



How time has flown

We finish the year with further success and achievement for students and staff. We have been in the new building for over a year now and it still looks new – that is testament to how well the students behave and look after their new building.

During this year, in recognition of the great work we do, we have also been awarded Teaching School status. This will help us train new teachers of the future, support other schools in our area and ensure great professional development for our own teachers.

We are saying goodbye to some valued members of staff for a variety of reasons, promotion for some, retirement for others and opportunities to work abroad. We wish them all well and hope they stay in touch.

Finally, we are very proud of how hard our Year 11's have worked up to their exams and feel confident they will do well in the summer exams. We will be there to support them on results day. What is great this year is that they will be able to choose to stay on in the Aspire 6th Form College, access to 6th Form education in the North East of Derbyshire has not been available since the 1990's and it is great for our students to have this opportunity.

Julie Bloor

Executive Principal,
Shirebrook Academy

Yurt and New Build

On Friday 16th May fifty staff from Lloyds TSB descended on Shirebrook. Equipped with gardening equipment and an enthusiasm to make a difference, they arrived with an aim to erect the newly purchased Yurt and begin the planting of our orchard on the old school site. The day was beautiful, the work challenging and the fish and chips from Shirebrook chippy "the best they had ever had" according to one London banker! They really did make a difference and started the transformation of the old site to make it an eco-centre for our community. They also presented Mrs Bloor with a cheque for £600 at the end of the day and promised to return as the project progresses. They will be invited back when the project is complete to see the difference they have made.

More on this inside the newsletter.

SHIREBROOK ACADEMY

Present

GREASE

Grease is the word!

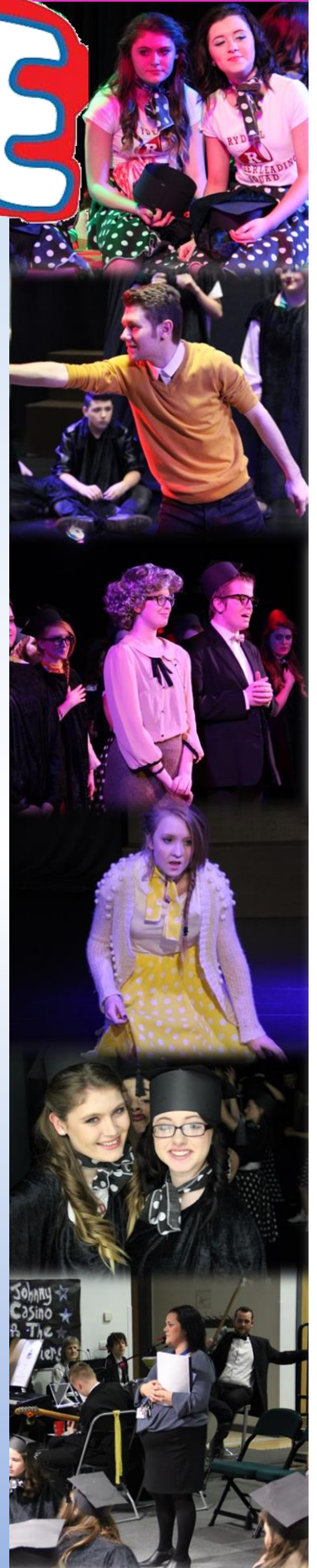
Shirebrook Academy embarked on their first ever musical production in July 2013. Auditions were held during 'Arts Week', with over 100 eager students ready to try out. Rehearsals began in September and the next 5 months were a rollercoaster ride with lots of effort to co-ordinate this massive team project; from the cast, band, crew, lighting, sound, costumes, props, set etc.

Tickets were selling well but the cast and staff involved were eager to give people a taste of what they could expect. So one Friday lunch 32 cast members took the school by storm with their flash mob performance of "We Go Together", everyone was buzzing with excitement; tickets sold before the next week was out.

Wednesday 5th February arrived and you could feel the electricity charging around the school as the hard work and anticipation of the last 5 months had been building to the dress rehearsal primary performance in the afternoon. Every second of rehearsing paid off, the primary schools loved the show and the cast and crew were eager to do it again. For the next 3 nights students performed and worked like it was for the last time, giving every ounce of themselves. On stage, back stage, before, during and after each show the atmosphere was like nothing students had ever experienced before; a new family had been born.

Audience members were floored by what they had watched and over 300 people left feedback commenting on the professionalism of the production: "epic", "incredible", "outstanding", "awe inspiring" - are just some of the words written about what they saw.

Students were full of confidence, happiness and amazing talent that surpassed even their own expectations. As many said on closing night - this has changed their lives!



DERBYSHIRE YOUTHINC

A magazine for Derbyshire teenagers is being delivered to secondary schools.

YOUTHINC magazine has been developed for young people, by young people, with the help of Derbyshire Youth Council.

The 32-page magazine has lots of useful advice about school, homework, body image and staying safe.

It also features celebrity interviews, information on b_line, the county council's bus travel and discount scheme for Derbyshire secondary school students, and a competition to win shopping vouchers.

Councillor Damien Greenhalgh, Deputy Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, said:

"This is a really exciting new magazine which has lots of useful information and contacts.

As teenagers have been heavily involved in putting it together it's designed to be just what they want and need.

We hope Derbyshire young people find it fun and helpful and let us know what they think."

A new YOUTHINC website, which ties in with the magazine, is set to go live shortly with even more information and extended celebrity interviews.

LOGO WINNERS

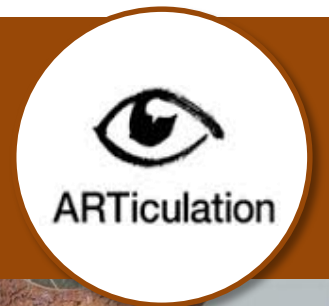
The YOUTHINC logo was developed following a countywide competition for 11 to 18 year olds.

Winners Adrienne Nursery and Chloe Frew, both students at Shirebrook Academy, won after pitching their ideas to a "dragons' den" panel which included Councillor Greenhalgh, Ian Thomas, Derbyshire County Council's Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults, Ruairidh South and Aiknaath Jain, chairs of Derbyshire Youth Council, Kaye Twomlow, Director of Derbyshire Education and Business Partnership and Geoff Heyland, headteacher at Sharley Park Community Primary School.



ARTiculation

PRIZE 2014



The ARTiculation Prize is an annual event designed to promote the appreciation and discussion of art. The competition seeks to engage students, regardless of background or experience, with art and to develop their confidence and ability to express opinions, thoughts and conclusions. Students are invited to deliver a ten minute presentation to an audience about a work of art, artefact or architecture of their choice. The final of ARTiculation Prize took place at Clare College, University of Cambridge on Saturday 1st March 2014.

Several Shirebrook Academy students attended two ARTiculation Discovery Days, held at Chatsworth House last year. They researched artefacts from the Duke of Devonshire's Estate, and along with students from six other schools, presented their findings to the Duke, and a group of art historians and university lecturers from around the country.

Lucy Salisbury, Head of Outreach for the Roche Court Educational Trust, who attended the Discovering ARTiculation Day at Chatsworth back in June, then sent invitations for our students to attend the Regional Heat of The ARTiculation Prize at The Hepworth Gallery, Yorkshire.

