

# INFORM

## The Newsletter of Jack Hunt School

A Specialist Language and Sports College

### CONGRATULATIONS!

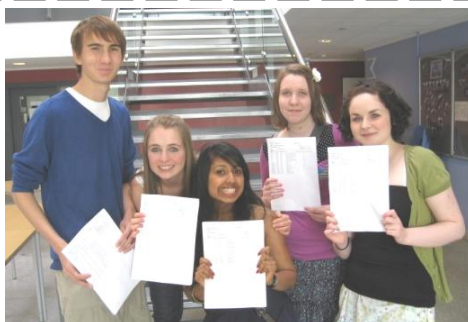
#### A Level Results 2009

Staff and students are delighted with A Level results again this year.

Notable successes were Leena Pankhania who achieved four passes at Grade A, Michael Middleton who gained three passes at Grade A and two at Grade B and Andrew King, Zoe D'Arcy and Jessica Stanley-Jones who each achieved three passes at Grade A and one at Grade B.

Other high achieving students were Jonathan Phelps, Jordan Turner, Danielle Adams and James Kenny who achieved two passes at Grade A and two at Grade B. Rehana Yousaf, Grace Dolan, Laura-Louise Arundell and Mohammed Abbas Karim also achieved two passes at Grade A and one at Grade B.

Mr Duncan



#### GCSE Results 2009

The school also celebrated some very pleasing examination results after the first cohort of increased student numbers sat their GCSE examinations this year.

Notable successes were Joanna Capela who achieved 13 passes with 11 at A\* and two at A, Helen King with nine at A\* and one at A, Karl Hyndman with eight A\* grades and three at A and Tom Chung with six passes at A\*, five at A and one at B.

Mr Duncan

#### The Big Finish – Friday 22 July 2009

As part of our Lesson 5 activities, at the beginning of June, all Tutor Groups were given a task of devising a company who could make as much money as possible from a loan of £5.00. Every Tutor Group worked on a Business Plan which had to be submitted by the end of that month.

Students were then provided with a space in school where they could set up their stalls and sell their goods on the last day of term.

Events started on the day with an Inter-House Track Athletics Competition where Years 7 to 10, Sixth Form and Staff competed against each other. This was a chance for the House ethos and community spirit (and rivalry between Einstein and Brunel Houses) to really show itself.

Despite the bad weather, the Tutor Groups then went off to their designated areas to set up their stalls and students took turns manning the stalls and spending their money, buying anything from summer drinks and fortune cookies to wet sponges and water balloons to be thrown at Tutors.

After paying back the £5.00 loans, a total of £2,111.38 was raised and the winning Tutor Group MBC, who made a whopping £65.00 profit, presented a cheque to Sue Ryder Care during the Mandela Assembly. As their prize, they all received a cinema ticket to a film of their choice.

Feedback from staff and students was very positive with such comments as, "It was a really good way to end the year", "great fun – can we do it again" and "that was the best last day of school I have ever had".

Thanks to all for taking part and raising so much money for a great cause.

Mrs Treacy

#### Diary Dates

##### 2009

**Friday 23 October**

Staff Professional Development Day

**Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October**  
Half Term

**Monday 2 November**

Term resumes

**Tuesday 3 November**

Prospective Year 12 Evening - 7.00 pm

**Thursday 5 November**

Senior Maths Challenge

**Tuesday 10 November**

Year 12/13 Parents Afternoon

**Wednesday 11 November**

PE Gifted and Talented Evening

**Friday 13 November**

Year 11 GCSE Maths Examinations

**Thursday 19 November**

Year 10/11 GCSE Science Module Examinations

**Thursday 19 November - Friday 27 November**

Year 11 Internal Examinations

**Friday 20 November**

Year 9 Mini Reports home

**Friday 4 December**

Year 9 Parents Afternoon

**Tuesday 8 December**

Table Tennis Singles Tournament

**Wednesday 9 December**

Christmas Concert - 7.30 pm

**Thursday 10 December**

Tandoori Night - 6.30 pm

**Tuesday 15 December**

Table Tennis Double Tournament

**Thursday 17 December**

Presentation Evening - 6.45 pm

**Friday 18 December**

Year 7, 8 & 12 Reports home  
Term ends

##### 2010

**Tuesday 5 January**

Term starts



Joshua Clifton, Jessica Dowell, Beatrice Cook and Mausam Belbase presenting the cheque to Helena Waters from Sue Ryder Care.



