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BEST YEAR EVER FOR SPRINGWOOD

80% of grades achieved *A-C

Executive Headteacher Andy Johnson said "I congratulate all of the students and staff for these excellent results. The Sixth Form team has the highest expectations for every student and works tirelessly to ensure that every student achieves outstanding grades and secures their "first choice" future. Our aim is for every student to have absolute confidence that their aspirations will be secured at our Sixth Form. These results clearly show that we have achieved this aim this year"



Chair of Trustees, Roger Livesey said "Springwood High School has worked hard to create an outstanding Sixth Form. These results show the Sixth Form to be a beacon of excellence in Norfolk and Nationally - Well done to students and staff!"



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MESSAGES TO PUPILS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

We are aware that, occasionally, it is necessary for parents to telephone school during the working day to alter the usual arrangement for pupils leaving school at 3.25pm. Any such message can be left with the House Support Officer. Sometimes pupils also need to be informed of last minute doctor or dentist appointments. Messages are passed to pupils as promptly as possible, but as this is often excessively time consuming we do ask that these be kept to a minimum. Time constraints on administrative staff can make message delivery very difficult, particularly at the end of the day. We know from experience that many calls to school could easily be avoided if arrangements were made at home before pupils leave in the morning. Please contact school only in cases of emergency and be assured that urgent messages are forwarded as promptly as possible.

PUBLICATION OF PUPILS' PHOTOGRAPHS AND NAMES

Our school regularly publishes pupils' names and photographs in the Newsletter and sometimes also to the press, and this is always in connection with some notable achievement on the pupils' part. We would not, however, publish such information against parents' wishes. No parent has ever objected at Springwood, but if a parent does have concerns about their son/daughter's name and photograph being published, if they let us know we will ensure that this does not happen.



SCHOOL CLOSURES

There are occasions, fortunately very rare, when the school has to be closed at extremely short notice. This could happen because of severe weather conditions which make transport dangerous or because of a breakdown in the heating system.

Any emergency will be broadcast on local radio at regular intervals from about 7 am onwards. This is our only way to notify all of our pupils, parents and staff in time to prevent them coming into school, so we therefore advise everyone to listen to the early morning programmes on KL:FM (96.7) or BBC Radio Norfolk (95.1 or 104.1 FM and 873 or 855 MW) particularly if weather conditions are severe.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2015-16

Autumn Term 2015—Thurs 3 Sept—Fri 18 Dec

Autumn Half Term Holiday – Wed 21 Oct—Fri 30 Oct

Spring Term 2016—Tues 5 Jan—Fri 24 Mar

Spring Half Term Holiday 2016— Mon 12 Feb—Fri 22 Feb

Summer Term 2016 - Mon 13 April—Tues 21 July

Summer Half Term Holiday 2016 -Mon 27 May—6 June

Training Days/Bank Holidays

22-23 Oct 2014

4 Jan 2016

DATA PROTECTION ACT

The School is required to provide pupils and parents with details of the information it retains, concerning the purpose for which is used, and of any third parties to whom the information may be passed.

SPRINGWOOD HIGH SCHOOL DATA TEAM

Mrs C Knights
Data Manager

Mrs B Setchell
Data Assistant

- Are you having problems getting into SIMS Parent Gateway?
- Have you forgotten your password?
- Would you be interested in attending a drop-in session where friendly help is available?
- Have you moved house or changed your contact details?

For any of the above please email the Springwood High School data team at:
data@springwoodhighschool.co.uk

IS YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER LEAVING SPRINGWOOD THIS TERM?

If so then please advise their House Manager in writing, letting them know the following:

- the name and address of their new school.
- the last day they will be at Springwood.

We have to forward this information on to County so that their records can follow them on to their new school.

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House Managers





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Ms J Craig
Direct Dial No:
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LOST PROPERTY

We have a large amount of lost property, so please name all school uniform and equipment. If they are labelled they can be returned to their owners.



LICE WARNING

We have reported cases of head lice in school. Please check your child regularly so we can eliminate these unwelcome visitors. It is best to use a fine tooth comb or go to your local pharmacy for a lotion treatment.



WINTER UNIFORM

A reminder for all students Years 7 - 11 that they should be in Winter Uniform from after October half-term until February half-term.