A number of students prepared speeches and delivered them to groups within the Academy. Narrowing the field down, six students; George McDonnell (Y9), Abigail Shevlin, Adrienne Nussey, and Courtney Parsons (Y10) with Katie Salmon and Georgina Mae Hall perfected and bravely delivered their Powerpoint presentations with speeches to a Y7 class, with three visiting African teachers, myself and Miss Miller from the art department along with Mr Croft, Associate Principal, adjudicated the performances.

Katie Salmon came first, and her prize was to deliver her speech to an audience (and television cameras) at The Hepworth Gallery in Yorkshire. All students received certificates and prizes and supported Katie at The Hepworth.

Katie delivered her speech on the American photographer Eve Arnold with clarity and confidence, despite stiff competition between seven students, mainly from sixth form colleges. Though only one student got through to the final, adjudicator, Dr Abigail Harrison- Moore, Programme Director for the MA in Art Gallery and Museum Studies, University of Leeds, complimented Katie on her speech, and commented that she loved the theme and it left her wanting to know more!

Katie gained much confidence from this experience and stated that she would definitely be entering the ARTiculation Prize next year. Let us hope to continue our success and find future public speakers to rise to the challenge that ARTiculation presents!

Pete Marshall - Head of Creative and Expressive Arts, Shirebrook Academy.



Staff from Boots HQ in Nottingham spent the day in school in March, running an Enterprise Challenge for Shirebrook Academy Y9 students. The project was supported by Young Enterprise, and was a great way for students to find out how large businesses launch new products, and develop enterprise skills of their own. Teams of students had to plan a marketing campaign for a new design of sunglasses, and present their ideas to a panel of judges. Presentations had to include the four 'P's of marketing – Product, Place, Price, and Promotion, and also promote the health benefits of wearing sunglasses.

Pictured are the winning teams with staff from Boots. Their prize is a trip to Boots HQ in May to see what goes on behind the scenes before products reach the high street shops.

young
enterprise
start something

Year 9 SUPER LEARNING



NEW...

Opening September 2014

Aspire sixth form college is still taking applications for September 2014. Students can apply to study a range of academic and vocational qualifications across the Aspire group (Shirebrook Academy, Heritage High School, the Bolsover Academy, Springwell Community College) whilst still receiving pastoral support from their home school. Speak to Mrs Skelton or Mrs Wakefield for more details.

Aspire Sixth Form

Vocational
Level 3
BTECs

A Levels

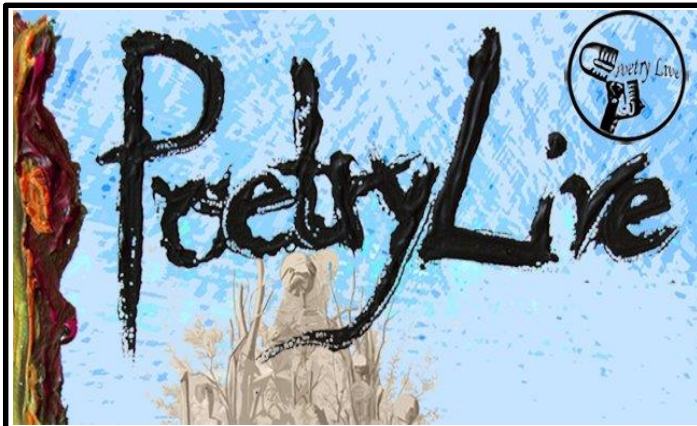
Work Related
Learning
Programme

One Year
Sixth



The Halle Orchestra

On Tuesday 25th March, Shirebrook Academy students took part in the first workshop involving musicians from the Halle Orchestra. It was an amazingly productive and rewarding day which culminated in our students composing ideas which will be integrated into a specially commissioned piece to be performed with The Halle at a concert in July.



Recently, a group of students from Shirebrook Academy attended the Royal Concert Hall in Nottingham to listen to 'Poetry Live!' which was really inspiring. At the performance the students were able to listen to well-known poets such as: Simon Armitage, the poet Laureate Carol Duffy and the National Poet of Wales, Gillian Clark. Alex Fenn, aged 16 from Shirebrook said; "this trip was a real eye opener for me as I have now witnessed the key poets in person and by hearing their opinions on their own poems, I am now able to look at them with an open mind and see them from many points. I believe I have really benefitted from the 'Poetry Live!' trip as I took every little piece of information in. In my opinion, I believe Simon Armitage was the best poet on the day as he was funny and he read out his poems in a way which made me think hard about poetry. Furthermore, when the examiner said his piece, I took advantage of what he was saying and used that information the next day in lesson and believe it will help me when I come to do my GCSE exams."

By Alex Fenn
Year 11



High Fives and Smiles

with Baroness Sue Campbell

On the 25th March, Post 16 students attended a lecture at Nottingham University by Baroness Sue Campbell.

In her lecture Baroness Sue Campbell highlighted the key changes that took place between Atlanta 1996 and London 2012 to 'create a winning culture'.

Touching on issues around Talent Identification, Sports Development and Current Issues in Sport; all of the students managed to link the theory within their course to real life sporting situations.

Casey Rossiter bravely joined in with the Q&A session by taking the microphone and asking "What strategies are you putting in place to beat the success of London 2012 in Rio 2016?" Baroness Sue Campbell responded with "A very good question. There were two things that we could have done after 2012: 1 - let's all go out and celebrate because everyone played their part; or 2 - continue to encourage the innovation and aspiration to gain more medals in Rio. There is no room for complacency; we must continue to be innovative."

After the lecture the Baroness spoke with the students about their studies and their career aspirations.

Jade Humphries said "I want to be a PE teacher" which was met with a high five from the Baroness herself!



Y9 Meet and Greet MP

Y9 Council students along with students from Stubbin Wood enjoyed a day of sunshine in London, visiting the Houses of Parliament and meeting our local MP Dennis Skinner. Dennis gave us a tour of the House of Lords, House of Commons, and explained how MPs would be voting on the Queens Speech that afternoon. Academy students will be telling the rest of their year group about the visit on the forthcoming Super Learning Day which has a theme of Government and Democracy. The group is pictured on the Terrace normally reserved for MPs only! We had time for a stroll round central London including St James' Park, Buckingham Palace, and Trafalgar Square before catching the tube for the long drive home. Thanks to Dennis Skinner for hosting the visit and also for coming into the Academy to present an assembly to our Y9.