## Headteacher's Column

The new school year has started well. Through the summer holiday period a number of improvements were completed including the installation of flood lighting to the hard play/sport area. We have also worked in partnership with the City Council to purchase the equipment for the new fitness suite in the re-furbished swimming pool. As a result our students get use of the equipment during curriculum time and at the end of each school day. During half term more cycle storage places will be provided in a new secure area adjacent to the existing storage.

This edition of INFORM celebrates some of the successes of our students over recent months including highly commendable performances in GCSE and A level examinations and a variety of sporting

achievements at regional, national and international levels. Well done to all those students and many others who have achieved personal success who are not mentioned here.

We have also embarked upon new developments in the curriculum this year, particularly the start of new specialised diplomas at Key Stage 4 and the Sixth Form. We are a centre for Society, Health and Development and will introduce further diplomas in addition to the traditional curriculum over the coming years.

Following the appointment of our Extended Schools Manager, Maureen Stringer, to work with all our partners in the local area, including primary schools, we have made real progress in developing collaboratively a range of activities and events for children and families in the west of Peterborough.

I am sure this work will continue to build more opportunities and support for children and families over the coming year.

In this edition we also introduce our Head Prefect Team – Mia, Joyce, Riccardo and Ryan. They are already performing their roles with enthusiasm and maturity. We will continue this year to provide further opportunities for students from all age groups to demonstrate responsibility and leadership. In the next edition we will introduce our recently appointed House Leaders.

Finally, Jack Hunt School is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> birthday this year! We will be organising events to mark this occasion – more information to follow.

*Roy Duncan*

## Special Lunch for Jack Hunt's Sporting Stars

Jack Hunt School is proud of its many sporting stars, and recently some of the students were invited to a special lunch with Mr Duncan to congratulate them and talk about their impressive achievements during the summer.

In Rowing, Year 13 student James Fox has been the Under 18 Great Britain National Champion three times and finished 6<sup>th</sup> Best at Henley. He is also currently the European Under 18 Champion, winning a Gold Medal at the European Championships in France. Other rowing successes have been achieved by Year 12 students Tom Chung and Sam Tuck.

Tom won Silver and Bronze Medals at the Under 18 Great Britain Junior European Championships in France and reached Henley as a semi-finalist, while Sam another Great Britain Rower, also qualified for Henley and received the Under 16 Gold Medal at the European Championships and achieved a Silver Medal at the National Championships.

Year 10 student Megan Lawless proved Rowing isn't just for the boys, as she also celebrated her success by achieving a National School's Junior Under 14s Silver Medal.

Year 12 Athlete, Michael Frankland was also congratulated for his 400m 4 x 400m win at the UK Schools Games in Cardiff in September and he is currently fourth in the country for his age group, while Year 11 Sprinter Ashley Watson narrowly missed out on attending the English Schools Athletics Competition.



Michael Frankland

Year 12 Swimmer Sam Stokes recently received five Gold Medals at the Inter-Schools Gala and is set to represent the school at the National Inter-Schools' Gala in October. Whilst Year 8 student, Thalia Martin demonstrated her skills in both Tennis and Golf, by playing Tennis at Club Level in Indonesia and receiving a Golf Scholarship with the PGL.

Year 9 student Lewis Hook represented Great Britain in the summer holidays by playing Ice Hockey in Canada for a second time this year.

The PE Department wish them well and look forward to seeing their sporting achievements in the press in the future. Perhaps we will see some of them at the 2012 Olympic Games.



Left to right back row – Mr Duncan, Sam Tuck, Tom Chung, Michael Frankland, Tom Stokes, Ashley Watson, James Fox. Front row – Thalia Martin, Megan Lawless, Miss Jeal.



