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If you would like to join please email TheChair@FoNHS.info

WE REALLY DO NEED YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT

FUTURE EVENTS

Unfortunately due to lack of support we will not be running the theatre trip to London to see The Full Monty. We would really like to hear from you as to the type of shows you would like to see in London as we get a fantastic discount for group bookings and it is such a shame that we never get enough interest to take advantage of it. Contact info: TheChair@FoNHS.info

8 February 2014

Casino Night at Great Notley Community Hall

Details to be confirmed in the New Year.

8 March 2014

Quiz Night with a fish and chip supper

Details to follow in the New Year but if you wish to hold a table (maximum of 8 people per table) please contact TheChair@FoNHS.info

Date to be confirmed

Afternoon Tea at The Swan in Lavenham

15 January 2014 - 7.30pm in the library

Our next meeting will be held in the school library at 7.30pm. If you would like to come along please contact TheChair@FoNHS.info



headlines

Welcome to Issue 2 of our new look school magazine and thank you for the feedback we received about the first issue.

The run up to Christmas has been very busy and, once again, OnCampus is packed with articles about the huge variety of educational activities within and beyond the classroom in which staff and students have participated.

Particular highlights have been:

- Key Stage 4 Awards Evening when Mr Tim Coulson, Director of Education at Essex County Council presented the awards and prizes – many thanks to Mr Ferguson and Mrs Halls for their organisation;
- the Book Fair where students from Years 7, 8 and 9 selected a favourite book which they then received as a Christmas gift – many thanks to Mrs Townsend, the English team and our librarians, Mrs Osborn and Mrs Simkins;
- the Christmas Shoe Box Appeal and Philippines Typhoon 'jazz up uniform' Day when Mrs Khatun co-ordinated our efforts to raise money for these worthy causes;
- the OAP Christmas Party – many thanks to Mrs Shipton who co-ordinated and all the staff and Year 8 students who helped;
- the Christmas Concert – many thanks to Mrs Hanna, Mrs Robb and Mr Harris for the musical rehearsals, Miss Smith for rehearsing the readers and to all the students who gave us a great musical and spoken start to the festive season.

There is much, much more to read about in Issue 2 and we hope you enjoy reading about recent events at Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form.

Staff Leaving

This week we say farewell to Miss Leatherdale, Learning Support Assistant and Mr Draper, Estates Manager. We thank them both for their contributions to the school and wish them every success in the future. We also welcome Mrs Hall back from her maternity leave to lead the Drama department.

Best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year,

Simon Thompson, Headteacher



Simon Thompson, Headteacher



keystage4awards

Tim Coulson - Guest Speaker

On Thursday 5 December we held our annual Key Stage 4 Awards evening in the Sports Hall. This event celebrated the achievements of our current Year 11 in terms of curriculum awards. There were awards for attitude to learning and achievement in each and every curriculum subject area. There were also a number of special awards given to students that had gone above and beyond the requirements expected in a variety of areas. We were also pleased to welcome back Year 11 from last year who collected their GCSE results certificates from their terminal examinations.

We were honoured to have our guest speaker Tim Coulson who is the Director of Education for Essex in attendance. He spoke to all with a truly inspirational speech for our students. I would like to thank Grace Hellier (Head Girl) and Jarryd Fouche (Head Boy) for their speeches and also Melanie Malee, Mia Shearwood and Mrs Hanna for their musical performances which were excellent. My final thanks goes to Mrs Halls who co-ordinated the event very calmly and efficiently behind the scenes. It was a thoroughly enjoyable and memorable event!



Head Boy and Head Girl



Students showing off their musical talents



Christmas in Malaysia

What makes Christmas holidays in Malaysia special compared to Christmas holidays in England or France?

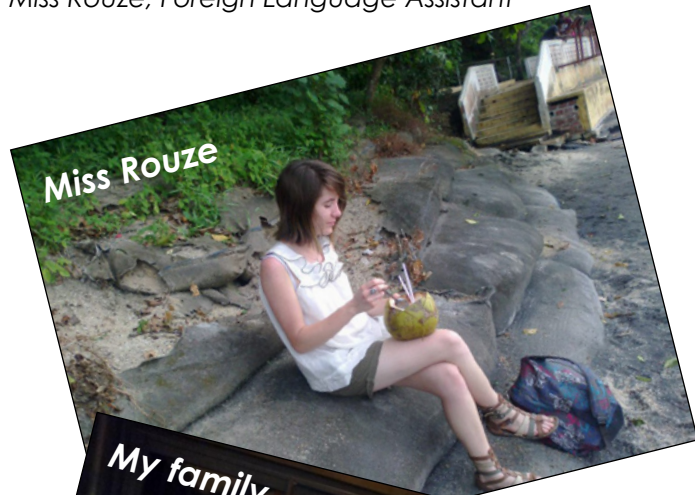
As you all know, Christmas is approaching and soon we will all have a Christmas tree, tinsel and lights in our houses. Nevertheless, what we don't have is sunny weather! Indeed, snow and cold temperatures replace the 35 degrees that we can find in Malaysia. I know what I am talking about, as I spent my Christmas holidays in Malaysia last year. Even if British people are known in France to wear t-shirts while French people wear a warm coat in the same period, they would probably not extend it to wearing shorts or going to the sea and swimming for a while. But in Malaysia, it is not only possible but necessary if you don't want to burn under the sun! You could also want to walk in the street in a swimming costume as it is always warm and humid, but you would be quite alone as most of them wear the niqab (a veil worn by some Muslim women in public, covering all of the face apart from the eyes) or hijab (head covering worn in public by some Muslim women), except Chinese people. Pay attention to the monkeys that surround most of the beaches because they always try to find if you have something to eat in your belongings, while you are relaxing in the hot sea!! Also, during Christmas Eve dinner, you won't find stilton, or Christmas pudding, soup or oysters, or turkey stuffed with chestnuts; but rice with a range of vegetables and meats for most of the people. Last year was the first year that I did not have any "foie-gras", fish eggs or yule log. Moreover, it was quite impossible to see Christmas trees in the houses, or tinsel, Christmas baubles, stockings, sleighs, reindeer and all these things that we can see during Christmas in Europe; only in hostels or public places, as they receive tourists. Nevertheless, the latter are not coloured in red or green for this occasion. Once I saw a snowman! But it was a plastic one in the street.

