Carre's Grammar School



NEWSLETTER

June 2021

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Useful Dates:

7 - 18 June

Assessments Years 7 - 10

Week commencing 28 June

Year 12 Assessments

21 June

Year 7 Virtual STEM morning
New Year 7 (September 2021) Induction Evening 1

22 June

Year 5 Taster Day 1 New Year 7 (September 2021) Induction Evening 2

23 June from 6pm

Year 5 Taster Day 2 Year 13 Leavers' Celebration

24 June - Ministerial Visit

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP, Minister of State for School Standards

25 June

New Year 7 (Sept 2021) Induction Day

28 and 29 June

Sixth Form Induction Days

1 July

Virtual Big Sing

5 - 9 July

Open Week

7 July

Year 7 Percussion Day

14 July

Year 13 Prom

20 July

Sports Day

21 July

Years 7 - 10 Celebration Events and End of School Year

Foreword by Mr Law, Headteacher

It seems that summer has finally arrived and the good weather has certainly lifted the spirits in school. There is a lot going on this term and you will see from this Newsletter that the second half of the summer term brings with it both new opportunities and some long-awaited restored ones for students.

I hope you find the combination of news, celebration and advice both helpful and indicative of brighter days to come for all our young people.



Year 9 - Tenner Challenge

The Tenner Challenge is a free national challenge for students aged 11 – 18. Over the course of four weeks, students will use £10 pledges to get their student business ideas off the ground. It's an interactive programme that helps students to develop key employability skills including creativity, resilience and problem solving.



For my group's Tenner Challenge, we decided to make beeswax candles, beeswax melts and beeswax blocks. We hope you enjoyed the smell!

Prices:

Beeswax Candle - £1 each or 3 for £2.50

Beeswax Melt - 30p each or 4 for £1

Beeswax block - 70p each or 3 for £2

Euan B 9W

As part of the Tenner Challenge this year, we sold a range of bespoke, inspirational, and comical coasters designed and manufactured by our team.

Dominic, Henry, Joshua, Olly B, Ollie C, and Nithyan.



Squeaky Clean Car Washing

As part of Year 9s 'Tenner Challenge', a group of students decided to clean cars at break times.

Interior cleaning was also offered. It looks like they were very busy and offered a good service.

Prices charged:

Exterior £10

Interior £8

Interior and exterior £15

Nick and Harry 9B









Between them, the teams made a profit of £339.35, with the most raised by an individual team of £146 by making personalised coasters.

Another team that made handmade wooden fidget toys donated their £65 to MNDA.

Well Done Year 9s

Year 11 History Workshop

On Wednesday 9 June, Year 11 students planning to study History at A Level had the opportunity to join a preview *School's History Project* workshop provided for Carre's students with Alex Ford (University lecturer from Leeds Trinity University and author of our GCSE textbook). He got us thinking about how history is constructed and how these constructions have real impacts for people today. Students were also introduced to ideas about settler colonialism as well as how to engage with reading history critically and understanding the processes by which historical interpretations are created. At the end of the session there was the opportunity for students to ask questions.

There will be a further two workshops later in June, anyone who wants to join these sessions (which are open to all schools) should contact Mrs Wilson.



The Historical Association Honorary Fellows 2021

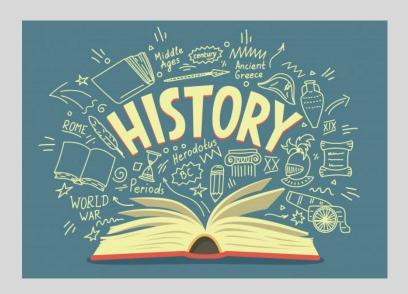
The HA has a number of Fellowships and Fellows. Some are for teaching achievements, some are from participation on a course or similar, others are for lengthy membership such as our Jubilee Fellows – and then we have our Honorary Fellows. These are awarded to people who have shown dedication to history teaching, to the study of history, to the support of other history professionals and to the HA and its remit.

A limited number of people are made Honorary Fellows each year following nominations from the HA Branches and committees, with final approval coming from the governing body of the HA. It is, therefore, a prestigious award amongst the history and teaching communities.

