage 3 for the next academic year. The Student Voice Team have done a great job at the planning stage, creating the system, and have now presented to the Governors, the Senior Leadership Team and all Middle Leaders at Hendon School.

This will be implemented in September with all forms in years 7, 8 and 9 placed into one of four houses. All points won individually and as a form will be accumulated in the house competition. Students will be able to win points throughout attendance, behaviour, and faculty competitions.

The house names selected are based on our school colours:

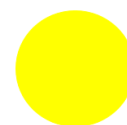
Ms Downing - Head of PE



Ruby



Emerald



Amber



Sapphire

Jack Petchey Award Winners

On Tuesday 4th July all Jack Petchey Award winners attended the Achievement Award Event at The Arts Depot. The Jack Petchey Achievement Award Scheme is the flagship programme which recognises outstanding young people aged 11-25 across London and Essex. Achievement Award winners are young people who have gone above and beyond to achieve - perhaps when others thought they might fail. The deserving award winners were presented their award on the main stage with their nominations read out for all to celebrate.



From back right: Munkhsuld (7.4), Samy (12.6), Zainab (12.3), Priyanka Haria (Leader Award), Myles (10.2), Osman (9.2), Chidi (11.2), Ethan (9.3), Sneha (10.1)

Ms Downing - Head of PE

Diary Dates	
❖ Wednesday 19 th July	Year 7-9 & 12 Trip Day
❖ Thursday 20 th July	Sports Day (Year 7-9)
❖ Thursday 20 th July	Year 10 Trip Day
❖ Friday 21 st July	End of Summer Term - Students finish at 12 pm
❖ Monday 4 th September	Start of Autumn Term Inset Day (School Closed to students)
❖ Tuesday 5 th September	Inset Day (School Closed to students)
❖ Wednesday 6 th September	Year 7 Induction Day Year 8 -11 & Year 13 Academic Review Day Year 12 Enrolment Day
❖ Thursday 7 th September	School commences
❖ Monday 23 rd - Friday 27 th October	Half Term Break

GCSE & A level Photography Exhibition winners

Congratulations to A level Photography student **Leo (13.2)** who was the visitors' favourite following the end of term Art Exhibition. His amazing series of self portraits communicated ideas about identity and escapism and impressed with the high quality of the images. Leo's documentary photography taken in rural Ireland allowed an intimate insight in his close-knit family; beautiful moments filled with sunlight and children's laughter.



Leo's A level work

Congratulations to following GCSE Photography students for gaining the most visitors' votes:

1. **Sharlotte (11.3)** - for creating an impressive innovative large-scale sculpture with photographic images that focused on colours and textures inspired by a history trip to Berlin.
2. **Mirzan (11.4)** - for assembling a giant collage that pulled together news strands which we all experienced and were able to relate to: Covid, the Queen's passing, the Coronation, the earthquake in Turkey, strikes and protests in the UK.
3. **Habiba (11.1)** - for exploring how Muslim women and girls are represented within Western media and providing us with a celebration of hijabi identity in an exciting creative way.

We are very proud of all our photography students who inspired visitors with views of the world through their teenage perspectives. We would like to thank staff, students and parents/carers who came to see the exhibition. Your support means a lot and we really appreciate it.



Mirzan's work



Sharlotte's work



Habiba's work

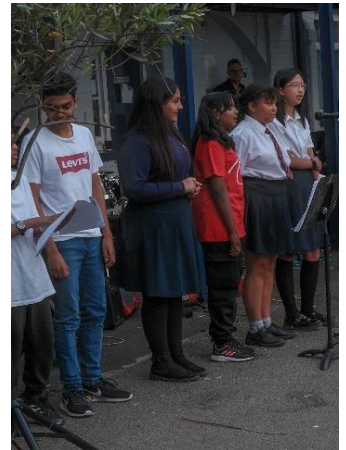
Miss Schmid, Head of Photography



Wednesday 12th July saw a return of Hendonbury. The event, which takes inspiration from the world-famous Glastonbury Festival, gave our musicians and dancers the opportunity to showcase their work across two different stages. Unlike in previous years, the festival took place after school, allowing students' families and other members of our community to join the audience. It was particularly nice to see so many ex-students return for the evening.