‘ Once I saw a snowman! But it was a plastic one in the street. ’

During the Christmas holidays, there is New Year's Day too, and the difference resides not only in the weather but also in the activities it is possible to do. Effectively, in England or in France, New Year's Eve is celebrated with your family and/or your friends during a dinner and a party, but in Malaysia, at least on an Island called Langkawi, it is very different! For example, as it was very hot and not raining (it is often the case during this time of the year because it is the rainy season), we were able to throw lights in the sky and put candles in the sand in order to write "happy new year" and "2013" with it. People say that if your

light flies well in the sky or at least reaches it, you will be lucky during the year (be careful if it falls in the sea!). It is a good opportunity for bars to create special events so as to attract people, for example they pay a man to come with a big snake who is able to put it on people's shoulders. There are music and fireworks, people dance in the bars and on the beach! It is awesome. This night again, I did not eat any French dish or champagne, but I really like it and wish everybody to have the luck to go and live it. The flight tickets are expensive but it is a completely different culture and even if you can see it all the year, it is obvious during Christmas, notably because of a religious difference.

Miss Rouze, Foreign Language Assistant



Christmas in Chile

Christmas is celebrated all over the world, and Chile is not the exception. First of all, you need to know that Christmas is a very popular celebration among Chilean people and we like to celebrate it with plenty of food, drinks and family time.

The main difference between British and a Chilean Christmas is that for us it is summer time, so as we don't have wind or snow we often do *azados* (barbecues) and parties in the garden. Even though we have nice weather, Santa still uses his winter clothes! On Christmas Eve, Chilean families go to mass and after that we have a nice family dinner in which we can either have chicken, beef, turkey or lamb. That will depend on the family preferences and in my case, my mother usually cooks chicken and beef.

As a tradition, we leave some "pan de Pascua" (a special cake made with nuts and fruits) and a glass of "cola de mono" (a liqueur made with *aguardiente*, cinnamon, milk and coffee) on the table for *el viejito pascuero* (Santa Claus). Children are told that they have to be sure they leave these things for Santa because if they don't then Santa wouldn't come! After that, children go to bed and the next day when they wake up there is no pan de Pascua and cola de mono left as a clue that Santa went to your house!

On Christmas Day, everybody opens their presents and at lunch time families prepare a big barbecue and we all eat together, usually in the garden, and then we spend the whole evening eating, drinking, chatting and laughing, while children tend to ride their new bikes or scooters on the street and show their new toys to their neighbours and friends.

I think I will miss the warm weather and the outside parties, but I'm looking forward to a very British Christmas this year.

Miss Navarro Barriga, Foreign Language Assistant

focus on languages

Hola!

Hi! My name is Alejandra Navarro and I am the new Spanish Assistant. I'm 22 years old and I come from a very small town in the south of Chile, called Lautaro.

The south of Chile has volcanos, beautiful parks and a lot of rivers and lakes. Back in Chile I live with my parents, Luis and Sonia, and my older brother, Fernando, and all of them are teachers. They are my inspiration.

I am studying English teaching at university so I decided to come here and improve both my English and my teaching skills. I like reading, listening to music and riding my bicycle, especially on sunny days!

During my time here, I would like to share a little bit of my country and my culture with you, so if you have any questions for me, please don't hesitate to ask.

Miss Navarro, Foreign Language Assistant



Photos: Miss Navarro and Mr Rowe

term dates



Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form School Term and Holiday Dates Academic Year 2014-2015

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= Schooldays / Weekends

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= Bank holidays

Please note that Monday 1 September 2014 is a non-pupil day. In addition, we will allocate three non-pupil days out of the school days indicated, and the equivalent of one school day in disaggregated twilight sessions.

Autumn Term:	Monday 1 September 2014 – Friday 19 December 2014 Half Term 27 October – 31 October	75 days
Spring Term:	Monday 5 January 2015 – Friday 27 March 2014 Half Term 16- 20 February	55 days
Summer Term:	Monday 13 April 2015 – Friday 17 July 2015 Half Term 25 May – 29 May, and May Bank Holiday, 4 May	64 days
		194 days

head**boy**head**girl**



Merry Christmas!

Christmas is so nearly here! A whole term has gone by already and we can't believe how fast the time has gone and we are sure everyone has been having fun and working hard!

We were really happy to start the festive season off with the Christmas Concert on 11 December. We thoroughly enjoyed it and loved to see the diversity of talent. In particular we both loved the African drumming, Jazz Band and Year 11 ensemble.

Earlier this month we were pleased to take part in the KS4 Presentation Evening where people were being recognised and rewarded for their talents and achievements. It was also lovely to see previous Year 11s getting their certificates and also seeing Head Boy and Head Girl of last year: Omar and Kirsty.

