Behaviour pts gets students on prize trail

Rewards for those who work hard and pay attention!

By Ronan Hughes

The Axholme Academy has introduced a brand new Rewards System.

It started at the beginning of the spring term and has already been welcomed by students.

The aim of this system is to reward students with different items as long as their behaviour and work is as expected of, or even above and beyond normal high expectations. All students were consulted about the kinds of rewards they would like to receive.

The Academy offers a number of items as prizes. Included are early lunch passes, bacon butties, high street shop vouchers, iTunes vouchers and even Microsoft points for the Xbox 360.

To be able to obtain these items points need to be earned in lesson and redeemed online on a special website. More expensive prizes will require a lot more points than the smaller things like the bacon butties.

During each lesson, students will be given 1 point. This point can either be saved during the lesson, or be taken away due to bad behaviour. Each week, 30 points can be earned. Nothing is given for having 30 points at the end of the week, but it is an achievement, and something to feel proud of.

I asked some students what they thought of the new rewards system, mixed opinions were given. Neve Stokoe in 8A, said that “it seems a little confusing” whereas Josh Figgitt in 8A stated that “it’s a good idea to offer prizes as rewards”.

Oliver Harte 7A, said that “it will push people and get them to work harder because the students will want the prize”.

The boys in the photo are L-R back row – Kai Cross, Jordan Neil, Reece Pashley, Morgan Taylor
Front Row – L-R Zee Day, Harry Wright & Ben Watson

Find out what these boys are up to on page 14
Ellie Fowler, who is only 11, enjoys driving in her car, which just happens to be a classic Mini. This has been Ellie’s hobby for the past six months. She found out about this sport from her older brothers Jake and Ben who do banger racing! Her brothers are not the only other members of the Fowler Boys, there are her cousins David and Sam who do it as well.

Her weekends are now taken up by her practicing and breaking up on her techniques so she can be ready for the Junior Hot Rod racing next year at Eddie Wright Speedway in Scunthorpe.

We asked Ellie about how she feels about the sport and she said “I’m really excited about racing next year. I love the adrenalin rush when I’m in my car driving at full speed across the practice field in Belton; it makes my weekends become full of excitement!”

This sport is becoming increasingly popular with people as young as 11 however Ellie is the only girl who is in her team and wants more girls to enjoy this unusual sport.
Head students explain their roles in school

By Charlotte Ellwood (Head Girl) and Henry Chafor (Head Boy)

At the start of every school year in September a new Head Boy and Head Girl are appointed. As Head Boy and Head Girl we had to organise our peers who had been given the privilege of being a Year 11 Prefect. Our role involved having to create a rota for them which informed them of where to be and when to be on duty.

This involves them maintaining discipline around the school at breaks and at lunchtime. As Head Boy and Girl we have to make sure that they are doing their jobs correctly and that they are at their duty at the correct time.

Our greatest task so far has been to aid the senior members of staff, including the principal, vice principal and assistant principal, in creating a new reward system that focused primarily on what the students want to be rewarded with and what they want to be rewarded for.

We were provided with information from other students about what they wanted as their rewards and why they should be given them. It was our job to process the information and present it to the senior members of staff.

Following this, at the beginning of the year we were involved in an assembly with Mrs Thirsk and Mrs Carter where we presented our findings; they should be given them. It was our job to process the information and present it to the senior members of staff.

In addition to this we have also been involved in showing potential teachers and parents of potential students around the Academy to show them the different areas of the school and explain how things in the Academy work.

Overall we feel privileged that we have been chosen to represent the school as Head Boy and Girl and we will continue to fulfil our role to the best of our ability for the remainder of our time at the Academy.

Hungry for justice for the third world

By Erin Fields

On Friday 26th October 2012, 10 students from Year 9 at The Axholme Academy went to John Leggott College to take part in ‘Hungry for Justice’. Hungry for Justice was all about poverty in third world countries. When we all got there we had to sign in and then went to put our bags down and go into a hall and the students from John Leggott College prepared a speech and PowerPoint for the different schools that had taken part in the day.

After the presentation students were split into 3 groups, depending on the colour of their name on the badge. After we all got sorted out into three groups we went to the first activity. The three different activities that day were a music activity, a t-shirt designing activity and how to talk to your peers about the topic we were there for. After each group had done two activities we went to lunch.

After lunch we did the third and final activity. After that we went back to the hall where we had another presentation to finish off the day.

Charlottte’s golden glories

Charlotte Geddes (Year 7) is an enthusiastic dancer. She’s won many competitions and awards throughout her eight years of dancing, since the age of four!

She’s also a four-time champion winner.

She attends The Ealand Dance Academy on a Monday and Wednesday at St Norberts.

Her teacher, Crystal, has been helping and encouraging her for all her dancing life.

We asked her a series of questions and she replied to them: “I love dancing because it’s fun and I’m good at it. I’ve never wanted to give up!”

Charlotte’s reply was: “I wanted to start dancing because I saw everyone else do it! I want to be in London shows when I am older.”

Recently, Charlotte was nominated for the Community Challenge Award at the Baths Hall on the
Taste of Viking life for Year 7

By Jessica Gorrie & Ellie Fowler

The Year 7’s went to Murton Park to find out more information on Viking life for their history project. Murton Park was perfect place for the job.

Throughout the day the student’s took part in different activities that helped them to learn. Firstly the students split up into families with one mum, one dad and the rest were their children. Next they were all taken to a hut… later they went to their activities, making pottery, protecting the village, farming and learning more about the life of a Viking whilst sitting in the realistic long house.

We asked some of the students that went to Murton park what they thought of the day.

Jack Webster said: “I enjoyed collecting the sticks with Lewis and Corey we were singing the stick song that we made up together!”

