



# *Christmas 2011 Newsletter*



## Sir John Gleed School

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been an incredibly long term - September seems like a distant memory. With so many changes, we have all been very busy. As you will see from the rest of this newsletter, the students have achieved a great deal both in the classroom and beyond. I am always delighted and surprised by the amazing range of activities our students are involved in. I hope you will take the time to read about some of the events and if your son or daughter claims to be bored, encourage them to get involved in the new year.

I have particularly enjoyed watching activities involving boys and girls working together. This is our future and I am delighted by the way they build on each other's strengths.

Some of the changes ahead during this academic year will be the start of the building work to provide upgraded facilities across the site. We hope to have a school badge for the blazers early in the new year. Following a competition, our new logo was designed by Ben Wetherill, year 11. I hope you agree with me that this is a magnificent design combining modern and traditional which the students will wear with pride. As you know from a previous letter, we are introducing a school jumper and scarf. Our students really do look very smart in their blazers and the jumpers will add to this. From January hoodies will no longer be allowed to be worn on site, so please ensure your son or daughter has a suitable alternative for outdoor wear. Our young people should be proud of themselves and that starts with our appearance.



May I end by thanking you all for your support. Working together is how we ensure your child receives the best education. I know they are helped, guided and taught at Sir John Gleed by an amazing staff who really do take pride in caring for your children.

Have a happy, healthy and peaceful Christmas and my very best wishes for the New Year.

**Mrs J Daniels**  
**Headteacher**

## ***THE GLEED 70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS***



The anniversary celebration, which took place on Tuesday 1 November, was really about looking back at our past and looking forward to our future. It was a wonderful way to end an era and looking forward to what will be a very modern school.

Celebrations on Tuesday included students taking part in activities from the decades during different lessons, such as learning the Twist in PE.

In the evening former pupils and staff who had attended and taught at the school since it opened in 1941 joined the celebrations. Many caught up with old friends and shared memories of their school days. Some even took along school reports and other mementoes of their time at the Gleed schools.

The lovely food for the evening was prepared by cookery students - the boys providing the savoury dishes and the girls providing the sweet. A splendid celebration cake was made by Mrs Rees, DT Food Teacher at the Girls' Campus.

The celebration was rounded off with a showcase of students' talents with gymnasts, singers, musicians, dancers and drama students all taking to the stage to perform, many on the theme of 'through the decades'.

There were about 200 people attending and there were some fantastic comments. Many of the visitors were really reluctant to leave at the end of the evening. It was lovely to see people catching up and remembering their time at the two schools.

## St John's Primary School Bread Making



On Thursday 1 December we invited a Class of Year 3 pupils from St John's Primary School to come and make bread rolls with us. They arrived just after lunch time and made the bread dough by measuring out the flour and dried yeast and some other ingredients. They then had great fun kneading the dough. We shaped the dough into four rolls; a cottage roll, a plait, a twist and a hedgehog.

They baked their rolls, left them to cool and then took them back to their school on paper plates. They had a great time, and here are a selection of their comments:

*"It was great fun here today"*

*"The best bit was putting the spikes on the hedgehog"*

*What did you enjoy about today? "everything"*

*"I loved doing it and I would love to do it again- I liked the bit where you got messy!"*

*"We would like to come back and make Christmas cookies."*

The other class of Year 3 pupils will be here on 8 December to repeat the process!

***Mrs Rees, Girls' Campus***

### The Jubilee Time Capsule

As a school we have a unique chance to become part of a major social history event. The Jubilee Time Capsule is a unique social archive of the 60 year reign of Queen Elizabeth II. The aim of the capsule is to gather contributions from people all over the world about their lives and experiences. By March 2012, Queen Elizabeth will have reigned for over 22,000 days and they want to hear stories about each and every day. We have 12 Sir John Gleed School stories uploaded. Visit Sunday 25 September to view our Albanian exchange story - <http://www.capsool.com/capsool/autoviewer/uniqueid/65051c7b07>.