During this period all students are expected to be wearing a jumper under their blazer and any coats, scarves and gloves worn must be black.

Any queries please check the website or ask at your house office.



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Summer School with Year 6



Les Murray's Visit by Rosie Huang

Les Murray, an Australian poet, came to visit our school on the 29 September. He makes his living from his poems and his career spans over forty years. Les has won many awards for his poems. He is said to be the leading poet of his generation and can be called an Australian National Treasure. Les, during his short visit, spoke to our Year 9 English class. He spoke about his poems and his life in general. Les told us that the subjects of his poems were his past experiences and problems that people face in their lives.

Making a living out of poetry is difficult. A poet does not make a lot of profit out of his poetry books. Les' background makes it an even more astounding feat because Les grew up in the Outback from a family of farmers. This meant that he only started school when he was around nine years old. Les has had a fascinating life and was very interesting to listen to.



Wanted



The Food Technology Department would be delighted to receive any unwanted empty (or full) biscuit and sweet containers, as pupils often forget containers to take their products home in.

If your son/daughter has to borrow a container, please could you ensure that it is returned.

Thanks, Mrs Beech



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CASTLE RISING CASTLE

SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER

HALLOWEEN FIREWORKS

GATES OPEN AT 5PM AND DISPLAY STARTS AT 7:15PM

ADVANCE TICKETS ADULTS: £5.00 / CHILDREN: £2.00
TICKETS ON THE NIGHT ADULTS: £7.00 / CHILDREN: £3.00

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Come along and join us
and share your love of
reading. Each session
we can choose books to
read and review

For young people aged 13 +

Gaywood Library

Thursdays 4 – 5pm

Fortnightly Meetings next Meeting

Thursday 22 October

GAYWOOD LIBRARY



Christmas School Sugar Collection

Supporting shelters in East Anglia for
the homeless and families in crisis

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BAG OF SUGAR
INTO SCHOOL BY

1 December

For the needy,
sugar is instant
and vital energy
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drinks



Collection
Box in LRC

Celebrating 30 years of school sugar collection

BEFA (The Buckingham Emergency Food Appeal)
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BTEC Fashion & Clothing Diploma Fashion Show

Fashion Show held at Springwood High School on Wednesday 15th July.

Springwood High School held its inaugural Fashion Show on Wednesday 15th July, showcasing the designs and creations of the Year 12 and Year 13 BTEC Fashion and Clothing students. The BTEC Fashion & Clothing Diploma is a new, exciting and creative course at Springwood High School where, over a two year period, the students learn to design and make clothes.

There was a massive range of clothes modelled on the catwalk, along with accessories such as handbags and evening gloves. The clothes had a retro vibe, with 1960's style mini-skirts and 1950's prom dresses included in the collections.

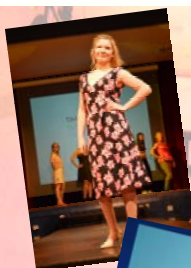
The show was full of glitz and glamour, kicking off with live music from Year 8 student Amy Palmer. Over fifty girls from all year groups took to the catwalk to model the Fashion students' creations at the end of year show. All of the models and designers worked in a professional manner and the event was an enormous success!

The show was watched by an audience including Headteacher Mr Johnson, Springwood High School staff, students, family members and friends, and the King's Lynn Mayoress Mrs Manning popped along to support the new show.

BTEC Fashion & Clothing Course Leader Miss Markwell said "I am overwhelmed with how well the show went and I am very proud of the Fashion students' hard work and effort. It was amazing seeing all of the students' creations come to life at the fashion show! I would like to thank the models and everyone involved in the show, and all those who supported the event and I hope it has the same success next year."

There will be additional photos and a video of the show available to view on the school website. The Fashion Show Photographer - photographs were taken by Sixth Form Photography student Jordan Baines.

Miss Markwell
Course Leader - BTEC Fashion & Clothing



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Art & PE

ALL Schools Rugby & CanterburyNZ - Rugby Shirt Design Trip



In September 4 year 11 boys, Matthew Baker, Sergei Kudrin, Anthony Nwaneri, and George Dye were invited to participate in a competition that involved them designing a brand new rugby kit for Springwood's rugby teams.