Thomas Rout thought: “I liked the farming because we got to use the shovels and really feel like we were living the Viking life.”

Danny Green said: “I enjoyed running with the spears and guarding the village with OJ (Oliver Shipman) also I liked making the pottery because we made little pots that looked like candle holders.”

Charlie Thompson said: “I enjoyed how realistic the whole place looked, it was so real and I liked guarding the village! Also I liked how the teachers had to be our slaves.”

Mainly all of the students enjoyed guarding the village. This was a very good learning experience to help the children with their first history project at The Axholme Academy.

Da Vinci provides the inspiration

By Nicole Curtis and Olly Vollans.

During the first week of term, Art students from Year 10 GCSE and BTEC groups took a trip with our art teacher, Mrs Childs to the Ferens Art Gallery, Hull for a day to study the work of Leonardo Da Vinci.

Da Vinci is best known for painting the Mona Lisa but was also an accomplished Architect, Scientist and Cartographer.

It was a good day because we learnt a whole new range of things regarding Leonardo Da Vinci. We discovered the different materials he used for art and his techniques.

It was fun and educational at the same time. All the students were involved in a workshop where they explored the techniques used by Leonardo. We then went on to look at the newly constructed exhibition of Leonardo’s work that then ended on the 20th January.

We then got to draw from primary sources using his traditional style ‘ink&scratch’. This is an age old technique which involves using ink wells and traditional pen nibs. Obviously Leonardo would have used a feather quill!

We had a choice to either use ink or chalk for our observational drawings of shells and skeletons and bone structures. We got a lot of advice on how our work looked and we were helped to progress our drawing skills using hatching and cross hatching. After we had lunch we had time to look around the whole gallery and explore the work of a range of different artists. The artists included Andy Warhol, Stanley Spencer and Lucien Freud.

We took our sketch books and produced two transcriptions of any piece of art in the entire gallery. The day was thoroughly great and educational we discovered a lot, and the whole day was a really good day because we learnt a lot whilst having fun.

London trip was a really capital idea for students

By William McCullion

Recently it was announced that The Axholme Academy’s students in Years 7, 8 & 9, would be taking part in another visit to this country’s capital city.

Like previous escapades in London, the children visiting will partake in a wide variety of activities, with a trip to the London Dungeons, a meal at the famous fast-food restaurant, McDonalds and last of all, experience the theatre version of Michael Morpurgo’s War Horse.

Kai Cross stated: “I don’t want to go on the London trip because it costs a bit too much and it’s not my sort of thing.”

Alice Mason stated “I want to go to London because it’s a really exciting place to go to and it’s got loads of things to see, as well as being able to go to the London Dungeon and to see War Horse.”

The sold out trip will take place during the summer term, alongside PGL (adventure holid -

day), So, for any of The Axholme Academy’s students who are taking part in both, you are sure to have an action packed summer term.

Theatre trip was a hit with Year 8

By Thomas Arrand

Guards! Guards! On the 16th of October there was a trip to go and see “Guards! Guards!” at the Plowright Theatre organised by Mrs Brameld for Year 8.

Parents were also given the chance to accompany their child as well. We interviewed Mrs Brameld and she said “I got a flyer about going to watch a rehearsal of a play. I thought it would be a good chance for our students to improve their literacy skills.”

It was a dress rehearsal so it was quite cheap, but was quite funny. It was all about a dragon, created by evil people, attacking and taking over a city and a group of guards trying to stop it, but failing.

In the group there is one new guard that does everything by the book even though the town has an alliance with the thieves. When the king dies they think he has no heir to the throne, but the new guard looks like he has a close connection to the king.

The play was good and very funny but because it’s was a rehearsal there were a few mistakes and the actors needed a bit of prompting.
Parents visit school as Year 7s settle down

By Sophie Walker (Year 7) and Chloe Saunders (Year 7)

Earlier on at the beginning of the school year, the fresh faced Year 7's had been at The Axholme Academy for around a month.

During this time, dozens of alterations had been made in their lives whilst getting used to life at secondary school. Because of this, the staff had organised an evening just for Year 7's and their parents.

At this evening, the teachers would be available to have an informal chat about their child’s progress and how they feel about their new school life in The Axholme Academy.

Work that had been made in lesson time had been displayed to show what had been going on. We asked a student, Elanor Roddis (Year 7) who had turned up at the evening how she felt about the event, she quotes, “I was really nervous, I didn’t know what my parents and the teachers were going to say about me. I wanted to make a good impression – if you get what I mean. Talking to the teachers informally was in a way, quite intimidating.”

At the end of the evening the parents were asked to fill out a questionnaire about their opinions on the evening, here are a few opinions:

“This is more like it! A more traditional ‘parents evening’ type of event that allows parent to meet the people who actually teach their child.”

“A lovely evening, nice to put faces to the names with both students and teachers. I am very pleased with The Axholme Academy.”

But of course, there will always be something to improve on, and next year the teachers and students will work even harder to make it an even more informative evening.

We think it’s definitely true that our new beginners are ready for the next 5 years, here at The Axholme Academy.

New caterers give diner a healthy buzz

By Bethany Cowlbeck and Evie Drury

The school has recently changed catering to Accuro, so the students have healthier choices of food including salad and pasta pots, stone baked pizza and strawberry granola.

Mark Skillicom is the new chef, he is restaurant trained and wants to make the food as healthy as possible for the students.

Nick Thompson is the new Area Manager; his job is to go where the company are catering and make sure everything runs smoothly. He told us that they have certain guidelines to follow when making the menu, and that they wanted to make it as nice as possible for the students. They have lots of ideas to make the school meals interesting and they’ve kept the prices the same, so the meals aren’t too expensive.