Do you have a story that you would like to share? All you need to do is pick a day in the last 60 years and tell us why it is important to you. So you could tell us about the important things that have happened to you and your family. Or tell us about your school, the place where you live...anything really. You can use photos, videos, words, songs, poems ... whatever you want - it's up to you - it's your story! Email your story to [caroline.battong@gleed.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:caroline.battong@gleed.lincs.sch.uk) and hand in your signed parent permission slip to Mrs Battong in the FSES Mobile and I will upload your story in your name. Be inspired and get submitting entries!

#### **Parent Permission Slip – Return to Mrs Battong, FSES Mobile, Girls' Campus**

I give permission for my son / daughter to have images / text uploaded on to the Jubilee Time Capsule.

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Parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's Christmas appeal - sending shoeboxes packed with gifts and essential items to underprivileged children. It has been running since 1990 and last year nearly 1.2 million shoeboxes were packed with gifts and goodies and were sent from the UK to children who need them most, in some of the toughest parts of the world.



This year pupils at the boys' campus got involved, bringing in donations to fill shoeboxes for boys and girls of all ages. Altogether 50 boxes were filled and some of the boys went with Mrs Wait to the Samaritan's Purse warehouse in Peterborough to deliver the shoeboxes and find out about the journey of the boxes and the work that goes into making this all happen.

Well done to the following boys for their work and efforts at the warehouse, they were exceptionally helpful and well behaved:

**Callum Andrew 7NM**

**Ryland Kendall 7MD**

**Jack Howard 8ML**

**Ivan Freitas 8LO**

**Danny Smith 9BC**

**Liam Smith 9GMI**

Many thanks to Mrs Wait, who co-ordinated and ran this incredibly worthwhile project in school, Mrs Brackenbury and Mrs Watt, who supported and gave up their time to help with it all, and Mrs Gibbons for driving the minibus to the warehouse. Thanks of course also go to all the boys and staff who donated items!

*Miss M Deal, Head of RS, Boys' Campus*

## NEW COURSES

We are very pleased to be offering 2 new courses at the boys' campus this year as part of the new curriculum for our year 11 students:

**GCSE Psychology** – an exciting course looking at different aspects of human behaviour including phobias, aggression, perception and criminality.

The boys have been working hard preparing for their January exam, their mock results were very promising – so keep up the hard work and it will pay off! Good luck to those sitting the January exam!

**GCSE (short course) Business Studies** – using an enterprise and skills approach, boys have been introduced to the world of small businesses and looking at what makes someone a successful business person. Other areas of study include managing money, spotting business opportunities, customer needs and marketing.

For information about these courses see Miss Deal or the course outline at [www.edexcel.co.uk](http://www.edexcel.co.uk)

*Miss M Deal, Head of RS, Boys' Campus*



## Mathematics Department - Boys' Campus

### KS4

This term KS4 students have been busy preparing for external exams. At the beginning of November some Year 11 re-sat either AQA GCSE Linear Maths or Module 5 at Higher tier. All Year 9 students sat Unit 1 AQA Maths GCSE and some Y10 students sat AQA GCSE Linear Maths.

We wish them all luck and await the results in January 2012.

Currently we have Y11 students studying AQA GCSE Statistics, AQA Linear GCSE, Edexcel Linear GCSE and BTEC Money and Finance.

Some Y11 and Y10 students have been doing a handling data project using data from the past five Olympic and Paralympic Games.

*Do you know how many firkins there are in a hogshead? See Ms Rowell with your answer.*

To celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this school, students were taught old measures and in the corridor there is a display of old mathematical equipment and old 'O' level papers. *Have a go?*

### KS3

Year 7 students have settled well and have coped with a mini shuffle after the initial setting in September. Most are working hard in their Maths sets.