Lewis Hook

*Miss Jeal*



## Duke of Edinburgh Assessment Expeditions

Year 12 Silver Award students successfully completed their assessed expedition in the Manifold Valley, Derbyshire. Having had extremely nice weather for their practice expedition

earlier in the year, this was not the case in Derbyshire. The students spent three days and two nights being entirely self-sufficient.

In the weeks previous, the group spent time planning routes, identifying which foods would be suitable for themselves and ensuring all of their personal equipment was suitable and in good working order. The groups set off on

Monday morning, walking 16km to the first campsite, the weather was a little damp, but nothing that would compare with what was to come that evening. During the night a month's worth of rain fell in just three hours. This did not dampen the student's spirits as they were up

bright and early and eager to complete their expedition. Days two and three were slightly better weather wise. All students had fantastic attitudes in order to complete the expedition, demonstrating excellent teamwork throughout. Well done to all!

Year 11 Bronze Award students successfully completed their assessed expedition at Wing Hall, Rutland. The students spent two days and one night putting into practice the skills they had learnt. They showed excellent navigation, camp craft and team work skills throughout. They are now planning for their final piece of assessment which is to present their diary of the weekend to parents and students who are beginning the Bronze, Duke of Edinburgh Award.

*Mr Smith*

This year's **Head Prefect team** are (left to right) Riccardo Wysoczanski (Head Boy), Joyce Madzima (Deputy Head Girl), Mia Heming (Head Girl) and Ryan Howden (Deputy Head Boy).

Jack Hunt School prides itself in offering leadership opportunities to the young people in its care and many students aspire to these positions. This year's appointments are a quartet of



students, whose varied skills and strengths are complementary and the school is delighted to say that since their positions were taken up they have provided fabulous role models for the rest of the school.

Their responsibilities include representing the school at key functions on the school calendar such as Prospective Parents' Evenings and Junior Day. They have an ever increasing role in the expanded School Council, which gives them the empowerment of directly contributing to change within Jack Hunt School. They are also jointly responsible for recruitment, training and management of the Senior Prefects and Prefects. As they have all graduated through this system they are ideally suited to this role.

As they often represent the school at external functions they are also the public face of Jack Hunt School to many partner organisations and as such, the importance of their role cannot be underestimated.

We are delighted to have them in the post and sincerely hope they enjoy the leadership experience this opportunity offers.

*Mr Fricker*

## Drama News

'A' Level Theatre Studies students recently enjoyed a trip to see 'War Horse' an amazing theatre production at the National Theatre, London.

Drama Club auditions and rehearsals for this year's Panto 'Scrooge' are under way.- All year groups involved!

*Mrs Brace*



## On Sale!!!

School coats (waterproof-black and showerproof-black) and grey V neck pullovers are now available from the school shop.

## More chips?

On Friday 25 September 2009, the Year 13 Applied Business students enjoyed a visit to the McCain Foods Factory in Peterborough.

The visit was organised by Business and Enterprise teacher Mr Cook, and was set up to allow the students to see first hand how an International Company operates.

Andrew Riley, Corporate Affairs Manager (UK) who travelled down from Scarborough to speak in person to all the Jack Hunt students hosted the visit.

Andrew commented "The students asked some very good questions, and showed a real interest in the McCain Foods Factory. They are a credit to Jack Hunt School".

The students were also fortunate to be given a tour around the processing plant, by the Production Manager, something which is usually reserved for employees of McCain Foods or visiting politicians.

The tour allowed the students to see first hand the processes that McCain Foods go through to produce the most popular chips in the world, and links in directly with their Managing Resources coursework.

Such was the success of the visit, Mr Cook has already agreed with Andrew Riley to visit the factory next year with the current Year 12 Applied Business students.

*Mr Cook*



# Leading Parent Partnership Award



## Extended Schools in Jack Hunt Cluster



As part of the Jack Hunt Cluster Extended Schools, several new activities ran over the summer holidays including music workshops and multi sports events.

Music Tutors Laurette Evelyn (vocals); Chris Watson (guitar) and Chris Purser (drums) ran successful workshops which received good feedback and will continue to be offered in the future.