Charlotte Biscoe (8L) and Holly Dowson (8B) have school dinners so we asked them what they thought.

Charlotte said, “The food is nice, and I especially like the stone baked pizza. There have been a lot of changes to make the food healthier but I think it’s very nice.”

Holly disagreed though: “The food is alright but I prefer the other caterers because everything has salad in it and we’re being forced to eat healthily. I think some people will like it but not everyone.”

Carol Brelsford is a dinner lady.

She said, “Although the food is very different it looks very nice.” She tells us that she has tried some of the food and that it’s delicious.

“The food looks nicer than before and is very fresh, although some students won’t like the salad.” She also reminded us that meals deals haven’t changed much but large sandwiches aren’t included.

Hopefully, the new catering will be the healthier choice and it will have a positive effect on the students so they embrace the change, and might begin to concentrate more in lesson and improve their behaviour.

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By Bethany Cowlbeck

Academy opening evening

By Bethany Cowlbeck and Evie Drury

In late September, The Axholme Academy held an open evening, so primary school children in the area and their parents could visit the school, to see what we do and ask staff and students questions. Students at the academy and their parents could also visit later on. Helpful students from the Axholme Academy had volunteered to show the children and parents what it was like by helping out in their favourite lessons.

Laura Cowlbeck (8A) and Megan Arrowsmith (8A) helped in the maths department. They said that it was lots of fun showing pupils and their parents what our maths lessons are like. They helped the pupils with some number puzzles and weaving. Megan and Laura got a prize, which was a pen and a puzzle cube, for helping in the maths department as the teachers were very impressed with their assistance.

Jay Johnson (8A) assisted Mrs Brameld in the English department where she spoke to lots of Primary school children about doing the spelling bee.

Jay said: “It was really fun in the English department and I felt really important as I got picked, especially by Mrs Brameld. I helped pupils play on the spelling games on the computer and tried to encourage them to read more books.”

Men Brameld spoke to us about the open evening, saying that it was a success and that Jay Johnson was especially helpful. She also said: “One of my main jobs on the evening was to speak to parents about what we do in the English department. I encouraged the pupils to use the laptops so they could experience the Spelling Bee games on the Times Website. I also tried to encourage students and pupils to read more books. Next year we will be showing people our new accelerated reading scheme.”

Shannon Oxberry (7B) and Adele McClean (7B) also went to the open evening. They helped Miss Larkman in ICT and said they enjoyed it a lot and found it fun. They got to speak to other parents and they said it was a great experience as they got to see what other classes were doing. They would do it again next year.

The open evening was a success and many parents and pupils enjoyed it. The help from students from The Axholme Academy was much appreciated.
Donna Nook visit seals students’ interest in wild life

By Oliver Harte

The Vocational group in Year 10 were completing a unit of work that was to sketch natural forms at the seaside. The group went to Donna Nook to photograph the seals and pups that come to that area each year at the end of November and December.

Donna Nook is a natural nature reserve about 15 miles south of Cleethorpes. Here, every year, seals come from the Arctic to give birth to their pups. Donna Nook is one of three places in the world where seals do this, so we are lucky to have this place so close to us. Every year in late autumn, 3-500 seals come to give birth to their pups.

Mrs Sanderson, a teaching assistant, had already been and knew that it was the perfect place for a trip to help with this topic. Only 6 Year 10 students, Mr Croot and Mrs Sanderson went on the trip.

Stephen Johnson, who went on the trip, said “It made me happy seeing all the seal pups. I was glad I went because you have to go at the right time of year to be able to see the pups.”

All of the students had a great time. They also enjoyed fish and chips on Cleethorpes sea front. It sounds like a great day out!

TWAM goes off with a bang

By Alice Mason & Anna Lawton

Twam stands for “Tools with a Mission” and it helps those who don’t have the everyday things that we take for granted.

To give you an idea of what TWAM is about the website quotes “Tools with a Mission enables people to earn a living and to support themselves. In many countries of the world people have few skills, little education and no means of earning a living. A switch from aid dependency to self-sufficiency is impossible without help.”

TWAM started twenty seven years ago, and has since then provided this help by collecting and refurbishing tools and equipment no longer required in the UK and sending them overseas.”

We then interviewed Mr Sellars who told us, “TWAM stands for Tools with a Mission. Last summer I went to Africa and I visited a school with very little resources. The students were keen to have resources and when we were clearing out books in the school library, that we no longer needed, I decided that instead of letting the books go to waste, there may be a way to get them to Africa. I asked the other teachers if they knew of any organisations and Mr Croot (Technology teacher) told me about TWAM. I contacted a teacher that I knew worked in the company who sent volunteers to the school and they collected the books to send to Africa.”

When asked what TWAM does, Mr Sellars replied, “Twam collects books and tools and fixes them so that they are in good condition to go to Africa. I think that the children in Africa will benefit because it can help their education and help them start a business.”

Out of the booklet we found a quote from a woman who had help from TWAM. She said “I thanked TWAM for having provided our organisation with tools because I have acquired good skills which have helped me to earn a living to manage school fees for my children.”

People who are interested in helping can get a booklet with forms and a DVD in. To help raise money for TWAM, you could run a marathon and choose TWAM as your chosen charity.

Just press for all about Axholme

By Ben Watson

All you need to know about The Axholme Academy is available at the touch of a button.

The school’s new website is rammed with information and news of all the Academy’s progress, results, visits, sports and photos.

It is one of the new developments at the school which has just celebrated its first birthday as an academy.

Principal Mr Sellars said the first year had been busy and produced some outstanding results. He said “It has been a really busy year as an academy. We changed the uniform, created a new logo and have a new vision and mission. The academy status has enabled us to raise bids to the Government and we have received £226,000 which is being used to replace the old windows, install a new boiler and build new roofing during February. We have also installed new lighting.”