**MyMaths** homework is set weekly and this homework can be completed at home, at school in Learning Resources or after school in the Maths Department. **MyMaths** also allows revision or consolidation of a topic covered in class. The new password for this year is **triangle**.

Mrs Rudd has joined the department as a Maths LSA and many students have benefited from her support.



*Mrs S Blackmore, HOD Mathematics*

### CHILDREN IN NEED 2011

Congratulations to everyone who organised or donated their money to the many activities which took place to raise money for Children in Need this year a special mention to Mr Brown, Boys' Campus who raised over £250 by completing an early morning swim of 2.5 miles in 1 hour 30 minutes!!

**Amount raised:      Boys' Campus £1107.03      Girls' Campus: £1101.07**

**Well done!!**



## Rotary Young Chef Competition



When we were first asked to volunteer for the competition, I thought it would be good to see what it was like to be put under pressure and cook a two course meal.

We had to submit a menu that we would be cooking for the competition; luckily I was one of the lucky 4 to be chosen. I practised my menu a couple of times during the half term and the week after we were to cook our menu for the judges.

We were allowed to get our ingredients ready and set our tables once we arrived but we couldn't start preparing our food until the preparation time had started. You weren't allowed to prepare anything; all cooking had to be done at the competition in front of the judges.

We were briefed and the cooking time started, I was feeling quite confident, but as time went on, I realised I was going to have to start speeding up; thankfully I got my food out in time.



The judges came round and tried everyone's food while we washed and tidied up. It was then time for the results, sadly nobody from our school was forwarded to the Spalding District Competition but we all received a certificate for taking part. Overall it was a very enjoyable but stressful evening!

***By Kloë Davis, 10 Vienna Girls' Campus***

Well Done to **George Michie** Year 11 Boys' Campus who entered this Competition. George made a two course meal of griddled chicken with potato salad and summer berry bread pudding.



The judges were very complimentary about the meal, choices made and the skills demonstrated on the evening. A great achievement George – **well done!**



## FOOD TECHNOLOGY (Boys' Campus)

Since September our Year 7 students have been learning essential culinary skills, as well as working to design and make a pizza.

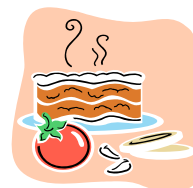


Year 8 students have been learning about staple foods, the Eatwell Plate and healthy food choices. They have used their knowledge and skills to design their own pasta dish and plan a menu for a healthy, balanced family meal.

Year 9 have started their DT Food Technology GCSE Course and are working towards Units concerning Sustainable Design with food. Well done Year 9, keep up the good work.

Year 10 are working hard towards their Controlled Assessments and have an external exam in January. Good luck with your revision over the holidays!

Year 11 students are studying to achieve a BTEC Award in Home Cooking Skills which is run in collaboration with Edexcel and Jamie Oliver. The aim of the course is to teach the skills required to cook healthy meals from scratch using fresh ingredients. This week we have made some great lasagnes, ranging from the traditional to chicken and spinach and butternut squash and sweet leek lasagne. Year 11 assessment will run over the Spring and Summer terms and will require them to showcase their learned skills by planning, cooking and presenting a two course meal.



Some members of the BTEC group did a fantastic job on Open Evening in October, volunteering their time and skills to make scones for visitors. They looked very professional in their chefs whites and I am sure inspired potential pupils to cook for themselves. Thank you and well done to **Jake Smith, Callum Bell, Ashley Dacre** and **Joshua Brooks**. Thanks also go to **Joshua Robinson -Green**, Year 9, who also worked very hard all evening, **Edward Key**, Year 10, who helped when he could be spared from Science and, of course, Mrs Atkinson without whom scones would have gone unbuttered!!

Finally a thank you must be said to all parents/carers for your support in providing students with ingredients which enables them to learn this essential life skill.

Best Wishes for a Happy Christmas.