The first set began in the courtyard, with musical performances from the Hendon Singers, the Rock Band and our KS3 Bands. Soloists Mikhaela (9.1) and Fabian (7.5) gave moving performances of 'Hallelujah' and 'Make you Feel my Love'. Then it was over to the Drama Studio stage for some showstopping dance numbers.



The dance set began with a sophisticated solo, choreographed by Moe (13.5). Then our Year 9 girls gave an Afrobeats performance, demonstrating fast paced and complex footwork. Our KS3 group took to the stage with a commercial piece to 'Maria Maria', followed by our sixth form students' jazz

number, which combined elements of commercial jazz with hints off fosse. Our KS3 boys then showcased two different dance styles of popping and breaking, bringing an incredible energy to the show.



The KS3 Dance group mixed it up with a commercial street piece to 'Heartburn'. Although this group has been only been training together for a year, their level of performance is already high. The sixth formers' throwback set rocked the stage to another level, creating an electric atmosphere which was then followed by our breaking crew with their showcase piece. Our year 10 students, who were performing for the first time, brought confidence and sass with their 'Fly Girl' set, before presenting their GCSE exam piece, 'Survivor'. These students gave a highly sophisticated performance; their level of confidence has grown considerably and shone through on the evening. The closing dance was a Chris Brown number, which brought the dance section to a stunning conclusion.



The final music section began with Scott's (12.3) rendition of 'Angels'. This was followed by a guest performance from an Old Hendonian, Umer Sair, who is currently in



his first year at Leeds College of Music. Umer's performance of 'Golden Hour' showed his accomplished skills, both as a singer and a pianist. We are so grateful that he returned to perform for us.

Next, the Jazz Band played some groovy disco numbers, which had the audience foot-tapping and hustling along. To round off the evening, our students invited the audience to join them in a rousing chorus of 'Take Me Home, Country Roads.'

We'd like to say a huge 'thank you' to all the students whose hard work and dedication certainly brought Hendonbury back in style!

Mr McEvoy-Stevenson, Ms Choolun and Ms Goodman

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Year 9 Activity Week

On the 19th - 23rd June all Year 9 students took part in an activity week that involved them taking on orienteering, problem solving activities, raft building and kayaking. The students showed great resilience as they tackled the different challenges in each of the activities.



Student Feedback:

“I had a great week and one of the things I really liked was building relationships with teachers I didn’t know.”

“The water activity day was my favourite part of the week. I was surprised how hard it was to stop myself capsizing.”

“I had never been to Hampstead Heath and did not know you could do Orienteering so close to where I live.”



Each day one student in every group was selected as the student of the day. Students were awarded this title for their positivity, communication skills, ability to lead others within their group to bring the group together and their exemplary behaviour.

Students of the week	
Monday	Omar (9.2), Jakub (9.2), Florjan (9.1), Ho Kiu (9.4), Apolo (9.4), Mardin (9.1), Muzamel (9.1), Xhesika (9.3), Leon (9.4), Ewan (9.4), Sabah (9.2), Nihad (9.4), Adonis (9.5), Pasindu (9.6), Mehrzad (9.1), Narges (9.7)
Tuesday	Mirian (9.1), Jakub (9.2), Ho Kui (9.4), Florjan (9.1), Vadym (9.3), Samuel (9.7), Amina (9.5), Maya (9.6), Arlando(9.5)
Wednesday	Praise (9.2), Florjan (9.1), Jamari (9.2), Irisa (9.5), Kobe (9.1), Reiyu (9.6), Mardin (9.1)
Thursday	Rayyan (9.5), Shafi (9.5), Adonis (9.5), Hanna (9.4), Esjer (9.2), Raj (9.3), Aisha (9.8), Hasti (9.7)
Friday	Leon (9.4), Verona (9.4), Yusuf (9.7), Lara (9.1), Hanna (9.4), Angeluta (9.7), Yulin (9.1), Mehrzad (9.1), Osman (9.2), Ethan (9.3)

Ms Downing - Head of PE

Sports Leaders

Well done to the students pictured who helped run the Barnet Athletics Championships for Primary Schools. They were excellent all day and contributed massively to the efficient running of the event. Not the first time our pupils have impressed the Barnet Partnership for School Sport staff and certainly won't be the last.