He added: “The independence it has given us has helped create opportunities to get involved with groups and organisations away from the school. All these have helped benefit students.”

The Academy celebrated its best results with 99 per cent gaining five or more GCSEs at A to C grade.

A sensational total of 76 per cent gained maths GCSE at A to C grade and there were 87 per cent of students making expected progress in maths and 75 per cent in English.

“I am delighted with the GCSE results we have had. We have come second in the whole of North Lincolnshire for maths and the valued added scores for the school are great. We have used this success to kick on to better things.”

“We are supporting Year 11s to get the best out of them.”

The academy has also been given the opportunity and freedom to choose their caterer, rather than it being controlled by the authority. The signs for the school have been updated to fit the school’s new status.

Check out www.theaxholmeacademy.com
By Anna Lawton and Alice Mason

Year 8 says bonjour to French GCSEs

Sets 8A and 8B are doing their French GCSE’s two years earlier than expected. The Y8’s are sitting many speaking, writing and listening mock exams to prepare them for the big days, but what they don’t realise is how close the big days really are!

They are facing two pieces of speaking coursework, two pieces of writing coursework, and one reading and listening exam at the end of Year 9’s. It was generally a good day and everyone who attended enjoyed it. We will be repeating this next year.

By Zee Day and Ben Watson

Primary’s puppet fun

Our Partner Primary schools have been attending the Axholme Academy on a Monday afternoon to create a film using puppets since September.

The schools include Crowle, Redness, Eastoft, Luddington & Garthorpe, Althorpe & Keadby and St Norbert’s Catholic Primary.

They were asked to create a film on sports; however, because of the recent Olympics they could have free rein over the choice of sport as long as the sport was an Olympic event.

On the first week they learned about the story board process of filming and scripting. Then on the second week they made their puppets. Finally, on the third and fourth week they used the equipment and the information they had learnt over the past weeks, to create their short films!

We interviewed Hayley Drayton the school Media Technician and she said “I would definitely do this again because it teaches planning and organisation”.

Mrs Winter has won the plaudits of her students in ICT.

By Oliver Mason, William McCullion and Kai Cross.

Our new recruit to play key role in ICT suite

Mrs Winter, the Head of ICT, started her new role at the beginning of January 2013.

She has settled in and is ready to teach the students of The Axholme Academy. When interviewed Mrs Winter said, “the thing that drew me to the post was how smart and nice this community school came across, and I think The Axholme Academy is fantastic and excellent so far.”

Mrs Winter also said “I know it sounds funny but I actually wanted to be a fire fighter at first, now teaching is my passion. Settling in was easy, it shows that I belong at The Axholme Academy; I originally came from Melior school in Scunthorpe.

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We also asked two Year 7’s in her ICT group, Jack Harrison and Cara Poole what they thought of their new teacher in this subject, Cara Poole said: “She’s really friendly but firm when she needs to be, she trusts us and that’s what makes her a great teacher.”

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Bouled over by fun in Academy’s culture day

Students at The Axholme Academy have said Hola and Bonjour to the world of European Languages.

An exciting international celebration of the languages of Europe was held at the school. The students that participated included the Year 7’s, who were given language passports.

Year 8’s took part in a bookmark competition with their brilliantly themed designs. Year 9’s competed in a poetry competition in French.

Pupils from our Partner Primary schools took part and joined in with the fun alongside the Year 10’s, who ran the event. It is an annual event that has been held here since 2002, when we first found out about it and began to take part in it.

Primary schools gathered in the afternoon for an hour and a half and did boules, bookmarks, lotto (French bingo), counting to ten, and a geographical quiz and learnt the flags of Europe. Everybody that took part enjoyed it and it was a great afternoon.

Mrs Hall said: “I try to get people involved and to have a bit of fun.”

Little preparation was needed because everything was ready from last year but the Year 10’s needed prep to understand what they needed to do.

Crowle Primary, St Norberts and Eastoft took part. It was generally a good day and everyone who attended enjoyed it. We will be repeating this next year.

By Anna Lawton and Alice Mason

We then asked her what made them make the decision to do the tests early, she replied “To try to give as many students as possible the chance to achieve part of their options in KS4.”

Ellie Johnson from 8B said “It will help us in the future because it will open up new options.” Marcus Zincke from 8A said “It gives us an extra step ahead in our education. It will help us in the future because it gives us more options.”

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Digital delight in photo competition

Here is just a small selection of photographs for our annual Photography Competition which is now in its fourth year and once again we were not disappointed with the entries we received.

We have four different categories each with a winner & runner-up prize.

The categories are:
- Key Stage 3 students (Years 7, 8 & 9)
- Key Stage 4 students (Years 10 & 11)
- Staff
- Community

For the second year running we were lucky enough to have some local photography companies supporting the competition. Tom Dennis Imaging, Lancham Street, Scunthorpe kindly donated 4 -20"x30" canvas prints (worth £80 each) for the winners & 4 –20”x16” prints (worth £40 each) for the runners-up.

Max Spielmann, High Street, Scunthorpe also supported us by donating 8 -10” x 8” canvasses.

We have also been fortunate to have The Axholme Camera Club supporting the competition by providing two workshops after school. Simon Knight took the first workshop ‘Practical Photography’ – Understanding your camera and Allan Rowsell took the second workshop ‘Using photoshop to improve your images’.

Judges:
- Mr Allan Rowsell (The Axholme Camera Club)
- Miss Hayley Drayton (Media Arts Technician)
- Mrs A Cox (Media Arts Project Co-ordinator)

Mrs Cox (Media Arts Project Co-ordinator) would just like to thank everyone that took part, the standard was very high and the judging proved very difficult. I look forward to receiving even more entries next year.