**Mrs Pailing**  
**Mr Ground**



## **NUMERACY—BOYS' CAMPUS**

Numeracy is important in all subject areas and a skill that is necessary in all areas of life. How many of you have had a go at learning chess? Chess is a game that develops clear thinking, strategic ability and strong willpower, as well as being enjoyable.



If you have played before or not there is now a chess club called 'Draughty Knights' in the LRC every Thursday from 3.10 – 3.45 pm. We are hoping to get enough players together to enter the UK Schools' Chess Challenge, so please come along and join us.

The object in chess is to checkmate your opponent's King.

Checkmate, or just "mate" occurs when a king is attacked and the king cannot escape capture on the next move.

Chess is played on a board with 64 squares set up in the following way:

The Rooks begin the game in the corners. The Knights (many beginner players call them horses) are next to the Rooks. The Bishops start next to the Knights, then the King and the Queen.

Note that white and black Queens both begin the game on squares of their colour. The white Queen begins on a white square. The black Queen begins on a black square.

At the beginning of the game, always start with a white square in the lower right corner of the chessboard.

TO BEGIN THE GAME, white moves first, and then black... taking turns until CHECKMATE, or one player RESIGNS, or both players agree to a draw.

## **BENJAMIN ZEPHANIAH - VISIT TO GIRLS' CAMPUS**

In October Benjamin Zephaniah, famous poet, novelist and film-maker returned to the classroom to face his lifelong fear of Maths. Mr Zephaniah explained to the students that he was involved with the charity Changing Faces, which supports people's fears of dealing with anyone with disfigurements. The Charity is raising awareness of dealing with fears.

Mr Zephaniah explained that he is hugely dyslexic and left school barely being able to read or write but this has not stopped him having ideas and putting them down. He is hoping to face his fears of Maths in a similar way, so that he can do with numbers what he has done with words. The Maths lesson was fantastic as the class were shown how it is relevant to everyday life and he would have loved to have been in the next lesson to learn more!







## LEARNING RESOURCES CENTRE BOYS' CAMPUS

On Thursday 6 October we officially opened our newly extended Learning Resources Centre.

The LRC was opened by two year 7 students, **Jack Semmence** and **Jordan Howard**, and the Head Boy, **Jamie Casey**. Also in attendance were all the staff

who have helped during the time the work was in progress. Mr Cowley thanked everyone involved and said that it was a fantastic facility for the students at the Gleed Boys' Campus.

During the summer term we held a competition to design a new logo for our new LRC. We had several good designs to choose from, **Nicky Andrew's** design was the overall winner (see top of this report). Nicky's design was chosen as it is very adaptable to use for signage throughout the LRC.

Now we have extra space it allows us to run other extra-curricular clubs alongside the Homework Hub. This term on Tuesday's after school there is the Gigabit Club run by Mrs Osborn, which is a computer club where the students are using animation software to create short animations with a Christmas theme. Thursday's we have the Draughty Nights' Club (chess and draughts), which Mrs Charles helps out at. Both clubs have spaces available, so please encourage your son to take advantage of these. As it is leading up to Christmas we have given the students the chance to make their own Christmas cards in the Craft Club being held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays leading up to the end of term. This club is proving to be very popular; the intention is to run a similar club when it is the time of year for Valentine's, Mothering Sunday and Easter. Thanks go to Mrs Hurford for providing a lot of the materials and her "know how" and to the rest of the staff who help out at these clubs.

Please encourage your sons to attend the Homework Hub Club where they receive help with their homework and that all important drink and biscuit to keep the brain power going!

On behalf of the school I must thank all students, parents, friends and staff for collecting the Let's Grow Morrisons vouchers of which we have collected 1549. The BTEC

Horticultural group will be receiving new forks and rakes in the New Year.

Have an enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

**L Gibbons**  
**Learning Resources Centre Manager**



## Rowing Festival at Spalding High School

Three teams of year 7, 8 and 9 students took part in this year's Rowing Festival at Spalding High School.