Year 7 & 8 PE Stem Projects

Winners : Left - Ikram 8.1 Middle - Arnes 8.4, Ryan 8.3, Maher 8.3, Fahad 8.8, Sadiq 8.6 Right - Chloe 8.1
 Not pictured - Natalia 8.8, Sofia 8.7

Congratulations to the winners of the Year 7 and 8 PE STEM Project. Winners will be receiving a £10 amazon voucher to buy a sports ball of their choice.



Barnet Athletic Championships

Hendon had a remarkable showing at the Barnet champs on the 4th of July. The prior training during athletics club on Wednesdays paid off, as evidenced by the athletes' impressive performances and medal wins. It's great to see the athletes showcasing their best abilities and maintaining a positive attitude throughout the championships.

Some standout performances include Jerome in the Year 7 100m, Maya in the Year 7 1500m, and Maroua in the Year 7 200m. In Year 8, Aliyah secured a gold medal in high jump, while Hannah and Chloe earned silver and gold respectively in Javelin. Moving on to the Year 9 athletes, Anton claimed a gold medal in the 200m event, Leon received a silver in the 800m, Ethan secured silver in shot put, and Ashley achieved a bronze in the 100m hurdles.

It's evident that these athletes put in great effort, and their hard work paid off with outstanding results. Congratulations to all the students who represented Hendon for their amazing performances at this year's Barnet champs.

Sports & Dance Awards Evening

Sports

On the 5th July we held our annual Sport and Dance awards. Thank you to all students for your efforts in training and competition across the year. We have seen some great matches played across the year where students training has been rewarded against other schools. We look forward to seeing you all again, ready for the new season to start.

The Sports Award winners this year include the following:

<i>Players & Managers players</i>	
Netball Winners	Chloe Heng, Olivia Laci, Eda Uka, Aisha Abu, Marfat Baalaway, Valensia Bulmaga, Kornelia Jamrozek & Lakeisha Kayizzi
Football Winners	Yasser Hachemi, Daort Sejdiu, De Zin, Nassim Nadir Madbrouk, Anton Cohen, Adam Strawinski, Andrea Macingo, Marsel Mici, Ilyia Anwar, Yaeli Infante & Sharlotte Lopez.
Basketball Winners	Gabriel Ferreira, Cansin Kucukbalaban, Moses Adebajo, Yassir Semlali, Osman Seddiqi, Yusuf Abdulsalam, Mehdi Al- Saïdy & Omario Jah
Athletics Winners	Jerome Ludinga, Maya Zigotti-Thomas, John Awolaja, Aaleyah Masud, Anton Cohen, Alex Vicente & Joann Denedo
Trampolining Winners	Sarah Broadbent, Zyra Reid & Year 9 Boys Team.

<i>Final Awards</i>	
Team of the Year	Senior Netball team (Back to back winners of their league)
Sports Leader of the Year	Scott Jordan
Sports Personality of the Year	Olivia Meges
Sports Performer of the Year	Chloe Heng
Jill Hickman Award	Leon Biss

Dance

This year has been a very busy year for the Dance department. We would like to thank our students for their high level of commitment to rehearsals and training and the amount of energy and dedication they put into their training. We love this event as every year we get to celebrate our hard-working students. Thank you so much to all the students and parents that attended the event. The Dance Department 🌟

The winners from 2023 for their outstanding contribution this year with extra-curricular programmes and our dance crews are:

Key stage 3: Solomiia Masha, John Awolaja & Ivan Razbitnov

Key stage 4: Sneha Sing, Ciaran Sweeny, Zyra Reid & Yaeli Infante

Key stage 5: Kornelia Jamrozek & Lily Arif

PE student of the half term

Hannah (8.2) has been superb throughout the month of June. One of our high performance athletes looking to defend her gold medal at the Barnet Champs. She has gone above and beyond in terms of her commitment to her javelin training, with daily practices to push her to an elite level. All round amazing, dedicated, hard working student in PE. Well done Hannah!

