



# Alice in Wonderland



In July students from Whalley Range High School took part in an experimental performance of 'Alice in Wonderland'. The show was a 'promenade' production and took place in a number of sites around the school. The audience moved from the Bistro, following the White Rabbit into reception where they met Alice who led them into the main hall and through 'Wonderland'. The production was a collaboration between all departments in the DCP faculty. Drama and dance students took on the challenge of bringing the characters from the story to life, while music students created and performed the musical interludes. In the Art and DT departments students helped to create the set for the Queen of Hearts garden and the 'Tweedles' while in Food Technology the students whipped up a tasty selection of jam tarts and cakes for the audience to enjoy.

Finally who could forget the AMAZING Tweedle Dum and Tweedle Dee characters made by Mr Eagleton and Miss Sutcliffe, for our audience to capture their own 'Alice' moment on camera!

Alice in Wonderland was a truly unforgettable experience for all involved!



*"The school makes an outstanding contribution to the welfare of its students by challenging unfair practices that they might encounter outside school. As a result, students feel that the school helps them to keep safe." Ofsted 2012*

## THE CLASS OF 1971 A SPECIAL VISIT FROM AN EX-PUPIL

Beverly Singh attended our school from September 1967 – April 1971 and now lives in Canada. Whilst on a recent visit to Manchester she dropped by to remember her school days and to see what's changed. "I am truly proud of being a former student of Whalley Range High School, fondly referred to as Whalley High.

*I recall the high academic standards set by the school. I also remember the high expectations that went along with wearing the school uniform. It was important that you conducted yourself properly whether on or off school property.*

Wow, to come back to the school after all these years, and to walk through the halls of my childhood memories, it was truly wonderful. With all the additions, the school is so much larger than when I attended. The new areas are very nice and modern and have brought the school into the 21st Century. I was very impressed with the radio station. I really liked that the school 'Houses' are now named after influential women around the world. After the tour, on my way back to the hotel I truly felt special and honoured. I would like to thank Ms Kane and her staff for allowing me to tour the school, it was a wonderful experience."



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WHALLEY RANGE 11-18 HIGH SCHOOL  
A Specialist College for Business, Enterprise & Sport



# Partnership NEWS



## APP DESIGN AWARD WINNERS!

Our proud students are presented with the award by BBC Newsround presenter, Joe Tidy.



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WINTER 2012

## WELCOME FROM YOUR HEADTEACHER

*"Whalley Range is going from strength to strength."*  
Ofsted 2012.

It was lovely to have the quality of education at our school recognised in our recent Ofsted report. This magazine captures just some of the incredible range of opportunities taken up by our students each term. Our school prepares our young women to face the future with confidence and with the skills they need to thrive and lead. We are very proud of all they achieve and we hope you are too. Enjoy this issue and we hope you continue to support our school. Let me finally take this opportunity to wish you a peaceful holiday season and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year 2013.



## THE CO-OPERATIVE IDENTITY MARK



Whalley Range 11-18 High School has been lucky enough to be selected to be part of the pilot group for the Co-operative Identity Mark. During the Summer Term staff across the school worked hard to put together a file of evidence for the award. The Co-operative Identity Mark provides a framework to help schools determine the extent to which they put co-operative values into practice. It also helps capture information about the benefit the school provides to the wider community. The Mark addresses key areas of the school's work, focusing particularly on governance, curriculum, pedagogy, staff development and community engagement.



On 12th June, Jacky Davies, Trust Co-ordinator at Whalley Range 11-18 High School, visited Birches Head High School in Stoke on Trent along with a member of staff from Fountains Primary, Burton on Trent and an externally trained assessor. They spent the day talking to staff, students and members of the local community as part of their assessment process. Then on 15th June it was Whalley Range 11-18 High School's turn. 2 members of staff from Royds Hall School in Huddersfield, along with the external assessor spent the day at the school. The feedback was fantastic! And, after a wait, we were awarded the Co-operative Identity Mark, graded at Developing.

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*"Students are polite, courteous and keen to learn. They show great pride in their school and their behaviour is exemplary."* Ofsted 2012

## 25 YEARS SERVICE AWARD



Councillor Afzal Khan, Executive Lead for Children's Services and Jenny Andrews, Deputy Director of Children's Services, came into school to present a long service award to Mrs Lomax our Head of Sixth Form. Mrs Lomax had to miss the official ceremony at the Town Hall due to our recent Ofsted inspection. The City

likes to celebrate teachers who have given valuable service to the children of Manchester and Mrs Lomax is in her 25th year, an incredible achievement! Cllr. Khan enjoyed a tour of the school and was interviewed by students for Range Radio.



