



News @ SVI



SHS Sixth Form Voice

Editor's Page

Hello!

Welcome to the first edition of **News @ SVI**

A lot goes on in our Sixth Form, and sometimes it's hard to keep track of everything around you. Enter our newly created newsletter run by our 6th Form Student Voice Committee members and me! The Student Voice Committee will meet regularly; fortnightly on Wednesday lunchtimes.



This publication aims to inform Sixth-Formers about recent events, available clubs, on-site extra-curricular activities, and current notices. We will also be interviews with members of our Sixth Form and Sixth Form staff.

I will keep you updated with details of the Sixth Form Prom Committee too who will also meet fortnightly on Wednesday lunchtimes.

The monthly newsletter will be available in the Sixth Form Study room, Social Area with a copy to your Sixth Form Tutors.

We would welcome any news and or suggestions for instance the Fund Raising events that will go towards social events such as the Prom or raising awareness of the Macmillan fund raising that takes place at SHS. We can add these to the newsletter so please contact me or one of the Student Voice members who are detailed in the newsletter.

Mrs. Saunders

VI Up and Coming Events:

October 2014

22: Super Learning Day

24: Half Term Starts

November 2014

3: Sixth Form Returns

27 – 30: Humanities Trip to Krakow Poland

December 2014

Christmas Party for the local residents

Future Social event next Year - further details coming soon:

February 2015 @The Duke's Head

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Meeting the Student Voice



George Sabourin

I'm currently studying Computer Science, Applied Business and Sociology at A2, and plan to study Computer Science at university next year. I have a passion to succeed and try to go about it in whatever way I can. I have been on the school council since Year 7 as I have a desire to try and achieve what the people want.



Alice Bliss

I am currently studying Maths, English, Drama and RS. I'm hoping to go to university but haven't yet decided which course I'm going to take. I'm part of the Sixth Form Voice as I think it is important for the pupils' views and opinions to be heard :).



Christian Curcillo

This is my first year on the council, I'm studying maths, physics, biology and chemistry at AS and hope to take maths, biology and chemistry at A2.



John Lovell

I am studying Maths, Physics and Computing. I am interested in technology and like to keep as up to date with it as I can. I am not applying for university, instead I am applying for higher apprenticeships in software engineering.



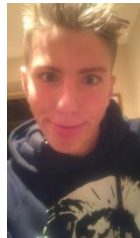
Mia Wilkinson

I am currently studying Maths, Chemistry, Biology and Physics and AS. I intend to go to university after sixth form, but I haven't decided on a course just yet. I joined the Sixth Form Voice to make sure our opinions get put into decisions and changes at Sixth Form, not just teachers.



Regina Legarte

I'm currently in Year 12 doing History, English Literature, Maths and Further Maths. I love to read and write. I partake a bit in online activism. I also enjoy frequenting charity shops. I'm a musician, as well as an academic – I've been playing the keyboard for about 8 years, and the saxophone for 5 years. My musical education has led me to become a committed member of the Springwood High School Concert Band, the Springwood High School Big Bang, and the Springwood High School Saxophone Quartet.



Toby Hoare

I am currently studying maths, further maths, physics and chemistry. I have no clear aims but plan to be successful in Engineering. "Student council today, Prime minister tomorrow".



James Calvert

My name is James Calvert and I'm studying maths, further maths, physics and geography. I'd like to study either maths or physics at university but I'm unsure as to which I'd like to go to at the moment. I've decided to join the Sixth Form Voice because I think it's important to discuss and value student opinions towards changing the way the school functions.



Harry Evans

My name is Harry Evans and I'm studying Photography, German, History & Politics. I'd like to study video & film production at university. I'm in the Sixth Form Voice as I believe it's important that everyone should have their opinion heard in matters that affect them.



Abdel Elsadawi

First things first I'm the realist, my name is Abdel Elsadawi and this is my first year in student council and sixth form. I am studying Biology Chemistry Maths and Business studies and hope to get a degree in biochemical engineering. I joined sixth form council as I thought it is very important to present my thoughts on sixth-form and also the thoughts of other students and getting the changes required to happen. Always strive and prosper.