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SCHOOL HEALTH Champions

An Introduction to the School Health Champions

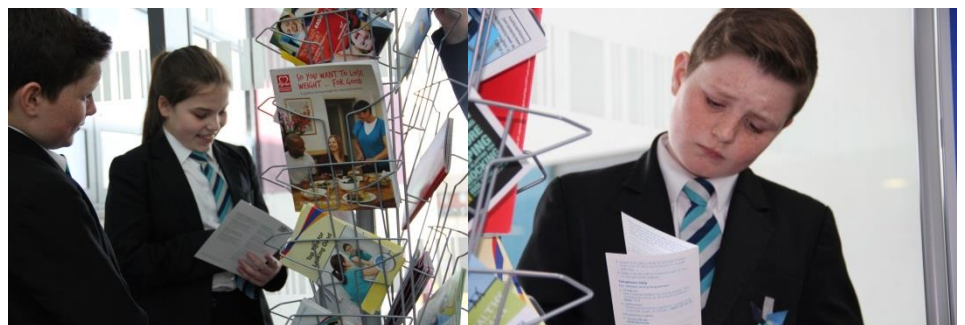
Shirebrook Academy is currently working in partnership with Derbyshire County Councils Bolsover Healthy Neighbourhoods Team to pilot a new initiative aimed at improving health and wellbeing of students and their families. In October a number of students were recruited and trained to become Derbyshire's very first School Health Champions. This project aims to increase knowledge and awareness of health and lifestyle choices amongst our School Health Champions and their peers. We want to encourage more young people to access health related services with a view to reduce risk taking behaviours.

Influenced by the Government's White Paper "Healthy Lives, Healthy People", the School Health Champion scheme aims to empower local communities, enable professional freedoms and introduce a system that would be based on the evidence of what works best, in order to tackle health inequalities and improve the nation's health and wellbeing.

Shirebrook Academy has introduced the School Health Champion Scheme, with their health related initiatives and launched the unique health campaign in and around school.

How the scheme benefits us?

The School Health Champion scheme allows for much more than just raising awareness for health related issues. Every month has its own unique and engaging topic in which young people and the community benefit from. With the use of partnership working and using external agencies to help deliver each unique topic, the School Health Champions create an inclusive, learning environment which their peers can access in a free and in full confidential capacity.



How can you access information?

The School Health Champions have an array of tools at their disposal in order to deliver the learning vehicle of health related topics in and around school. As well as having a monthly updated information stand that provides a variety of information on health related themes, the School Health Champions also have monthly poster campaigns that are advertised around school. Bolsover Healthy Neighbourhoods Team has developed an information iPad which the School Health Champions have named the "Healthy iPad". This is a simple touch screen kiosk containing helpful web links appropriate to our students and is a new and innovative approach to engaging with young people. Most importantly, young people have free admission to an iPad that allows quick and easy access to useful links and resourceful information to subjects all related around the topic of health and well-being.

The iPad includes various links that offers alternative styles of support from a wide range of different government bodies and providers



Where can the information be accessed from?

The School Health Champions host their very own **Health Zone** located along Science Bridge that can easily be viewed throughout the whole school, making it an ideal location. For those who require a place to research health related facts with the benefits of privacy and anonymity, the School Health Champions also run a "BYOB" (Bring Your Own Booklets) service that means the iPad and leaflet stands are moved to various locations around school including private rooms, class rooms and break out areas.

Do you have any ideas?

If you feel that there is any health and wellbeing themes which you would like to see the School Health Champions bring into Shirebrook Academy or if you have any ideas for this project – let us know.

COMING SOON

Shirebrook Academy's very own Health and Wellbeing page run by your School Health Champions.

Shirebrook Academy is having a Barrilliant Time!

Shirebrook Academy's students from 7JT have decided to enter Bakewell art competition for a chance to win a V.I.P tickets to the show. We are designing a sheep. There are lots of competitors entering this competition so 7JT must try their best to succeed. They must get into the creative mood for a chance to win!

They often feature artwork and designs specific to local culture, so we are using cheeses to symbolize Switzerland as well as city life and other relevant themes.

We divided into three groups, to get creative ideas. We questioned each group, Dylan Vincent's group and asked them what theme they're going for, they replied: we don't know yet but heading for an Onomatopoeia theme! Another group Lydia Scotts also a Year 7 but this time a girl said her theme is: shining like a Rainbow theme because we think it would stand out 100% and we think that this will show off our personality, basically saying that the Rainbow matches our personality! The last but not all least is Caitlyn Stimpsons group, there quote is: We're heading towards doing the outside of it with splats and Wiggles! The final idea - a group idea from 7JT, is a cheese background with everybody's represented by a hand print. Boy's names inside the hand and girl's inside Flowers.

They have chosen to design a Jacob sheep!

The **Jacob sheep** is a rare breed of small, piebald (coloured with white spots), polycerate (multi-horned) sheep. Jacobs may have from two to six horns, but most commonly have four. The most common colour is black and white. Jacobs are usually raised for their wool.

By Callie Webster



So, how crafty are you? Shhhh... Show Us Yer Sheep!

Bakewell Show wants you to make your own sheep. They can be a maximum of 12 inches high and a maximum of life-size. You can use any material you like - paper, cardboard, chicken wire, wool, paper... the only limit is your imagination.

Remember... this year's competition is open to anyone - schools, classes within schools, individuals and families.

- Everyone who submits an entry will get a ticket to the show to watch the judging and the sheep will all go on display to visitors.
- It will judge on the first day of the show - Wednesday August 6th - in the sale ring of Bakewell Agricultural Centre on the showground.
- Prizes will be announced soon along with final entry deadline.
- Look out for more details in future editions of School Matters and listen to Peak FM.

What have you got to lose?

Start thinking about how you are going to make yer very own sheep to stand a chance of winning a valuable prize.

Competition sponsored by **bannerjones**

HERE'S WHAT TO DO...

- 1 Tell us you're getting involved email: info@schoolmattersok.com or call 01246 470441
- 2 Make yer sheep You can create lots of little ones or even a life-size sheep!
- 3 Name yer sheep Every sheep can have a personality & might win a prize too.
- 4 Your details attach your names, year group & school info to yer sheep
- 5 Send yer sheep on a journey Call School Matters or Peak FM to arrange collection of yer sheep

6th & 7th August 2014 Children 16 and under GO FREE

peakfm

Check out Peak FM radio during the Easter holidays for more 'Show us yer sheep' news! Starts 14th April

For more information about Bakewell Show call 01629 812736 or go to www.bakewellshow.org



Sponsored Skip

On Friday 7th March (as part of healthy week) students from both Year 7 and 8 took part in a national skipping fundraiser for the British Heart foundation. The fundraiser involved students participating in a skipping marathon during their PE lessons in a scheme named 'Jump rope for heart'. All students commented how fun and exciting the event was and enjoyed taking part in something different.

The event showed that we have some very talented students at the Academy with a number of boys performing front and back flips through the double Dutch skipping ropes.

It was a great effort from all of the students involved with over £1000 being raised for the BHF which will go towards helping with new research, funding nurses and buying new equipment.

A special Well done goes to Cody Gascoyne 7WH (£51), Katy Jayne Thorpe 7JT (£145.15) and Billie Jo Freeman 8KD (£143) who all received a free electronic skipping rope as a result of raising over £50 each.

Due to its success we will look to participate in a similar event next year.

Well Done Year 7 and 8



**British Heart
Foundation**

A massive
£1,417.64
was raised

**SPORT
RELIEF
2014**

Y8 Sponsored Silence

On Wednesday 2 April Y8 raised £249.74 for Sport Relief by remaining silent in lessons for a whole day.