Overall this has been a fantastic term and we hope everyone has a very happy Christmas full of friends, family and food and that they have a successful New Year. Don't forget your resolutions!

book**review**

Title: Ghost Girl

Author: Tonya Hurley

Genre: Fantasy

Student Charlotte Usher really wants to be popular and that is all she has ever wanted since she started high school. Unfortunately for her, no one even realises that she breathes the same air as them. That is until the day that changed everything. The day she died. The day she choked to death on a gummy bear!

Now that she is dead, she has to work harder than ever to be popular. She meets a friend, Scarlett, the only living person who can see her, and together Charlotte and Scarlet climb the popularity ladder. That is until they come face to face with Petulia, Scarlett's older sister, who does everything she can to stop them becoming more popular than her!

A great book for girls aged 11-12. I give it 5 stars.

Hannah Kane 7H

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"Working together, achieving together"

Student Reports

I think the trip to The Lion King was amazing and spectacular. The show was the best I have seen in years. The best part was when the monkey started to sing to Samba and said you are a baboon and I am not. It was a wonderful night and I would go again and I also recommend you to go and see it too.

Molly Clark 8N

Year 8 went to The Lion King on 5 December. Me and my friends loved it, in fact everyone did. A few people said it was a little emotional including me; how?, just the way everything happened. The emotions made it more effective. Everyone said the costumes were magnificent and created the correct atmosphere as did the layout of the stage. Overall I would rate The Lion King 10/10.

Kira North 8L



“ It was a wonderful night ”





bookfair

Free Books!

Between Wednesday 20 November and Wednesday 4 December, we held a Book Fair in the library. Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 visited the library during one of their English lessons and selected a book of their choice. They will receive it as a Christmas gift from the school before the holidays.



View the Online Photo Gallery

<http://www.notleyhigh.com/photo-galleries-2013/events/scholastic-book-fair>

Student Reports

On Friday 29 November, I went with my tutor group, 7B, to the library during our English lesson. We were allowed to choose a free book as a Christmas present from the school. It was a great idea as many people don't read out of school. Everyone in my tutor group thought that it was very kind and generous of the school to give us a Christmas present and we are very grateful.

Joshua Christie 7B

When I went to the library to pick my book as my Christmas present from the school, I felt extremely excited to see what different books there were to choose from. In the library I was spoilt for choice and wasn't sure which book to choose. I eventually chose the 'The Witch of Turlingham Academy: Under Cover Magic' because it had an eye catching cover which made me want to read the book. The book also had a well-structured blurb, the story line seemed interesting and the first two pages were very good. Another reason why I picked the book is because I love mystery stories. I think it is really fun to try and solve the mystery whilst I'm reading.

Chloe Oxford 7S



There's nothing as exciting as a good book!



Deep in concentration



Everyone's a winner!

Student Reports

The Book Fair was an amazing opportunity as we got to go and choose any brand new book as a Christmas present. There was a wide variety of different genres on offer. There were thrillers, dramas, fantasies, comedies and non-fiction books. It was very hard to decide on one book, as there were so many different titles that caught my interest. I read the blurbs on lots of different books to get a quick and easy summary of what the book was about.

We all thought that this event was great because we had been offered a new free book as a gift from the school and it would also make the students more enthusiastic about reading!

Erin Rouse, 13, said, 'I really enjoyed this event. I thought it was such a great idea!'

Katie Murray, 12, said, 'I was really happy with the book I chose and I would love to be given the opportunity to visit a book fair like this again.'

Molly Chaloner 80



"Working together, achieving together"



Student Reports

When our English teacher told us that the school was going to give us a free book for Christmas, I was really excited. I thought it was really generous of the school as they were buying this gift for the whole of Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9.

Once I was in the library, I started to browse the huge

selection of books. I looked at about four other books before I decided upon the one I wanted.

The book I chose was called "My Friend, The Enemy." The blurb described it as a mystery story. A young boy in WW2 finds a plane wreckage and wants to take something when he finds that the pilots are still alive but he's in need of help. What should he do?

Michael Tomalin 8S



dropeverythingandread



‘ Year 7 students
read aloud to their
sixth form mentors ’



View the Online Photo Gallery

<http://www.notleyhigh.com/photo-galleries-2013/events/dear>



DEAR Mentoring

Some students in Year 7 have been paired up with Year 12 reading mentors. Every Friday, during the school's DEAR session, the library comes alive as Year 7 students read aloud to their sixth form mentors. It's fantastic to see and hear so many students enjoying reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction books during this time.

Mrs Stringer, Literacy Co-ordinator

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shoeboxmania



Throughout November, staff and students at Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form have been busy filling in shoeboxes for the Christmas Shoebox appeal 2013.



100 Goodie Boxes

This year, we decided to support the Rotary Shoebox Scheme, a part of the Rotary Club. The aim was to fill a box up with goodies as a gift to those that have very little to look forward to this Christmas. We had jewellery, colouring books, hats and gloves, toiletries and even some household items. The students had such a great time doing it, and some even took a few home to encourage families to get involved. We received over 100 shoeboxes ready to be shipped off to the Ukraine, to be given out to people, both young and old. We hope it helps make their Christmas memorable, and full of joy.