English Countryside at its most beautiful: Rosemarie Jones

Regent’s Park Canal in London: Carol Hall

Breakwater on Norfolk Coast: Geoff Walker

View Of Humber Bridge From A Hellicopter Trip: Chloe Neal

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Students get snap happy

By Harry Barlow

Photography was first introduced to school when students were given the opportunity to take part in the photography competition where they could enter their own photographs. This gave the students the motivation needed for them to participate.

In order to widen our horizons, Mrs Clode decided to take our Year 10 GCSE and BTEC students out to Crowle for the morning of the 16th February 2013 to further and develop our understanding about capturing a good image. During the trip we visited certain areas of Crowle such as the market place and the Church grounds, giving our students a chance to take some excellent photographs which we went on to enter in the Schools Photography Competition.

As you can see the school was quite involved with photography. As a result of this, our Principal, Mr Sellars received an email from Chairman Roberts, the Vice Chair of the Axholme Camera Club complimenting the school on its brilliant photographic achievements. The Axholme Camera Club offered their support and expertise and became involved in two Photography workshops which was open to the Community and students at school.

The workshop took place on the 15th November involving the Year 10 GCSE and BTEC students which was led by Mr Simon Knight - a member of the Axholme Camera Club. He took us through the steps of using a camera starting with the basics then leading to more complex ideas about cameras and going into details about the lens, aperture, flash and viewfinder after that he gave us the chance to try and capture some photos within the classroom. I asked one student's opinion on the workshop Jack Baines, Year 10 who said "It was nice to finally understand the complex parts of a camera and have knowledge of what certain parts are used for."

After the success of the first workshop, we were offered the opportunity to participate in a second Photography workshop with Mr Allan Roswell, also a member of the Axholme Camera Club. The workshop taught the students how to edit their photographs increasing the quality and altering the images. This was very beneficial to our students and contributed to their knowledge of camera skills. I asked for an opinion on the workshop from Euan Todd. "The workshop was a good experience and it taught us how to alter the contrast and light to better the image. It also helped us understand how to edit photos and to alter their size."

Due to the many factors and opportunities the school and the Axholme Camera Club has given, our students have now got a much better understanding of cameras editing and have developed their skills, not just understanding but also practically.

Simon Knight from the Axholme Camera Club showing our Y10 students how to get the best from their camera.

By Victoria Smith

Film Reviews

The Woman in Black

Director: James Watkins
Release date: 3/2/12
Genre: psychological/supernatural horror-thriller.

Plot:
A young lawyer travels to a remote village where he discovers the frightful ghost of a scorned woman who is terrorizing the locals and foreshadowing the death of children. The ral thriller was only turned into a film in 2012.

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By Charlie Newman

Film Reviews

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Director: Michel Hazanavicius
Genre: Romantic and Drama
Certificate: 12A

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I think that this film is different to other films set during this time period as even though the Wall Street crash plays a large part in George Valentin’s downfall, it is not the whole storyline of the film. I found that this made the film more realistic as it is not the whole storyline of the film. I found that this made the film more realistic as it is not the whole storyline of the film. I found that this made the film more realistic as it is not the whole storyline of the film. I found that this made the film more realistic as it is not the whole storyline of the film.
Scrumptious way to raise money

Students stirred up funds to help support Macmillan nurses.

More than £700 was raised during a coffee morning in aid of the special community nurses.

Students baked cakes, buns and various other treats for others to enjoy.

The popular choice on the table was a jammy-dodger cake made by year seven student Talia Jollands.

She said: “I like baking and helping charities.

“The Macmillan coffee morning was something different to get involved in.”

Mrs O’Callaghan arranged the event because she thought it was a good idea. She said: “The amount of cakes and buns the school received was colossal.

“The community got involved and parents and grandparents came along.”

Oliver Harte, a year seven student, took part in the event.

He said: “It was good, there were loads of different cakes and everyone did their bit for charity.”

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Wearing their jeans, students help raise money for Genetic Disorders UK

More than £300.00 has been raised for a national charity after students dug deep into their jeans pocket.

Children from The Axholme Academy took part in Jeans for Genes Day, helping to raise money for Genetic Disorders UK.

The charity aims to support children with genetic disorders, as over 30,000 babies are affected each year.

As part of their fundraising, students were encouraged to wear their jeans for a day in school and donate £1 to the cause – their commitment to this saw £348 raised in total.

Charlotte Smith, 13, a year eight student, said: “The Jeans for Genes event was a good day and I am glad to have supported it.

“I thought it was a good way to spend £1 as it is going to a good cause.”

Ellie Johnson, 12, a year eight student, said: “The charity is worth supporting.

“I enjoyed the day as I didn’t have to wear my school uniform.”

Lily Goodwin, 11, a year seven student, said: “I think Genetic Disorders UK is a good charity because it raises money to help children.

“I enjoyed the day because it was fun and a good way to spend £1.”

Raising cash to help boost cancer care

By Sophie Haslam and Eleanor Roddis

Teachers donned their pink attire to help raise awareness and money for breast cancer.

Mr Thorpe stood out the most as he wore a bright pink shirt and pink laces.

He was keen to raise awareness of the disease.

He said: “It is an important subject because both men and women can get breast cancer.”

