

### Winstanleylife "Keeping you up to date on all things Winstanley!"



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Spring is in the air and we are all looking forward to the summer term ahead. We congratulate Mrs Roberts on her promotion to Head of Year 7 from the start of the summer term; Miss Cooke will be available to respond to any issues that began before the Easter break, however. On the 20<sup>th</sup> April we welcome back Mrs Turner from maternity leave, and she will also take over her old tutor group in Year 10.

Comic Relief day was a wonderful event earlier this month and many staff and students enjoyed seeing Mr Higgins' legs being waxed in the sports hall. The school has raised in excess of £2,000, a school record, and testament to how staff and students have come together in aid of a common cause. We continue to work towards sourcing our Outdoor Gym and the student council have been busy visiting other sites to choose equipment.

As we prepare for having five year groups next year, we have made some staff appointments in advance. There are four appointments of people who have had a previous association with the school and who have now been taken on: Mr Dublin joins us as Interventions Coordinator and Mr Messiah as Inclusion Support Worker. Miss Hill is an additional pastoral support worker and Mr Patel, presently teaching textiles, is confirmed as cover supervisor. We welcome too Mrs Curtis as our part time communications officer. I am sure you will make all these staff feel very welcome. It is with much sadness that I report Miss Gregson, who taught part-time, has decided not to return following an illness; and we say goodbye to Miss Petra in science, who is relocating out of the area this Easter. Thanks go to the experienced Mrs Patel, who is caretaking her role.

Thanks go to Mrs Roberts and the history department for arranging a World War I Legacy Day for Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Many families in the area have relatives who gave their lives one hundred years ago as well as, I know, those who have given their lives more recently. It promises to be a special day.

And finally... our open day on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April promises to be a great occasion; all members of the community are welcome to come along.

Wishing you all a pleasant Easter break and a good start to the final term.

Mr Russell—Principal

#### **Red Nose Result!**

Hard work won through at Winstanley where the final total raised for Comic Relief on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March was a magnificent £2040.78.







#### **Hands-On History!**

Pupils in Year 7 really enjoyed their recent History lesson with Mr Napier where they got to explore the gory subject of Medieval Weapons. He gave them a vivid insight in to what weapons were used, how they were used and the horrible injuries which could be inflicted in battle.



No students were harmed during this lesson!

### Trip Helps to Bring History to Life

Some Winstanley students recently visited Newarke House Museum as part of their History Lesson. The



Museum trip helped the boys to explore a range of historical objects including famous Leicester figure Daniel Lamberts' clothes! They were surprised at the size of his trousers and jacket which two of them fitted inside.

They were moved by the exhibit about the First World War, dressed up in a typical

uniform and discovered an ancestor who was killed

by a mine during the
Flanders Campaign and
buried in a Belgian
Cemetery. It was great
preparation for our
Winstanley World War I
Legacy Day which will take
place on 16th April.



## **Inspiring Young Readers**

Year 9 student - Paulina Pranculyte has been sharing her love of reading in a collaborative project between Winstanley Community College and Caldecote Community Primary School. As part of her Duke of Edinburgh Bronze award she has been spending an hour each week with Year 5 pupils in which they share books that they enjoy and take part in group reading.

The pupils from Caldecote Community Primary School - Martyna, Rayne, Ebony and Fern really look forward to their Tuesday afternoon reading group which they have called 'Winstanley Readers'.



# Pupils Experience Eclipse!

Pupils were very excited to experience the partial solar eclipse which covered the school in eerie twilight on 20th March. It was a bright, sunny day here at Winstanley which enabled the pupils to view the eclipse with pin-hole cameras and by using a colander.





## FIRST AID COURSES



#### Saturday 18th April

Basic Life Support

10am-12.30pm £25

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Emergency First Aid

9.30am -

3.30pm £60



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#### **March/April Events**

27<sup>th</sup> Mar - Reports to Parents
16th April - World War I Legacy Day
21st April - Reward Trip/Activity
23rd April - Year 7 Subject Evening
25th April - Spring Open Day

#### **Summer Term 2015**

13<sup>th</sup> Apr - School Opens 4<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> May Half Term 10th July - End of Term

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#### SPANISH CLASSES

New Course Starting 14th April 2015
Tuesday evenings 6.45-8.15pm
10 week course £60



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