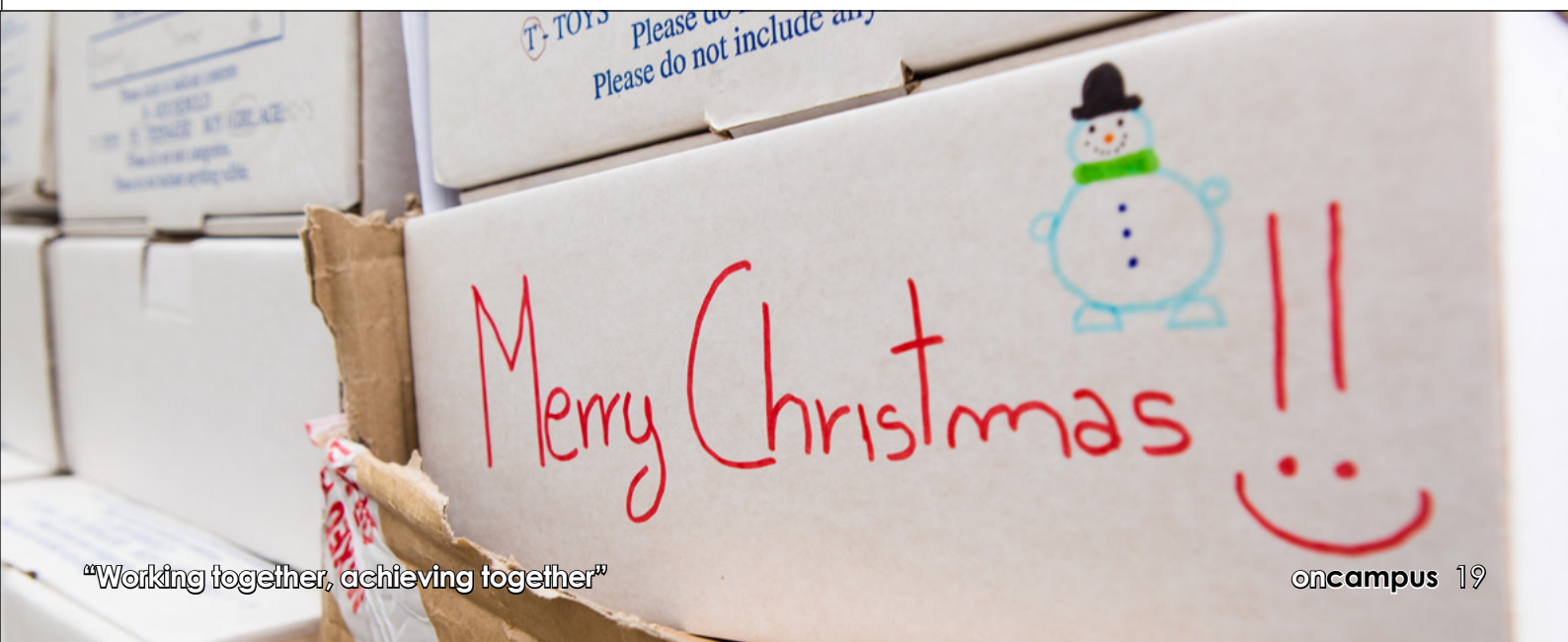
Again, it was great to see everyone support this very noble cause. I asked some of the students to let me know their thoughts on the project. Some of the comments I received were:

'I really enjoyed taking part in the shoebox appeal as I was helping those less fortunate, and it just goes to show how these little things can make a really big difference.' Jemilla Salmon 10N

'I decided to do 2 shoeboxes for the appeal. I thought we get so many presents every year, so to fill up just 2 boxes really isn't asking much. I felt so happy when I handed them in – just knowing it would put a smile on someone's face makes it worth doing.' Eleni Kyriacou 12X

'All the little things that doesn't make a difference to us makes a real difference to those that have so little.' Maisie Simmonds 10T

Mrs Khatun, Charities Coordinator



christmas carols

Merry Christmas!

On 6 December the choir visited the residents of The Old Deanery Care Village, Bocking. We had been preparing our songs in rehearsals since October and as the day approached the anticipation and excitement was building.

We performed for 45 minutes. Pieces included songs from the Christmas Concert and some solos and traditional Christmas carols. The residents really enjoyed the music and talking to the students. Many members of the choir are keen to do another similar visit next term as they enjoy having the opportunity to sing to other people.

*Mr Harris,
Assistant Subject Leader - Music*



noticeboard



Diary Dates

Here are a few diary items to note. For a full list of diary events please visit the online school calendar at

<http://www.notleyhigh.com/school-calendar>

Friday 20 December

End of Term - school finishes at 1.30pm

Sunday 22 December

I've Seen Santa (Braintree Arts Theatre)
11.30am - 12.30pm and 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Monday 6 January 2014

Spring Term Starts

WEEK B

Tuesday 7 January

STOP Programme - Reunion - 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Wednesday 8 January

Year 11 Parents'/Carers' Consultation Evening -
5pm - 8pm

Thursday 9 January

Year 10 Able & Talented Visit to University of
Essex - 8.50am - 3pm

Ski Trip Information Evening for Parents/Carers -
6.30pm - 7.15pm

Student Absence/ Late Lines

Year 7 01376 556347

Year 8 01376 556348

Year 9 01376 556349

Year 10 01376 556350

Year 11 01376 556351

The absence lines should be called on a daily basis to report your child late or sick.

Contact the Magazine

We are always happy to receive articles from parents/carers and students. If you have a piece of news you would like to be included in the magazine, you can email it directly to the editor at:

lisa.perkins@notleyhigh.com

The deadline for submission is the Thursday prior to publication.