## CAREERS NEWS

So far this year we have had visits from a number of organisations such as: Skills Solutions to talk about Apprenticeships, Salford College, and we have the National Westminster Bank coming in January. This is to ensure that our students think about their future careers or alternatively to think about taking part in volunteering either on a long term basis or for one-off events.

## VOLUNTEERING AT WHALLEY RANGE

Some of our Sixth Form students have helped to raise funds for the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital recently by collecting money in local Tesco stores. Year 11 students have signed up to Manchester Giants, helping out at all their home matches; and some have been on a course with YASP (Manchester Mind) to become a befriender for young people who are suffering from mental health issues such as anxiety and depression. All our speakers come in to talk to the students at lunchtime and these sessions are well attended.



## CONNEXIONS FOR YEAR 11 STUDENTS

The Connexions service is in school all day Monday, Tuesday mornings, and all day Thursday to meet with the Year 11 students for their one-to-one meetings. Katie Cooper and Sophie Collar are our Connexions Advisors and the students really appreciate all the help they are given. Both Katie and Sophie are also available for help during breaks and lunchtimes on the days they are in. Deleta Houghton, Connexions Assistant comes into school once a month to help students with applications for part time jobs and volunteering. **If you have any questions about the Connexions service here at Whalley Range please call Mrs. Appleby on 0161 861 9727.**



## YEAR 11 FINANCIAL LITERACY

Year 11 students sat their Maths GCSE exam at the start of November. Following this, in their maths lessons, the students have spent two weeks investigating a wide range of issues linked to financial decisions they will need to make in the near future.

Students focused on how attitudes to money affect everyday life. They looked at the costs of running a car, types and costs of car insurance and the legal side of motoring. They rated careers according to job satisfaction and salaries, learned the difference between gross and net salary and how to calculate income tax. Finally they investigated the costs of living independently and compared the cost of living in various parts of the UK. Students became aware of their own attitudes to money and that other people may feel differently.

*"Teachers have a clear idea of what students already know and plan interesting lessons that build on this knowledge."* Ofsted 2012

*"I think it has been useful as we have realised the real cost of things"*

*"the car and money information was useful as we will be dealing with it soon".*

## WRHS AWARDED TRUST STATUS

On 1st November 2010, Whalley Range 11-18 High School completed the successful move to Trust Status. We are extremely lucky to be working with some excellent partners in the Trust. Our partners, the Co-operative, Manchester Sport and Leisure Trust and The Chamber of Commerce, are all committed to working with the school to give our students the best opportunities to fully prepare them for their future. Our partners have already shown their commitment by taking part in a number of events, including careers talks covering a wide variety of roles and taking part in sessions with our Year 7 students to help raise their awareness of the range of jobs there are and increase their aspirations.

**The co-operative**

Students, staff, parents and members of the local community can now join The Trust online via our school website: follow the links for The Trust.

Our school website is available at: [www.wrhs1118.co.uk](http://www.wrhs1118.co.uk)

*If you have any questions or wish to find out more about The Trust, then please contact: Jacky Davies, Trust Co-ordinator on 0161 861 9727 Ext: 113 or email: [jda@whalleyrange.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:jda@whalleyrange.manchester.sch.uk)*



## X FACTOR STAR BRINGS JOY!

X factor superstar Amelia Lily paid a surprise visit to Whalley Range recently, performing her hit singles to a select group of students as a reward for 100% attendance and exemplary behaviour. Kicking off with debut single 'You Bring Me Joy,' Lily showcased the voice that helped her finish third in the 2011 series of X Factor. The Middlesbrough born star also answered questions from the students, revealing all about her life at school and what has motivated her to succeed. Many thanks to Amelia for coming in and we hope to see her again soon.



## RANGE RADIO IS BACK!

We're excited to announce the re-launch of Range Radio! All Houses in school will be recording a show each half-term, including their favourite tracks, the latest house news and some very exciting interviews. These are entirely planned and voiced by the students and sound fantastic.

You can find all of the shows online at:  
[www.rangeradio.co.uk](http://www.rangeradio.co.uk)

Also follow Range Radio on twitter:

**@Range\_Radio**

Just send in your requests here and we'll make sure they get played!