This year we are delighted to announce that 16 Honorary Fellowships have been awarded to Sally Burnham.

Mrs Sally Wilson (aka Sally Burnham), Teacher of History, has been invited to attend this ceremony in London in September.

Well done Mrs Wilson!



Institute of Chartered Accountants (BASE ICAEW)

Each year the Institute of Chartered Accountants runs a school-based competition to create awareness of the industry and help develop employability skills in young people. The teams of 4 take part in an online 'game' which looks discreetly at their employability skills, before having to submit a presentation on a particular business scenario. 100's of teams and 1,000's of students enter each year and in previous years, the top 48 teams progress through to the live national final, normally in a plush hotel and involving an overnight stay.

This year, due to restrictions, the national final will be a virtual event with only the top 24 teams in the country going through. I am pleased to say that a team from our Year 12 CTEC Business class has made it through to the last 24 teams.

The participants are:

Molly, Eleanor, Liv and Esme



If you do see them around, please do congratulate them – this is a huge achievement already and they will gain so much from taking part in this process.

Ms Moncur (KSHS) and Mr Ahmed (CGS)

Duke of Edinburgh Award

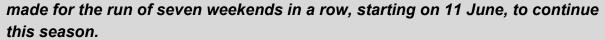
The Robert Carre Trust Duke of Edinburgh Award expedition season 2021 is well underway after a difficult start to the year.

In May we managed to get the Year 9 students out on their day walks and training consolidation in and around the Sleaford area; on a weekend of two halves with rain and cold weather on the Saturday for the KSHS students and

beautiful sunshine for the CGS students on Sunday.

We then took the Year 10 students to Sherwood Forest and surrounding area for their hybrid Silver practice and Bronze assessments (kept strictly within their year group and school bubbles) also in May.

Whilst most people were having a quiet half term, preparations were being



We have the Year 11 KSHS hybrid Silver practice and Bronze assessment first (the Year 10 CGS one was completed in October 2020) followed by the Year 9 assessments all in the Sherwood Forest area. We then change areas in July to complete Silver assessments for the Year 10 and 11 students in the Lincolnshire Wolds. Finally, also in July, we have a hybrid Gold practice and Silver assessed for the Year 12 students and Gold assessed for the Year 13 leavers, both in the Yorkshire Dales.

A huge thank you to the wonderful RCT DofE staff volunteer team without whom we could not achieve what we have done, particularly during the difficult last 18 months.

The opportunity for these students to get out in the fresh air and countryside to complete something positive is so beneficial for their mental wellbeing and development of independence, teamwork, and social skills. A piece of normality in these challenging times.

I am thrilled to have enabled in the region of 300 students with their expedition section, (despite the delays as a result of Covid) with many of them completing Bronze and Silver, or Silver and Gold this 2021 season.



Furthermore 110 students who chose not to take part in the expeditions have completed a Certificate of Achievement offered during these unprecedented times by the Duke of Edinburgh Award to recognise the hard work of students in completing a Volunteering, Physical and Skills activity (which is three quarters of a full award) at any level.

Congratulations to all involved and a huge welcome to the Year 8 students currently registering to do their Bronze award and others registering to continue their Duke of Edinburgh Award journey in 2022.

Mrs Mel Walker DofE Co-ordinator







ART

In April the Royal Mail launched a new competition for school children to design a stamp. The theme was 'Covid Hero'. This could be anyone who the students thought worked extra hard during the pandemic, such as teachers, cleaners, supermarket workers or doctors and nurses.

Here is a selection of our entries:

The competition closed on 28 May and the winners will be announced by Royal Mail in the autumn.

Miss Angus, Head of Art















LRC NEWS



In recognition of Pride Month 2021, we have a display of a wide range of

LGBTQ+ books in the LRC. The LRC displays are constantly changing to highlight the wide variety of stock that we have, and to reflect current events.

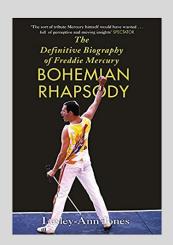
It is hoped that this display will be of relevance to all students as it promotes the strong ethos at Carre's of acceptance and inclusivity for all.