The results were excellent, with the Year 9 students winning **1<sup>st</sup> place in the 4 minutes relay and also 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 1000 metre relay**. Beth Prowting was the first to row and was able to get ahead of the Bourne Grammar School Boys' team.

The Year 9 team consisted of Beth Prowting, Cara Leak, Kathryn Rainsley and Lauren Doades, who all rowed to victory in both events. Well done to these students.

The Year 8 team also rowed to victory taking **2<sup>nd</sup> place in both the 3 minute relay and the 1000 metre relay**. Well done to Zoe Herd, Chloe Goodliffe, Chloe Pamham and Imogen Plows.

The Year 7 team also did very well as it was their first time in a rowing competition and they came **2<sup>nd</sup> in the 2 minute relay and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 1000 metres**.

Well done to Alice Gowling, Sophie Box, Lisa Bovington, Shauna Mae Howitt and Chloe-Ann Hawley.





## **Big Bike Race**

At the beginning of the Big Bike Race we had fewer than 20 pupils and staff cycling to school, as many of the students live a distance away from Glead Girls' and are required to catch the bus.

On 2 November Glead Girls' merged with Glead Boys' and became the Sir John Glead School. From here on in the school, combined with the boys were able to collate a far greater number, approximately 95 bicycles were being used as a mode of transport – this total also includes members of staff!

When speaking with the girls, and hearing the reasons for cycling to school, it was explained to me....

*"I really enjoy cycling to school as I like the exercise."*

*"My friend lives down the same street as me, so it's nice to cycle in together."*

*"It's the cheapest way for me to get to school."*

*"I've got a good bike and I like to use it."*

At Glead, as part of our Healthy Schools Campaign and primarily Physical Education, we are looking to really push cycling in school. We have links with British Cycling, who we hope will be coming back into school in the New Year to run more workshops with some of our students, which include the safety aspects, different skills and fitness aspects of cycling as a sport.

What a fabulous way to keep fit, stay healthy and take part in a fun and exciting competitive opportunity against other Lincolnshire Schools.....

A big Well Done to everybody!!

**Miss Bray**



## Year 7 and 8 Netball Squad

As the season draws to its half way point and the days become shorter, fixtures are on hold until the New Year. Members of both the squads have made the decision to continue training and working on their team's performance, critiquing where necessary, to ensure a good standard of netball is played on match days, and wins are created!



The year 8 squad have had a difficult task in getting their team training and being able to convert the high standard of game play at these sessions, on to the court when competing - this is largely due to injuries. Morale within the team is high and the introduction of new players is helping the team grow. It is hoped that with continued dedication and a little bit of luck that the girls are able to start claiming the wins that they deserve!

The newly formed year 7 team has a rotation of 10 squad members, all of whom are dedicated and together play some lovely netball. The standard of the team has allowed the girls to claim victories over The Peele and The Deepings so far this season, narrowly missing out against U.A. Holbeach. Congratulations girls! Keep it up!

After the festive period the girls will be concentrating on boosting their fitness in order to give them an edge over the likes of Bourne Academy, Bourne Grammar and Spalding High, all of whom we face in the second stage of the season.

Thank you to all staff and student supporters who have been out to watch the girls play and given them an extra cheer!!  
Well Done to ALL players in both squads.

***Miss Bray***



### VISIT TO DUXFORD AIR MUSEUM & AMERICAN CEMETERY

Year 9 students visited Duxford Air Museum and the American Cemetery. Duxford was really interesting because we saw the war aeroplanes and sat in a pilot's seat. There were also science experiments associated with air. We saw the simulation of the trenches, which was very realistic because of the noise of gun shot and the smell of the filthy

trenches and enemy fire. Everywhere you looked there were canons pointing at you.

The American Cemetery was very peaceful with rows of white crosses. Overall it was a very interesting day and everyone learned a lot.