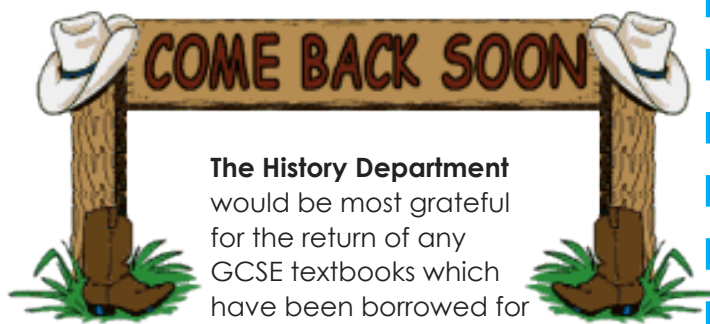
Uniform Wanted

Do you have any uniform that no longer fits, or you no longer need?

We are in need of any items you would be able to donate, especially trousers, skirts and ties.

Thank you.

Mrs Hunter, Student Services



The History Department

would be most grateful for the return of any GCSE textbooks which have been borrowed for revision – however long

ago this may have been. We are particularly keen to see our American West textbooks again so please have a hunt around at home and herd them back to us; no questions asked, just a warm welcome.

personal development

Personal Development Time

In PDT we have had a busy half term with lots of events going on.

As last term, Year 8 are continuing to have their first aid training which is interactive and they learn about when and how to call for an ambulance and how to put someone in the recovery position.



Year 11 had a speaker from Stonewall come in and talk to them about homophobic bullying for Anti-Bullying week. The guest speaker was Dan Neal who is a former Police Detective and helped on the Jimmy Savile investigation before leaving the force to go into the Big Brother house in 2013. It was a very



personal talk about his life and how he has dealt with homophobic bullying. Stonewall is a charity that focuses on supporting lesbian, gay, and bisexual (LGB). For more information have a look at their website www.stonewall.org.uk or see Miss Wilson or a member of staff from PER.



View the Online Photo Gallery

<http://www.notleyhigh.com/photo-galleries-2013/events/stonewall-speaker>





Anti-Bullying Week

In aid of Anti-Bullying week Year 7 and Year 9 had an anti-bullying roadshow brought to them. This tackled issues with cyber bullying, with solutions on how to deal with this. It was an interactive production and allowed participation from the students.



View the Online Photo Gallery

<http://www.notleyhigh.com/photo-galleries-2013/events/anti-bullying-roadshow>





Dan Jones talks to our pupils

Human Rights

Year 9 have been doing work on Human Rights in PDT and they had a speaker from Amnesty International. The guest Speaker Dan Jones delivered a talk about the work of Amnesty international and on child soldiers highlighting what other children in the world experience.



AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL



Year 11 have started to receive workshops on how to identify and avoid unhealthy relationships and domestic abuse from representatives from the Centre of Action and Rape and Abuse (CARA). This is very thought provoking and produces

interesting discussion work for the students. Year 11 are also starting to have workshops with our Youth Police Officer PC Nessling on the law and internet safety.



Year 11 had Enact, a drama group, come in and deliver a show on raising the participation age (RPA) giving details about staying in education or training until they are 18.



Still to come this half term

Year 10 are doing work on personal finance and are due to have representatives from HSBC come into school to deliver a talk.

Get Involved

Are you a former Notley High student? We have just launched our alumni network in partnership with education charity Future First.

If you used to go to Notley High School and would like to get back in touch with the school and get involved in school life we would love to hear from you! Sign up to our former student network by filling out a form online so we can let you know what's happening at the school and let you know of opportunities to get involved.

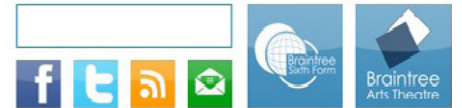
To sign up log on to this website <https://networks.futurefirst.org.uk/former-student/notleyhigh>

Miss Wilson, PDT Faculty Leader

schoolwebsite

This has lots of key information about many aspects of school life. We would encourage all parents and carers to use our website regularly to keep up-to-date with all that is happening at Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form.

We also have school Facebook and Twitter feeds for keeping up-to-date with information. These can be easily reached from our homepage or via the appropriate apps on smartphones.



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Drop Everything and Read Notley High School!
On Friday 13th September 2013, all of the students and staff at Notley High School paused for fifteen minutes to read silently as part of the school's new reading initiative.

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December 2013

Dear Parents/Carers

Severe Weather Procedures for 2013-14

During any periods of severe weather this winter, our website will state one of three things by 7.30am at the very latest:

- School open as normal
- School closed
- Severe weather procedures in place

We will aim to put this message on our website as early as possible, or the previous evening depending on the severity of the weather conditions.

Please note the particular arrangements for public examinations. Even if we are closed due to severe weather, we will endeavour to run public examinations for those students that are able to travel to school.

In the event of worsening weather conditions during the school day necessitating closure, we will give as much notice as possible and communicate this decision by the modes of communication listed above. Any students in Years 7-11 that have problems getting home should report to the Canteen. Any sixth form students that have problems getting home should report to Café6. The senior leadership team will work together to ensure that these students get home safely. We will not allow students to leave the site unless we are confident that parents/carers are aware and approve of arrangements.

Our severe weather procedures can be viewed on our website.