Multi sports were offered for both under and over 11 age groups. These were run in partnership with the Peterborough Sports Development Team. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive. Future sessions will be held over the October half term - please check [www.jackhunt.peterborough.sch.uk](http://www.jackhunt.peterborough.sch.uk) for details.

Two Jack Hunt students, Charlie Gibbs and Laura Kebbell, joined a special summer trip involving joining the crew of a Tall Ships Voyage organised by the local Youth Services.

Charlie and Laura found it extremely hard work and long days, but great fun! Funding was provided by Peterborough Youth Bank along with a contribution from the Jack Hunt Extended Schools Cluster.

The Jack Hunt Cluster sent out a Summer Activities' Booklet to all cluster schools and also put a copy on the website. Parents were signposted to a range of activities in the cluster and wider Peterborough. A few local examples included summer activities held at Highlees Primary School, Little Tigers Nursery, Westwood and Ravensthorpe Children's Centre and the Tree House Club, based at Thorpe School, which was open to all families.

It was a busy summer for all, but showed how the children and families can have fun in the Jack Hunt Cluster!!!



Maureen Stringer  
Extended Schools Cluster Manager

## Society Health & Development Diploma Day - 'The Accident'

The 1 October 2009 saw Jack Hunt School play host to the first ever Society Health & Development Team Peterborough Diploma Day. Over 75 students from schools and colleges across Peterborough came together to witness the emergency services in action. 'The Accident' scenario organised by 'The Britten Partnership' and sponsored by Aimhigher, Health Skills East and NHS East England provided an opportunity for students to observe the collaboration, skills, equipment and professionalism of the fire, ambulance and police services when dealing with a car crash.



Peterborough Regional College provided Drama students who played the roles of the casualties and their Media and Makeup Department students provided very realistic looking injuries, which in turn contributed overall to a very convincing accident scene.

Students were then able to take part in workshops facilitated by staff from Health, Care, and Youth Offending Teams alongside the Police, Fire and Ambulance Services to discuss the ongoing care needs of the victims and the consequences of reckless driving.

The Society Health & Development Diploma Day was an outstanding success and feedback from students was extremely positive. The day was the first of what will be a series of work related experiences that students can access. It heralds a new and exciting learning experience which brings teaching alive and makes it more relevant.

The Society Health and Development Diploma signals the launch of a range of Diploma qualifications available at Jack Hunt School as part of the 'Team Peterborough' consortium of schools & colleges. The new Diploma provides our students with a wider choice of academic qualifications.

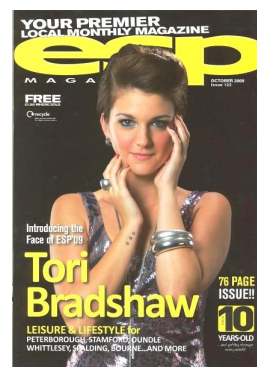
A special thank you, to all staff, visitors and of course our students who made this a day to remember.

Mrs Collins



## The Face of ESP Magazine 2009

Year 13 student, Tori Bradshaw has just been awarded the prestigious title of the "The Face of ESP Magazine 2009", Peterborough's free leisure and lifestyle magazine, and won over £6,000 in prizes becoming their ambassador for the next 12 months. She will appear at events promoting the fun-loving ethos of ESP and she will become a recognised 'face' about town, meeting celebrities, taking part in charity events and modelling for the magazine.



Tori saw the competition advertised on the ESP website and thought it would be fun to enter, thinking what was the worse thing that could happen!

The competition was launched over a series of stages, in which contestants had to submit photos and information, prepare a preview evening talk about themselves for five minutes, and if successful, attend the Finals Night where she had to introduce herself to as many of the sponsors and judges as she could in a phase of judging called 'Mix and Mingle'. The 33 finalists were then whittled down to 12 and then again to six.

Tori couldn't believe she had won. She said "I heard my name called out but it just didn't seem real. I'd had such a great night anyway I would have been happy even if I hadn't won, but now I'm just so excited about what lies ahead. It's going to be a fantastic year."

Congratulations Tori!

Mrs Greaves