The boys attended a workshop with RFU officials and CaterburyNZ graphic designers that allowed them to study the actual rugby kits created for the different professional teams, including England's current Rugby World Cup Kit.

The boys then spent the afternoon designing a new kit for Springwood's rugby teams. This was a challenge for



the boys as their design had to be unisex for both the male and female teams in the school, as well as meet Mr Feaviour's standards!



The final design has Springwood's colours of Purple and green combined with some patterned elements to give it some style and in the words of the boys make them "look sick".

The kit will arrive in February and the boys now have to organise a Rugby event in school where they can unveil the new kit and take it for a test run. Their idea was to create a whole school competition with both touch teams and contact teams competing.

I was very proud of the boys. They worked hard on creating a fantastic design and only argued a few times over minor details. which I know will be appreciated by all the rugby teams for years to come. WELL DONE!

Mrs Williams
Art, Photography, L2.Rugby Coach



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Springfest 2015 by Olivia Morris FB-02



Endeavour is a series of nine challenges that are designed to

push you out of your comfort zone. It might sound difficult but that's the point.

When I heard about Endeavour in Year 7, I thought that I wouldn't be able to achieve it as I haven't had a full half term at school without having time off, due to a recurring problem with my health. But I was determined to not let that stop me.

The last part to Endeavour is a PowerPoint presentation with slides showing what you have done for each letter. The whole point of Endeavour is to push yourself out of your comfort zone so I decided to try and set a new level of standard by creating a video PowerPoint presentation. Only myself, and one of my closest friends knew what I was planning to create. The process of planning itself took a week. I had to decide with the help of my friend what would go into my presentation and

who and why they would go into it.

My presentation was broken down into three sections.

The first section contained an artificial intelligence robot who was uploading information about Endeavour as well as some images of members of the school. This set the scene for the start of the video.

The second part contained an animated cartoon character of Mr. Dawson who was presenting what I did for each of my Endeavour letters.

The third section was a photo montage containing 100 photos of my memories through my Endeavour journey and the people who made it special to me.

At the end of my presentation a message appeared saying "Don't settle for meeting the standard." And I think that it is important to have that attitude when completing Endeavour.

On the 16 July Year 8 made their way into the MSFCH (hall) to celebrate each other's achievements through their journey of Endeavour. Starting with Blickling House, each house went up and collected their certificate saying that they had successfully completed the Endeavour program. Finally before Springfest the Endeavour prize was

given out. I was lucky enough to win the prize and I felt honoured and privileged to win. My prize was my name on the Endeavour plaque and a voucher for Amazon which I later went on to purchase a pair of Nike Roche Run trainers.

Finally Springfest was here everyone was buzzing and there was a really great atmosphere and feeling of achievement of everyone.

There was a bucking bull, climbing tower, a bungee jump, face painting, circus equipment and burgers, ice cream and fizzy drinks. The best part was it was free! Everyone really enjoyed themselves, and have taken away unforgettable memories and a sense of achievement.

By me completing it I have proven that the Endeavour challenge can be completed by any-one as long as you are willing to put effort in. And proof that hard work really does pay off. I would like to thank everyone who was in my presentation and to my form Tutors Mrs Howlett and Mrs Bye for supporting me. Finally I would like to thank Mr Calow and everyone who made this day possible.

Olivia Morris FB-02

Endeavour means:		For each letter of my Endeavour I did the following:
E	(Extracurricular)	I am a member of Studio 19 and was a member of guides.
N	(Numeracy)	Completed my numeracy and literacy booklets in tutor time
D	(Display)	I have had my History, French, Geography, Science and many more pieces of my work displayed
E	(Explore)	I went on the dance trip to Norwich and attended a GCSE World War performance
A	(ATL)	I have continuously improved my maths and literacy grades and my ATL has never dropped below a 2
V	(Value Others)	I have attended a Guides and the Felbrigg Christmas Fair.
O	(Orate)	I have taken part in my form assembly and I have created an iMovie with Megan Tarry for RE.
U	(Understand)	I presented a presentation of Finland to my form with Maddie Dawson and Malu Nair
R	(Represent)	I was part of the Awards Committee to help understand the fairness in achievement



Endeavour Shield presented by Learning Resources

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Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to Language Assistants Miss Sandra Wimmer and Mr Adrien Marie-Francoise. They will be working with classes throughout the school, concentrating on our sixth form students and providing essential speaking practice on a one to one basis.