Students and Staff were all required to keep quiet, using whiteboards and sign language to communicate. Layton Jones in Y8 said "it was good to raise so much money and very weird being quiet in every lesson". Thanks to staff and students at Stubbin Wood for teaching the year group and staff some essential sign language – things like "sit down", "well done", "can I go to the toilet", and "chocolate"!

Other events taking place included a bake sale and the Sport Relief Mile for which the whole school participated in. The day was a great success and over £450 was raised in total for such a worthy cause.

Sport Relief events raised £464.22

What is Shirebrook's story?



2014-18
**The Great War
Centenary**

Share your...

Stories
Letters
Memorabilia
Photos
Diaries

If you have anything you would like to share, please pass a copy to Mrs Newton at Shirebrook Academy for the centenary memorial

THE ACADEMY AND THE COMMUNITY

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ALONG
TO...**

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**SHIREBROOK ACADEMY
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**Every Wednesday
4.30-6.00pm**

At Shirebrook Academy

**All community users welcome,
age 8 and over.**

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Films (including 3D)
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Games (x-box)
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**Need access to ICT?
Need extra tuition?
Need support with
your next steps?
Want to share a
success story?**

Want to re-connect with old class mates?

Want to give something back to your school?

Help other students succeed or show students how successful you have been?

Sign up to the Alumni website at futurefirst.org.uk

Contact: leaverssupport@shirebrookacademy.org

THE ACADEMY AND THE COMMUNITY

Shirebrook Academy

Price List



3G Artificial Pitch (per hour)

	1/3 Pitch	Full Pitch
Shirebrook Rangers	£13	£39
FA Affiliated Clubs / Under 16's	£20	£55
Standard Rate	£25	£70

Indoor Facilities (per hour)

	Room Only	With ICT
Activity / Dance Studio	£15	£20
Cinema / Theatre	£40 - 1 hour £50 - 2 hours £60 - 3 hours	N/A
Classroom(s)	£15	£20

Indoor Sports Hall (per hour)

	Standard Rate	Under 16's
Full Hall	£30	£26
Badminton Court	£6	£6
Half Hall	£16	£16

Grass Football Pitches (per match)

	Standard Rate	Shirebrook Rangers
Mini Soccer	£20	£10
Junior Pitch	£30	£10
Large Pitch	£40	£19

Multi Use Games Area (per hour)

	Tennis Court	Full MUGA
Standard Rate	£5	£15

Opening Times

	3G Pitch and Outdoor Facilities	Indoor Facilities
Weekdays	6.30pm - 9.30pm (Monday - Thursday) 5.30pm - 9.30pm (Friday)	6.00pm - 10.00pm
Weekends	9.00am - 7.00pm	9.30am - 9.30pm
School Holidays	9.30am - 9.30pm	9.00am - 10.00pm

Facilities available to the community at Shirebrook Academy include:

Floodlit 3G football pitch

Grass football pitches

Outdoor tennis and netball courts

4 badminton courts sports hall

Activity / Dance Studio

Drama Studio

Classrooms and meeting rooms

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Science Extra

Science Club

On Thursdays after school the department runs a very successful Science Club which is well attended by a number of KS3 students.

Year 7 student Harley Wilson loves the variety of experiments that they try;

"In Science Club you do lots of things like making homemade ice cream, lemonade and Crunchie bars.

You should come along because you do experiments that you don't have time to do in lessons."

Miss Donald, who runs the club alongside Miss Samson said;

"It's a great club that give students the chance to experiment and try out new activities. It's a fun-filled club with crazy demonstrations and science practical's."

Science Club runs from 3.15pm-4.15pm every Thursday in Sc1 and is open to all KS3 students.



Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge

On a cold, damp April morning, the science department awoke in the comfort of the 'glamping' campsite and hurriedly prepared a breakfast of cereal and toast; much fuel would be needed for the arduous day ahead. We assembled our gear together and made our way over to the Pen-y-ghent Café, the official start of the Yorkshire 3 Peaks challenge. Our start time was 6:38am.

The card detailing our names and start time were deposited by Mr Wiles and we were off! Our first climb was a 694m ascent and scramble up towards the summit of Pen-y-ghent. When we made it to the top, the rain started. A quick photo and some food before we began the long and drawn out hike 10 miles to the burger van at Ribblesdale, our next rest stop. On the descent down Pen-y-ghent, we began

to become strewn out and the decision was made for a couple of us to go on ahead and place the order of tea and sandwiches with the burger van. Once the group reconvened, two staff had made the decision to drop out due to injury.

The rest of us made our way up Whernside; a continuous slog up a 20 degree slope for 5 miles, broken only by the odd stile and short, sharp incline. The drizzle arrived again and once at the top, another brief stop for food & photos saw some spirits high and others on the brink of breaking. A short, sharp and steep descent of Whernside brought us

out of the rain for a brief period. Next was Ingleborough!

This mountain could be thought of as having three stages; a long series of large steps a very, steep scramble of an incline and then

a last push to the summit; a plateau with the main trig point somewhere in the middle. We found this luckily by

following the other hikers and not by our observations as visibility had reduced to no more than 10 metres. Once summited,

we almost ran down back to Horton-in-Ribblesdale to make sure we ended the challenge in the allotted time. We checked

back into the Pen-y-ghent café, just scraping under the 12 hour deadline with a time of 11 hours and 46 minutes!

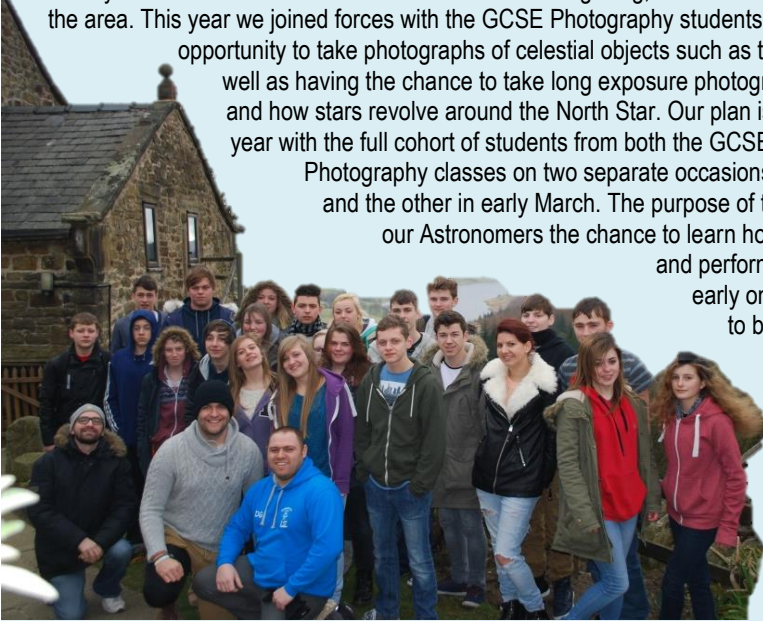


GCSE Astronomy

Back in September, Mr Grainger and Mr Foster began teaching the GCSE Astronomy course as an after school club. The sessions ran (and continue to do so) on a Friday after school, between 3:15 and 4:30. Initially, we had 25 students commit to the course but this soon reduced to a more manageable 14 (12 students and 2 staff). The course has involved making observations of celestial objects such as the Sun, Moon, planets and their moons through our new Dobsonian telescopes. We have also bought some other smaller telescopes that students are encouraged to borrow in order to make observations of their own over the course of the lunar cycle. The course will continue next year as we have had some great interest from all year groups.