*"Behaviour around school and in lessons is frequently outstanding."* Ofsted 2012



## KEY 103 BUS - KEEP BRITAIN TIDY

The Key 103 bus paid a visit to our school this term, giving students a chance to take part in the Keep Britain Tidy project. Learning about environmental issues in this country, the students got the chance to record a radio advert and enter this into a competition alongside 7 other Manchester schools. Well done to all who took part and thanks to Key 103 for coming in.



## WRHS SUPPORTS KEY 103's MISSION CHRISTMAS!

It's an unbelievable statistic but 1 in 3 children in Manchester live in poverty. That means that this Christmas 150,000 children across our city will go without a toy or gift. Local radio station Key 103 have launched an appeal entitled 'Mission Christmas'. In support of this staff at Whalley Range are being asked to buy one extra present this year - something suitable for a child or young person aged 0 to 18 years. Once the new and unwrapped toys have been collected Mrs Bailey will be taking them to one of the Key 103 drop-off points in Manchester City Centre. The toys will then be given to children who would otherwise have gone without a present this year. If you can support this appeal please do!



# World Languages Faculty



## URDU LANGUAGE AND EID CELEBRATION

On Monday 19th November World Languages leaders organised an activity for students to come and learn about Pakistan and the festival of Eid. The Leaders gave a presentation on famous landmarks of Pakistan and how Eid is celebrated, as well as the culture of Pakistan, including traditional clothes and foods. Students who attended also wrote their names in Urdu, and these will be displayed in school. Finally, some students had Henna patterns on their hands. The activity was a success, with many students attending. Thank you to all those who took part!



## EL DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

The World Languages Leaders held an activity to celebrate El Dia de los Muertos – the Day of the Dead. El Dia de los Muertos is celebrated on the 1st of November in Mexico, and throughout South America and Spain. It involves remembering deceased relatives and friends by decorating their graves with candles and flowers. The festival is based around happy memories of the person who passed away with the main symbol being the skull, which is presented in different ways such as masks, chocolates and cakes.



Students enjoyed making masks in celebration of the festival, which are displayed in the World Languages area. Thank you to all those who took part and helped make it a success! Listen out for notices about other events run by the World Languages Leaders.



## SCIENCE CLUB IS BACK WITH A "BIG BANG" OF EXPERIMENTS!

As a member of the Science club, students have the opportunity to explore Science further. They conduct different interesting experiments which stimulate their interest in Science and improve their knowledge, understanding and application of scientific concepts. Regular attendance to the Science club also develops interpersonal skills such as commitment, confidence, team work, leadership and social skills. Science Club is open to all students in Year 7. Everyone with an interest in Science is invited. The club is hosted by Sixth Form science students and science teachers.



*I love science club we are always making something or doing something fun. Not only do we make invisible ink, slime and ice-cream, we also make things explode!* Lois Clements - Year 7

Science Club meets every Thursday lunchtime from 1:15pm - 1:50pm in room BO29. Be there!



## INTERNATIONAL CO-OP EXPO AT MANCHESTER CENTRAL

We were lucky enough to be invited to the International Co-op Expo at Manchester Central in October. A group of students from Years 8, 9 and 10 participated in a range of exciting workshops and activities including filming and editing using Final Cut Pro, performing a news report on global co-operatives, woodcraft games and even ice cream tasting!



The students learnt a great deal about co-operatives around the world and how the co-operative values that we use in and around school are appreciated by so many other people. We are looking forward to being involved with other Co-operative activities during the year, including the Co-op Film Festival 2013 where we will be submitting music videos.

### The co-operative

## WHALLEY RANGE WINS THE BBC DESIGN AN APP COMPETITION!



Six Year 9 students from Whalley Range were invited to participate in a Design an App competition at the BBC. Sixteen other schools from the North West also attended the competition. The students were put through several tasks and asked to present their idea for a mobile App in front of a Dragons Den style line-up.



*"The whole day was outstanding and fun. We were so overwhelmed when we won."* Shruti Khanal

## National Cipher Challenge 2012

Students in Years 9 and 10 have been competing in the National Cipher Challenge, run by the University of Southampton. The competition has 8 challenges for students to complete over a 3 month period and encourages students to learn about different methods of code breaking.