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Wacky students set up events for Children In Need

By Ronan Hughes and Thomas Arrand

Miss Dodge, cover supervisor at The Axholme Academy supports Children In Need
Why do the French eat snails?
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Mrs Gwyther out the fourth letter of the alphabet and she said many days do you want to be in detention?
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Why did the boy sit in front of the fire? Answer because he wanted to be a hot dog.
Rafaela Robinson & Kayleigh Wilkinson (7B) The teacher asked the boy what the first four letters of the alphabet were, so when he went home he asked his mum the first letter of the alphabet, she said “shut up, I’m cooking dinner” so the boy went to his dad, who was playing darts, and said what’s the second letter of the alphabet, and he said “180!” So the boy went to his brother, who was watching TV, and he said “NA NA NA NA Batman”. Then he went to his sister to find out the fourth letter of the alphabet and she said “driving in my bumper car”.
The next day the teacher asked the boy what the first letter of the alphabet was, and he said “shut up, I’m cooking dinner” Then she said “how many days do you want to be in detention?” then he said “180!!”. The teacher asked “Who do you think you’re talking to?” The boy replied “NANANANANANA BATMAN!!!” Then the teacher said “How do you think you’re going to get out of this?”
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Megan Arrowsmith (8a) A cowboy rides in to town on Friday and stays for three days and leaves on Friday, how does he do it Answer- his horse was called Friday!!!
Kathryn Stocker (8a) I was walking to St. Ives and I saw a man with 7 wives, who had 7 kids with 7 dogs, how many were walking to St. Ives? Answer- 777!!!
Francesca Potterton (8b) What’s a chicken’s favourite TV programme? The feather forecast!!! What do you get if you cross a dinosaur with a pig? Answer- Jurassic pork
Lauren Hall (8A) What do you call a chav in a cupboard? Answer- in a cabinet? Sorted: “No, I sorted it!”
Why did the squirrel swim on its back? To keep its nuts dry.
Shandrel Hawksworth (8b)- Knock knock Who’s there? Irish man Irish man who? Finished you
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Quiz Kids - If you had £250 to spend what would you buy?

Talla: “Part of my money I’d spend on my family, the rest on Clothes and food for me!”
Jiordan: “I’d get clothes, clothes and spend some on my little sister and get sweets for her!”
Evie: “I would get a tablet, any tablet, with a pink case”
Bethany: “I’d get an iPad!”
Francesca: “I would get archery lessons!”
Charlie: “I’d get horse equipment, like a new saddle!”

The Axholme Academy Aspire & Achieve
Games and films

Reviews
Name- FIFA 13 Age rating-7+ Genre-Sport
Review-This year’s new FIFA game is an outstanding football game, the graphics are fantastic, the controls are easy to master, the AI (Artificial Intelligence) controls the NPCs) realistic and the multiplayer is amazing. However, some minor glitches hold it back and there are not many new features, but because these foibles are so small, it is easy to forget about them. By William McCullion
Star rating- (5 stars)

Name-Minecraft Age rating-7-9 Genre- Role Playing Game, indie
Review-Minecraft is a very simple experience, you build and craft and survive. The game consists of two modes, the first is Survival, in this mode your objective is to survive and build. The second is Creative mode, because the world of Minecraft’s building materials are in limited supply, in Survival it can be difficult to build colossal structures, that is where Creative mode comes in, with infinite blocks to build with. There are some problems with Minecraft though, first, the PC and Mac versions lack a tutorial making Minecraft rather user unfriendly. On the Xbox version there are a few fewer problems, the first being that numerous features from the original game aren’t there, with a lack of certain blocks and some weird bugs arise. One problem that appears in both versions is the fact that the graphics are very basic, with the world made out of just blocks and the character design, for both you and the NPCs is very basic. Despite these problems Minecraft is an exciting, imaginative game and an almost essential purchase for Xbox 360, PC or Mac. By William McCullion
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Wordsearch scramble

By Anna Lawton & Alice Mason

Jokes and riddles by the girls

Ben Watson and Zoe Day
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HINT- Tennis Equipment
WDONEDEFAFRE
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Students at The Axholme Academy have been riding to the top thanks to the facilities at Crowle Skate Park.

The park on Godnow Road regularly attracts around 20 young people.

Recently, around Crowle and the surrounding area, a new generation of kids are taking up BMXing and similar sports.

A group of teenagers have formed a team that hopes to climb to the top of the BMXing world.

Ben Watson said: “We have filmed each other doing tricks on our bikes and enjoy putting them on YouTube. We want to show that it shouldn’t be associated with crime and generally getting up to no good and that it is a sport that should be widely respected.

“We just want to have fun and enjoy the sport for what it is, because it’s our passion and what we love. We just want to show that it is an Olympic sport and we aim to be the best we can.”

Zee and I are members of this group and we ride at Crowle Skate Park and local areas.

“We look for the best spots and film what we do, using the environment to have fun and generally enjoy what we love doing. Harry Wright, one of our best riders, commented on his experience with the team. “It’s my passion, I feel an adrenaline rush when I ride and it makes me really happy when I learn something new. We never give up and if we try hard over the next few years, we could get somewhere and get noticed by the world. That is what we want.”

“We are sponsored by a small shop in Hull that sells bikes.”

“We have a website and we are taking this seriously, we really want to get somewhere with this and we want to keep trying to be the best we can. Other members include Kai Cross, Caiden Tate, Morgan Taylor, Jordan Neill and Reece Pashley.”

We asked Miss Downs (PE Teacher) for a comment and this is what she had to say: “As an Academy we like to encourage all forms of physical activity and BMXing is a great way to keep active! The boys seem to be taking their passion very seriously and we hope this drive for success will continue!”

Check out www.YouTube.com and type in 2012FreestyleBMX.

Students at The Axholme Academy proudly wrapped up their Christmas Concert.

Plans are already being made for the 2013 Christmas concert.

There was wide range of entertainment from students and staff alike, including festive songs and a medley of not so festive songs. There were refreshments on offer and a raffle available to win a Christmas hamper.