<http://www.notleyhigh.com/severe-weather-procedures>

Yours faithfully



Mr R Newman
Senior Deputy Headteacher





Braintree Sixth Form



MUN at Braintree Sixth Form

MUN Conference

This term Year 12 students have been working on a Model United Nations project to give them a greater insight into world politics and the challenges faced by countries very different from our own. On Thursday 28 November our theatre was transformed into a conference room where Year 12 students played the role of world leaders and represented their countries in presenting resolutions at the world parliament, the General Assembly, during our Model United Nations Conference. The professionalism of the conduct and the high quality of the argument and debate throughout the event was a credit to all Year 12 students and their tutors. More photos from the event are on the BSF Admissions Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/bsfadmissions>

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charitymusicconcert



Charity Concert

Year 13 student Katie Collins organised and performed in the charity music concert held in the Braintree Arts Theatre during lunchtime on Thursday 28 November. The concert was popular and well received, raising over £50.00 for 'Education for All'. Many thanks to all those Year 12 and 13 students who took part.



Katie Collins



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christmasparty

*‘ even Santa
came along to
deliver cards and
presents!
’*

On Wednesday 4 December, we invited a number of residents from local residential homes to come and join us for our Christmas Tea party.

Ho Ho Ho!



View the Online Photo Gallery

<http://www.notleyhigh.com/photo-galleries-2013/events/oap-christmas-party>



Ho Ho Ho!

We started off the evening with our very own 'Senior Leadership Team' choir who sang Christmas carols.


Our guests were then entertained by some of our very talented Year 8 students who sang, danced and played instruments for them. Even Santa came along to deliver cards and presents!

Our staff all came together as always, to lay on a lovely spread for the evening and the students and staff made sure we kept our visitors well fed and watered throughout the evening.

An excellent evening was had by all!

Mrs Shipton, Assistant Year Leader, Year 11



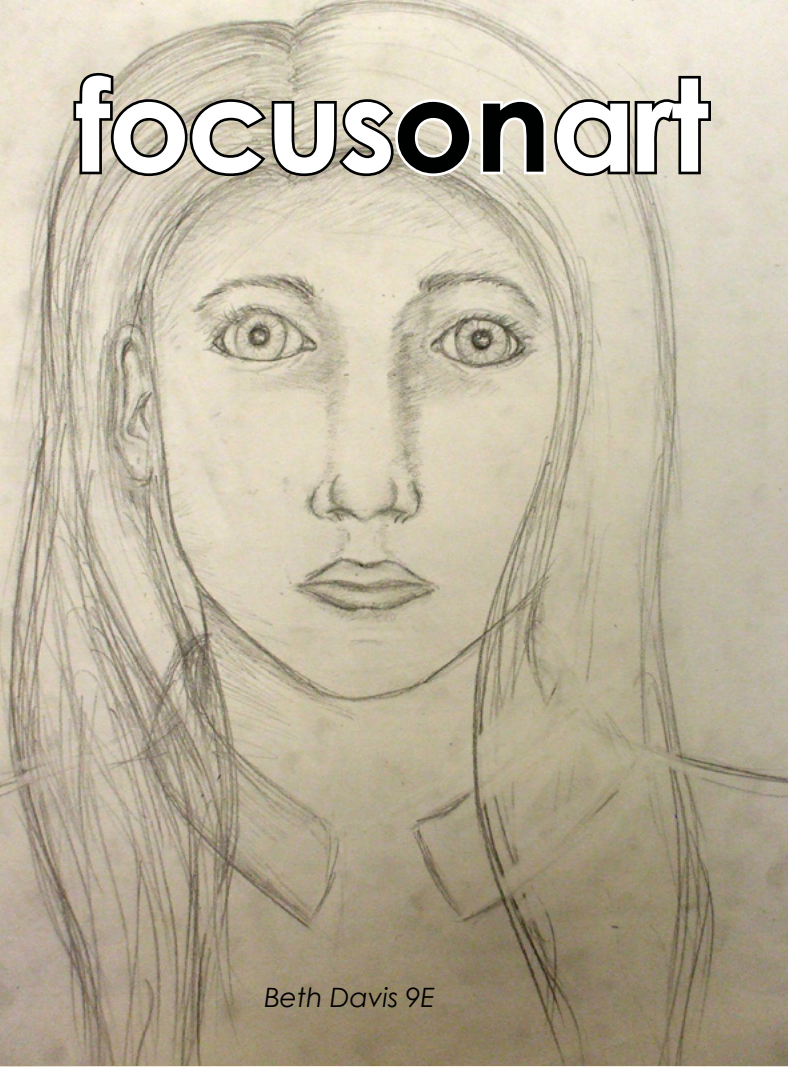
A photograph of two men in cowboy costumes. One man, wearing a brown hat, a red and white checkered shirt, and a brown vest, is leaning over the other man. The second man, wearing a tan hat, a white shirt, and blue jeans, is lying on his back with a surprised expression. The background is plain white.

Spring/Summer 2014 Season Tickets are on Sale!