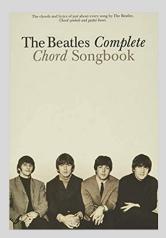


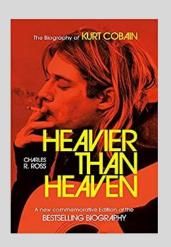
Other current displays include a rock music icons display which showcases some fantastic biographies and sheet music books that we have in the LRC. The collection ranges from classics such as the Beatles and Queen to more recent music stars.

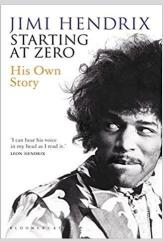
As always if any students have any ideas about the types of books that they would like to see in the LRC, please could they let me know so that I can adapt stock and keep it relevant. I am also always on hand to provide reading recommendations and suggestions for students who are struggling to find the right book!

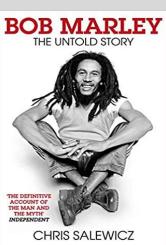


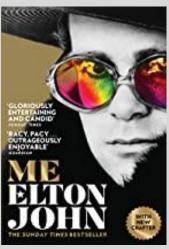












Happy Reading!!!

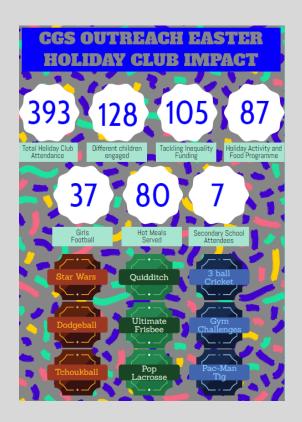
Mrs Morrissey, LRC Manager

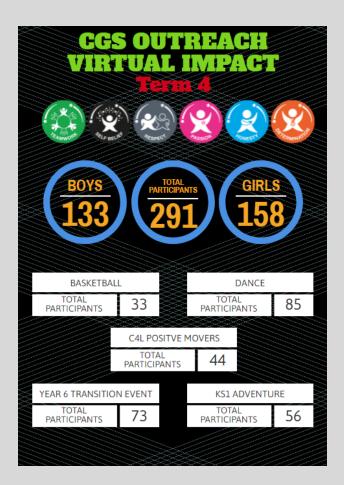


One of Che Cocks' snake eggs has hatched!

Liam Robinson and Charlie Foran had an exciting time on the golf course in the sun recently, with a rare find of an Adder, the only venomous snake in the UK which only appears when hungry.....









Twinning Opportunities

Sleaford and District Twinning Association is keen to encourage students to take part in visits and hospitality.

Sleaford is twinned with a small town near Lille and another near Berlin. In "normal" times the Association visits each country and receives visitors once a year, thus providing fabulous opportunities to practise French and/or German. As the Association stays in each other's homes they learn those all-important phrases and customs which bring the language alive.

Over the years groups of young people have taken part in organised music, sport and language visits but the Association wants to encourage individual students to come on an adventure with us.

Email: <u>sleafordtwinning@gmail.com</u> and a real person will get back to you.

Jan Mathieson Chairperson - Sleaford and District Twinning Association

Wellbeing for All

There is great anticipation about the 21 June as this might be a step towards normality. However, the effects of the last year will continue and lockdown has been difficult for many of us for a variety of reasons. In full lockdown things might have felt more certain or predictable, as the rules were clearer, but now that lockdown restrictions are easing things might feel less clear, and there may be new challenges and it can feel stressful when things are changing.

For students who may be feeling overwhelmed, they can ring HOPELINEUK. https://www.papyrus-uk.org/hopelineuk/. HOPELINK is a confidential support and advice service for children and young people under the age of 35 who are experiencing thoughts of suicide.

Alternatively, students can text YoungMinds Crisis Messenger service and a counsellor will talk things through with them. The YoungMinds Crisis Messenger text service provides free, 24/7 crisis support across the UK. If they are experiencing a mental health crisis and need support, they can text YM to 85258. Finding the right support is important, especially if they need someone to talk to straight away. They aim to connect every texter to a trained volunteer promptly to provide crisis help. They will listen to them and help them think more clearly, enabling them to know that they can take the next step to feeling better.