***By Amy Wantling and Emma Delve***



## **CONCEPT 2 PRIZE ROWING TRIP**

On Tuesday 1 November the Year 9 rowing team and the Sixth Form rowing team were heading for London because for a year we had been competing in an internet rowing competition, which we won, thanks to all the encouragement of Ms Halifax.



When we were in London we had a great time taking part in an Olympic based workshop doing different activities like choosing diets for Olympic rowers, having a go on some rowing machines the normal way, then the old fashioned way, which was not using the sliding seat as when they first started rowing there were no sliding seats— we found out that this was very hard! We also had to try to label a picture of a rowing boat.

Then we had a go at breathing into a tube and seeing how big our lung capacity was. We also measured each other's arm span and our height and if our arm span was longer than our height, we would be a good rower.

We then had a chance to walk round the rowing museum and take some photos. We all found it very interesting. There were several boats there that had been used in the Olympics.

After we had a bit of lunch we went for a walk to Henley Regatta and had two tours that took us around the place and we were all shocked by the size of it. We then met some Olympians and we got their autographs. We saw some rowers setting off in the river and saw some amazing views from Henley regatta.

Once our tour had finished we were all given a free calendar with all the rowers on it.

We would all like to say a massive thank you to the teachers who took us there: Ms Halifax, Mrs Gray, Miss Asher and Ms Saines because we had such a fantastic time. It was a once in a life time opportunity.

*By Beth Prowting, 9 Ruby*



## **GIRLS' CAMPUS - PE Uniform**

Following the change of uniform we are aware that girls only have the school tracksuits to wear for PE. With the colder weather now beginning to bite, we have decided to allow girls to wear a plain black sweatshirt for outdoor lessons. This must be plain with no lettering.



**Students not taking part in PE:** we understand that there are occasions when girls are unable to participate due to feeling unwell or with minor injuries. However, we feel that on these occasions they can still develop other valuable skills – coaching, leading warm-ups (communication, leadership, problem solving. etc.) and umpiring (learning rules and gaining a better understanding of the game).

For this we ask that students wear PE kit to look professional in their mini teaching role. They will not physically participate but are asked to explore other PE related opportunities in lessons. We hope that through this inclusion in lessons, physical and personal skills can be developed.

## **THE WORLD KARATE CHAPIONSHIPS**

The World Karate Championships held in Spain was an amazing experience. Everyone was so friendly and welcoming. It was a 'one in a million' experience. I competed in the Junior Girls' Korean Style and the Team Forms. There were 14 competitors in the first and 16 in the second. I didn't get placed but was impressed at the level of talent displayed by the competitors and gained a much better understanding of how tightly the judges mark on technique with specific reference to punching and stance. I am hoping to compete again in two years time and have more time to build experience so I can represent my country again in the future.



***By Charlotte Newson***

The experience of the World Karate Championships was 'an eye opener'. I competed in Traditional Weapons and Traditional Forms. There were 16 competitors in each round. I was not placed but understand where I need to be to be able to compete with the most talented young people. One of the most impressive moves I saw was the competitor who threw spinning bows in the air, completed some back flips and then caught the spinning bows! The experience was totally inspiring and has made me want to enter different categories such as freestyle weapons. It has inspired me and I am currently focusing on the qualifying rounds taking place in January 2012. My aim is to be selected so I can represent my country in Canada at the World Championships in 2012.

***By Hollie Thomas***



## **LINCOLNSHIRE SCHOOLS' FLOOR & VAULT COMPETITION**



On Sunday 4 December the Sir John Gleed Gymnastic team took part in the Lincolnshire Schools' Floor and Vault competition in Grantham. We left school at 8.00 am and by 8.15 am we heard those immortal words "Are we there yet!"

When we arrived at Grantham it was lovely to meet up with other gymnasts who we have made friends with over the years. There were 12 schools competing and 124 gymnasts taking part in the competition, which produced a very high standard.