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Ethan Crown

I am currently studying ICT, Business and Photography, unlike most I do not plan on going to university, I am instead planning to challenge myself in the business sector after finishing my final year.



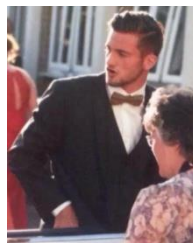
Jasmine Mercer

I'm studying History, English and Psychology at A2, and hoping to go on to study a joint honours in History and Literature at university. My aim is to one day become a history teacher. I've joined the council because I think that a lot needs to change within the sixth form, and I would like to play a part in making those changes happen.



Ethan Done

I'm studying maths, physics, economics and computing. I have a love for technology and look forward to studying Computer Science in the future. This is my first year on the council, and I look forward to providing ideas and play a role in changing things in the sixth form.



Finlay Bloodworth

I am studying Business, Media, I.T and English literature. I enjoy playing football, and I play for Swaffham Town u18s and reserves. I like watching movies, and my favourite movies include Anchorman, 1 and 2 of course. I have chosen to join the Student Voice to make changes where needed in the Sixth Form.



Maddie Tunmore

I am studying politics, psychology, drama and business at AS, hopefully, after my second year I intend on going to university, not sure to do what however. I joined the Sixth Form Voice because I'm passionate on getting voices heard and changes made.



Dom Ely

My name is Dom Ely and I'm studying Maths, Further Maths, Physics and Chemistry. I'm interested in going to university, but I haven't decided what course I want to do. I also have a World Record: World's Largest Air Guitar collection.



Edward Brown

My name is Edward Brown and I am studying History, Politics, Sociology and Geography. I previously ran with the St Clements massive but am now a Springwood Homeboy. I am a keen bird watcher and draw Pokémon characters in my spare time. Other than those interests I enjoy football, tennis, and hockey. If anyone has any issues or suggestions of how to improve the Sixth Form please get in touch.



Thomas Eastwood

Second year on the council. Whilst a member, I aim to represent the wishes of my fellow students. I am studying maths, physics and economics and I am keen to study law at university.

Victoria Burrow

My name is Victoria Burrow and I am the representative from 13 ViPr. I am currently completing my Maths, Psychology and Religious Studies A2 levels which I am thoroughly enjoying. I have joined the student council because I struggled in Year 12 to adjust to being an A-level student and want to help make that adjustment easier for the next generations of Year 12.



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Interview with ...Mr. Pettitt



Quick Fire Questions!

Favourite Food: **Curry**

Favourite band: **Oasis**

Best Holiday Experience: **Mauritius**

Favourite film: **Bad Boys**

Favourite drink: **IPA**

Did you know that... **Mr Cuss is teaching me to play guitar?**

How long have you been teaching at Springwood High School?

This year is my 4th year.

What is your favourite part of your job?

Results day! Seeing young people cry with joy after 2 years of hard work

What does your typical day consist of?

Managing progress of VI formers. Speaking to staff about sixth formers. Working with senior teachers to discuss issues in sixth form. Oh yes, teaching all years too!

What one thing would you change about the sixth form students?

Higher aspirations! You can go anywhere if you want to and if you believe!

What would your advice be to all students?

See above.

Do you have any hobbies or interests?

Norwich City Football Club. I have a season ticket and follow them passionately. Come on you yellows!



Next issue we find out more about **Mrs. Clark!** Who we wish all the best with the pending arrival of her **new baby!**



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Student Fact File... Thomas

Please respect that the following responses are the views of Thomas Bailey and must not reflect upon the Sixth Form as a whole or of the views of the School Council or anyone directly related to the writing of this interview or the newsletter.



Favourite song: **Eton Rifles – The Jam**

Favourite day of the Week: **Friday, Full Suit Friday.**

What Subjects are you currently studying?

I am Studying History, Classical Civilisation and English Literature.

How did you find the jump between GCSE and AS Level compared to the same jump from GCSE?