Lockerbrook

As part of the GCSE Astronomy course, we organised a residential excursion to Lockerbrook activity centre in the Dark Peak area of the Peak District. The site is high in the hills above Ladybower reservoir and is the ideal location for star gazing, due to the minimal light pollution in the area. This year we joined forces with the GCSE Photography students as they would have the opportunity to take photographs of celestial objects such as the moon and Jupiter as well as having the chance to take long exposure photographs to show star trails and how stars revolve around the North Star. Our plan is to visit the centre next year with the full cohort of students from both the GCSE Astronomy and GCSE Photography classes on two separate occasions; once in early October and the other in early March. The purpose of two visits is that it gives our Astronomers the chance to learn how to use the equipment and perform observations correctly early on in the course and then to build upon these for their coursework. The GCSE Photographers will also have the chance to show their progression of their skills by taking part in both residential visits.



DRAX TRIP

Back in November the whole of Year 8 visited the Drax power station in North Yorkshire as part of their topic on Electricity and Magnetism.

Drax is Europe's largest coal fired power station and satisfies around 7% of the United Kingdom's electricity demands at any one time, producing up to 4000 Megawatts of power with its six turbines.

On arrival at the power station the students received a safety briefing and watched a video outlining the working of the station before splitting into two groups. One group went out on a coach to tour the site and learn about the whole electricity generation process from the arrival of coal by train to the management of the waste materials produced by the plant. The other group donned hard hats, goggles and ear defenders and ventured into the boiler and turbine halls to see the process up close. After lunch and a session experimenting with the interactive displays in the education centre the two groups swapped over.

Stardome

Stardome came in to offer the whole of year 7 and the GCSE astronomers the opportunity to explore the night sky from the comfort of the indoors. The inflatable planetarium allowed students to see a real life representation of the night sky, with the constellation art overlapped so they can put their own observations to images. The session was delivered with great enthusiasm and all of the students were excited by the discussion of the universe that is visible in our night sky and some of the objects that are not always clear to the naked eye.



Studying Science at degree level...

Ben Allsop, a former student of the academy came into give a talk to prospective scientists about life at university and what reading science at a high level entails. Ben spoke eloquently on his subject and with a real passion which engaged students, especially when mention of a cadaver dissection arose. He also fielded a variety of questions on university life from living conditions to money and all of the triple scientists in attendance were able to come away from the session with a greater appreciation of studying science at degree level.



The Academy's annual Science and Engineering Week took place in March, with a wide variety of activities taking place both in and out of Science lessons.

In the Science lessons Year 7 students took part in a Mars lander challenge organised by Miss Samson and Mr Morley. The challenge saw them designing and building a lander that would be capable of delivering a delicate payload (i.e. an egg) onto the Martian surface (i.e. the Atrium floor) whilst being as lightweight as possible. Groups of five students competed with others in their Science set to decide on a winning team to represent their set against the rest of the year in the grand finale at the end of the week. The final saw three landers successfully deliver their payload safely from the height of the glass stairs, whilst the other two failed in a messy way. The three successful teams then took their landers to the full height of the Atrium for a more demanding test. Mr Wiles' team came in third place, with the egg suffering some damage on landing. Mr Morley's team were the runners up, with their egg once again safely delivered. In the end it was Miss Samson's team who were triumphant with a lander which both delivered the egg safely and weighed less than Mr Morley's. The members of the winning team in each set received a chocolate prize and students in Mr Morley's and Miss Samson's teams picked up gift vouchers to celebrate their success.

Science teachers took a back seat in Year 8 Science lessons, when students from set one took charge of the planning and delivery of lessons for the other five sets for a fortnight. Students from set 1 worked in groups of five or six to organise an activity for a particular set and worked hard to produce lesson objectives, PowerPoints, worksheets, quizzes and practicals for their set. The activities devised by the set 1 students included researching about the Universe, separating mixtures of sand, salt and iron filings, producing models of power stations and animal habitats, and building and testing bridges made from paper.

On Thursday afternoon a group of students from different year groups visited Willow Tree Farm with Mr Wiles and Miss Samson. The students, who had all expressed an interest in a career working with animals when they were older, were given a tour of the site by Mrs Kirby during which they learnt about the hard work carried out by everybody during the day to day running of the farm.

At lunchtime a variety of events took place including chemistry demonstrations from Mr Foster, outdoor physics demonstrations from Mr Grainger and heart and lungs dissections with Mr Barker and Miss Peacock.

In form time students competed in a science quiz which was won by 7WH, 8CB, 9WF and 11CA. In addition Year 7 forms took part in a rocket building contest.





Many parents are now using the new ParentPay system and are finding it very convenient. Instead of sending cash to school you can now top up your child's lunch card online from home using a credit or debit card.

By using ParentPay, you can ensure that your child has access to a healthy lunch every day, with you being able to top up their dinner card at a time that suits you. When crediting your child's account you will also be able to view what meal choices they are making at lunchtime using the ParentPay system

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Why not take a look at the advantages of paying online by visiting www.parentpay.com today.

A member of the Academy finance team will be happy to answer any questions you may have and can also send you a reminder of your username and password.

Please call us if you need any more information on

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Free School Meals



Are you entitled?

Could your child/children be entitled to free school meals? If you are on the following benefits you will be able to claim a meal for your children:

- Income Support
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance or an Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit Only (with a family income of less than £16,190)
- National Asylum Seekers Support
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Employment and Support Allowance

You can't get free school meals if you are claiming Working Tax Credit.

It's easy to apply at www.derdyshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

Or ask the school for a form, and your child's school will get an extra payment from the Government of £900 per year.

Remember, every Free School Meal (FSM) student will receive £50 a year from the academy to spend on uniform and trips.



In April 2014, fourteen members of staff were faced with the huge task of taking a whopping 108 Shirebrook Academy students, spread over three coaches, on a five day trip to Paris -

Shirebrook Academy on Tour!

Paris 2014



Monday 7th April:

Students met at 11:30pm in the Atrium ready to leave for Dover at just after midnight! Spirits were high, and it soon became apparent that staff and students would not be getting much sleep that night!

Tuesday 8th April:

Despite a fairly choppy ferry crossing at 6:40am, all staff and students boarded the coach in one piece for our journey down from Calais to Paris to kick-start day 1 of our tour!

We arrived at Val d'Europe, a large shopping centre near Disneyland around 1:00pm, where many students dashed straight for McDonalds! Students spent two hours in the shopping centre, hopefully not spending too much of their spending money at once! Before making our way to the hotel for the evening we made a visit to Montmartre (Sacré-Coeur) where students and staff had the chance to pose for photos – including a few 'selfies' – and explore this unique town, filled with tourist shops, caricaturists and crepe stalls!