OX-02 Win



Mr Donovan with his form Ox-02 with their prize for winning the Ghana Quiz.

SD-02 Win



SD-02 with their form tutors Miss Dennis and Mrs Carter. They are winners of the Cultural Awareness Poster Competition which took place during European Languages Day. Congratulations to them, enjoy your Chocolates

Mock Council



Two students from the second year of sixth form have been nominated to represent the school in a mock European council competition which will take place in November of this year to a similar setting to that we see in Brussels. 30 schools across England have been given a random EU country to research into and will be debating it's perspectives to ultimately reach a unanimous decision.

Our two candidates have been given Germany and the topics are 'digital single market' and 'circular economy'. Paul Richardson who studies economics and Olivia Langham who studies German will be attending the event with all their research at hand to argue their position within the matters. At the event students are encouraged to speak in a language which Olivia will be doing. Paul Richardson 'Not only is this a life time opportunity but will allow me and Olivia to fully understand the pressures that country representatives are under'- said Let's just hope Paul and Olivia can be persuasive enough. Viel Glück!

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Meet Ash Dickinson the Poet

On 2 October we met in the main hall to meet the famous poet, Ash Dickinson. He read some of his poems and explained the inspiration behind each piece. Having travelled to Spain, Germany and Australia Ash also told us about his various adventures around the world.

Then we were ready to do our own poetry. One by one he gave us a piece of paper and started to teach us how to write our first type of poem, a haiku. A haiku is a traditional Japanese form of poetry and Ash had us base our own haiku around a memory of our own. He also taught us how to write an abstract poem - where you attribute human qualities and feelings to an inanimate object - as well as a standard poem.

At the end of the session, we were all given the opportunity to recite our best poem. Then we were able to ask Ash some questions from his unique perspective as a professional poet.

By Magdalena, Brandon and Jack (Year 8)



We came into the main hall
wondering why we'd been called.
It was one in the afternoon,
and we would be going home soon.

"I was a poet and didn't know it"
is what Ash said to us.
After all that time it wasn't a bust,
he was a nice guy,
and he wasn't shy.
He helped us out
here and about.

He showed us his work,
which was a good perk.
He said he'd been writing a long time
and he even showed us how to rhyme.

We wrote a poem,
then we could show it.
We sat and wrote,
we could write anything - even about a coat!

We had a good time,
making things Rhyme.
It was great for some,
but not for everyone.
by Eleanor, Luke, Myles and Harrison (Year 8)

Student Catchup



Congratulations to Rebecca Edwards (a former pupil) who has achieved a PhD in Chemistry from Durham University. Rebecca was a Queens Award winner in 2006.

Also congratulations to her elder sister Julie who achieved a 2:1 in mathematics from Swansea University and then went on to do a PGCE at Swansea Metropolitan University.

Blickling Superstars



Congratulations to the following Superstars from Blickling. Jack Burch BG-08, Ewan Grummett BG-06, Billie-Dea Manser BG-02, Sergei Kudrin, Megan Savage BG-08, Rowan Cato BG-03. Megan Smith BG-05, Luke Fisher BG-07 and Elliot Simpson BG-04



Keep up the good work—
Ms Craig

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Shakespeare's Globe *By Regina Legarte*

Measure for Measure at Shakespeare's Globe

On Tuesday 6th October, a handful of A Level English Literature students were given the opportunity to see William Shakespeare's 'Measure for Measure' at Shakespeare's Globe in London. Four of the students who participated in the trip were studying this particular play for their A2 exam, and being able to see it performed on stage – as it was meant to be – was an invaluable addition to the studies of the text, as well as a thrilling experience.

The Globe created an ambience and a sense of authenticity which no other theatre would have provided, not only with the costumes and the settings, but also in its structure modelled after the original Globe Theatre built in 1599. It included the pit at the base of the stage, where during Shakespeare's time people would pay a penny to stand and watch the play. It was in this pit, right at the front where the stage was just before us, that we were able to watch the stunning performances.