I found the jump from GCSE to AS Level like jumping the Grand Canyon on a skateboard. Impossible. But as of the time not much difference between AS and A Level as such.

I've noticed a lot of material about the green party floating around recently, anything to do with your role as Norfolk's Youth Parliament Member?

No that's nothing to do with me, or the youth parliament, they are politically neutral. However my non parliamentary side says vote green, unless you're fascist.

What is your greatest Asset?

My hunger for food, I love food, also my political genius.

Any hobbies, outside of sixth form?

Youth Parliament, My Xbox, My life is focused on work.

Words of wisdom?

"More crimes have been committed in obedience than disobedience"



Interview by Ethan Crown. If offense has been taken to any part of this interview please feel free to inundate Ethan with your complaints.

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Springwood goes to Court

Norwich Crown Court Tuesday 8th July 2014

As part of our 2nd year course in Sociology, students cover a Crime and Deviance unit which looks at the background and effectiveness of the British Criminal Justice System. Our A level Sociology students found the visit to Norwich Crown Court an enthralling experience because it *“truly opened my eyes to the seriousness of crime”* (Hope Setchell).



Once the students had gone through the Court Security where they and their bags were scanned and checked, they were introduced to life at a Crown Court by the senior Court Clerk who talked about the court layout, the jury *“and how trial begins, with the jury swearing to tell the truth on the bible”* (Narelle Gannon). They make the decision whether a defendant is guilty or innocent. The students also learnt about protocol when people are in court *“such as no mobile phones or talking”* (Jade Mace) and different types of cases that are heard. A Crown Court deals with the most disturbing and serious forms of crime: from murder and violent attacks to fraud and shop theft; sexual attacks, rape, armed robbery, human trafficking etc.



The students were then informed that they could ‘sit in’ on the various cases that were being heard. This meant that they experienced *“a selection of different court rooms which ranged from minor offences to very serious cases”* (George Sabourin).

Media court room dramas such as on television and in films show the cases and behaviour for entertainment purposes so the students experience is far removed from being in real courts with real people. *“its almost surreal sitting there listening to some of the crimes people have committed and how they have changed other people’s lives through their actions”* (Hannah Rand); and seeing first-hand *“rather than being influenced by the media”* (Jade Keating)

“I learnt a lot from this trip and would go again or recommend it to other years who wish or are thinking of taking sociology as an A Level... it gave me a wonderful insight into the world of crime and deviance... and better life experience” (Tara South; Georgina Foxcroft; Jade Keating) The students were also able to experience *“how the defence built their case around sensitive subjects”* (Georgina Foxcroft).

The day enabled students to gain a snapshot of the court with the criminal justice system works. The day also provided our students with wider knowledge of different job opportunities that A Level Sociology can lead to, ranging from Judge and barrister through to court clerk, police detective, police officer and police liaison officer to counsellor, family support worker, interpreter probation officer etc.



if you would like to find out more about A Level Sociology and job opportunities, please come and speak to the Social Sciences department.

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Year 12 Business Event

On the 22nd July 2014, a group of year 12 Applied Business students ran a 'celebration day' event to celebrate the end of Year 12. The event was organised as part of the A2 coursework after recently finishing their AS work.



The premise of the coursework was to create an event from scratch, with limited help from teachers, in order to raise money for charity.

After many gruelling weeks of organising and planning, the final event took shape. The event consisted of a bunch of activities running throughout the day which included; a breakfast bar offering a bunch of hot foods for sale, a selection of inflatable's such as a bungee run and bouncy castle, a selection of live groups providing entertainment, a BBQ at lunch and a henna tattoo stall.

The charities involved with the event include **Red Wellies** (www.redwellies.info) a charity dedicated to raising funds towards the research of Glioblastoma Multiforme, a form of a brain tumour. Also present were **Scotty's Little Soldiers** (www.scottyslittlesoldiers.co.uk) who focus on supporting children who have lost a parent serving in the British Armed Forces. Whilst we have donated, we hope also that people will continue to support them and check out their websites.

At the end of the day, the event ended up being a massive success. We raised over £300 to split between the charities, and had an overall positive amount of customer satisfaction.

