



## A Glimpse of Life After Education

Following huge success from last year, St George's Careers Department hosted a Recruitment & Apprenticeship Fair. This event saw a large range of employers visiting the Academy to offer practical advice on how to move along the career ladder by showing students what is available beyond education. Students from Year 13, who are not planning to go to university, had a chance to look at apprenticeships as well as have face-to-face meetings with employers from all sectors. Over 35 different companies and organisations attended the event. Exhibitors ranged from local companies, including Tulip, Moy Park, Staples, and the Lincolnshire Co-op to national organisations such as The National Trust. There were also representatives from further education colleges, the construction, nursing and farming industries, as well as the British Armed Forces.



Miss Jarvis, who organised the fair, said, "The event was very well attended. Employers found it extremely useful and many of our students were offered either a job or an apprenticeship as a result."

**Sophie (Year 12)**

## Sport Relief: £3,377.31!

In March, the Academy participated in national fund raising by holding its annual sport relief event. The school enjoyed a fun-filled sporty week, all for charity. Sport Relief is about getting active, raising money and changing lives. This time we made it bigger than ever with a whole week of activities set up for students of all years to enjoy.

There were daily challenges enabling the staff and students to help to raise money for the fantastic charity. The students all came to school dressed in sportswear, and there were stalls set up for everyone to get involved. All the money collected was sent to charity. The fantastic range of activities included: a basketball challenge, a staff bake-off, cake stalls and many other competitions for both students and staff to participate in across both campuses.

**Archie and Ellie Year 12**



## Year 13 Final Concert



Year 13 music students performed their final concert, as part of their BTEC level 3 qualification. The theme of the night was 'Inspiration and Innovation' with outstanding performances of a variety of songs. The show featured 'Under Pressure' by Queen and 'Purple Rain' by Prince. The band put on a remarkable show, not only learning and mastering a number of performances, but also designing the theme for the night and coordinating the event's set-up. With this in mind, special thanks goes to Year 12 student Clodhna and Year 11 Stan for compering the evening. The evening was a true testament to the hard work the members of the band have put into the course throughout their time in Sixth Form. We wish them the best of luck with their results in August.

**Sophie and Beth (Year 12)** #943703

# Voice It Music Masterclass



**Kayleigh Year 12** - A group of 35 students from both Academy campuses were delighted to participate in *Voice It*, an event organised by Lincolnshire Music Service and aimed at GCSE and BTEC Music students. Students attended workshops in song writing, beatboxing and rapping as well as developing skills in connecting with an audience. For the courageous, there was a lunchtime Open Mic session. Year 9 students Emily and Evie were given the opportunity to sing with Boston Youth Jazz Orchestra, while George (Year 13) played improvised piano with Simon Bates and Harry Harris. Isabella, a Year 7 student, also played piano on the main stage at the show and tell session. They all enjoyed the experience and found the workshops really useful. Working with members of ACM (Academy of Contemporary Music) and the Boston Youth Jazz Orchestra allowed them to develop a lot of skills which will be helpful in their coursework.

# Battle of The Bands

**Charlie and Lydia (Year 12)** - As part of their Double Music course, some of our Year 12 students organised a Battle of the Bands performance for our More Able, Gifted and Talent Year 8, 9 and 10 Music Students. Each Year 12 student was a mentor for a group of students who would 'battle' against each other in their final performance. They had been working with the students since Christmas, rehearsing every Monday lunchtime. All the students worked extremely hard and the Year 12 students found them lovely to mentor. Year 12 student, Clodhna said, 'They would come in every Monday lunch with a smile on their face, raring to go.'

The final performance was a roaring success with all students very excited but also nervous. They did all their mentors, group members, friends and family proud. The scores were very close and everyone was amazing but huge congratulations to 'The Comedy Queens' who won the competition. Clodhna said, 'We are very proud of all they achieved during this project and hope that they enjoyed performing to the supportive audience. We hope that they all continue to perform in the future because they are all such talented individuals and proved that to everyone.'



# Talent Academy

Lincolnshire's NHS Talent Academy is the only one of its kind in the UK that organises and co-ordinates work experience placements, both clinical and non-clinical, within the NHS. Two St George's students who have benefitted from work experience placements are Daniella who is in Year 12, and Alice in Year 13. Alice's placement was a key factor in her receiving offers to study radiography, whilst Daniela is keen on pursuing a career in nursing, or as a paramedic.



Both students were invited to attend a reception at Lincoln County Hospital where the Chief Executive of Health Education England (Sir Keith Pearson) was looking at the range of initiatives being offered by the Talent Academy. Both Alice and Daniella spoke at length to Sir Keith, who complimented them on how articulate, intelligent and mature they were and that they were a shining example of teenagers today. St George's staff are proud of both students for being such excellent ambassadors for St George's Academy.