Standing for three hours watching the play with only a meagre interval in between was taxing on the legs (especially when afterwards we would be on the train home during rush hour with no seats available), but it was easy to ignore the pain because of how captivating the play was. Being in the pit not only meant we were watching the performance; we were also very much a part of it. The audience in the pit was involved right from the very beginning, when various cast members entered and established the free-spirited and loose nature of Vienna, where the play was set. All the while, they drew in the audience members by interacting and communicating with them in a comical manner.

Just as the chorus members brought the setting of wild

and immoral Vienna to modern day England before the audience members' eyes, the characters that we knew from the text were brought to life by the actors. The characters who were particularly involved in the comic subplots, such as Elbow (played by Dean Nolan) and Mistress Overdone (played by Petra Massey), even brought modernised aspects to their acting, which not only made the scenes more relatable to the modern audience, but also made the language easier to comprehend. Shakespearean English isn't what the average modern day audience member would be used to, but the actors had accomplished conveying the meanings and the wide-ranging tones of the play through their body language and expressions.

Through the excellence of the actors, musicians, directors, and designers, the play was done justice. Not only was the experience thoroughly enjoyable, it also provided an insight to the written play as well as Shakespeare's works in general. There was a powerful and poignant exploration of morality and justice through the themes and plots, which questioned various political, social, and moral issues – many of which are still relevant today.



Roald Dahl Week

On the 14th September the English Department began the annual celebrations for Roald Dahl. Throughout the week, a host of activities was available in the LRC. The film 'Matilda' seemed to attract many students, and an extra session was provided the following week so that they could see the end of the film. There was also the opportunity to make Mr Twit's disgusting, food filled beard with bits of mouldy stilton cheese, half eaten sardine heads and soggy cornflakes a plenty! (he's saving them for when he gets hungry between meals- urgh!) You could have also written your own revolting rhyme and 'Dahl in 180 characters'.

Thank you to those of you who did get involved!



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Music Events

November:

Monday 9th November - Gig Night for Year 11 BTEC students in the Drama Studio at 7pm (free event).

Tuesday 10th November- Chamber Concert in the Sixth Form Social Area at 6pm (all tickets £2).

Tuesday 24th November - Autumn Concert in the Main Hall at 7pm (tickets £4/£2 concessions).

December:

Thursday 3rd December - Performance Evening, AS and A Level Music students, Main Hall at 6pm (free event).

Tuesday 8th December - Performance Evening, Year 11 GCSE Music students, Music Room 1 at 6pm (free event).

Tuesday 15th December - Carol Concert, St Nicholas Chapel at 7pm (tickets £4/£2 concessions).

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Guider Olivia visits Japan

Guider Olivia Grummett from the 9th St Faiths Senior Section Guides visited Japan for the 24th World Scout Jamboree from 24th July – 12th August 2015 with the Unit 28 Bedfordshire Scouts and Anglia Guides World Scout



Reflections of the Journey: The flight was super, super long however there was a massive buzz in the air as we were all so excited about landing in Tokyo. Not much sleep was had however there was lots of chatter and giggling.

Reflections of the Ho Ho Experience: One of my best parts of the WHOLE experience! I was totally spoilt by my Ho Ho parents who were both scouting commissioners. The food was incredible and I loved everything I was offered.

The language barrier was the most challenging part of the experience however there was lots of laughing, pointing and guess work.



My Japanese home was huge and really did have paper walls, when one of the visiting Japanese beavers came to meet me, he became so excited he fell through the wall!



All of my pre jamboree training came into

operation with the Japanese customs. However I was not informed that the toilet would play music and the toilet lid would open as I entered the room!

Jamboree Reflections: There is nothing to say other than it was HOT!! With it being 50 degrees plus and with 90% humidity trying to do anything was incredibly hard work.

Both the opening and closing



ceremonies were outstanding and something I will never forget and I now know how to party!!!



The food was okay if you liked eggs and bread and drinking warm water is an acquired taste but essential to keep hydrated.

Unfortunately due to the weather I was not allowed to do many of the activities, as it was too hot! Meeting



with other Guides and Scouts from across the world was what Guiding is all about.

The trip to Hiroshima was an incredible but humbling experience that I will never ever forget. It was incredibly surreal and still very raw, with many of the buildings still destroyed from the bomb. It was an all round emotional day. I found it a privilege to be there.