We would like to send a big thank you to all the companies that helped fund and sponsor our event. These include **The Party Shop** (King's Lynn) who donated a selection of prizes for our event, **Booker's** (Hardwhich Industrial Estate) who donated a selection of chocolates that were given as a thank you to some of the people who helped make the event possible, including the Business staff (Mr Holmes, Miss Russell and Miss Scarffe), the caretaking staff and the canteen staff.

We would like to also send a big thank you to all the Year 12s who attended, as well as the teachers that volunteered to help out on the day.





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Taking the Drama to Australia

Leaving on Sunday 20th July, we headed out on our 23 hour plane journey leaving from Heathrow and ending up in the beautiful sights of Melbourne via Singapore. We met our family hosts at the student's high school, who we hosted when they visited England back in June 2014, and after re-uniting ventured to their houses with them.



The following nights in Melbourne were wonderful, we were shown the Stadiums; the war memorials; we were taken to a theatrical show (which we fell asleep too due to jet lag!); we went to taekwondo; we even had a games night with some of the other hosts. We performed twice in Melbourne which was quite nerve racking seen as it was our first Australian performances, but they succeeded well.

After a four night stay in Melbourne, we ventured through to the outback of Mallacoota. The outback of Mallacoota is a place of clean warm beaches, with blue waters and a completely chilled and fun vibe. Amazingly, our school population is bigger than the town itself!



We arrived in the town at the school and met our family hosts; Georgia and I were greeted to a man and a 4 year old boy who was just the sweetest. We climbed into the car together, picked up his wife and his two daughters of 9 and 12 and went out to see the sea. We left the beach and went kangaroo hunting, but we weren't successful at the time.

Over the next three days getting used to this life style, we ventured on trails walking past and along the beaches, allowing for us to go sand dunning. This entailed taking a boogie board and surfing down the sand which everyone, including Mr Moate fully enjoyed! The performances in Mallacoota went well and were enjoyed by many; although the space performing there was considerably smaller than we were used to, but was definitely worth performing there. Sadly, our time in Mallacoota had come to an end.

4th August 2014 and it was the WWI centenary anniversary. We were in the middle of our three week tour of Australia travelling through Melbourne, Mallacoota, Blue Mountains, Canberra and finally Sydney.

That day, we travelled from the outback of Mallacoota to the high lands of the Blue Mountains. Firstly, we met our families, like usual and became settled in. The following day, the first activity we became involved in was travelling to see the Three Sisters. A fascinating tale occurred around these 3 rocks which everyone



walked down to getting a closer view; I was able to look from the viewing area (thank god).

Later on we went on two different cable cars, one being the steepest in the world, and another with a glass floor which over looked the whole of the mountains, a pretty unforgettable sight!

Before arriving in Sydney we ended up in one of the famous Zoos of Sydney, where we were able to just about hug a sleeping Koala Bear, he was asleep on a branch but was so adorable. Walking round the zoo free wallabies strolled passed us, we saw baby dingo's and even Tasmanian devils!



Arriving in Sydney we met our final hosts for the tour.

The following night consisted of travelling to Bondi beach and having a picture with one of the life guards, which especially Hannah, really enjoyed! Our hosts booked us into a revolving restaurant overlooking the whole of Sydney. It took one hour and a half to rotate once, and the food was delicious.

Whilst in Sydney harbour we sat and over looked the Sydney Opera House and the Sydney bridge, whilst listening to a live band, it was the most relaxing and wonderful. We left our hosts of Sydney after the 4th night.

Viewing the sights included visiting famous markets, having a tour of the Sydney opera house and doing the Sydney Bridge climb.

The bridge climb itself, I will have to start with, as it was such a fascinating and beautiful experience. We were all linked to each other whilst climbing the bridge, the sights we saw stuck with you forever.

The Australian tour was a trip of a life time, and we are so grateful to everyone who helped us achieve our goal.

Thanks Ella on your report about your experiences in OZ!





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DofE Gold



Congratulations to the Springwood Duke of Edinburgh's Gold award participants!