Following a long first day, it was time to make our way to the hotel, unpack, eat and retire to bed for the evening, ready for a busy second day, and early start – much to the shock of the students!

Wednesday 9th April:

Day 2, for many, will have been the highlight of the trip! Students had the opportunity to visit the Eiffel Tower, with the vast majority of students conquering their fears to make it all the way to the top, witnessing spectacular views across the whole of Paris, made particularly impressive by the beautiful sunshine above us. Many students also bought souvenirs from their trip to the Eiffel Tower – key rings, anyone?!

A visit to The Louvre was also on the itinerary for day 2, with many students finding the Mona Lisa, pushing their way through the crowds to take pictures of one of the world's most famous paintings!

Evening meal was a little bit special on this day, with students having the opportunity to eat out in Paris, in a restaurant just a few metres away from the famous Arc de Triomphe!

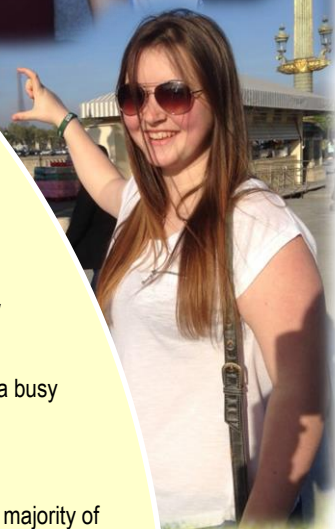
The evening was finished perfectly with a river cruise along The Seine, offering students the chance to take pictures of Paris from a different angle, providing memories which will last a lifetime. Despite an extremely long day, back at the hotel many students still had the energy to cheer Manchester United on to what they hoped would be a win against Bayern Munich... Unfortunately they were left disappointed – hopefully a day ahead in Disneyland made everything better!

Thursday 10th April:

Up bright and early for breakfast, students (and staff!) were buzzing at the thought of spending a full day in Disneyland. A 40-minute journey later, and we were there, ready to enjoy another fantastic day in the warm Parisian sunshine.

With tickets pre-booked we were able to enter the park quickly, allowing the fun and games to start straight away. Students set off without a care in the world to find their favourite Disney characters, buy gifts in the numerous shops, sample some of the delights in the many cafés or put their nerves through their paces on rides such as Rock and Roller, Space Mountain and Tower of Terror – a must for 'adrenalin junkies'!

Following the un-missable parade at the end of the day, we boarded our coaches to head back to the hotel for another excellent evening meal together. There was also a reggae band performing in the hotel this evening, which many students chose to enjoy. Others preferred to stay in the quiet of their rooms, with some adding extra bits to their journals – the winning journal to be awarded a Paris Saint Germain shirt!



Friday 11th April:

Our final full day in Paris started with another early breakfast, followed by a return to Disneyland for half a day for students to catch any rides which they missed the day before! Another beautiful day made the day all the more memorable. Today was also the one year anniversary of Shirebrook Academy's fantastic building – it seemed only fitting to have a group rendition of 'Happy Birthday to You...' in the middle of Disneyland!

The afternoon was spent at the world-famous Stade de France (the French equivalent to Wembley stadium) where students embarked on a guided tour of the museum and stadium, before having chance to purchase gifts in the official shop – everything from postcards to shirts, scarves to official turf! The guided tour was spectacular and allowed students to explore the changing rooms where some of the world's most famous players will have sat, get up-close to the pitch (close enough to touch – or kiss!) and enjoy amazing views of the ground from the top of the stadium.

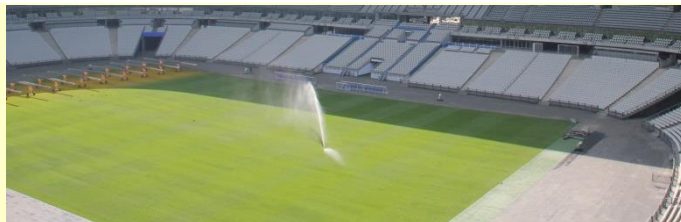
The day was far from over! We made our way straight to 'Le Saulnier' restaurant to enjoy another meal out in the centre of Paris – a memorable experience for all students. We then made our way to the local bowling alley – it was an amazing sight to see Shirebrook Academy take over the whole venue, as we had done in all of our activities over the week! Students and staff enjoyed one game before boarding the coach back to the hotel, with night descending on Paris, and our trip drawing to a close.

Before bed we still had time to stage an 'awards' ceremony where staff and students were thanked for the efforts throughout the week, with staff awarding students with pens and certificates to celebrate some of the more memorable moments of the trip. There was just enough time for students to finish packing before bed, ready to depart the following morning.

Saturday 12th April:

After our final breakfast of the week, we departed for Calais and the ferry, kissing goodbye to the hotel which had served us so well during our stay. After a brief stop at a service station with a 'chippy', chocolate shop and supermarket, we boarded the ferry for a smooth crossing back to Dover. We boarded the coach for our final journey back to Shirebrook, arriving home just before 10:00pm.

Memories of this trip will last forever, with many students seeing things and experiencing things for the first time, which will stay with them for years to come. Whatever your own personal 'highlight' was, we hope you had an amazing trip with 'Shirebrook Academy on Tour' – we will never forget 2014.



A huge thank you to all staff for making sure students had a safe and enjoyable experience and to all students for behaving so well and driving head first into all activities in one of the world's busiest and well known cities.

You were amazing!

Sports News...



Sports Hall Athletics - County Finals



SEN Event

Following from their success in the district qualifiers we took eight students to the SEN + sports hall athletics county finals on Thursday 3rd April. The event was held at The Arc Centre in Matlock and Shirebrook (representing the Bolsover district) were one of seven teams competing on the day.

The event itself was fantastic with all students enjoying their events and getting into the spirit of competition. With strong results from the field events Shirebrook knew that good results in the track events would see them in a good position to receive a medal.

Final results

Shirebrook put on a fantastic performance on the day to come home with the SILVER medal, finishing in 2nd place behind Tupton School, only narrowly missing out on the Gold medal by 6 points! All those who took part received a medal and a certificate.

Well done!

Year7 Event

Some of our year 7 boys represented the Bolsover District at the Sports hall Athletics County Finals on Tuesday 1st April and finished in a respectful 6th position. The boys competed against eight other schools and came up against some really talented athletes. A fantastic achievement to reach the county finals and they put in a fantastic effort to finish 6th.

The boys that competed: *Joe Fletcher, Connor Emery, Harrison Kissaine, Kieran Forman, Harry Peters, Jack Lyons, Kasper Rajter, Harrison Kissane*



1 ST	Tupton	(86)
2 nd	SHIREBROOK	(80)
3 rd	Springwell	(60)
4 th	Brackenfield	(54)
5 th	Lady Manners	(52)
6 th	Swanwick hall	(44)
7 th	Hope Valley	(18)

Sports News...

Cross Country Championship

Congratulations to Matthew Shaw who on Tuesday 25th February competed in the Derbyshire Cross Country Championships and finished a fantastic 2nd place out of 114 competitors.