The service project in a Japanese school was fantastic especially as I would like to be a teacher and the school even had a beach!

Tokyo Reflections:

Tokyo was extremely busy however it had a very relaxed atmosphere with no one rushing anywhere. The Bullet train was the Rolls Royce of trains, with air conditioning, heating, moving seats and charging plugs, as well as being ultra clean and fast.



There were numerous places in Tokyo to eat ranging from Cat Cafes, Japanese McDonalds and Chocolate restaurants. I did not have enough time there and would love to return.

Thank you for allowing me to have the opportunity of a lifetime being part of the 24th World Scout Jamboree. I loved every moment of it and I have made many friends for life. It has really given me itchy feet to explore the world and I would jump at the opportunity of going on another Guide International trip.



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Our Twitter Page:

https://twitter.com/WSJ_Beds2015

Our Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/wsjsbeds2015?fref=ts>

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On Wednesday 7th October we put down our pens and used different ways of learning for No Pens Day. Each subject throughout the years supported the day by using various types of learning skills from art, using playing cards, using your own bodies to create well known land marks and various games incorporating Maths, English and History. Some watched films to gain knowledge while our Year 7s had a Road Safety presentation. There were lots of experiments taking place in the sciences and of course IT was a hit with all!! A successful day was had by all!



Year 9 IT



Year 9 German



Year 7 Road Safety



Year 8 English



Year 12 Geography



Year 8 Art



Year 9 French



Year 7 Science



Year 8 Drama



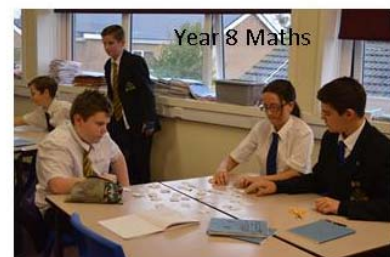
Year 9 IT



Year 8 Maths



Year 8 Maths



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Year 13 Geography visits the North Yorkshire Moors

Geography students in Year 13 visited the Cranedale Centre in North Yorkshire this term to collect fieldwork data for their A2 exam next summer. Springwood High School has been visiting the centre for over 20 years.

The Monday was spent up on the moors collecting data in the River Derwent. Students aimed to explain how a rivers' characteristics change downstream. Jake, famous for slipping and tumbling on fieldwork, successfully stayed upright for the entire day, much to the surprise of the rest of the group. At one site on the river, the group got thoroughly attacked by midges in the rain. The group had their photo taken at the neck of a meander, which has been a Springwood tradition since the 1990's.

Tuesday was spent in the coastal town of Scarborough. Students collected climate data to see if different parts of the town had their own climate. The group got thoroughly soaked in the rain but spirits remained high. In the evening the group played Geography Twister which was won by Jonathan.

On the Wednesday, students visited Flamborough Head on the East Coast. They demonstrated their independent fieldwork skills by designing their own beach survey to see the impacts of longshore drift and differences in local geology. They then explored the coastal arches, coves and caves surrounding the beach. Also, the famous Flamborougsaurus was observed, an area of cliff that resembles a dinosaur in shape!

On the return journey to King's Lynn, students engaged in four hours of mini-bus karaoke, led by Erin and Jordan, much to the delight of Mr. Durham!



Geography Super Stars

	Brandon Montgomery-Fysh	Veronika Ivanova	Akram Ziane	Jack Lemmon
	Nataliah Wells	Alesha Jones	Megan Palmer	
Don Ting Xu		Chinazo Okeke		Alex Birch
Jake Parish	Amelia Spindler	Jake Hall	Kyle Hill	
	Jake McNeil	Katrina Sambaryte		Isaac Au
Anna Howlett	Rohan Andrews	Josh Winters	Jannis Koulman	
Ella Melville	Lucy Edwards		Euan Brough-	
	Josh Winters	Shaemus Webber	Jake Johnson	
		Liam Tomlinson	Jake McNeil	

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The Art of Brilliance

On Friday 9 October Springwood welcomed Martin Burder, who presented the Sixth Form with 'The Art of Brilliance'. The message of the workshop was to encourage students to adopt a positive outlook on school and indeed life. The engaging Burder asked the Sixth Formers why they came to school; one answered 'the thrill of learning' while another enjoyed spending time 'with a great group of friends'.