We are just over half way through this year's competition and the Purple Stallionz team (Alishba Chohan, Jessica Ta, Tasnia Meah and Moshtaha Afana) are currently joint first nationally, with over 1000 teams taking part. This is an amazing achievement and we are very proud of them.

Good luck to all the teams for the remaining 3 challenges.

After some fantastic work and presentations the students anxiously waited to hear the decision that they had managed to beat off some stiff competition to win. Professor Brian Cox (pictured above) who presented the award was amongst many dignitaries present. The students performed amazingly well and were a real credit to the school. **The students who took part were:**

**Minahil Jabeen, Shruti Khanal, Chelsey McCorkell, Deniz Koncagul, Aleyshea Dar and Ayesha Munir.**



## ENGLISH & COMMUNICATIONS faculty

### ACCELERATED READER

After last year's success with Accelerated Reader, we have now decided to run the program across all of KS3. So far this year, on average, all students have raised their reading age by four months within a two month period across KS3. Students enjoy quiet reading time, paired/shared reading time and the opportunity of having others listen to them read independently. Students also have the opportunity to broaden their vocabulary knowledge and they are tested on a regular basis. It is a particularly accessible method of learning for students who are learning English as an additional language. Accelerated Reader welcomes any feedback that students may have about the program via students' teachers.



*"Students' achievement in Key Stages 3 and 4 is outstanding."* Ofsted 2012

### CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

We have recently launched a Creative Writing Club for Years 7-9 in the English Department. Since Halloween we have been exploring all things Gothic in preparation for some spooky story writing. With plenty of inspiration from recent fiction and film - from Harry Potter to the Woman in Black - we have started to develop characters, settings and storylines for our own work. By the end of the year we hope to release an anthology of fantastic stories, poems and articles.

As there will be a range of writing workshops held this year, the Creative Writing Club are always on the lookout for new members. There will be plenty of competitions to enter throughout the year for any budding writers.

## WRHS HOSTS DEBATE MATE 2012



September marked the launch of Debatermate at Whalley Range. Twelve schools from the surrounding area visited the school to enable the team to showcase their debating skills through a variety of current affairs students. This involved several members of last year's debating team alongside university students who are acting as mentors to the programme. The setup of the night consisted of a trial debate to give the students insight into the skills they will learn over the coming thirteen weeks. This was followed by a questioning and commenting session from the various schools on the floor. The night was a fantastic success sparking great enthusiasm and engagement from all students involved.

Since then Debatermate has become increasingly popular across all year groups with a record turnout to our after school sessions. These sessions are accompanied by the university mentors and will become increasingly more student-led as the term progresses. The tutors engage the students in a variety of debating activities, designed to broaden their opinions on modern day issues within society. Furthermore, this opportunity not only enhances their learning within other subjects but also allows them to have a great deal of fun with their peers.

Students from last year's team have recently had the opportunity to visit Westminster Abbey and exhibit the skills and knowledge they have developed over the previous year. This is testament to how hard they have worked through their dedication and commitment to the team. They have made excellent and rapid progress in such a short timescale, displaying a lot of confidence in themselves and their ability to spontaneously adapt to any debating situation. This is a particularly promising prospect for this year's intake.



## ENTERPRISE MARKET HALL

Business is brisk in G207 on a Monday Lunchtime. Students have the opportunity to come along and sell unwanted gifts, books, cds or anything that they can create themselves, such as jewellery. Students pay 20p for their 'stall', which goes to charity, and get to keep the profit that they make! We have some serious young business women who come every week and over the year make themselves a nice profit! Students can earn a bronze, silver or gold Enterprise Badge depending on the number of times they run a stall.

So, if you think you have what it takes, come along to the Enterprise Market Hall on Monday Lunchtime in Room G207. You may make some money or pick up a bargain!



Business & Enterprise College

## YOUNG ENTERPRISE

Young Enterprise recently came into to school to launch their Company Programme to a group of Year 12 students. These specially selected students have the opportunity to set up their own business and trade! The students have had to think hard about their own personal skills in order to allocate job roles such as Managing Director, Finance, Marketing, Human Resources and many more! They are really looking forward to getting their business off the ground – just one small hurdle to overcome, deciding on a product or service to sell! Students will have support from Young Enterprise along with extra help from Steven Oliver, a volunteer mentor from Barclays Bank. Mrs Davies, Enterprise Co-ordinator, will also be supporting the students during the process, meeting on a weekly basis with both them and Mr Oliver to check on progress and help with brainstorming ideas.

