



Maghull High News

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Hello and welcome to Maghull High School News. Welcome back to everyone after what was hopefully a restful summer holiday. We aim to publish a newsletter every half term and hope you enjoy reading about all of the exciting things that go on in and outside of school throughout the year.

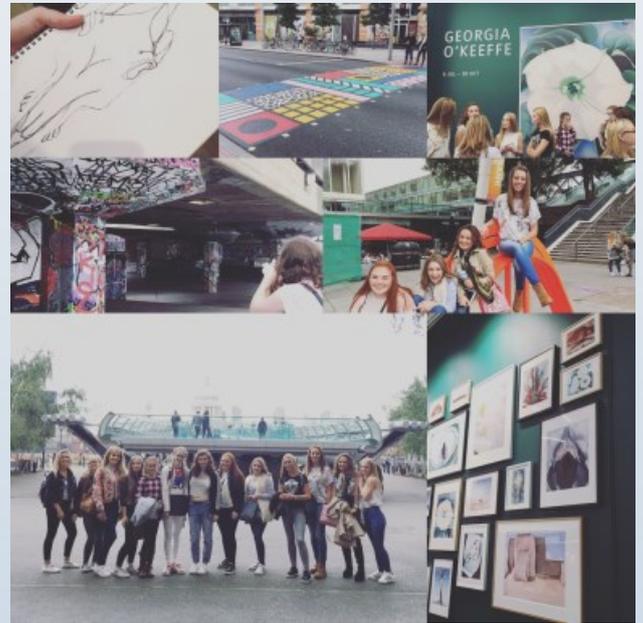
Presentation Evening



We were immensely privileged and proud to welcome Andy Walker to our presentation evening recently. Andy's presentation was warm and funny, inspiring our students and parents to think about their life choices and grasp every opportunity regardless of obstacles and adversities thrown at you.

At the age of 28, Andy believed he was "living the dream" until he hit a rock whilst swimming which resulted in him becoming paralysed from the neck down. Six years on he still lives his life to the full participating in numerous hobbies including sailing, climbing, raising money for charity and starring in Emmerdale. We wish Andy every success with his latest adventure to summit Kilimanjaro and we look forward to welcoming him back to Maghull on his return.

Art Updates



London Trip

On Monday 19 September a group of Year 11-13 Art students relished the opportunity to visit our country's capital, London. The highlight of the day for many was viewing a Georgia O'Keeffe exhibition in the Tate Modern as pupils had the opportunity to view the artist's work up close. Pupils also had the opportunity to view public art on the South Bank as well as visit the Houses of Parliament.

Dot Art

Miss Jones and Miss Garnett welcomed a film crew in to the department to film a promotional video for the Dot Art Competition. The filming was based around why the Arts are so important to the young people of today, and why a good art education is essential.

Safeguarding Update

Safeguarding assemblies have been delivered to main school and the sixth form over the past couple of weeks. The assemblies covered issues such as e-safety, mobile phone and social media usage, well-being and anti-bullying. Students were signposted to relevant websites for advice and guidance, such as thinkuknow.co.uk and Childline. They were also updated on who the Safeguarding Team for this year are. Students were reminded that their wider pastoral team and the Phoenix Centre team are also there to support them with any issues or concerns. Links to relevant websites for students can be found on Firefly and for parents, relevant links can be found on our school website under the General tab.

Engineering Trip to RRS Discovery



The RRS Discovery is usually found in remote areas trying to help solve environmental issues but on Thursday 8th October ten year 10 engineering students from Maghull High visited the ship for a tour and to take part in several engineering and science based tasks. At three years old, the vessel is the newest and most advanced scientific research ship in the world. The behaviour, enthusiasm and application of all pupils was exemplary throughout. Thank you to the staff who organised and accompanied the trip. Look out for more on engineering trips in our forthcoming issues of the newsletter.



MADCOS Sports Update

On Thursday 6 October, the car park at Maghull High School was full to capacity as 226 pupils from eleven different primary schools descended on our site for the MADCOS cross country tournament. They brought along their parents and families to spectate as year four, five and six completed their races. A massive thank you to the eleven schools who attended and well done to the 226 pupils who participated.

Netball Update

The first games of the season were against Litherland. Despite the weather, play carried on inside and all three Maghull High School teams won! Well done to all girls who represented the school so well but a special mention must go to the following:

Year 7 girl of the match- Niamh Nuttall

Year 8 girl of the match- Mia O'Connor

Year 9 girl of the match- Kaitlyn Grealey

Year 7 Football Update

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A close game with both managers making many substitutions saw Maghull High winning by a single goal. Daniel Brisco scored two goals, the second being a long range free kick. Zach Summerlin then secured the win with a calm finish low into the corner of the net.