He ran a fantastic race despite the blustery conditions and earned himself a place in the Derbyshire Squad who competed in the English School Championship on Saturday 15th March at Donnington Park, which was a great achievement.

Matt went to the English schools championships and finished a respectable 212 out of 333 competitors.

WELL DONE MATTHEW!



Girls Success in the ESFA Playstaion Cup

Well done to the Y7 girl's football team who made it all the way to the 4th round of the ESFA Girls Under 12 9-a-Side Schools' Cup.

After an hour long Journey to Wakefield the girls competed in their 3rd round match with hopes of reaching the 4th round. The girls were extremely up for the match and eager to progress. Although the surface wasn't the greatest and the weather was very poor the girls battled hard to see off tough competition from Outwood Grange Academy. A goal from Broadie Bailey saw us take the lead in the first half after the keeper was caught napping. Outwood managed to pull one back with only 10 minutes to go but great play from Amber Newton saw us get a second goal with only 5 minutes to go. The last 5 minutes were nail biting with Outwood piling on the pressure but a man of the match performance from Adele Downs in defence managed to keep them out. Shirebrook earned their place in the 4th round of the cup but despite a great battle the result did not go our way. The girls did extremely well to reach the 4th round and should be very proud.



Well Done!

On Tuesday 6th May we took a group of 30 students to Camden, London to watch the outstanding Sky1 show Got to Dance. The students were to be part of the TV audience for the first day of filming at the Roundhouse Theatre. Although it was an early start for our students, their tiredness did not show as their excitement seemed to take over. The bus journey was filled with talk of the show and the judges, Ashley Banjo and Kimberley Wyatt, with the third and final judge still being a mystery. After a long 4 hour journey we made it safely to London where we had time to spare before the show would begin. It was a unanimous decision to visit McDonalds for lunch! Walking through Camden Town the students were taken back by the size of the town and the range and diversity of the shops they saw.

After lunch we headed to the Roundhouse Stadium where filming would take place. Before filming began the audience were treated to their first surprise of the day which reduced one of our students to tears from sheer happiness as YouTube sensation Joe Sugg took to the stage alongside series 2 champions Chris and Wes who are the new online presenters for the show.

Finally it was show time!!! At this point our students released that they might be on Television and proceeded to ensure their hair looked perfect. Then the production team shouted "3, 2, 1 ... And applause!" The mystery judge was revealed first which saw the return of Australian actor and dancer Adam Garcia. Adam Garcia returns to the show with an energy and vibrancy that made him hugely popular with Got to Dance viewers. At this point Miss Smith got very excited screaming "We love you Adam" he then turned and waved at her, making her day.

In total we saw 10 acts perform, all of which have amazing dancing talents, including a 50 year old, Stevie G who won the audience over with his comical performance but not the judges. A crowd favourite on the day, and definitely a favourite amongst the girls here at the Academy was a group of five boys called 'Boy Band' who will certainly be one to watch out for when the show airs in August.

As the day went on students got the opportunity to high five contestants and Tiff & Miss Smith walking past and touching Adam Garcia. When the cameras stopped rolling and the judges left the stage our students were able to high 5 all the judges and scream out how much they 'Love them'.

Overall it was a fantastic day, a great experience & opportunity for all involved to see how a show like this is made and possibly be on TV.



Seated Volleyball Success for Shirebrook...

On Thursday 10th April Shirebrook played host to the annual Bolsover district seated volleyball and Boccia competition. The event itself is a great opportunity for students to participate in different events compared to their normal curriculum activities.

The event started later than planned due to the officials (sports leaders) being unfamiliar with the rules of the games, however this is not surprising as the sports are new to them. Shirebrook do have a number of qualified Boccia officials however the timing of the event meant that they were unable to attend due to the Academy trip to Paris, fortunately though we have a number of sports leaders that were able to step in and help on the day.

Once the events began the day ran smoothly with minimal disruption, this is thanks to Shane Turner, John Barker and Martin Mansell (nine time Paralympic medallist – 3 gold, 4 Silver and 2 Bronze) for their excellent organisational skills, as well as perfect behaviour from all students involved.

All participants enjoyed themselves and both sportsmanship and teamwork really shone through on the day, with the Shirebrook team being a credit not only to themselves but the Academy.

Final results were close and due to some excellent team play and great communication amongst the team Shirebrook were crowned overall winners of the seated volleyball competition, beating Heritage high by only 2 points in the league table.

The Boccia competition was also close, however this time they did not sway in Shirebrook's favour, narrowly missing out on the trophy to Palterton Primary school- who have trained extremely hard for this event and were worthy winners on the day, winning 4 games and drawing 1 (against Shirebrook Academy). Although

Palterton won on the day, because they are only a primary school

they are unable to progress to the next round. Therefore,

Shirebrook Academy who came in 2nd place will now

go on to represent the Bolsover district in the county schools competition on 8th July, at Heritage High School.

The Boccia event is just one of many taking place on the

day with all county finals being held at Mount St. Marys

School (which is also where the opening ceremony for the Boccia event will be held). The event will play host to

over 1400 students who have won the right to represent their school and district on that day. Proving what a

great achievement this is for our students.



Shirebrook Academy benefit from "Fund for a better tomorrow"

Gordon Lamb Ltd. utilise Toyota GB's £500,000 "Fund for a better tomorrow" to donate £1700 towards Shirebrook Academy's new horticultural development.

Gordon Lamb recently invited local schools and colleges in the area to get in touch with proposals for how they could best use Toyota funding to help and inspire the wider community. Gordon Lamb marketing manager Stuart Pearce was impressed with the Academy's proposal which set out a plan to develop a horticultural centre at the heart of the school and the community consisting of a walk-in poly tunnel and some raised beds for growing plants and vegetables, along with the associated and necessary tools and equipment. The development will allow students, staff and community members to get involved in activities that will enable them to work together on projects, supporting some of the areas most vulnerable and disadvantaged young people, their families and members of the community. The horticultural centre's remit is to engage and encourage well-being for everyone involved and hopefully, in time, becoming self-funding by providing members of the public, staff and the school canteen with fresh produce.

Andy Gilbert, Shirebrook Academy Vice Principal says: "Work has started on the reclaimed land where the old Shirebrook School was located, where, together with the horticultural area, we are investing in a £550,000 expansion project, which will include several new buildings, including a post-16 learning facility, common room and horticulture learning centre which together with the outdoor horticulture area will help to enhance further what we believe is one of the UK's finest secondary educational centres. We are very grateful to Gordon Lamb and Toyota GB for their assistance and expect this entire new development to be completed by September this year."

Stuart adds: "My visit to the Academy was inspiring. The facility is exceptional and the ethos of community involvement and investment just what the local area needs. They are Ofsted outstanding in every category and it was no surprise that I met some inspiring people and students. I look forward to seeing the horticultural project and the expansion plans develop over the coming months. Perhaps we'll see a new "Alan Titchmarsh or Monty Don in the making soon."



Pine Cone Project

Re development of the old school site

Shirebrook Academy is pleased to announce to students, parents, and all community members an exciting project that will redevelop the site of the old school building. Working with Universal Learning, the project will provide an extra dimension to the Academy as it continues to build on its outstanding provision.