Look out for a new stall at the Enterprise Market Hall when their business is up and running!



## INCLUSION faculty

### YEAR 11 'GLITTER GIFTS' Makes Profits for Charity

Thanks to everyone who supported the Glitter Gifts business by buying jewellery made by the Year 11 Maths group. All the hard work and enthusiasm shown by the five students resulted in a fantastic profit of £68.30p to be shared between their two chosen charities.



Laura, Ruqiya, Zainab, Hafsa and Zahra were happy to send cheques for £34.15p each to Cancer Research UK and to the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.

Well done to the "Glitter Gifts" Board of Directors!



## MANCHESTER YOUTH COUNCIL ELECTION

Halima Javed is currently Chairperson of the WRHS School Council and on December 11th 2012 was elected by her peers to represent the youth of Manchester as a member of The Manchester Youth Council. She will attend regular meetings at the Town Hall where she will be involved in various discussions and actions concerning young people. This is a great achievement and we look forward to an update in the next edition of Partnership News in Spring.



## TRANSITION to Whalley Range a positive experience

### SHARED READING

Once again our Year 7 Transition Leaders are rolling out our programme of 'Shared Reading' to our local primary schools.



During our weekly sessions we hear on average around 40 young people reading. It is a great feeling watching our young readers grow in confidence knowing that we are doing a little to help them on their way to becoming confident and accomplished readers. As always we have been very well received by the students and their teachers and everyone is enjoying the experience. We've listened to stories by the authors Allen Ahlberg, Enid Blyton, Roald Dahl, Anne Fine and Terry Pratchett to name but a few.



### TRANSITION LEADERS

A big Well Done and Congratulations to our newly appointed Transition Leaders. The students chosen were smart in appearance, polite, considerate, thoughtful, enthusiastic and above all passionate about being a student here at Whalley Range 11-18 High School. The girls are keen to share that enthusiasm with prospective students.



### PRIMARY ENTERPRISE CHALLENGE CUP

Wednesday 28th November saw the arrival of the Primary Enterprise Challenge Cup! Teams of pupils from St Marys C of E Primary, St Margaret's C of E Primary, Manley Park Primary & Chorlton Park Primary schools all joined us for a Team Building Challenge. The children were all given a piece of card, 20 craft straws, 15 sheets of paper, sellotape and scissors. The Challenge - to build the highest free standing tower that they could!

Mr Gerry Luczka, from Impact Enterprise, then went on to issue the main challenge of the day. The Year 6 pupils had to create their own Rock/Pop Band including all the promotional and marketing material needed for a concert at the Manchester Arena. There were lots of skills on display including co-operation, communication, teamwork and creativity. The winners were St Margaret's C of E Primary!



"Students appreciate very much the fact that they can turn to the school for help when they face problems in their lives." Ofsted 2012

### WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF SOFTPOTS

Over recent weeks pupils at Chorlton Park, St. Margaret's and Oswald Road primary schools have been introduced to the wonderful world of Softpots. So what are Softpots? Basically they are handmade fabric plant containers which are made to be used indoors or out. Making the pots has been great fun. They can be made in any shape and you can decorate them in your own individual way. The pots that have been made over recent weeks have been planted up with daffodil bulbs for a bright flash of colour in the spring. So what are the Softpots made of? Surprisingly just a pair of old tights, gravel, soil and a creative mind.

So, if you fancy trying your hand at making one come to Room A1/35 for an instruction booklet and some practical help. Go on give it a go!



## WHALLEY RANGE SPORTS STARS OF THE FUTURE

Although we offer a wide range of activities in PE during lessons, extra-curricular clubs and through specialist coaching, it is always pleasing to see our students take up sports in their own time using their own resources. Whether inspired by the recent London 2012 Olympics, encouraged by their friends or peers or identified by their teachers and coaches, WRHS students have always been eager to continue their love for sport and physical challenge by attending out of school clubs. Here we would like to acknowledge some of them.

**SARAH WATSON IN YEAR 8** attended and competes for the Mary Walsh School of Irish Dancing. She has competed in many competitions and is competing at an intermediate level. She also competed within the schools inter-house dance competition and came second.



**AZARIA EDWARDS IN YEAR 11** is a new member of the Velodrome Cycling Club, inspired by the London 2012 Olympics and showing great potential to be another North West cycling star.