Students worked hard to pull this off and many had been taking instrumental lessons to practise and perfect their performances. A band also played to compliment the performances of the students. The band was made up of GCSE Music students Kyle Murphy, John Dunstan, Connor Edwards and Ollie Vollans.

Many songs were sung and performed during the concert such as Let It Snow. All I want for Christmas, Away in a manger, Silent Night and Imagine.

Mr Clarke directed the performance with Miss Collins, who did the sound and light. Hayley also played a part in the production of the concert.

Jay Johnson performed a solo and many other students took part. They made the concert complete with festive fun as well for good measure.

That’s a wrap and loads of festive fun as well for good measure

The Axholme Academy gets into the Christmas spirit!

By Sophie Walker and Chloe Saunders

Christmas kicked off at The Axholme Academy on the 5th December when our R.E teacher Mr Wayte volunteered to have his beard shaved off to leave a comical mopstache.

Throughout November he had let his beard grow, and it had become quite a bushy sight! Crowda gathered to see Mr Wayne, as he sat on stage, waiting to lose his beard. And who would shave it? Mrs Wright! She shaved Mr Wayne’s facial hair to perfection, and the aftermath was hilarious! We asked Mr Wayne what she honestly thinks of her husbands new look, she said, “It’s horrible! But it’s for a good cause – it’s just hair.”

Downstairs turned to the Christmas Fayre, along with amazing stalls, with the lucky dip, cake sales, and raffles. But this magical evening wouldn’t have been possible without the form tutors and their volunteers on their stalls.

Mr Cotter’s form set up a challenging ‘Play your cards right’ stall, the prize being luscious Thornton’s chocolates. ‘Play your cards right’, for those who don’t know, is a set of three playing cards, you turn over one and you have to guess whether the next card in value is higher or lower. Jessica Gorrie (Year 7) and her mum won on that stall, correctly guessing 8 cards.

Jessica gave her opinion on the night, saying, “It was good fun and we had a close number of 135, when the precise number was 136! I came home that evening with a huge jar of sweets, enough to last him a very long time. He said, “I really enjoyed it first I won a huge jar of sweets, I was one off guessing the actual amount of sweets inside the jar. Also, the cracker challenge was so hilarious watching people stuff cream crackers into their faces just for a measly £5.00, but it was cool!”

The whole event raised an amazing £856.00.

By Ben Watson and Zee Day

Daniel Carter is a boy in Year 8 with a talent for fishing.

He fishes with his Dad and enjoys the sport.

Recently, he has been competing and fishing with the Scunthorpe Police Angling Club and has been noticed as an up and coming fisherman in the area.

He has entered various matches and did very well in them. He fishes for roach, pike, carp and numerous other fish found in this unique locality.

He took up the sport at the age of three and hasn’t given up.

He commented “I started fishing at the age of three. My dad takes me in his car to Messingham Sands and I also go to Keadby Canal. I do course fishing mostly. Once, I caught a fish that was 15B 2oz!”

Miss Downs (PE Teacher) said “We have a lot of very keen fishers within our Academy, Mr Sennett included, and we often take trips to the Police pond ourselves to practice and compete against other schools in various competitions.

So we wish Daniel lots of luck in the future and hopefully he’ll be competing for The Axholme Academy soon.”

By Anna Lawton and Alice Mason

When the Crowle Christmas lights were shown not many people knew what was going on behind the scenes. Y10s Oliver Vollans and Jack Barnes took the photos.

On 1st of December two Axholme Academy students took pictures of all the entertainment there.

Mrs Da Costa, the secretary of the Crowle Christmas Light committee, sent a letter of her thanks to the boys and Mrs. Cox for all their efforts. She said the photos were “Fabulous and they will be used for representing the success of the event. The photos captured the spirit of the event. We hope that they found the experience rewarding and that it helps towards their GCSE coursework.”

Mrs Childs, who chose the boys, said “I chose them because Jack was a latecomer to the group and he was enthusiastic for photography and Oliver was too, and they both wanted to prove their interest and dedication. I would most definitely pick them again because they did an excellent job and this was confirmed through a letter received from Mrs Da Costa.”

She also said “I think it will help them in their GCSE coursework because it gave them confidence to use their skills outside the classroom and it made them aware of the different opportunities of art outside of school.”
‘Goal fest’ took our girls through to hockey semis

The Axholme Academy Year 8 girls hockey team reached the semi finals in a schools tournament which turned into a goal fest.

They scored 15 goals at the event at Winterton School. Their opponents of the tournament were Brumby, Winterton, Vale and St Lawrence Academy. Georgia (The captain) thought her team was really strong as a side which included Charlie Thompson, Chloe Hunter, Courtney Wills, Bethany Connor, Sinead Bramhill, Neve Stokoe, Lauren Hall and Kathryn Stocker. The first game was against Winterton Comprehensive the score was 4-0 to the Axholme Academy, the next game was against Vale but this ended in a 0-0 draw. The next game was an amazing team effort and beat St Lawrence 7-0 and last but not least they played Brumby and also won this 4-0. Because of their amazing effort that day they played in the semi-final against St Lawrence Academy and everyone thought it was going to be a draw but in the last minute of play St Lawrence stole a goal from a short corner.

Golden opportunity for students

At the beginning of the new school year, students from The Axholme Academy were beginning their fabulous trip to the Paralympics. It was a warm, clear day and in the early morning, we left Crowle and began our long journey to the Olympic Park.

We arrived sleepily at the grounds, the stadium towering above us and landmarks that we had seen on the TV were amazingly close. Supporters that had travelled for hundreds of miles to see their teams flooded the area. We were having great fun!

Daniel Carter, Year 8, also went on the trip. He said: “It was inspiring. I had lots of fun and it was a great day! It was a once in a lifetime experience! I will remember it forever!”