The results are as follows:

**Under 13 Girls Team:** Megan Robinson-Green, Cora-Lee Johnson, Tyler-Mae Harker, Amy Loveridge and Laura Delve were placed 3<sup>rd</sup> and bronze medals winners - a fantastic results as 2 of the competitors are novice gymnasts. Laura had an exceptional day, winning the individual gold medal and gaining the highest score of the day.

**Under 16 Girls Team:** Emma Coddington, Sophie Crowson, Teghan-Kae Mills, Codie Coyle and Mandana Mir Javadi were placed 3<sup>rd</sup> and bronze medal winners - another fantastic results as 3 of the team are novice gymnasts. Emma once again performed brilliantly, winning the individual silver medal and the highest vault score of the day.

**Under 19 Girls Team:** Sammy-Jo Henshaw, Emma Hisee, Ellie-Mae Stokes, Zoe Gilliatt and Emma Gregory were placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and silver medal winners - again another fantastic result as all the team are novice gymnasts. Zoe put in an excellent performance, winning the individual silver medal.

As what is now our tradition after a competition, we enjoyed our team "tea" at Mc Donalds, where the girls were able to relax and enjoy each other's company, - it was a lovely end to the day.

*"I couldn't have asked any more of these gymnasts, they all performed brilliantly and I was very proud of them, the results don't give a realistic result of their performance. The girls have put an awful lot of time and effort into their training. I would like to once again thank all parents for their continued support, as without this we would not be able to compete at such a high level".*

**Mrs Ringrose**





## **BTEC SUCCESS - BOYS' CAMPUS**

The Year 11 students from last year gained excellent BTEC First Diploma results. All students achieved a Pass with many qualifying for the Merit and Distinction Awards, which are the equivalent to 4 x Bs and 4 x A\*s at GCSE respectively.

The Year 10 cohort also achieved excellent results with many qualifying for the First Diploma as well as completing the First Certificate. Lots of the boys are spending this year trying to enhance their grade from Pass to Merit or Distinction. Well done to both groups!



## **EXTRA CURRICULAR**

The PE Department continue to run an extensive extra curricular programme for our boys to take part in. Clubs include Football, Basketball, Rugby, Cross Country and Benchball. Our boys compete in the South Lincolnshire section of the Football and Basketball leagues and all teams have started the season well. We have also entered the Boston Rugby Club Floodlight League again with our Year 8/9 and Year 10/11 teams. Both teams have shown great commitment to training and matches which will hopefully help them in their games. As always all the boys that have represented the school have done so with commitment, enthusiasm and a great deal of effort.

A closely contested Year 7 Form Benchball was eventually won by 7MD. The Year 8 Form Basketball is currently halfway through with all teams in with a shout of winning.



## NORWICH CITY TRIPS

On Tuesday 27 September, Mr Billinghamurst, Mr Wilmot and Mrs Ditchburn took a minibus full of pupils to see the Premier League Reserve fixture between Norwich City and Manchester United.

The boys fully enjoyed the experience and even got the autographs of Republic of Ireland International Wesley Hoolahan and USA International Zak Whitbread! The game was an exciting 4-2 victory to United, which pleased Mr Wilmot, Mrs Ditchburn and **Ryan Vernon**! The boys as always were a credit to the school.



Saturday 19 November 2011 will live in the memory of the KS3 6-a-side Football Squad. As part of the City Sixes Scheme our boys had the opportunity to play on the hallowed turf of Carrow Road before the recent televised Premier League fixture between Norwich City and Arsenal. The boys played brilliantly in a 2-2 draw with Old Buckingham School, **Thomas Hebblewhite** giving us the lead and **Jonathan Lockie** equalising towards the end of the game. **George Bowden** made some important saves during the game and the defence was marshalled well by **Sandijs Jonans**, **Alan Baxter** and **Jake Earth**.