The students were entertained and educated by anecdotes, riddles, scientific studies and worksheets. Burder inspired students to have the default setting of being happy. As obvious as it may sound being happy should be the priority of everyone's lives and I'm sure that Springwood's Sixth Formers and any teachers that attended will carry an optimistic ethos in life. Teaching students to be confident in their own ability and avoid stressing about the minor problems in life made for a superb morning.

Edward Brown, Chairman of Student Council



Super Learning Day



YEAR 8 SPACE



Year 7 Taster



There will be more pictures in the next newsletter (November/December 2015). Mrs Frost would like to thank Photographers Bradley Southwell, Hannah Wild and Elisa Confesor for their help during No Pens Day and Super Learning Day.

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Lily wins Gold



Lily Edwards BG-04 came into school with a gold medal which she won for Basketball at the 34th Annual RAF Mildenhall Joan Mann adapted Sports Day.

There were more than 200 athletes from across England. Lily belongs to the Kandoo Club which meets at Lynnsport on Wednesday evenings 6.00 – 7.30 pm.

National Cup Round 2:

Springwood vs Giles Academy



SHS were looking to advance to Round 3 of the National cup, but first had to overcome a tricky tie with the school from Boston. The boys came flying out of the blocks and raced into a 3 goal lead within 10 minutes; Lembutis x 2 and Uppington getting on the scoresheet. Powell won and dispatched a penalty before Bradshaw marked his debut with a tidy finish. Boston managed to pull themselves back into the tie with 2 goals shortly before the interval.

Half time: Springwood 5-2 Giles Academy

SHS quickly reorganized after a shaky end to the 1st half, with Lembutis completing his hat trick, before Uppington got his 2nd with the move of the game. SHS continued to dominate the 2nd half with Hazle and Bradshaw adding further goals.

Full time: Springwood 9-2 Giles Academy

Springwood have been drawn away to Attleborough in the next round, a repeat fixture of their County Cup semi-final last season.

Norfolk Emerging Schools under 13 Tournament

Springwood under13s rugby team had a very successful day at the Wymondham College Festival, with recent hard work and an increase of intensive training paying off. Under the captaincy of Ewan Samways clear cohesion was showing in the first pool game and it set the bench mark for the rest of the day. Two tries from Keenan Langley and Jack Hudson pushed past Neatherd comfortably further wins enabled Springwood to top the pool of six unbeaten sending Springwood into the semi-finals of the trophy play off, losing narrowly but by no means easily to Wymondham High School after a gutsy performance. Well done boys!!!! Springwood showed signs of a good team in the making. Josh McCallister was Springwood's Man of the Tournament.

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Message from Mr Johnson



Welcome back to another year at Springwood High School! I am pleased to report another great set of results for the school in the summer; in particular, the Sixth Form results were particularly pleasing, placing the school in the top 15% of schools nationally. It was great to see so many students leave us to begin their first choice future at Universities or in the world of work.

The Year 7 students have settled in well and have got used to the size of the school! I am looking forward to meeting up with our Year 7 parents at the meeting on the 14th October; it was great to see our new students enjoying our excellent arts and sport facilities during this term's super learning day.

Just as Year 7 arrive, work has already begun in meeting the Year 7 for 2016; the Open Days were very well attended by both parents and students. Furthermore, the Open Evening was so full we had to put on an extra session to accommodate all our visitors. It has been great to receive positive feedback on the School, in particular our student transition leaders provided an excellent insight into life at Springwood.

Our new Sixth Form students have nearly completed their first half term of advanced studies. Mr Pettitt reports that they are working hard and have achieved well in their first set of assessments. Similarly, Ms Russell is confident that our Year 13 university applicants are all on track to complete before the deadline.

I must say that Year 11 students are working incredibly hard this term. We had a fabulous Year 11 parents meeting earlier this term which was well attended. With continued effort I am sure they will achieve a great set of examination results which will allow them to gain their first choice future next year.

Many thanks to the newly reformed Parents, Teacher and Supporters Association (PTSA) for their great fundraising work. If you would like to become involved please follow the link on our school website – the more the merrier!

Enjoy a fabulous half term!

A M Johnson