For over 18s there is a really helpful resource from SilverCloud. The SilverCloud 'Space from Covid' programme is made up of six modules. Each module provides clinically backed support for trouble sleeping, coping with stress, developing mindfulness, financial worries and experiencing grief and loss. SilverCloud is offering this service completely free of charge and for anyone to use. The average module takes 30 minutes to complete and is accessible 24/7 from a smartphone, tablet or computer. You can sign up at the following link:https://www.silvercloudhealth.com/uk/landing-page/space-from-covid.

The following link takes you to some videos for all sorts of tips on exercise, sleep and how to take care of yourself on social media (particularly important for young people).

https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/mental-wellbeing-tips/youth-mental-health/

Fundraising for MNDA

Dan (8L) Levi and Alfie (7L) both earned certificates, along with Finn in 7W. Ryan in 7W and Oscar in Yr12 both exceeded the £77 milestone and have also now qualified for a medal in recognition of their fundraising efforts.

Between them they are getting closer and closer to the £700 target on their JustGiving page which you can visit at: justgiving.com/carres7in7 or scan the QR code.







Sasha with his 7in7 medal - congratulations!



So along with Sasha, we now have another 3 students who have well and truly earned their 7in7 medal, for taking on their own 7in7 challenge.

Well done 🕹



Finn and Ryan with their 7in7 medals (3)



Notices

PE Kit and School Property

Please label all PE kit and school clothing/property.

Student Sickness

Students who are poorly/injured during the school day must report to the school office to be assessed by our first aiders. Students are not permitted to phone home and ask to be collected from school without prior permission.

Cashless Catering

Please ensure that there are sufficient funds on your son/daughter's ParentPay account to enable them to pay for food in The Chill. Overdrafts are only permitted in extreme circumstances.

Free School Meals

Lincolnshire County Council has a new process to apply for Free School Meals which went 'live' for parents to use on Tuesday 4 September via the following parent portal link:

https://lcc.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/parentportal.

LCC will process eligibility checks for Free School Meals.

Is my child eligible?

Your child may be eligible if you are in receipt of one or more of the following qualifying benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

How to apply

Parents, guardians and carers can apply for free school meals online: https://lcc.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/parentportal. For more information, please call the Lincolnshire County Council Customer Service Centre on 01522 782030 or email -Free_School_Meals@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Thank you.



Summer 2021 is about finding your future! (and having fun, of course)

We are pleased to say that we are launching the **Parent Perspective Podcast** which gives parents and young people advice and information about apprenticeships.

We also have our dedicated Parent Page which looks to give advice and provide useful resources.

Do you know how many opportunities are currently live on the website? *It's over* 1.000!

We have apprenticeships, jobs and other opportunities from some of the biggest companies all across the UK. Every day, new roles are added which means there's usually something for everyone!

Our YouTube channel features some of our fantastic partners who are qualified and skilled in their areas of expertise. This ranges from CV writing to interview techniques. For more information please see the NGTU website.

https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/

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Following the UK's departure from the European Union, EU/EEA/Swiss citizens who want to live in the UK need to apply for a new immigration status.

The EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) grants EU Citizens and their families currently living in the UK the right to continue living in the UK after Brexit, and specifically their rights to live, work, study rent, use the NHS, and claim benefits.

Everyone must make an application, including children.

Applications for children are individual and separate from those of their parents. Childrens' immigration status is not automatically guaranteed by their parents' status!

The deadline to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme is the 30 June 2021. Any EU, EEA or Swiss child who has not applied under the scheme by this deadline – and does not have an alternative legal status (e.g. British citizenship) – may be considered unlawfully resident in the UK and may be prevented from attending nurseries or schools.

Some of the children born in the UK may not automatically be British and need to apply to the EUSS.

Get in touch with us to get help with child EUSS applications!

Applying for a child

EU Settlement Scheme Support Team Citizens Advice South Lincolnshire Free Helpline: 0800 448 0734

Aged 14-25 & living in Lincolnshire?

Opinions about police, crime and safer communities?

The Lincolnshire Youth Commission needs you!