**Joseph Stevens** and **Lewis Harker** passed the ball well in midfield and Joshua Stevenson was always a willing runner up front. All in all a great team performance! During the game the Year 9 boys, accompanied by Mrs Watt, met some of the Norwich City 1<sup>st</sup> Team players and got their autographs. They did wait for the Arsenal players but they got straight off the bus and ignored them!

### NORWICH CITY TRIPS (CONTINUED)

After the 6-a-side, via the Norwich City Club Shop, the boys watched the Premier League fixture between Norwich and Arsenal and even made it on live television! It was a most enjoyable day (apart from the Norwich score), in which we received a special mention from the Norwich City Staff in praise of our boys' behaviour, commitment and quality of the football they played. Well done to all involved and thanks to Mrs Watt for giving up her Saturday to accompany us.



### 70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY FOOTBALL MATCH

As part of the Gleed Schools' 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Year 11 Football Team (including evergreens Mr Lakin and Mr Billinghamurst) took on a team of Gleed "Old Boys" mainly made up of Post 16 Students. A close game ended 0-0 so the game went to penalties to see who would be triumphant. The shoot-out went into sudden death in which a Gleed Old Boy's penalty hitting the post gave the Year 11 Team the victory and the Gleed World Cup Trophy for a year. Well done to all boys (and teachers) involved.



## ROYAL MARINES

We have had the Royal Marines Career Team in twice this term. The first was a presentation about life in the Marines and Royal Navy and the second a Physical Training session where the boys were put through their paces in order to compare their fitness to what is expected in the forces.



Both events were of benefit for our boys thinking about a career in the forces when they leave us and gave them more information that they may need when making a decision of which force to join. It also showed our boys that they must work in a team and also the levels of fitness they need. Well done to the boys that lasted the distance!





**TERM DATES  
AND HOLIDAYS  
2011/2012**

**Spring Term 3 2012**

Wednesday 4 January - Friday 10 February  
2012

**Spring Holiday 2012**

Monday 13 February - Friday 17 February  
2012

**Spring Term 4 2012**

Monday 20 February - Friday 30 March  
2012

**Easter Holiday 2012**

Monday 2 April - Monday 16 April 2012

**Summer Term 5 2012**

Tuesday 17 April - Friday 1 June 2012

**May Day**

Monday 7 May 2012

**Late Spring Holiday 2012**

Monday 4 June - Friday 8 June 2012

**Summer Term 6 2012**

Monday 11 June - Thursday 19 July 2012

**TERM DATES  
AND HOLIDAYS  
2012/2013**

**Autumn Term 1 2012**

Wednesday 5 September - Thursday 25  
October 2012

**Autumn Holiday 2012**

Friday 26 October - Friday 2 November  
2012

**Autumn Term 2 2012**

Monday 5 November - Friday 21  
December 2012

**Christmas Holiday 2012/13**

Monday 24 December 2012 - Monday 7 Jan-  
uary 2013

**Spring Term 3 2013**

Tuesday 8 January - Friday 15 February  
2013

**Spring Holiday 2013**

Monday 18 February - Friday 22 February  
2013

**Spring Term 4 2013**

Monday 25 February - Wednesday  
27 March 2013

**Easter Holiday 2013**

Thursday 28 March - Friday 12 April 2013

**Summer Term 5 2013**

Monday 15 April - Friday 24 May 2013

**May Day**

Monday 6 May

**Late Spring Holiday 2013**

Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May 2013

**Summer Term 6 2013**

Monday 3 June - Tuesday 23 July 2013

**!! IMPORTANT !!**

School ends at 1 pm on the last day of term, Friday 16 December, when school contract coaches will collect the students at this time (except for Cropley Coaches—parents have been notified of this). Service buses will run at the normal times.

**As the Canteen will close after break on that day, students who have Free School Meals must collect their lunch at break time.**

Have an enjoyable holiday—college begins again for students on Wednesday 4 January 2012—(Week 1 for the girls).