**NGOZI DUNN IN YEAR 7** is a member of Trafford athletics club; she has been attending their training session and has competed for the club within the Greater Manchester sports hall competitions.



**LAURA RAWLINS IN YEAR 11** is a member of the Trafford Athletics Club, attending training on Monday and Thursday evenings at Longford Park. Laura has won many medals for the club. Her proudest moment was winning a Gold Medal in the 1500m at the Disability Sport Event; April 2012 (aged 15)



**ZALIKA WILLIAMS** in Year 8 started athletics when she was in Year 7. She decided that she would join the local athletics club Trafford Athletics. Since joining the club within the last 12 months she has developed skills in a number of events. She has competed for Trafford within many events including long jump and high jump and gained exceptional personal bests of 4.43m in the long jump and 1.40m in the high jump. With these results Zalika is now ranked 7th and 8th in the North West for these two events in her age group. Well done Zalika keep up the hard work!



Due to an excellent turn out from Year 9s and 11s to practice we now have two KS4 basketball teams. One is a Year 9 team who are competing excellently against Year 11s in many matches.

The first team for KS4 made up of Year 11s and some Year 10s and have had an excellent start in the league and are also currently unbeaten. They have had the following results:

**Beat Trinity 18 - 6 Beat Loreto 16 - 0 Beat Parrs Wood 42 - 8**



**HANNAH JACKSON IN YEAR 11** attends Agecroft Rowing Club in Salford and has competed in U16's competitions across the country. She has also had the brilliant opportunity of meeting one of her heroes, Sir Steve Redgrave.

## YEAR 7 ATHLETICS

Well done to the Year 7s that participated in the Manchester Schools Indoor Athletics competition and came 5th place overall. The students participated with great endeavour and their potential for future events looks good.

The results from the girls are as follows:  
**60m A - Ngozi Dunn 9.13 secs**  
**60m B - Sheneeza Ramdyal 9.41 secs**  
**High Jump - Ava Micklewright - 1.10m**  
**Long Jump - Khia Lee - 3.43m**  
**200m - Gan Sriphaithum - 36.70 secs**  
**Shot Putt - Jade Rose - 5.00m**  
**800m - Amy McNulty - 3.12 mins**

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS VIDEO

Miss Brown would like to thank Sports Leaders who have helped to complete an Extra-Curricular video for all sports clubs we have on offer at WRHS during lunch and after school. Special thanks goes to Nafeesa Khan, Imani Waite, Halima Javed and Penny Wampamba for their extra contributions and help with making and promoting this video. This video can be seen on the WRHS website under the parent section then go to extra-curricular. For more information on what PE Clubs are available to you please see a member of the PE Department who will be happy to help.



## SCHOOL GAMES CREW CONFERENCE

15 Sports Leaders attended the School Games Crew Conference at the De Vere Whites hotel in Bolton. During the conference students discussed jobs and roles they will fulfil in the school games. Students met Charlotte Hartley (pictured) - England Hockey Player and commonwealth Bronze Medalist, who described her experiences in sport throughout her career and why it was so important to be a part of the School Games Crew. Students were inspired to be the next generation of Sports Leaders after learning about what roles volunteers did throughout the London Olympics and how vital they were to the Olympic movement. Sports Leaders will be involved in a variety of sports for the whole of Manchester in the Winter and Summer School Games. Without their help these competitions would not be able to happen.



## KS3 & KS4 BASKETBALL

Both Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 Basketball teams have started the year off exceptionally well and are currently unbeaten! Years 7 and 8 teams have now played 5 matches in the Manchester School League and have had the following results:

**Beat Parrs Wood 18 - 6**  
**Beat Trinity 10 - 2**  
**Drew with Loreto 6 - 6**  
**Beat Abraham Moss 16 - 4**  
**Beat Trinity 8 - 2**



One of our largest uptake of sport outside of school is at the Amaechi Basketball Centre. Several Year 11 students attend regular training session throughout the week and have represented the Mystics Junior Club at fixtures across the North West. Their latest triumph was against Sheffield where they played alongside male competitors!

## INTER HOUSE WATT BIKE CHALLENGE

Within this challenge students had to cycle as fast as they could to complete 1000m in the fastest time possible, the results are as follows: **1st - Winfrey 2nd - Westwood 3rd - Williams Joint 4th - Radcliffe and Holmes**

Fastest time over all - Jessica Tabaszewska 100W3a (pictured)  
 Sixth Form winner - Afia Syeda SF9