The Pine Cone is a new sustainable architectural development. It is a unique collection of sustainable buildings surrounded by landscape architecture that will create a series of indoor and outdoor learning and teaching spaces.

Located on the site of the now demolished Shirebrook school, the project will transform the area and provide a base for Post 16 students, an office and small group learning space and a horticultural centre and a collection of animal care centres.

Year 9 students are designing and building a changing facility for outdoor clothing and boots and they will be responsible for all aspects of the job which is a great way of making learning real.



More information about the Pine cone and up to date videos of the project taking shape can be found by visiting:
<http://www.universallearningitd.com/pine-cone-blog/>

Make a difference day...

Fifty one banking staff from all over the UK spent the day working on a building site volunteering on 'make a difference day' and make a valuable contribution to an important education project.

Shirebrook Academy commissioned the Pine Cone construction project, a sustainable development that includes a Post 16 and horticultural learning facilities for students of both Shirebrook and Stubbin Wood School.

Located on the old school site, the work is transforming the space into something truly inspirational and in addition to the buildings, the landscape architecture will feature an orchard, woodland, an orangery, a Yurt and an allotment. The Pine Cone will also feature animal care centres and a range of horticultural learning opportunities that will help students connect with the natural world.

The sun came out and the staff from Lloyds bank started the day with a builder's breakfast, a bit of Tai Chi and then they got stuck into deck building, den making, tree planting and working out how to construct a Yurt with instructions in Mandarin! A fish & chip lunch kept morale high as the heat and manual labour tested resolve. They worked well in teams and old fashioned graft got them through challenges such as how to plant trees on solid limestone!

The volunteers had a fantastic day and really did make a difference and their efforts were much appreciated by everyone connected to the project. They returned to their day jobs with a few blisters, some new skills and warm hearts.



A big thank you to all the staff at Lloyds Bank and Universal Learning for making the day such a huge success.

STAFF NEWS

A well-earned retirement

Mrs Britton will be retiring at the end of this summer. It would be rude to comment on her age, but she has been teaching for thirty nine years and has been at Shirebrook for seventeen years, she has earned her retirement! Mrs Britton has taught generations of Shirebrook children and been a caring and committed Head of Year for many. She will be missed by us all but especially by the Humanities department and her Year group. We wish her a long and very happy retirement.



Also retiring is our much loved teaching assistant in Maths, Mr Wills. We wish him a long and happy retirement – but he will be back to invigilate exams.



Goodbye to

Mr Barker who has done an excellent job as head of Science is leaving to become Assistant Head at Forge Valley School in Sheffield



We are also saying good-bye to Mrs Crosby who is going to lead teaching and learning development at the Bigwood School in Nottingham. Mrs Crosby has been an outstanding teacher of Geography and a great asset to the Humanities department and school.



Miss Winson has gained an Art teacher post at Aston Academy and Mr Walsh who is emigrating to teach in a school in Caloundra, on the East Coast of Australia.

We would all like to say thank you to Mr Croft for all the hard work and commitment he has given to Shirebrook. He has been with us man and boy! Appointed in 2002 by Mrs Parker as second in PE, his talent was quickly spotted and by the time the Academy opened he was Deputy Head. During the last year he has worked as 'Associate Head' to allow Mrs Bloor to support The Meadows School this year. He is undoubtedly ready to run his own school and has secured the Headship of Sutton Academy. We will miss Tim especially his energy and distinct sense of humour! (I will never forget the Ofsted April Fool prank). It has been wonderful to work with him and we wish him well in his first Headship – I have no doubt he will be an outstanding Head.



Young Photographer Awards

Run by Warsop & District Rotary club: The theme was 'People'.



2nd PRIZE SENIOR SECTION - Awarded to Charlotte Williscroft

Charlotte received £30 prize money and a commendation for her thought provoking images of herself.



My first image is a simple self-portrait with dramatic make up edited to be in the style of Eolo Perfido which is my inspiration for my final three images. I've used vintage ashy brown colours as Eolo uses in most of his pictures. This also makes my face look more pale and brings out my eyes since in most of his work there are signature little things which stand out.



In my second image I have again edited it by using a photo filter to have more of a vintage feel to it. But I've made sure that the bandana and lipstick still stand out, I have used eye shadow streaks down my face to make it look like tears to make it seem more of an emotional picture and to try and m y the viewer think about what it could be about.



I'm not too keen on my third image due to the fact I don't like the quality. I have used fewer effects to make the image come across as more natural and stripped. The smudged make up can also make the viewer think "what could have happened?" which is the style I'm going for.

What inspired me to do this?

Abuse is a very common thing in today's society for many reasons, one being for looking different. The first image is pretty much just showing what I look like on a daily basis. The second one is to represent being abused physically by others and then the third is how you look after and shows how much it can break a person.

3rd PRIZE SENIOR SECTION - Awarded to Jack Middleton



I took this image because it has drama, it creates and the sense of wisdom that is held in the face of this person. I like how this image has a hazed look to it which gives it a vintage style. I chose this image because when you look in to the eyes of this person, you see the life they have lived.



This image was inspired by Henri Cartier Bresson as he takes rather unfaltering pictures of people in black and white. In this image I also wanted to convey that my family is not perfect hence the tarnished look this also adds a personal touch to my image.



In my opinion this image has a great feel of companionship to it. I feel this image incubates a real sense of the bonds people make. How we rely on other people to truly live and embrace what it is to be a human in the full meaning of the word.

1st PRIZE JUNIOR SECTION

Awarded to Shannan Stubbs.

Shannan was awarded £50 and the opportunity to win a regional award.

Post 16 Catzero Sailing Trip

On 16 – 18 May post 16 students and staff took part in a sailing weekend on the Catzero yacht. The group sailed from Grimsby to the Wash where they anchored for the night before returning to Grimsby the following day. Throughout the weekend the group learnt a range of skills from navigation to sail care as well as how to deal with the pump action toilets. As well as sailing skills the group developed team work and communication skills as well as improving their own self confidence. The whole group had a fabulous but exhausting weekend!

Catzero is a not for profit organisation which has expert staff delivering projects for young people. For more information on Catzero please visit their website at www.catzero.org



IMPORTANT E-Safety Notice

It has come to our attention that a person under a false name (currently Amy Cook) may have approached a number of our male students on Facebook, sending them friend requests and subsequently asking for pictures to be sent.

The police are aware of this person and they are taking the appropriate action.

Could we ask you to remind your son/daughter to NOT accept friend requests from anyone they don't know or assume they know and to report anything which seems a little strange to the police and to the school.

Thank you

Diary Dates

July

- 18 Finish for summer
- 21-25 Y6 Summer School

August

- 15 A Level Results Day
- 21 GCSE Results Day
(10am – 12noon)

September

- 1-4 Return to School Summer School
Y4 - Y8 (current Y3 - Y7)
- 8 Y7, Y10 & Y11 Students Only
Return to School
- 9 Y8 & Y9 Return to School

October

- 14 Y11 Careers Evening
- 21 Y10 Parents Evening
- 27-31 Half Term

December

- 19 Finish for Christmas