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for details!*

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Beth Davis 9E



Lydia Butler
9H

Imogen
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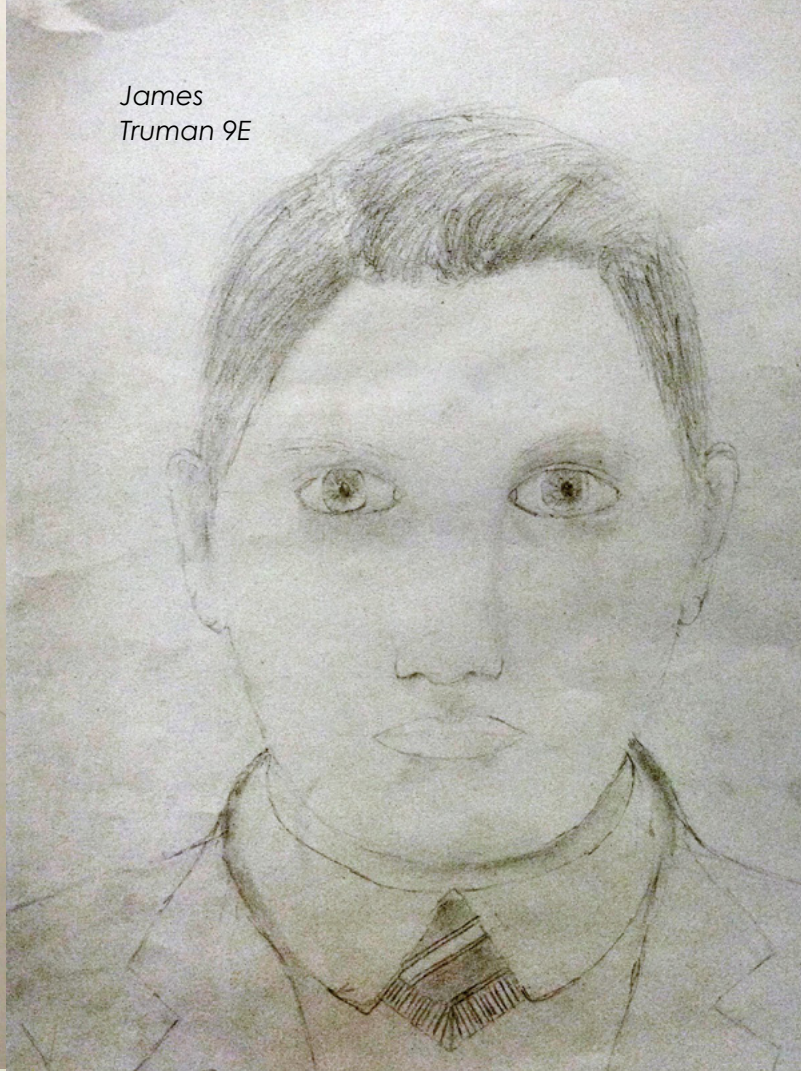
Holly Clarke
9E



Dominic
Skinner 9E



James
Truman 9E



Emily Bird 9H



Noreen
Mukahiwa 9H





Katie Archer PE

I began playing football at Colchester United Girls Centre of Excellence after playing for my school. In the last season at Colchester United, the academy trust went in to administration and the scheme was taken over by Essex County FA. I trialed for them along with my other friends from the team. We all got offered a place and accepted. I'm happy playing for Essex along with all of my friends. We train twice a week and have played the likes of Chelsea, Arsenal and Norwich. When we played Chelsea we actually played at the Chelsea men's training ground in Cobham. Playing for Essex is the best thing ever if you love football as much as I do.

Katie Archer 70

netballreport

Photos: Miss Wilson

This year attendance at our netball club is fantastic. We have teams attending for Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 which is brilliant to see. Well done to all the girls involved. Here are the results from the games played this term;

Year 7 Results

Against	Result
Alec Hunter	Lost 12-14
Forest Hall	To be re-arranged
Hedingham	Won 12-3
Maltings	Won 15 -1
Colchester County High CUP	Lost 15-5
Great Baddow CUP	Won 13-8
Honywood CUP	Drew 13-13
St Martins CUP	Played on 18/12



Year 8 Results

Against	Result
Alec Hunter	Won 41-0
Forest Hall	Won 45-0
Hedingham	Won 25-6
Maltings	Won 29-5



Year 9 Results

Against	Result
Alec Hunter	Won 31-7
Hedingham	Won 31-0
Maltings	DNP
Brentwood CUP	Lost 29-19



Year 10 Results

Alec Hunter	Lost 28-1
Forest Hall (Mountfitchet)	Won 11-8
Hedingham	Lost 3-12
Maltings	Lost 7-25

Miss Wilson, PDT Faculty Leader



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Think you're the next Rankin or Annie Leibovitz? Do you take great shots with your camera and like to show them off to everyone?

Why not enter your best shot(s) into our photography competition! You don't need the most expensive camera in the world - you just need to send in a great shot from what you have.

We have some fabulous prizes on offer worth over £150 so what have you got to lose?

Simply email your photo(s) (max 5Mb per email) to chris.rowe@notleyhigh.com

Closing date: 14 March 2014

The winners will be announced in Issue 4 and we will publish some of the best entries in Issue 3 just to get you inspired. What are you waiting for?

The competition is open to all current students of Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form.

Terms and conditions are available at <http://www.notleyhigh.com/photocompetition>

Many thanks to Jeff Turnbull of Excel Photography Training for kindly donating the first prize!



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First Prize:

1 day Introduction to Photography course worth **£115** courtesy of Excel Photography Training!