**Sophie (Year 12)**

## World Book Day 2018

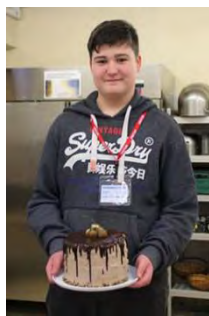
After the snow delayed our World Book Day celebrations, the Academy went all out to ensure it was the best one yet. The English Department and libraries arranged activities and competitions throughout the day. Many staff members dressed up as characters from all sorts of different books. This certainly made an interesting sight around the Academy campuses. The libraries had numerous events as well as many word searches, colouring sheets and lots of other fun activities. Fantastic displays were created around both campuses, which included staff's favourite book choices. These were a great talking point and created interest with the students. The teachers and librarians were determined to ensure the day still went ahead, despite the weather as it is essential to raise awareness of the importance of reading, as it's key to students' progress in all subjects. Their hard work certainly paid off and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day.

### Rose and Kerry (Year 12)



## Star Baker in Bake Off

Following a fantastic competition last year, Boston College held their second annual Bake Off competition. Five young bakers from across the county came together, creating their 'Show Stopper' cakes for the chance of winning the title of 'Star Baker 2018.



With this year's theme of 'Around the World' Year 9, 10 and 11 students were invited to submit their 'Show Stopper' cake ideas. Oliver took the title by putting his own unique spin on this year's theme. He used only fair trade ingredients for his mocha-inspired cake, decorated with handmade truffles. Not only did Oliver win himself an amazing £100 Rossum's voucher, along with a hamper full of baking equipment to further his baking talent, but also scooped a £500 Rossum's voucher for his school's Catering and Hospitality Department. **Charlie (Year 12)**

## Armistice poetry competition

The Armistice 100 Prize for Schools' Poetry Competition is an exciting competition with entries judged by two very famous poets: Carol Ann Duffy and Imtiaz Dharker. English teacher, Mr Lismore is co-ordinating entries from students of all year groups. The poem has to be 500 words or less.

Students were invited to write poetry about The First World War generally, the end of the hostilities or a more personal interpretation.

With the RAF being 100 years old this year, The University of Lincoln has decided to launch an international poetry competition offering a range of prizes; 1<sup>st</sup> place wins £300, 2<sup>nd</sup> wins £200 and 3<sup>rd</sup> wins £100.

### Cameron and Kerry (Year 12)



## Sixth Form Goes Global

Year 12 Geography students enjoyed a sunny day out in Lincoln as they went on a field trip to collect data on globalisation and regeneration. Students performed extremely well in gathering the information needed to support their classroom investigations. It was highlighted by the teachers (Mrs Walker and Mr Newbury) that students showed an incredible curiosity and commitment in achieving their fieldwork objectives. In addition, students were a credit to the Geography Department.

### Archie (Year 12)



# Sporting Achievements



## Netball and Football Sports Tour



A selected group of St George's Academy students attended a Netball and Football sports tour at Center Parcs Limburgse Peel in Holland. The students played against other schools, and took part in four full days of activities, including coaching sessions, matches, swimming, a disco and a visit to PSV Eindhoven.

The matches brought fantastic results; the year 9 girls' netball team won all four premierships and were crowned tour champions.

St George's student, Jess, received the 'Exceptional Player of the Tournament' award. Well done Jess! Year 10 Girls' Blue Team won 2 games and lost 2, resulting in a Premiership third place. The Year 10 White Team also won 2 and lost 2, coming third in Division 1. The boys were also placed, gaining two draws and a win which saw them finish in third place of the Premiership. St George's beat Drendron College 2-1, with Jess and Erin producing superb goals.

Overall, the trip was a huge success and the students represented St George's Academy remarkably.

**Kerry and Ellie (Year 12)**



## Other Achievements

### Regional Youth Festival

Once again, our music students took part in the Regional Music for Youth Festival at King's Lynn. The Academy's Senior Choir and Sixth Form Harmony Group both took part, with the Senior Choir performing 'Somewhere Only We Know' and 'Human', while the Harmony Group performed 'Gambling Man' and 'Run to You.'

Feedback from the festival Music Mentors was incredibly positive. They said of the 6th Form Harmony Group, "I hope you stay together after your studies, as you have a really excellent quality, some impressive individual voices and a unique blend." When asked for suggestions for development they said of the Senior Choir, "More, more, more of the same! The moves are great and you can just run with this style." Congratulations to all the performers who took part! **Sophie (Year 12)**

### BBC World News Day

On Thursday 15 March, the year 9s and a few Sixth Form students (from the Academy Media Team) were involved in the annual BBC New Report. They were tasked with collecting stories to go on the official website. One of the most exciting events of the day was the MAD (Multi-Agency Day) to learn Life Skills, which the year sevens were enjoying.

Some of the feedback we received from the year 9s about the day, was that it was "action packed, non-stop." They also commented that "to begin with, we were out of our comfort zone, but as the day went on, we were more relaxed and produced some excellent reports." They were rewarded with "BBC top of the range pens with a sleek design and professional logo (five stars)"

**Cameron and Lydia (Year 12)**