Georgia Green said “I was really proud and it is something we will probably never experience again. I loved every moment.”

We watched wheelchair tennis, which was fantastic because we saw the final and then the medal ceremony. We watched wheelchair rugby and football in the hockey stadium which was especially good to watch. In between events we had time to take pictures and buy souvenirs. Mr Sellars, Miss Downs, Miss Harrison and Mrs O’Callaghan all went on the fantastic journey. We loved every moment and will treasure it forever!!!

Zee Day strikes again in mini-tourney

By Oliver Mason and Kai Cross

At the beginning of November Year 8 boys went to an exciting mini hockey tournament hoping to seek victory at Winterton School.

The Axholme Academy took both their hockey teams to the tournaments, to give them more of a chance to get through to the quarter finals. But as soon as they got there, everyone started to feel the cold as the temperature was just above freezing but they were not going to let the cold beat them. The hockey teams that played in the tournaments were:

The Axholme Academy first and second teams, Saint Bedes and Trinity Academy.

This was going to be a great experience for both Axholme Academy teams to show their amazing talent.

The first game for the Axholme Academy first team was against their rivals the Axholme Academy second team.

As both teams got ready and started to warm up the captains (Ben Watson team one and Joseph Gracey for team two), noticed the teams were feeling the pressure.

Marcus Zincke achieving a clean sheet.

Sinead Bramhill is one of the hidden talents of Year 8, riding proudly for the Alkborough Reds and a local Pony Club.

She enjoys the sport and wants to carry on doing what she enjoys.

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Miss Downs (PE Teacher) said: “Sinead comes from a family of horse riders, her sister Laura used this sport as part of her GCSE grade a few years ago and we hope that Sinead will do the same in the future.

It’s a great way to keep fit and she seems to have great success in competitions in the process, well done Sinead!”

She has been noticed as a great talent and has high hopes for the future.

As you can see she has had a lot of success and she hopes to carry on winning and doing well. We wish her good luck for the National Championships in April this year!
So near, yet so far for footy lads

By Adam Major

"We got one goal back to make it 2-1 and right at the end we took a shot and it was on the line when the referee blew the whistle for full time.

"We complained to the referee but he wouldn’t have it. We got ROBBED!"

Here’s what Danny Green (the captain) said: “We performed well and got back to defend as well and because I’m in the captain I told everyone where to go and where to defend and they listened to me first time so well done to the team.

"It was cold and wet so good on the team for not moaning because of it."

Well done to the team.

Danny Green (Capt), Cory Jollands.

Pupils from our partner schools participated in an Athletics competition at The Axholme Academy. The schools that took part were Althorpe and Keadby, St Norbert’s, Crowle Primary, Eastoft Primary and Luddington and Garthorpe.

By Marisa Lee and Rachel Capstick

Both boys and girls participated in: 1and 2 Lap individual running races, 1 and 2 Lap Hurdles, 2x3 Lap Distance Relay, 4x1 Lap Sprint Relay, 4x1 Lap Hurdle Relay, Mixed Relay, Long Jump, Vertical Jump, Seated Throw, Chest Push, Javelin, Speed Bounce and Hi-stepper.

Overall Althorpe and Keadby claimed the win with 312 points!

Consultant Physical Education students from our partner schools also helped out with the event, which made it a great success.

In second place was Eastoft with 212 points! In third place came Crowle Primary with 204 points. In fourth place St Norbert’s with 194 points and Luddington and Garthorpe with 128 points.

All year 10 BTEC and GCSE Physical Education students were inspired by the event and will spread their enthusiasm for sport to their younger peers.

County champs grab racquet

By Oliver Mason and Kai Cross

Four girls from The Axholme Academy went to St Marys College in Hull to play table tennis in a county match.

Miss Downs (P.E teacher) had faith in the girls to seek victory. Georgie Green, Courtney Wills, Bethany Connor and Sinead Branhill went on to try to win at St Mary’s College and become first in the county.

The other team they went against was St Mary’s College and unfortunately two other teams dropped out. But the tournament still went on.

Sinead Branhill said “all of our team was very good and I was very proud of everyone also it was a great experience and we are now first in Humber county”.

As the girls came first they qualified to play in Billingham in the Zonal final last month, and they played against other zones such as Cumbria.

The teams they played were Joseph Swan School, Thornaby School and Downside School.

As the four girls went on to the tournament, they had more talent to spare.

As they battled to win the end result was 4th out of the whole zone. But they played really well as they were on fire but sadly the road ended there.

Our breathtaking cross-country experience

By Nathan Virr

The cross country is a very good way of encouraging young people to compete in other sporting events in and out of school.

At the beginning of December, many schools took part in a cross country competition at Central Park, Scunthorpe.

Students from The Axholme Academy were chosen to attend the event by taking part in trials in their games lessons. Years 7 to 10 qualified if they came in the top 10 to 13 positions. The host of the event was The Axholme Academy who launched the races and kept the score.

Emily Broadbent and Natasha Crow qualified for the next round because they came within the top 25 runners in their age group (Junior Girls). The competition involved students from all the secondary schools in the area.

This was a great opportunity for students in all the different schools to show off their athletic abilities and show what they were capable of.

Sophie Haslam, Year 7 said “The cross country was a great experience and I would love to take part again!”

We asked Tommy Foster, a Year 10 Marshal what he thought of the day, he said: “The conditions were very poor; however, the most exciting part was when I and the other marshals had to go and help a young boy from another school because he had fell over and hurt his ankle!”

We also interviewed Mr Sennett who started off all the races and asked him what he thought about the day he said "The conditions were very poor; also, it would have been better for our school (The Axholme Academy) if it was on our grounds.”