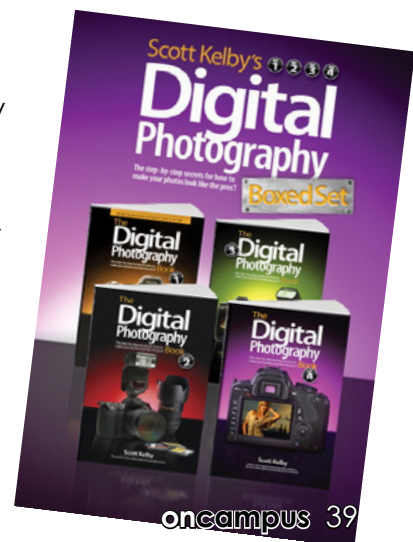
This an amazing course that will really bring out the best in your photography. Subjects covered include getting confident with your camera, camera set-up shooting modes, ISO, image size and a whole lot more. Get additional information at : <http://www.excelphotographytraining.co.uk>

Runner-up Prize

We have a set of Scott Kelby Digital Photography books worth **over £40** for the runner-up.

These cover every aspect of photography and there is something for everyone, regardless of your current skill level.

Read, learn, improve!



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Prize Wordsearch



Win a £10 Voucher!



This issue's prize wordsearch is based around history words.

Try to find each of the words below in the grid (they can be in any direction including diagonal).

However one word is not in the grid!

To be included in the prize draw simply email that word to chris.rowe@notleyhigh.com

The winner will be chosen at random from all correct entries received by 4pm Friday 7 February 2014.

The winner's name (and the solution!) will be published in the next issue.

Appeasement
Armistice
Capitalism
Communism
Conscription
Continuity

Democracy
Diversity
Empire
Imperialism
Monarch
Pacifist

Pact
Progress
Propaganda
Rationing
Reform
Restoration

Revolution
Slavery
Treaty

Last issue's puzzles

Maths Challenge

There are actually many solutions to this problem.
One example is that Mr Callely starts with 48 cakes and Ms Brown starts with 28.
It also works if you share 80 cakes between them, starting with 42 for Mr Callely and 38 for Ms Brown.

Prize Wordsearch



The word missing from the grid was GASEOUS

MerryChristmas



We would like to wish all our staff, students, parents and carers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

From January 2014 oncampus will be published half-termly so look out for Issue 3 just before half term in February.

Remember that school will re-open on Monday 6 January 2014 at the normal time for all students.

Peter Antoniou

Psychic Magician: Comedium

at Braintree Arts Theatre on
Saturday 10 May 2014



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focusonfood

Colchester Institute's Chef Roadshow visited NHS on Thursday 21 November. 40 year 9 and 10 students attended with many students participating in practical activities and all of them enjoying tasting samples.



Pasta making like a boss



View the Online Photo Gallery

<http://www.notleyhigh.com/photo-galleries-2013/events/chef-roadshow-2013>

Chef Roadshow

Chef Ian Perkins and his assistant chef Jackie made a three course meal of fresh oysters, pasta carbonara and apple tart tatin with chantilly cream. Lots of students tried oysters for the first time, several helped with the pasta making and they were queuing for seconds of apple tartin. The students were very impressed to hear that the chefs had cooked for the Queen, various cabinet ministers, V.I.P. guests at the London Olympics and most of all artists at the

V Festival. Several students went off wearing chefs hats and with recipes to try at home.

Our thanks go to Colchester Institute who have been kind enough to visit Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form annually for the last ten years.

Mrs Williams, Co-leader of Technology faculty.



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Live Music and Cabaret at Braintree Arts Theatre

A Variety of Acts to Entertain Audiences in Spring/Summer Season

Audiences are sure to get into the swing of things with the **Rat Pack Live: 15th Anniversary Tour** on 29 March. Direct From London's Leicester Square Theatre, The O2 and a Royal Command Performance, David Alacey (Lovejoy & Inspector Alleyn), Des Coleman (Lenny - Eastenders & The One Show) and Paul Drakeley (Inside Out -BBC) star as Frank, Sammy and Dean in the original Rat Pack show, now celebrating its 15th record breaking year. The UK'S number one Madness tribute band Ultimate Madness comes to Braintree Arts Theatre performing their double header show **Ultimate Madness vs Ska 2 Tone Revue** on 25 April. First half will be Ultimate Madness performing the greatest hits of Madness including Baggy Trousers, House of Fun and Our House. Second half will be Ska 2 Tone Revue that consists of all the hits made famous by bands. Beatlemania hits Braintree on 9 May with **The Magic of the Beatles**. The Magic of the Beatles superbly recreates their legendary live performances, and more. Taking you from their Mop Top roots to the psychedelia of Sgt Pepper and beyond, from Love Me Do to Let It Be. Relight your fire for one of the most successful boybands of all time - Take That! **The Take That Experience** on 28 June give you the very latest Take That favourites, like Greatest Day, The Flood, Patience and Shine, as well as all the classic hits from the 90's, including Back For Good, Could It Be Magic and Pray.

Our regular and popular **Comedy Nights** return next season! These hilarious nights are on the third Thursday of each month and give you a chance to see top notch comedians at a fraction of their normal touring price. Line ups and listings can be found on our website. Book your tickets to avoid disappointment!

Delve into the world of 'psychics' with **Peter Antoniou- Psychic Magician: Comedium** on 10 May. Following his brilliantly successful 2013 Edinburgh show, the award-winning 'psychic' comedian, Peter Antoniou performs his show Comedium at the BAC. Removed from all the showbiz trappings this is an intimate show that is just the audience, Peter and the most amazing and astounding demonstrations of mind reading you are ever likely to see.

That's just a taster of what to expect next season; there's plenty more drama, comedy, family theatre, live music and cabaret! There's something for everyone next season at Braintree Arts Theatre.

Please visit our website www.braintreeartstheatre.com for full season details and updates!

And remember: book your tickets before 31 January and receive 15% off your order! Visit our website for full details.



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