Maghull 7 St Marys 6

A second half comeback saw the year 7 team beat St Marys in a thirteen goal thriller. A team showing plenty of determination came back from 5-2 down to win the match.

Goal scorers:

Liam Quillan

Bayley McDonald

Joe Nuttall

Daniel Brisco

Rhys Linacre

Reeve Owens

Zach Summerlin

Congratulations to the team on what is a brilliant start!

Dates for the diary

Friday 21 October—INSET day

Monday 31 October—Year 7 Halloween Disco

Wednesday 2 November—Year 11 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 16 November—Sixth Form Open Evening

Wednesday 30 November—Sixth Form Parents' Evening

Wednesday 14 December—Year 10 Parents' Evening



The Tailormade



We were extremely fortunate to have London band The Tailormade in our school recently and what a performance we were given. The band, consisting of Jack, Aaron and Matt, performed a number of their own songs as well as some covers to pupils in years 7, 8 and 9 and discussed the dangers of drugs, smoking and alcohol. The pupils were fully engaged throughout the performance and enjoyed meeting the band afterwards for selfies and autographs.

Macmillan Cake Sale

Thank you to all students and staff who supported our recent Macmillan cake sale. In fifteen minutes at break on the day, over seventy pounds was raised. The idea was put forward by Ellie Kendall in year 11 who applied for the pack, brought cakes in for the sale and advertised the event around school. A big thank you goes out to Ellie for bringing attention to this worthwhile event.

China Trip

We are very excited that twenty brave students and four intrepid staff have departed on their epic journey to our partners in Minggang High School, via Beijing and Shanghai. This is an amazing venture for the school and for the Year 12 students involved. The project China team have been actively engaged in fund raising to support the visit with a non uniform day in school and their own various sponsored efforts to raise money. Their next big event is Saturday 12 November at Liverpool One where the team will have ownership of the community stall to publicise the partnership and collect donations. Whilst in China, the team will be visiting some historic sites of interest in Beijing and Shanghai, as well as spending a week in home stay with the Chinese students from our partner high school and their families. Thank you to all the local businesses and our students' families who have supported us in this venture. We will publish details of their trip in the next issue.

Open Events

Thank you to all staff and students who helped out at both of our recent open events. Open Evening on 21 September was, as usual, very busy and those parents and children who came on the morning of 8 October for a more relaxed look round really appreciated the opportunity to do so. As well as this, we have been showing a number of families around during the school day and, without exception, they have been impressed by how polite, friendly and hard-working our students have been. Thank you to you all.

Science Club



Science Club takes place every Thursday after school in room 54 with Miss Mercer and Miss Venables. Last year's Science Club members helped to run our primary transition science sessions and, as a reward, experienced a trip to Chester Zoo at the end of the year.

We are delighted to report that record numbers have been attending so far this term, primarily from years seven and eight. Students from other year groups are also welcome. Students who attend carry out fun experiments and exciting investigations. We are pleased to announce that on 20 October, a scientist with a PhD in nanoscience is coming to carry out a nanoscience investigation. Watch this space for updates.

History Trip to Westminster



On Monday 19 September, a group of thirty four sixth formers from a range of subjects including art, government & politics, history and philosophy & ethics visited London. The main purpose of the visit was to have a guided tour of Parliament though we also stopped at the Bank of England Museum and sat on the steps of St Paul's Cathedral for lunch.

Girls' Football



We are delighted to report that, for the first time, we have entered an under 14 girls' football team into the English Schools Cup. We are extremely proud to say that our team won their first game against Whitby High School 9-0. A mixture of students from years eight and nine worked together as a team and got through the first round of the English Schools Cup competition. Special mention must go to Darcy Maloney and Poppy Stewart. We are very much looking forward to the next round when the girls are playing Holy Family at home. Good luck girls and thanks to Miss Nelson.

Anne Frank Ambassadors

We found out this week that our year 11 Anne Frank ambassadors have been nominated for a Maghull Civic Award for the work they have spearheaded over a number of years to help others understand the history of the Holocaust and its lessons for their lives and communities. We wish them lots of luck as they attend the awards ceremony this week and, even if they do not secure an award, we would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their commitment and hard work over the last few years.

Student Council



Donations were collected through the School Council for the Carla Lane dogs' shelter in Melling and the Harrison House care home for the elderly in Maghull. Thank you to students and staff who delivered all manner of treats to both places which was much appreciated.

Geography Field Work



On September 30 a group of year 13 geographers visited The Trough of Bowland and Garstang where they investigated changing river channel characteristics from source to mouth, and flood defences, in preparation for paper 4A of their A2 Geography course. Despite the weather, a good day was had by all.