May Nominees: Lleylannie Cabral Teixeira (9.1), Chloe Heng (8.1)



Year 10 GCSE Photography trip - Eastend galleries

On 14th July we went on a trip to see a variety of exhibitions with our two Year 10 GCSE Photography classes. The students were so excited to see the impressive installation of double-exposure cyanotypes by Ghanaian artist Eric Gyamfi at Autograph gallery <https://autograph.org.uk/exhibitions/eric-gyamfi-fixing-shadows-julius-and-i>.



We then walked down Brick Lane and had the chance to explore the annual Royal College of Art graduate show <https://2023.rca.ac.uk/> with a mix of sculpture, ceramics, photography and paintings on display. A special well done to Mohammed, Safer and Emine who had engaging conversations with exhibiting graduates about the meaning of their work. It was a pleasure to witness our Hendon students so interested in the cultural and creative ideas on show.



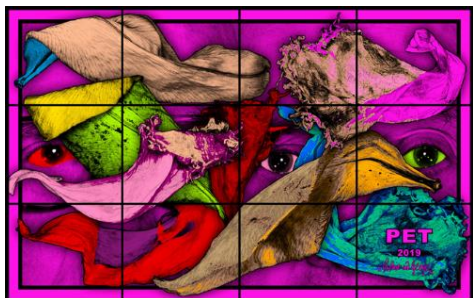
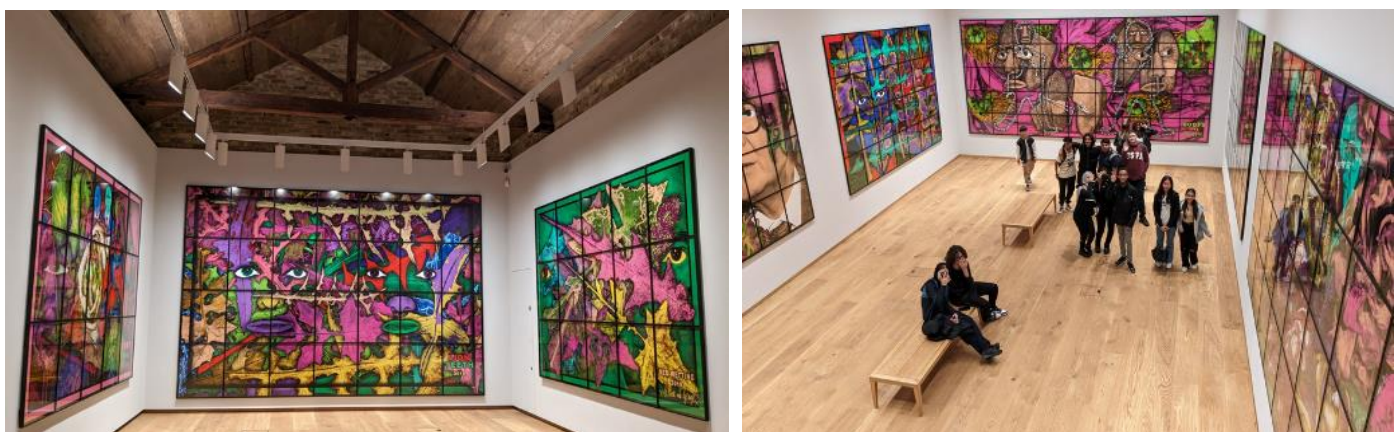
See work from an international cohort of emerging artists, designers, architects and creatives at this graduate show of over 1,000 RCA students in East London.



Over 1,000 students finishing our two-year MA programmes will showcase their final year work, supported by a series of events, screenings and other activities.

The graduate show at Truman Brewery is part of RCA2023, a series that includes exhibitions and events taking place across the College's Battersea and Kensington campuses, and online as a digital discovery platform.

Our last stop was the Gilbert & George Centre which is a museum the artist duo opened in a converted Spitalfields house just off Brick Lane. We had studied The Paradisical Pictures series as part of our practical exam so it was amazing to be able to see the large-scale photographic images in this beautiful gallery setting. <https://gilbertandgeorgecentre.org/whats-on/>



A big thank you to all staff who accompanied us on the trip: Ms Sternfeld, Mr Leadbetter, Derrick and Nicola from HARP!

Miss Schmid - Head of Photography