- Work alongside other
- young adults to make
- a change
- Give your views to
- Marc Jones, Lincolnshire
- Police and Crime
- Commissioner
- Develop leadership
- skills and gain
- valuable experience

Applications by Friday 25th June 2021.

For more information on how to apply go to: bit.ly/lincsyouth

Any questions? Contact: Kaytea@leaders-unlocked.org

Lincolnshire Youth Commission on Police, Crime and Community Safety: Application Guidance Notes

Please read carefully before filling in your application form

1. What is the Youth Commission on Police, Crime and Community Safety?

The Youth Commission enables young people to support, challenge and inform the work of the **Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire, Marc Jones**. The project allows young people to get involved and have their say about policing and crime where they live.

For more information about the Lincolnshire Youth Commission please go to: bit.ly/lincsyouth

2. Who can join the Lincolnshire Youth Commission?

We are looking for participants aged 14-25 years who are currently residents of the Lincolnshire policing area. The role is open to anyone in this age group living in Lincolnshire. In total, we are seeking to recruit up to 25 young people. We are looking for people who will be good team players, who will be committed to the project and willing to do all of the activities involved. We

team players, who will be committed to the project and willing to do all of the activities involved. We are also very keen to ensure that the Youth Commission is made up of a diverse group of young people who broadly reflect the make-up of the local population, including those who may have direct experience of the police and justice system.

3. If I join, what will I have to do?

Between July 2021 and January 2022, members of the Youth Commission will:

- Take part in Youth Commission sessions: You will participate in 4 Youth Commission sessions which will usually be on Saturdays (July, August, October, January)
- Work on special topics: You will pick a topic (from a shortlist) that interests you to work on with a small group of other members. The shortlist will be determined by the Youth Commission and may include topics such as relations with the police, reducing youth offending, drug abuse etc.
- Gather the views of other young people: You will be given support to carry out peer consultation with other young people from schools, colleges, universities and youth groups. This can be done to suit your schedule and can fit around your existing commitments. We anticipate that each member will do in the region of 30 hours of consultation in total by the end of the project.
- Plan events: You will work in a team to design and plan interactive events to engage other young people and partner agencies in your area. You will be invited to help to run these events wherever possible, as long as there is no clash with your school/ college commitments.
- Report back to the Police and Crime Commissioner: You will contribute towards the analysis of information gathered from young people in your area and help to present back your conclusions to the Police and Crime Commissioner.
- Help to host the Youth Commission Conference in 2022: You will have the opportunity to present your results and recommendations and be a part of discussions with Lincolnshire Constabulary, partner agencies and other young people.

4. What will I get from being part of the Youth Commission?

• Discuss issues with the Police and Crime Commissioner, police and key partners:

You will have discussions with the Commissioner, police and other partners through the Youth Commission and help them to understand what young people in your area think about Police, Crime and Community Safety.

- **Develop your skills and experience**: You will gain valuable skills and experience, which you will be able to use for your CV or applications to Further or Higher Education.
- **Become ambassadors for other young people**: You will give a voice to young people in your area by helping them to get their views heard.
- **Meet new people:** You will meet a diverse range of other young people from the Lincolnshire area, and work alongside professionals from different organisations.

5. Filling in the application form

Please fill in the enclosed application form and email it to: **Kelese@leaders-unlocked.org** by Friday 25 June 2021.

- Section 1: if you are under 18 you must also fill out the section regarding your Parent /Guardian/Carer. They will also have to complete and sign a Consent Form to give their permission for you to participate.
- **Privacy:** Your privacy is really important to us. By filling in the Lincolnshire Youth Commission application form, you are consenting to Leaders Unlocked using your personal information to keep in touch with you over the course of the project. If your application is not successful, or you decide to withdraw your application, we will delete your personal data from our files. If you want to withdraw your consent at any time you can contact the Data Protection officer at info@leadersunlocked.org and if you would like to see our full Privacy Notice you can do so here http://leaders-unlocked.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Leaders-UnlockedPrivacy-Notice-May- 2018-1.pdf

6. What happens next?

Once we receive your application, we will then carry out brief telephone interviews with a shortlist of applicants. All applicants will receive a message to let them know the outcome by 5 July 2021.